

1. I oppose AT&T's proposal for a service-based technology transitions experiments. I Want to keep my landline service. My granddaughter in Texas has not been able to repair her landline and keep it in service. I refuse to call her and my young great grandchildren on a cellphone system exposing them to RF radiation health risks. I have no wireless technology in my home and only use a cellphone for emergencies on the road. I have never had a microwave oven and don't want one. My health depends on minimizing electropollution. Whenever I attend the NM Capitol to participate in the legislative process, I become surrounded by wireless devices and signals and do not function as well mentally. My irritability level rises noticeably. My wireless home is my refuge. We even read our own gas meter to avoid a wireless meter. It's getting more difficult to find a good landline phone that operates well with good service.

2. Any projects moving telephone service from landlines to wireless technology should be placed on hold until the FCC Docket (ET docket 13-84) looking at the outdated FCC RF limits has been completed. We need biologically-based RF radiation safety limits set by the EPA. Ask Congress to authorize the EPA to do so via the 2012 HR 6358 bill. The EPA classified RF radiation as a probable carcinogen in 1990. Experts think the World Health Organization classification should be changed to probable carcinogen or even carcinogen. The 2012 Bioinitiative Report classifies RF radiation as a carcinogen.

3. Abandoning copper landline phones is not in compliance with the Americans with Disabilities Act because many people with radiofrequency sickness and electromagnetic hypersensitivity would be cut off from the world. No new source of radiation exposure should be allowed without examining the Americans with Disabilities Act compliance.

4. The FCC has a duty to the public to protect the public health and safety. There are substantive questions related to the safety of hybrid systems, such as U-Verse. The engineering problems must be addressed. The existing standards designed to protect against radio signal interference are totally inadequate to protect people from experiencing negative RF health effects.

No provider should be providing a WiFi service hub within homes, especially not in a default transmitting condition. It is dangerous to those in the home and to the environment beyond the home.

A NEPA evaluation and EIS is required. The EIS should include a review of the impact of all options on the environment, as well as on human health and safety. Please communicate with the Department of Interior on this matter.

5. The American Academy of Pediatrics declares wireless safety stanards in the U.S. inadequate. The Department of Interior calls wireless standards for the protection of wildlife inadequate.

6. We need our landlines more than ever. Do not allow AT&T to abandon copper wire landline service. The increased radiation exposure of 4G networks via iPads includes alarming new, small-print warnings by iPad manufacturers: "Discontinue use of iPad and consult a physician if you experience headaches, blackouts, seizures, convulsion, eye or muscle twitching, loss of awareness, involuntary movement or disorientation."

7. The pediatricians note that the use of wireless phones and other devices have increased almost sevenfold in one generation and human exposure to electromagnetic radiation keeps increasing by the ever-expanding number and length of mobile phone calls every day. Many young people now use cellphones as their only phone line. Children born during the past few years are already exhibiting symptoms of overexposure, such as insomnia, hyperactivity, anxiety, lack of focus, and aggressive behavior noted by the American Academy of Environmental Medicine at www.aaem.org.

8. A precautionary approach is in order. Along with my friend and ally, John McPhee, who wrote an excellent article on this subject from which I have drawn information, I advocate for the installation of underground shielded wire fiber optics citywide, turning off WiFi in schools districtwide, choosing wired connections in our homes, and using landlines whenever possible.