

Dear FCC –

I am a safety professional and utilize the internet every day. The internet has been a wellspring of ideas and communities where the health and well being of people all over the world benefit from the sharing of ideas, comments on products and innovation. It would be devastating to lose this freedom. Small businesses, residential construction businesses and non-profit safety councils will lose critical access to information.

I can use the internet today to find dozens of articles to find a safety glove that suits a specific task, find out if it works and find the best price. Or it might be finding a fall protection device, or an inspection checklist for a forklift, or information on how best to ventilate against a respiratory hazard; all of that is currently at our fingertips. Don't take that away from us. People are depending on it and don't think for a minute that the information will remain free. I've been in this business for many years and safety speakers will charge \$10,000 to appear, before the internet, safety videos were \$3,000 and safety innovation happened at a snail's pace.

ISP's will limit everything, don't pretend they won't take advantage. They will only provide access through sources that financially benefit them. Even if you drop the professional uses, this is how we look up people, unwind, figure out how to change the string on the weed whipper; all of that information will be at a price.

We create on the internet, we connect, don't restrict the access or the potential.

Thank you,

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