

Dear FCC:

I am writing to strongly urge you to maintain Net Neutrality. Media consolidation has already resulted in less news and more and more of the same information passed around among six giant corporations. An open Internet gives everyone freedom of expression - freedom to write and share our unique views and the freedom to find alternative viewpoints; it gives people a chance to come up with the next Google, the next YouTube, the next Web application and Net Neutrality gives it to everyone, not just a few; I want to be able to continue to read about people and cultures that are different from me; Mainstream media often does not report the realities of this world, but rather a limited corporate agenda, so I use the Internet to find alternative sources of news and information; I want to be able to e-mail my friends or clients a link to a picture that reminds of of the beauty of this world; Net Neutrality means I don't need permission to create my own videos or to be able to view what others have created; An open Internet allow me to engage with my community, write my Senators and Congressmen, and organize for social change online; if I want to shop online, I can still support a local business; as a licensed professional, if I need either information and/or options to suggest to a patient, I can find it online; and, lastly I can exercise my right to free speech, as can every other American, because with Net Neutrality I will not be censored.

No doubt there are many other reasons to maintain Net Neutrality that I have not mentioned above, but the bottom line is that Net Neutrality is uniquely American. It represents what is best in America, even if I don't agree with what some would write or advocate, every American should have the choice to have his or her voice heard because that's really what Net Neutrality is all about. Net Neutrality is crucial to the voice of America. Please keep Net Neutrality.

Thank you for your consideration of my comments.

Sincerely,

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