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Dear Chairman Genachowski,

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At the request NFWL's leadership, I have enclosed a letter regarding the adoption of broadband internet service and its effect in the states.

Please do not hesitate to call on me or my staff any time with questions or concerns and I would be happy to connect you with members of our leadership or any of our elected women across the nation at any time.

Thank you for time and consideration of this letter reporting the specific interests and concerns of our legislators.

Sincerely,

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October 15, 2009

Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM)

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

We are concerned that the Federal Communications Commission might attempt to regulate the Internet rather than focus on the real issues of broadband Internet adoption before our states. We are writing you on behalf of our colleagues nationwide and the National Foundation of Women Legislators (NFWL) to share our perspective and urge you to stop any attempts to create new regulation.

The Internet, and more specifically the widespread adoption of broadband Internet service, has transformed the economy. In just a few short years, we have become accustomed to researching virtually any topic online in a matter of minutes. Rather than stand in line, we can renew our driver's licenses and car registrations online, while we also pay our bills, move money from one account to another and download transactions to balance our checkbooks. We can get a college degree online or make a doctor's appointment. Some of us are just beginning to experience medical monitoring over the Internet. This just scratches the surface, but we all can appreciate the difference broadband Internet access has made.

Our major concern is in seeing that every American has access to this technology. For some, it is a literal matter of access, as about 10 percent of our residents can not get broadband service. Of the 90 percent who do have access, about 37 percent have not subscribed to the service. Some can not afford it, some do not see the benefit, and some just need help in learning how to use it.

These are the issues that we need to address. If net neutrality principles are codified and adopted, we will be taking a step backward. It would limit the innovation in how broadband services are delivered and who pays for them. Net neutrality will force one model on everyone – one in which the consumer will pick up the tab. That will make the service even further out of reach financially for too many consumers.

The wonder of the Internet has been that we never know what is around the next corner. Who would have thought that in a few short years, the amount of data generated by just one video site (YouTube) would exceed that of the entire Internet at the beginning of this decade? Or that cell phones would almost replace separate cameras for many, who then would post their pictures for all to see using wireless Internet access?

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Therefore, as the Commission approaches their work on this rulemaking it is critical that a conclusion is not drawn before the process begins. The process for developing a National Broadband Plan has been comprehensive and collaborative and the Commission must ensure that same process for this rulemaking. This process must incorporate all stakeholder input so we can continue to develop a robust and innovative Internet. That is the way it will spread to all and continue to drive our economy.

Sincerely,

Representative Juanita Head Walton
Chair Emeritus, NFWL

Representative Linda Bartelsmeyer
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RE: Notice of Proposed Rule Making on Net Neutrality, WC 07-52

The National Hispanic Council on Aging (NHCOA) is the nation's premier constituency-based organization dedicated to improving the quality of life for the Hispanic/Latino elderly, their families, and their communities. Now in its 28th year, NHCOA represents a network of 42 community-based organizations across the continental U.S., the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. NHCOA also maintains a broader network of 7,000 individuals and reaches 10 million Hispanics each year through its work and that of its affiliates.

Telecommunications access through broadband expansion is the most vital and efficient way to deliver information, services, and products – allowing mature adults to live life to the fullest irrespective of personal ability or geographic location. The Commission must adopt policies that will expand the deployment of broadband technology: improved healthcare options, online medical consultations, and independent living applications all of which drastically benefit the aging community.

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The Internet is a platform that transforms the way the aging community stays connected, receives health care and provides value in the workforce. The Internet has been a steady economic driver of the past two decades and we must ensure this environment continues to foster job growth, economic prosperity and the development of our workforce.

The President and Administration strongly believe that the Internet plays a critical role in helping to solve today's most pressing social issues such as those faced by mature Americans. The Commission has the opportunity to focus its energy on policies that will increase the adoption of broadband technologies so that more seniors can get connected.

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Cc: Senator Reid

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Dear Sirs/Madam,

Please consider the attached comments:

Yours in Service

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RE: BROADBAND INDUSTRY PRACTICES (WC DOCKET NO. 07-52)

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

As one who has been watching the FCC wrestle with today's complex communications issues, I believe the Commission is on the verge of making a critical decision soon that will impact the future of the open "world wide web."

The Commission's pending announcement on October 22nd, combined with your recent remarks, suggest that you are considering network neutrality regulation which will negatively impact how the future of the Internet operates. Network neutrality, will, quite simply, make it more difficult for companies to invest in wireless and broadband networks at a time when communities need all the investment they can get.

It is important that the FCC supports an open internet with FCC oversight in accordance with its four internet connectivity principles to ensure that the internet is open, affordable and accessible to all consumers. The principles should focus on the needs of consumers and apply broadly to include internet application and service providers.

Thanks to millions of dollars of private investment and the introduction of new technologies, broadband access has been growing dramatically here in Connecticut. Personal and business consumers are taking advantage of these resources to energize their businesses and simplify their lives. With companies competing to bring the best possible service to customers, broadband and wireless investment bring desperately needed private-sector jobs to Connecticut.

Rushing head-first into network neutrality regulation would be a huge mistake, hampering the innovation, entrepreneurship and competition that exist in today's communications markets.

Respectfully,

William A. Stanley

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New London, CT

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Hello!

Please see the attached letter regarding Broadband Industry Practices (WC Docket No. 07-52)

Thank you for your consideration,

Kind Regards,

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Sincerely,

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Re: Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM)

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

The U.S. Distance Learning Association is privileged to continue working with the Commission on the National Broadband Plan. We are dedicated professionals committed to the distance learning industry and have a unique perspective on our nation's broadband policy. Broadband access and adoption must be the Commission's first priority because it will close the digital divide and give all Americans access to the Internet.

Broadband expansion and adoption will provide increased educational opportunities for America who might otherwise lack access because of their rural or remote location. Additionally broadband expansion will level the playing field on education by enabling students in rural America access to the same information as students in large metropolitan areas.

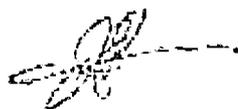
We believe the Internet should be open and accessible and thus far policies have allowed growth and innovation that has benefited all Americans. However, recently proposed regulations, known as net neutrality, will only create a stumbling block for broadband technology and delay widespread delivery of distance learning along with other benefits.

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on net neutrality should be just as transparent and collaborative as the National Broadband Plan inquiry. The Commission must implement a fact-driven approach and seek counsel before reaching any conclusions with regard to new Internet regulations.

Dedicated to the educational benefits that universal broadband connections make possible we are hopeful that the Commission will keep broadband deployment and adoption its first priority and not focus on unnecessary and burdensome regulations.

In closing, ensuring that all Americans have access to educational opportunities through distance learning technologies is and will continue to be a great equalizer in our society. USDLA supports the status quo of current net neutrality interpretation and expectations. We believe it will encourage the Telecom industry to continue its pioneering and investment efforts in making distance learning opportunities available to everyone. This position supports and helps fulfill the mission of USDLA for its many constituencies. More importantly however, this position is paramount for all lifelong learners of all ages in the United States of America.

Sincerely,



John G. Flores, Ph.D.
Chief Executive Officer
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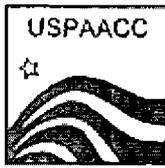
Please find attached comments from the US Pan Asian American Chamber of Commerce – Education Foundation (USPAACC EF) on the Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) – WC 07052.

Thank you

Best regards,

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Re: Notice of Proposed Rule Making (NPRM) - WC 07-52

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

The Notice of Proposed Rulemaking dealing with "Network Neutrality" presents concerns for the US Pan Asian Chamber of Commerce EF. Our current focus is on providing all Americans with an open Internet, particularly Asian-owned businesses. We know the Commission shares this goal, and ask you to be mindful of the potential impact of new regulation on the deployment and adoption of broadband.

As a result of private investment in the absence of Internet regulation, more than 90 percent of households across the country now have access to broadband networks. Though there are still consumers lacking this access, typically in high-cost, hard-to-serve areas, and adoption rates vary widely. Only 63 percent of Americans use broadband—including just 30 percent of seniors, 35 percent of low-income households and 46 percent of rural households. Many of our constituents are among those groups, so we support efforts to close these gaps. Pro-growth communications policies are the only way to effectively meet that challenge.

Depending on how network neutrality is defined and interpreted, it may actually limit the ability of underserved groups to gain equal access to the latest technology supported by broadband infrastructures. Therefore, the Notice of Proposed Rulemaking should include expert opinions from all sides and each proposed broadband regulation should be supported by thorough and reliable data that ensures that private investment will be able to continue to fuel the growth of broadband deployment and adoption. We ask the Commission to exercise the utmost discretion before it moves forward with any new Internet regulation, especially those intended to implement neutrality provisions.

Respectfully,

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US Pan Asian Chamber of Commerce EF
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Julius Genachowski, Chairman
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Washington, DC 20554

RE: Broadband Industry Practices (WC Docket No. 07-52)

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

On behalf of the Commonwealth of Virginia, and the constituents in Central and Southside Virginia, I urge the FCC to reconsider its stance on net neutrality. Regulations in the name of net neutrality have the potential to severely decrease the amount of job creation, business investment, technological connectivity, broadband deployment and other economic benefits that the telecommunications industry has to offer Virginians.

Net neutrality poses unnecessary, unwarranted regulation on an already booming industry, creating uncertainty about future innovations and investments. Telecommunication firms will only continue to pour investment and create jobs if we cultivate a favorable business climate. Simply put, such companies will be much more likely to invest if there is a stable, minimally-regulated market that assures them of profitable returns. I am asking you to do your part in ensuring that such a market continues to exist and such investment is incentivized.

Virginia, now more than ever, needs the jobs, technology, broadband accessibility and all the business and consumer benefits that further investment into our communications infrastructure can bring. By abstaining from further regulation of this industry, investment will continue to flow, innovations will be developed and Virginians will reap the benefits.

Please recognize the damage that net neutrality can do to the economic and investment climate of Virginia. During this time of economic uncertainty and potential recovery, thank you for your careful consideration of this consequence-fraught debate.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

Watkins M. Abbitt, Jr.

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I am the Indiana State President for NAACP. Attached is a letter expressing my concern against the proposed Net Neutrality Regulation. Should you need to reach me, you can do so by email or at

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Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Barbara A. Bolling

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Mr. Julius Genachowski, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

I am the president of the Indiana State Conference for the NAACP. I wanted to contact you to express our concerns regarding the proposed net neutrality regulation of wireless communications services. The mission of the NAACP is to promote, among other things, the educational and economic opportunities for all persons and access to communications plays an important role in that regard.

Our members depend on their wireless phones to keep them connected in many ways. Some use them for business. Others use their devices to access the Internet so that they can gather information for homework or job interviews. Many now use their wireless phones as their primary phone, forgoing a home telephone. All use their phones to stay connected with friends and family. And still others benefit from having jobs with wireless technology companies.

Our concern is that a move to regulate wireless service via net neutrality could have a real negative impact. Companies who are investing to bring us these services today could stop investing and access to wireless services could become more expensive and less competitive.

Our take is that the wireless phone market is very competitive today. We have lots of options for devices, service plans and which companies we choose to do business with. We have seen cost for wireless phones adjust in the market place to the benefit of the consumer. The system seems to be working and we hope that you will choose not to move forward with any kind of wireless net neutrality agenda.

Sincerely,

Barbara A. Bolling, Esq.

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President, Indiana State Conference NAACP

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Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

Asian Women in Business (AWIB) was founded in 1995 as a non-profit organization to assist women entrepreneurs. Today it has helped more than 24,000 women and minorities through innovative programs and networking events. AWIB seeks to identify and address the needs and issues affecting the businesses and professional development of Asian Americans – it also advocates for the inclusion of, and opportunities for, minority and women owned businesses and professionals.

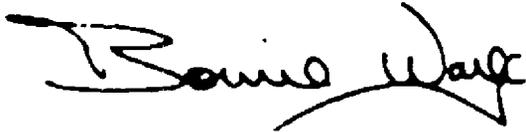
In the wake of the toughest economic setbacks in a generation, one industry has consistently demonstrated its ability to invest in the future and provide innovative new tools for all Americans – Internet service providers. Internet service providers create high-paying jobs and opportunities for entrepreneurs in the information science and technology fields to create applications that have become vital economic engines for our nation. But, now, this vibrant industry is being threatened by increased regulation – network neutrality.

In addition to threatening small business, network neutrality has the potential to harm consumers, limiting the ability of network providers to protect consumers from the predatory practices we face online like spam and malware. It will reduce consumer choice by restricting who can provide new, innovative, or differentiated services over the internet. And, perhaps worse of all, it puts the government in charge of deciding when and where networks are built, potentially opening the door to forced reselling or unbundling of networks.

Instead of creating new laws that regulate the Internet, the Federal Communications Commission should focus on encouraging more widespread adoption of broadband and finding ways of extending broadband to those areas that do not have it today. The United States lags in broadband access and the FCC needs to spend more time making us competitive with other developed countries.

The broadband market remains healthy as evidenced by competitive prices, faster speeds, more robust connections, increased deployment, and rapid adoption. Now is not the time to hinder broadband deployment and adoption with government regulation.

Sincerely,

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