

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.

Please protect Network Neutrality, the idea of even allowing a few large corporations in the telecom and cable business to control the Internet -- enabling them to set up toll booths and discriminate on websites based on the type of source material they have or how much they are willing to pay them to be allowed access to consumers browsing the Internet would be disastrous to the free and open Internet and threaten potential freedoms -- a backlash on American democracy. Technological innovation is supposed to help enhance communications and information -- not stifle it. This is a problem also with copy protection technologies or DRM -- Digital Restrictions Management called by their supporters as Digital Rights Management although they involve taking away rights to music and video content -- technology is supposed to provide new opportunities and open more possibilities for everyone to benefit -- content companies use technological advances to cripple freedoms of their customers -- to cripple digital freedoms using crippling technology. Technology is supposed to enhance the way people work and play -- i.e. using computers for work and fun by playing games, listening to music and watching video in addition to what I said earlier about work. Technology is supposed to help empower people and small businesses not cripple what people can do with said technology.