

THE INTERNET DOES NOT BELONG TO CORPORATIONS

FCC officers,

Internet access is the last fundamental free media currently NOT bought out by corporations eager to control the voice of the people for profit. Billions of dollars are being spent and made online from people all over the world, and the U.S. certainly is the leading player in the virtual marketplace. If ATT, Verizon or other mega-corporations are legally permitted to charge extortion for the use of "public airwaves" then we've all lost. The online economy will creep along instead of growing by leaps and bounds, the only information we hear will be that of the corporate blind, continually selling their unnecessary garbage while at the same time stealing information about the very movements of those remaining online using their over-priced, criminal and coercive services. I for one would immediately stop using any company that has a complete monopoly and control more importantly, over content. Look at the U.S. daily paper. How many people read it? It's a dying industry. With better sources for information and again, more accurate voices providing truthful and meanign from news, we don't read papers that are printed and edited based on what will "sell" or what corporate America thinks we should hear. The network news is hurting also. Check the ratings. Nightly news programs are falling to pieces. Infotainment is killing not only the legitimacy of almost every "news" show on television (cable and network), but has lost millions of viewers because of their lack of serious reporting. The Corporation has proven time and again that they are not capable of doing what is best for their customers, country or even themselves. The sell everybody short in the long run. A country with one voice is a country without freedom or democracy. Hugo Chavas just used a dictitorial move to shut down a legitimate new source and television station in his country. The people lose, the country loses. Consolidating our internet as these companies so desperately want you to believe is exactly the same thing as Chavas us!

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rce to shut down the voice of his people and democracy. Do you want this in America? Haven't you seen what has happened to our country in the past 20 years? Haven't you noticed how the entire world now views this country? How we are despised in most places and laughed at everywhere else. Capitalism is fine, but unregulated it is fascist and dangerous. Your branch of the government is charged to protect the country, the constitution and our values, not just those of corpoartions and lobbyist who already have more than their share of a voice and control. We the People will never stop communicating, exchanging ideas and striving to create a fair and decent world for everyone. why do corporations fear us, their so called customer base, so much? Why do our so called elected officials fear us so much? The answer is simple. We are a country of ideals and goodwill to all men, a country of fairness and justice. The things that are currently happening in this country are anything but that. That is why we are feared. Because we want truth. Corporate control in not about truth, it is about hiding the truth, it is about being accountable to no one. Even you at the FCC. Please hear our voice and stop this blackmailing of our democracy for the profit of these companies. They can use the internet, just as we can. But they cannot control our voice, our communiacion and

information just because it scares them because we are not fools, and will not be lied to any longer.