

Mr. Wheeler,

As an IT professional, this filing means more to me than the ability to watch cat videos online at blazing speed. This filing is about protecting the rights and freedoms of all internet users.

The internet was built around the premise that any person (or company) could access the web equally and be free to say and do as they please. It was those qualities that made the internet what it is today and spawned some of the most successful ideas, companies, and breakthroughs of our generation. In the past, internet access was a luxury that was used only for entertainment. However, internet access has quickly gone from a luxury, to a necessity. My internet service is my lifeline, providing phone service, as well as my ability to work remotely. I can't afford to have that service undermined because big ISPs want to make a few extra bucks.

Mr. Wheeler, you are the last hope for the internet as we know it. I feel that more and more often, corporations (Verizon, Comcast, Time Warner, etc...) are making deals that reduce competition, and provide the consumer with lower levels of service and support. However, you have a chance to change all of that and do something good for the American people. The decision that comes from the FCC will change (for better or worse) the way Americans communicate, do business, entertain themselves, and more. Please, reclassify internet service as a common carrier service, like conventional telephone (POTS) lines. This will guarantee that the internet stays equally accessible for all, as well as increase competition, which will benefit consumers.

As a fellow American, and someone who has benefited greatly from an open internet, I'm begging you to please keep the internet open equally to all.

Please feel free to reach out to me at the listed email address, as I would love to discuss this topic more with you.

Sincerely,
Logan Marchione