

Tom Wheeler is using double speak to convolute the issue of net neutrality. His proposed changes focus on not degrading service to content providers. But, the issue is not degraded service, it's that ISP's want to create priority lanes for content providers to pay to use. This means that any business without funds to pay to use those lanes, would not be on an equal footing with larger companies that do have the funds to pay to use those lanes.

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That's the problem. He's mixing the issues up on purpose. The problem is that telecoms want to charge companies more for access to the fast lane. It has absolutely nothing to do with degrading service on the normal lanes of traffic.

Something that harms competition is not commercially reasonable. For instance, degrading **overall** service so as to force consumers and content companies to a higher priced tier would be shut down.

Again, he's mixing the issues up on purpose. It's not about degrading service. He's specifically stating "overall" because ISP's won't target overall/all services. They will target services that have cash to pay them more, kind of like extortion.

Telecoms are complaining that some content providers are flooding their networks with content. Telecoms complain that Netflix serves too much video and therefore needs to pay to use the network.

This "network" that the telecom's speak of has already been paid for. We pay for it when we pay them monthly for service and paid for again via massive federal subsidies.

- Time Warner reported \$1.11B in profits in Feb.
- Comcast reported 30% increase in profits in 2012.
- AT&T reported 1.9% growth in 2013, up from \$126.4B in 2012

These companies are not hurting for cash. They are using their massive amounts of cash to buy lobbyists (Tom Wheeler) that they then got placed in charge of the federal government agency in charge of protecting the people's communications.