

Dear FCC,

Please keep the internet neutral, open and equal for everyone forever. Nothing perpetuates inequality like restricting access to information. Nothing smacks of manipulation like manufacturing a need and then selling the solution at a premium, poisoning us all and selling us the antidote, like telecom companies are wanting to do. If you allow service providers to restrict the speed of access to their competitors – like Comcast already has with Netflix – you pass a death sentence on small businesses that don't have the resources to fight the big guys' lawyers. Furthermore, you run the risk of creating a new monopoly through horizontal integration practices, just like the railroads of the Gilded Age. Telecom companies will profit from every step and every passageway between content creator and viewer, between user and provider, between customer and proprietor in every sphere of the internet world. If you allowed telecom companies their way, you would in effect, be making all of us their b***h, yourselves included. There would be nothing anyone could do to stand up to them. Businesses would suffer. Industries would collapse. Competition would be a thing of the past. You must stop this and you must stop this now. And you must fine Comcast for what they have already done to Netflix and to its users.