

The US Telecom Association's Petition of Forbearance should be denied. Otherwise we have no way of knowing when we are being defrauded by AT&T and Verizon. AT&T is digging in its heels after 10,000 people signed a Change.org petition telling them not to throttle unlimited data users connections. That petition is now over 70,000 signatures strong.

The company responded to the campaign by saying customers with unlimited plans can only access three gigabytes of data per month -- meaning unlimited plans no longer exist!

AT&T has quietly started to slow down the data of customers who they say use too much data -- even when the customer has an unlimited data plan!

AT&T blames this practice on customers for using too much data -- the company should instead look in the mirror. It's hard to believe AT&T would throw away \$3 billion on a failed merger with T-Mobile instead of spending that money to build out its network capacity so that it could honor its promises.

Instead of honoring its promises, AT&T just shifts the blame to you and me for using the service we've paid for. AT&T has FRAUDULENTLY represented to the public that it can provide coverage in colored areas indicated on its maps, when it knows that it does not have the infrastructure to provide this coverage. AT&T's attempt to blame the very people it has defrauded ("you used too much data") is absolutely intolerable.

Verizon Wireless has also abandoned their unlimited data plans and set arbitrary caps like AT&T to rip-off customers. I'm sure there are plenty of incidents of Verizon Communications and its wireless subsidiary Verizon Wireless defrauding consumers or the government that would go unreported if the US Telecom Association's Petition were approved. That is why the FCC must deny this petition.