

It has come to my attention that the noted antitrust violator Comcast is once again abusing its monopoly power. Today, it began charging a competitor - Netflix - higher fees for bandwidth usage. At the same time, it is hiding the fact that it operates an identical movie-download service in its "Comcast Store" for which it charges no fees.

Verizon, with its own movie service, will be doing the same thing if you let Comcast get away with it.

This is the same lawless entity that has an HSR review before you trying to integrate vertically via its acquisition of NBC Universal - reducing competition at many levels of media production and delivery, and abusing its competitors through its control of the "last mile." I won't even mention how they plan to suffocate journalistic integrity and political dissent once they own NBC and MSNBC.

These are the same arrogant monopolists who have been relying on a loophole to deny satellite-TV access to local sports broadcasts in the nation's 5th largest market.

These are the same market gorillas who drove start-up competitor RCN out of the local cable market through predatory pricing practices never even investigated by the Rove-corrupted DOJ.

They abuse their customers with forced digital "conversions" and reduced channel options and deceptive introductory pricing scams.

They even abuse their shareholders with the continuation of dual shareholder classes, that benefits ONLY the Roberts family.

Is the FCC once again going to acquiesce meekly to the political power of this media giant? How long does Brian Roberts get to thumb his nose at the very concept of a Nation of Laws?

This merger should be STOPPED.