

Dear committee members,

Imagine having to wait 20 minutes to place a phone call to your family members. Imagine having to pay more money to call the operator of a competing company than one that is partnered with your current phone provider. Imagine having a phone call time limit for chatting with your friends, or certain services.

Imagine your phone company would redirect you from your local doctor to another one when you wish to consult, just because the other doctor pays money to the phone company to do so, and this would be allowed.

These analogies demonstrate clearly what could happen if net neutrality would be given up for the phone companies.

Broadband internet works because it is broad, not because it is narrow and restricted. Sacrificing net neutrality means that 300 million people in the United States will lose their only truly free accessible source of information, and sacrifice that for the will of large companies.

Television neutrality has been lost, and the consumer prices for basic television are far higher than in counterparts in the world, with far less quality television available.

Please let the American people enjoy and benefit from net neutrality. Sacrificing it will not benefit anyone, and put censorship powers right in the hands of corporate organizations.