

Dear FCC,

My name is Benjamin T. Boober and I live in Doraville, GA.

Net neutrality, the principle that Internet service providers (ISPs) treat all data that travels over their networks equally, is important to me because without it users may have fewer options and a less diverse Internet.

A pay-to-play Internet worries me because new, innovative services that can't afford expensive fees for better service will be less likely to succeed.

The Internet is important to me because, it allows people to interact with each other and create incredible ideas. It can be used to inspire innovation, or help people keep in touch across the world. It is the source of income for many Americans, whether it be for entertainment, or distribution. With pay-to-play internet people starting up businesses will be forced to bend to the will of ISPs just to get themselves out there. Many of the popular sites on the internet would become out of reach for many because they would have a price tag locking them from users, which is terrible, because I've heard many stories of people who have gone through depression get brought out through finding a purpose or even something that cheers them up on the internet. The internet is a place for people to find and create wonderful things to share with the world, whether it be art, or inventions, or even just a funny meme someone creates that brings a smile to someone else. Throughout the past few decades we have accelerated in producing new technologies to better our world and pay-to-play internet just gets in the way of that spirit of innovation.

Sincerely,

Benjamin T. Boober