

Just like with Radio, Television, and Newspapers, consolidation of power in only a few players hands is not only anticompetative leading to higher costs, but also allows the content that is profitable to those player to be given priority. It is the same story in any industry. Consolidation has proven to give us less access to high speed internet than other countries with more open policies with a higher. Without vital Net Neutrality protections, companies like Verizon and Comcast, which have a commercial incentive to limit the free-flowing Web will prioritize the web toward profitabililty and not toward a free and open exchange of ideas for all Americans. Just like public radio, and public television, we should preserve a public internet.

The FCC must have the power to protect consumer access to the most important communications medium of our time. The FCC must stand with me and keep the Internet in the hands of the people who use it every day. Please reclassify broadband as a "telecommunications service" and keep the Internet open and free of corporate gatekeepers.