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Internet service providers, if not classified as a title 2 common communication carrier, will marginalize the United States citizenry and their ability to conduct commercial enterprises online within the next ten years. They have proven through their behavior that they cannot be trusted to provide quality service to customers who do not have the ability to choose another provider.

I plan to embark on a career involved in Information Systems. For me to create and build a company that can compete in the internet, Net Neutrality will need to be preserved. If my content is provided a lesser connection than those of the existing competitors, I will be at such a severe disadvantage that I will not be able to survive as a company. Internet providers, such as Comcast, Time Warner and Verizon are pushing the FCC to allow them to control the ability of the United States citizens to view all content on the internet equally. With this control they wish to create special fast lanes in the internet. This of course you would already know.

Its important to watch the world around us though. These companies spend the minimal amount of money in order to maintain minimal access to the internet to their customers. Right now, as a Comcast customer, when my internet line was cut during a rough storm in Michigan, they replaced that line that ran through the air to my building with one that is currently draped on the ground. It has no protection, it is not laid underground. A mower or a stray miscreant in town is able to cut that line, disconnecting me from the internet. Without connection to the internet my ability to communicate to the outside world is limited in the extreme. I am unable to send email, make phone calls, pay bills, or conduct business. For me cutting this lazily placed wire eliminates my ability to receive the equivalent of postal mail bills through email, communicate with my phone service, and sell my products to make a living.