

## Net Neutrality Means a Thriving US Democracy

NET NEUTRALITY is ESSENTIAL TO FREE SPEECH and economic innovation in America. Since the FCC removed this basic protection in 2005, the top executives of phone and cable companies have stated their intention to become the Internet's gatekeepers

Broadband providers WANT a TIERD system and WILL DISCRIMINATE against Web content sites that don't pay their added tolls. They want to DOUBLE CHARGE both ends, both end-users and content providers!!! PEOPLE ALREADY PAY telcos and cable operators for access to these sites.

\* \* \* If FIBER networks are our new AIR WAVES \* \* \* as protected traditionally by the FCC, we must keep these networks FREE for content providers as long as the wire companies are compensated by their billed subscribers.

Any approval of a tiered system will END the open Internet as we know it. It will damage MY ability to connect with others and crimp the CONTENT PROVIDERS of free information I rely on.

I want America's citizens to SHARE information FREELY and participate in our VASTLY IMPROVED 21st century democracy!!!

The FCC and Congress MUST ensure that broadband providers do not block, interfere with or discriminate against any lawful Internet traffic based on its ownership, source or destination.