

Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW,
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Sirs and Madame:

I am writing to express my concerns as a US citizen and an internet subscriber and user.

I am aware that the original backbone of the internet was developed as "Arapnet," by the US Government aka the taxpayers. (Me) I am aware that for some 10 plus years the internet providers have been financially incentivized to speed up the internet which is finally happening. Incentivized with my tax dollars and/or tax reductions. Again I paid for this.

Now they are asking for the freedom to, possibly, maybe, if they can think of no other thing to do, raise the costs to content providers by requiring them to pay for a faster lane on the internet. Capitalism at its finest. However, many of us buy the basic speed internet service (to 1.5mbps), and are happy. But the content providers will be charging more for their service, faster downloads, and I will still be plodding along at my basic speed (1.5mbps), getting no value from the faster "high speed lane."

This is not right.

You would be giving the keys to the henhouse to the foxes. If you feel that the ISP's won't do this then we need to get you a reality check.

My cable/internet bill has already increased this year by 26% with no additional services provided.

Please do the right thing here. Keep the internet a level playing field. Continue net neutrality.

Sincerely,

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