

Not only are AT&T and Verizon Communications threatening universal service for basic telephone service but they are doing so for fixed broadband connections. If Verizon SpectrumCo is approved Verizon may have less incentive to continue build-out of FIOS Internet, TV and Phone services meaning there will be no expansion of their existing wire-line services. Furthermore, if this happens just think what's to stop Verizon from choosing to abandon the market altogether. The FCC and DOJ have to deny this awful deal as well and the FCC has to enact strong interoperability requirements for carriers using 700 MHz spectrum (FCC docket 12-69) and effective service rules for AWS holders.