

The internet should be treated as a utility in 2014.

It would be considered ludicrous and inhumane for other utility providers (i.e. natural gas or electricity) to decide which homes and businesses deserve more of their necessary services; this line of thinking should also extend to internet access.

The man appointed to head the FCC happens to be the former President of the National Cable Television Association and a lobbyist for the cable industry. He should be removed for conflict of interest!

America has some of the slowest internet connectivity of any developed nation in the world, lorded over by some of the world's the most powerful corporations—corporations which, unsurprisingly, also happen to sell a dying form of communication known as cable television service. And now, they're literally infiltrating government like Mr. Tom Wheeler.

I urge all members of the FCC to maintain a fair and open Net Neutrality stance. Considering a "pay for play" mentality is a terrible idea. The ISP's would benefit. The content providers would not. The end users most certainly would not.

If you do make the Internet a regulated utility, then you must treat the ISP's with the same conditions as you do the electricity lines, telephone lines (AT&T), cable lines (Charter), etc. that come into my house. An equal, level playing field. I don't get charged more on my AT&T landline when I call my mom 90 miles away "because the call has farther to travel" than calling my next-door neighbor.

The internet should be open, free, and equal for everyone whether you're a consumer, small business, or huge corporation. All data should be treated equally and delivered without being charged more/less based upon popularity and bandwidth.

Thank you,

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