

we are a wireless ISP(<http://www.nedernet.net>), and I take issue with much of the presumptions in the petition for waiver, namely:

-capacity constraints: we offer speed equal to and greater than CenturyLink in our area (up to 8mbps, up *and* down);

-line-of-sight constraints: we rarely are unable to reach a client within our service area.

-higher monthly rates: our rates are dependent upon the (high) prices that Centurylink charges *us* for upstream bandwidth. Our rates are still comparable to CL's regular pricing.

-up-front installation: we charge NO INSTALLATION FEES w/1 year contract.

-usage caps: if our bandwidth costs were more reasonable, we wouldn't have to limit data transfer. As it is, our caps start at 50GB/mo, not 25, as the petition states.

In sum, the petition is factually incorrect and exaggerated. What we need is cheaper wholesale bandwidth rates, not handouts to the the huge corporations who already take advantage of their market share.

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