

The problem with AT&T and Big Red's (Verizon Wireless) applications to discontinue basic telecommunications (shutting down public switched telephone networks and DSL services) is that they are threatening the Open Web. Public Switched Telephone Networks are rightly regulated under Title II as the public utilities and telecommunications services they are. So they want to abandon these networks and force everyone to use capped less regulated wireless services (which should be subject to the same regulation) including Internet services, which the Commission has classified under Title I as information services in 2002 and 2005. The Commission should by the way reclassify broadband under Title II.