

The government must protect our airwaves from the same corporate gatekeepers that have stifled innovation and competition in Internet markets.

To restore America's leadership in high speed Internet services, the FCC must ensure that the upcoming auction sets aside at least 30 MHz of spectrum for open and non-discriminatory Internet access. This will guarantee that new entrants have the opportunity to enter the market in competition with incumbent providers.

It would be a big mistake to hand over these airwaves to the very same phone and cable companies that dominate the wireline market. We need more competition and innovation, not more of the same. This new wireless spectrum must be open and neutral so that America can build a better Internet for everyone.

Lincoln said that the nation, and therefore it's government was "by the people, for the people". He did not say "by the people, for the corporations." The government's job is to limit monopolies to help protect its citizens. The public airwaves were provided by the government for public use, and the government should leave them in the hands of the public, not give them over to the corporations.