Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 Twelfth Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Via Electronic Filing

Re: GN Docket No. 14-28, *Protecting and Promoting the Open Internet*
GN Docket No. 10-127, *Framework for Broadband Internet Service*

Dear Ms. Dortch,

Enclosed please find the signatures and comments of thousands of Free Press activists urging the Federal Communications Commission to protect *real* Net Neutrality.

Since the FCC's proposed rules were announced we have seen a groundswell of public opposition to that proposal. We call on the FCC to abandon any unworkable rules based on compromised legal theories, and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

_____/s/_____
Craig Aaron
President and CEO
Free Press

Its everything.
—Candace Clement, Hadley, MA

Freedom
—Samuel Auger, Chicago, IL

Net Neutrality is being enacted throughout Europe. Shouldn't be hard to do the same here.
—Erik & Vicki Thauvin, Everett, WA

There's enough madness in the world as it is and this FCC shenanigans is just insane!
—William Busby, Los Angeles, CA

Freedom of Speech and Ideas
—Daniel McCoy, Woodland Hills, CA

WE ALL NEED EQUALITY AND FREEDOM TO LET OUR VOICES BE HEARD AND TO RESPECT US AS A CIVILIZATION!
—Theresa Manfreda, San Diego, CA

WE NEED TO DEFEND NET NEUTRALITY BECAUSE THE INTERNET IS ALL WE HAVE TO EXPAND OUR CONSCIOUSNESS!!
—Jonathan Apone, San Diego, CA

Because these companies should be classified as common carriers, one or two companies should not be able to have a monopoly on this, internet is a needed necessity like a telephone now, and many people still cant afford it.
—Dane Ferrell, Olympia, WA

A lack of "net neutrality" will kill innovation, and stop the internet from growing to become the leading job producer that it is.
—Lance Lavandowska, Circle Pines, MN

Net Neutrality helps the internet foster creativity, innovation, and the human spirit. Getting rid of it would be a detriment to all of us.
—Scott Read, Ft Mitchell, KY

I am tired of big business controlling this government while no one ever looks after the interests of the common people.
—Michael McHugh, Pinellas Park, FL

FREE SPEACH.
—Mark Newgarden, Brooklyn, NY

There should only be one internet, wholly available and open to all comers, with no preference given to any entity, public or private. Any act eroding that principle is a step in the wrong direction.
—Scott Bram, Denver, CO

I've been following this issue for some time now. I've made the majority of my adult living wages from contract web and software development. The low barrier to entry makes the web a perfect place to reach a huge audience with your next idea. It's a true "School of Athens" moment wherein all classes of people and all walks of business are judged equally. Their product is information, and removing net neutrality puts product delivery into the hands of an elite few. I disagree wholeheartedly with this approach.
—Joshua David VanderHook, Saint Paul, MN

Everyone should be treated equally on the net, whether you're a corporate giant or just an individual using the Internet at a public library.
—Steven Vaughan, Beaverton, OR

Because it prevents me from being controlled by corporate media. We deserve freedom from even that sort of repression.
—Michael Toth, Fort Pierce, FL

The internet is not a measure of social class or wealth. It is a medium that allows for communication between interested parties. Do not ruin a tool that connects the entire world. Do not censor posts for your own benefit. You are not moving in the right direction. Think about what you are doing and how it will impact our growing economy.
—Martin Baclija, Indio, CA

It is important to preserve the freedoms we have and stop special interests like this. When we can't even read this new tiered system it should tell everyone something is wrong. When something is being hidden away like this it is not hard to understand why. They obviously hope to pass this without an uproar and once it is done it will not be undone. The FCC is supposed to be there to protect us not side with cooperations.
—Stacey Wallace, MANCHESTER, NH

I do business online and use the internet for work purposes everyday.
—Kenneth Allen, Duluth, MN

this is THE issue of the our day!
—Brett Schlosser, Minneapolis, MN

To Protect Internet users from the very real possibility of corporate abuse.
—Chris Capuozzo, Spring Valley, NY

free society, free markets demand net neutrality
—Kyle Schmierer, Phoenix, AZ

The availability of early recordings on the Internet is essential, and net neutrality is the only way to retain that availability.
—Mr. Tom Samuels, Buffalo, NY

Somewhere in this country and in this world we need an even playing field. The internet is the closest thing we have.
—Sebern Fisher, Northampton, MA

why not? Doesn't seem like a fair thing to me, and coporations don't need more money.
—Allison, Charlotte, NC

Because the internet should not be control by $. It will kill start up companies and American dreams.
—Alberto Rodriguez, MIAMI, FL

The FCC has proved that it follows the will of the big business. The internet is now the only place that independent news can be found. If the FCC gains control then I know that the choices for discriminating readers like myself with be shortened and that the ISPs will be able to charge more for less service and give preferential treatment to the big media moguls.
—Linda Waali, Newport, WA

It's intertwined with people's businesses, school, and entertainment, so it is too intertwined with the function of society to not have the protection of net neutrality.
—Robert Lamb, Ozark, MO

Freedom for information
—Stacey Ray, Richmond, TX

Freedom for information
—Al Stepp, Atlanta, IN

I don't want the government messing the internet and I don't big corporations throttling what I have access to simply because I don't like their version of the same service!!
—Chris Hunter, Shreveport, LA

If this goes through there will be no fairness and no end. It will take on a life of its own and be extremely unfair to people. The FCC is supposed to protect the people not the big corps.
—Stacey Wallace, Manchester, NH

Because this country was founded on freedom of choice. Because capitalism is about choice. The internet is for everyone, like a road and like a sidewalk. We should not let ISP's prefer certain content over another, it is a plan ripe with potential for corruption.
—Barclay G Iversen, Redwood City, CA

It's a free country! Why not give all a fair chance?
—Marilyn Kohring, Dayton, OH

Porn. Netflix. Kittens.
—Tyler Freday, La Jolla, CA

Control of the internet belongs to NO ONE. Controlling the Internet would be like controlling the air we breath, not that we need the Internet to survive, but it is just as preposterous to think that any one person or group of people should have THAT form of power. It is far beyond laughable... it is utterly repugnant and evil to grant or to hold that sort of power. YOU HAVE NO AUTHORITY HERE.
—Matt Logan, Logan, UT

We paid to build it through our tax dollars. Deciding who gets to be heard and seen as a pay to play basis is Wrong.
—Keith Saarloos, Los Olivos, CA

When one has control over who get's the benefit, is the monopoly justified by monetary advantage?
—Laura Shiraishi, Hawthorne, CA

Freedom
—Derric Haynie, San Diego, CA

Equal access! Internet and information is a human right!
—Jordan Gracia, Brea, CA

It's important to keep all areas of the internet equally accessible to foster the same level of innovation that gotten it where it is today.
—Sam Selfridge, Santa Barbara, CA

We have a right to equally connect and communicate via the internet!
—Amber, Denver, CO

Keep the internet equal for everyone!
—Wendy Navarrete, Huntington Beach, CA

Because, I am into freedom of choice and I can decide for myself what I'd like to research, view or participate in without interference. Mostly, however, I already PAY and have been doing so since 1992 and, today, I have NO issues with how my internet is working... It does just fine as it is. Any change is only for power/control and profit, nothing more.
—Dave Jaeger, Frisco, TX

It's my information reference. And it's my right to look at what I want and send what I want to whom I want. That's my human right!
—Shane Poliquin, Tucson, AZ

Freedom to interact with anyone, anytime, on whatever subject, without paying a premium price. The internet belongs to everyone and should not be taken over by corporations.
—Paul Kussmann, N. Wataerboro, ME

There have been a number of "memes" and other internet fads going around recently that take popular shows, movies and songs, and arbitrarily censor words and phrases within them. This has been done humorously, but it brings up a very good point. It only takes a slight variation on a subject to completely change its intent and meaning. By being able to hide and block what information they will, companies such as AT&T and Comcast would be given a disproportionate control over people. On the other side of the coin, being able to promote whatever content they feel should be watched/searched/read goes against fair and balanced legislation that protects people from Corporate monopoly.
—Katherine Howe-Moore, Novi, MI

We can not have a monopoly in communication resources. Rates will increase and corporations will be in control of all information we receive and share. This would be criminal!
—Brenda Cromwell, Dover, FL

Net Neutrality allows artists, entrepreneurs and small businesses to compete on a level playing field with larger enterprises. The larger enterprises have, or have bought, enough advantages already without taking an Internet backbone that was constructed by the taxpayers, thank you.
—Hooper "Lex" Alexander IV, Greensboro, NC

Why wouldn't it be! This about freedom!
—Ms. Sheryl Whitfield, Vail, AZ

Because one should NEVER attempt to 'fix' what Isn't "broken".
—Tony Vazquez, Albany, NY

it's important to me because it's one of the only things I can do freely that helps me feel calm. if we lose that, I might as well die.
—Christopher Hamm, Lake Waccamaw, NC

It's in perfect working order. Since 1993 I've paid and been happy with service. Don't change it for profiteers.
—Dave Jecker, Frisco, TX

Internet should not be in the contril of big business
—Allen Winiski, Roswell, GA

Internet needs to be a free lane without any discrimination on who uses it or how it is used. This is like taking away the freedom to not use gas
—Bharat Nandakumar, Chicago, IL

Take the influence of money from the free speech
—Carol Abramovitz, Key West, FL

Because I don't want to be held hostage for internet service by huge internet providers.
—John Mann, Galveston, TX

Equal access to the internet is vital to individual freedom.
—Gary Lee, Palm Springs, CA

I don't want isp's to govern the content I can see our use on the web.
—Chris Lawrence, San Jose, CA

the internet should be kept equal and free. Companies who already have money shouldn't be able to get more money from the internet
—Kim-Quang Vo, Westminster, CA

This is greed motivated. The internet works just fine and companies make well enough profit already. The hard earned money we people spend to have internet access is already going up. Do the right thing FOR THE PEOPLE, not corporations.
—Charlotte Hunt, Louisville, KY

My son is pursuing computer science, another botched attempt by the beauracracy to "fix" something is going to destroy the future innovators. Hasn't the government caused enough problems? Do you have to get your hands on everything that is doing fine without your "help".
—Curtis Valero, Steubenville, OH

Equal internet speeds and access should not be dependent on how much money you have.
—Andrew Smith, Fayetteville, AR

If this passes, I'm moving.
—Maya Mowrey, Indian Head, MD

The access and cost of the internet should be equal to anyone and everyone.
—Doug Storm, Saint Louis, MO

As an expiring entrepreneur who currently is seeking to follow the steps of many successful online businesses, how can my hard work and those of many others come to reality if this bill is passed? Not only will you grant more power to big corporations, but you will give the green light to widespread discrimination online.
—Adalberto Contreras, New York, NY

An open Internet is an essential for our country to remain a leader in technological innovation.
—Alexander Kienle, Miami Beach, FL

It keeps powerful companies from making the rules over yet another part of our society.
—Tedouesz, Buffalo, NY

The only way to keep a fair and open internet to to have a level playing field for all parties. Large companies have the potential to force smaller competitors out of the market place because they can afford to pay more for the prioritized internet.
—Amesh Shah, Fairport, NY

Because the internet is the most open and democratic communication network in history, and I don't want corporations to undermine that for the sake of profit.
—Jordan Deam, Seattle, WA

The internet is a telecommunications service that is now vital to the welfare and prosperity of individuals and businesses, and it must remain an undiscriminating medium for education, recreation, artistic expression, business, etc.
—Donald, Seneca Falls, NY

I'm writing to urge the FCC to scrap its plan to allow Internet service providers to charge for preferential treatment. These rules would destroy Net Neutrality. I urge the commission to throw them out and instead reclassify broadband as a telecommunications service. This is the only way to restore real Net Neutrality.
—Kurt Ehnle, Louisville, KY

A neutral internet is a fair and level ground for all and must be restored. This country was founded on the little-guy-start up businesses who found a way to make it and grow and flourish, and in some cases are now big corporations. They would not be what they are without a fair and level field to start at. New technology will be stifled, growth and advancement will be ground to a halt. Restore a neutral internet immediately and do not allow the implementation of a "fast lane" for which only the wealthy and privileged will have access to.
—, Beverly Hills, CA

If it isn't broken, don't fix it. Communications companies already charge more than is fair, and it is my feeling that the new guidelines by the FCC would promote unfair discrimination. These companies could easily expose loopholes and create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford it. They don't need any more power than they already have. With SOPA and PIPA, the user base of the internet vocally spoke out, but it is my fear that the same user base is less aware of this set of guidelines. I'm sure that with more awareness, they would have the same feelings toward these proposed changes as they had toward SOPA and PIPA. I propose another blackout, another vocal and combined effort to show that the people still have a voice, and that the government cannot do whatever it pleases.
—Alex Pomorski, Whitmore Lake, MI

As the Internet is the most common, available and complete source of timely information including life safety alerts; Internet service providers need to be classified as common carriers.
—Brian Menges, Denver, CO

My cable/internet bill is the second largest bill I have for utilities. I should not be discriminated against because I am lower income.
—Nadine Kelley, Acworth, GA

Net Neutrality is important to be because free speech, innovation, education, economic growth, and small business are important to me and they are just some of the things that will be harmed by this change.
—Shawn Betz, Blackwood, NJ

I currently pay a premium for a faster "more data" internet connection. In that contract I am purchasing a set amount of data delivered at a set speed. My cable company already uses "speed Boost" which is just a way to cheat my current speed. It boosts my speed at the initial connection to make it appear as fast as advertised, but it slows down quickly thereafter. This is the current situation that I am in. The proposed plan would allow the cable companies to charge the companies I visit via the internet to speed up the connection I already pay for. This is double charging and effectively I am now paying for nothing if the other companies are paying for the speed. Fix the current system where I am paying for a connection that is heavily muted before benefiting those that are gaming the system already (the cable companies).
—Paul Wagner, Tucson, AZ

Affordability and accessibility of information for the masses!!
—Matt Boyle, Swarthmore, PA

Net Neutrality is democratic. The proposed rules only benefit those with wealth. So much about America violates our principles of equality and equal opportunity, please don't add access to the internet to the list of that which only the elite can truly benefit from!
—Sharon Shirley, Branford, CT

Internet is a free place where people can express opinion, regardless of what background he/she may be from. Also, the internet is where I get my information to do my research and understand scientific technique and experiments. I don't understand why does AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon need to make two lanes for internet. If anything, it will segregate the internet and gibe the fast lane to those who are able to afford high quality internet. I mean, who are they to decide how the internet should be divided.
—Tuong Ngu, Bridgeport, CT

Killing net neutrality DOES NOT foster innovation as is so often cited. Allowing ISP's to place "QOS" (quality of service) rules on internet traffic, then charge for higher priority queues is NOT going to foster innovation. This will only allow those with deep pockets to participate and shut everyone else out. Want to launch an internet startup? Right now, you can get a VPS for a few dollars a month, and code up a site. Traffic to/from your site goes just as fast as traffic to/from Google or Netflix. Killing net neutrality would change that. In that world, if you wanted to launch an internet startup, you'd have to develop ENTIRELY at home (aka no cloud) and then get ventrue capital to be able to afford the premium hosting (AWS, Rackspace, Google) it would require to be able to use your site functionally. And that's just from the developer standpoint. There are so many mom-and-pop websites that just share information, they don't sell anything. They host their website AT THEIR HOUSE sometimes. Niche topics such as audio production, or particle physics papers by students. Those are the areas that would be hurt the most. The USA ranks 12th in terms us broadband speed to citizens. in fact The FCC reported that only 0.3% of DSL connections in America provide speeds of 25 Mbps or higher. We are supposed to be a country that fosters innovation. Not a country that takes money from big corporations, and lets them set the policy for the nation. Remember, if the US shuts down net neutrality, then you CAN BET MONEY that the innovation will come from countries where the network is still open and neutral. Keep the internet as a service. Stop allowing companies like Comcast to dictate what consumers want. We want information, and we want equal access to ALL OF IT. Do the right thing. Keep an open internet.
—Terrac Skiens, Sunnyvale, CA

It is important to me and every other everyday user on the internet, start-up businesses trying to get their word out and advertisers because the "major companies" shouldn't get special treatment just because of their size. While everyday users are left to rot and we can't pay to get on this "fast lane". I hope for the internets sake you don't do away with net neutrality.
—Zachary Corral, San Bruno, CA

There is only ONE internet, not a fast one, or a slow one....ONE for all.
—Rachel Radcliffe, Alameda, CA

I'm a web developer.
—Louie Pisani, Philadelphia, PA

These rules are unfair and unnecessary. Stop trying to fix things that are not broken.
—Sheena, Abingdon, VA

I believe Internet is a common good and should be available as such. I believe all content online should be available equally to everyone and no content should be given priority over other content.
—Anastasia Rzhevskaya, Henrietta, NY

As a military family, the internet makes it possible for me to communicate with family members around the world, and continue my education online after being relocated away from the university I attend.
—Ms. Erin Kimsey, Honolulu, HI

Information should be freely accessible to all and not gated by corporate interests.
—Nathan Germick, Berkeley, CA

Channels for the transmission of information are a public utility and need to be regulated as such.
—Grace Teng, New York, NY

Because all business should have a fair chance on the Internet; because service providers already control our access far too much.
—Mohammed Shariff, Poughkeepsie, NY

I don't want to have to explain to my children that, once upon a time, every person on the planet could access any part of the internet for the price of a broadband fee. And instead of backing up all this information, we posted Instagram photos while it was slowly taken away from us.
—David Regan, ,

Because we live in America which is a free state and are not under control of greedy corporations
—Nabeel Farooq, Orange Park, FL

Freedom of speech. Freedom of choice in access to the Internet. Allowing certain corporations exclusive high speed bandwidth will be a travesty to the openness of the Net. Plese stop this Act now.
—Robert Wolfe, Bonaire, GA

The internet is a resource for the poor and rich alike. It allows us to spread our ideas; it enriches our right of speech. Any payment that I would have to make in excess would limit my freedoms and limit my rights. With extra payments, not all could afford to use the internet. You would be making the internet a luxury and America is not just for the rich.
—Andrea, Austin, TX

I don't want to see innovation stifled, because that's what makes the U.S. special.
—Amber Pham, Portland, OR

I need the internet to stay open so the world can evolve with love,truth,and understanding.It should accessible and fast for people even if they cannot pay.Corporations and their money are not more important the mankind and its understanding of how we can all learn and live together.
—Jeremy Lee, Los Angeles, CA

This is extremely important to me as a small business owner. There should be equal footing for all not just a fast pass for the wealthy corporations.
—Romana Sinegal, San Ramon, CA

Net Neutrality is incredibly important to EVERYONE. We are already put upon by cable and internet companies, and as an American, a student, and a person who craves knowledge this FCC proposal sets a dangerous precedent. Knowledge and ways to seek it have to be easily and cheaply accessible to all, not just those with enough money to access it.
—Alex V, Modesto, CA

Without net neutrality local and small businesses will suffer because we don't have the weight of a large company to throw around to get our way or what we need. Potentially you will worsen or possibly in the long run destroy the lives of many people just so certain companies can make even more money by getting the fast lane. The internet is the only place where people of different classes are treated as close to equal as they can be, and you will take that away for the greed of companies and yourself.
—Eleanor Wheaton, Sherman, TX

Because free speech is a basic right of all americans, and by throttling up bandwidth to the highest bidder, we would be losing yet another part of what makes this country the greatest on earth, all for a little bit of money. Money that isn't even ours to begin with!
—Matthew L Sherwood, Portland, OR

Because the growth of an open and fair internet helps foster innovation and creativity.
—Kyle, Medford, MA

I'm tired of greedy corporations wanting more and more money.
—Tara Helsel, Chillicothe, OH

The ability to discriminate for speed and quality of service among content providers on the basis on independently negotiated deals is fundamentally unfair to end consumers. Why does EVERYTHING have to be for sale! There has to be a way for the FCC to regulate the the ISPs as common carriers.
—Marie Bareille, New York, NY

If politicians get equal time for advertising, whose to say anybody else does not have the right to that time. If one organization decides to give their favored politician better rates to use the internet - to promote their compaigne, what's to stop them? Save you own neck even if you don't see the value in fairness to others.
—Lori Golden, Redwood City, CA

I would be speaking for many when I say that I have found information valuable and relevant to me on the internet that I would not have been able to find elsewhere. I only hope that such information will continue to be easily found by everyone without being hassled.
—Nicholas Jorgensen, Jersey City, NJ

Net Neutrality is not just important, it is imperative to the survival of our rights as citizens. Any sort of control over access speeds can be later used to censor free speech. Are we not the land of the free? Do we not value the same rights and freedoms of our forefathers? Please fight for the rights of consumers. These rules would not bring a truly neutral Internet. Please reconsider and come up with a new plan. Perhaps reclassifying ISP's as common carriers is an option. We must not allow the most important technological invention of our age to become a tool of greed and corruption.
—Charles Rhyne, Little Rock, AR

The internet is one of the most potent creations the world has ever seen, and it should be allowed to flourish in a free and equal environment!
—Ryan Gardner-Cook, Brooklyn, NY

Fuck the American Gubmint and their nanny state bullshit!
—Pat mills, Wilmington, DE

Why are we allowing corporations to create the laws for the public without the publics interests at heart? We cannot allow our rights to free press and free speech to become further limited. The internet has become apart of how we communicate and should be reclassified.
—Suhaily Feliciano, Brooklyn, NY

It is the basis for true democracy in the 21st century.
—Matthew S Mantsch, Brooklyn, NY

A closed internet would only benefit those with the power to abuse it.
—Connie Ambridge, Philadelphia, PA

Because it is freedom, it is our space, it should not be corrupted by greedy politicians and companies. The internet has become an important part of life that should not be played with for profit and greed.
—Ivan Weman, Philadelphia, PA

My career will be focused on the internet. I don't want the inspiration for my career to be vastly different from before I started college
—Joe, Baldwin, NY

The internet is an essential tool for education and work. To allow some more well-established sites to hijack the system is completely criminal. Internet access should be considered a utility available to all based on usage amount alone.
—Sara, Des Moines, IA

As a senior I am able to keep up with Internet whereas am not able to get around as I use to do
—Joan Botto, Carlsbad, CA

It stimulates ISP competition, promotes innovation, drives entrepreneurship, assists charitable organizations, protects freedom of speech, and puts everyone at a level playing field. Throw out the proposed rules for reclassification. Maintain REAL net neutrality.
—Diane Kuzilla, Dearborn Heights, MI

If this proposal goes into effect, the internet will be anything but Neutral. Please do not place this proposal into effect, this country wants to pride itself on equality, correct? Then do not place this proposal into effect. Thank-you for your time congress. -Joseph De Cruz
—Joseph De Cruz, Louisville, KY

A free Internet is our last, best hope for democracy, both here in the US, and globally!
—John Hechtman, New York, NY

Net neutrality is important because without it we will stifle both innovation and free speech.
—Aaron L Weissman, Cambridge, MA

Net neutrality is important to me due to the fact that i am a college student and use the internet everyday for my classes. The removal of net neutrality will greatly affect the convenience of certain sites and can alter the grade of students nationwide.
—Juan Morales, Bell Gardens, CA

I knew the net before it was "the net" it's purpose to stay free and open for everyone, this FREEDOM OF SPEECH, should not be hindered in anyway. You think your computer lags now, wait til the censors get to it. I have a computer that loads pages quick and easy, always has, but if "they have to screen" EVERY email, and post online because the NSA wants them to.. then it will drag for possibly hours.
—Lisa Vacula, Allentown, PA

Because the Internet is my daily source of information.
—Richard Balogh, ,

I don't want "The Big Guys" getting any special treatment., it will just cost us more in the long run. Say NOOOO to comcast.
—Rita Huston, Raymond, NH

I'm a software engineer, without true net neutrality, innovation and start ups are dead.
—Sebastian Krywult, Litchfield Park, AZ

It's one of the few remaining areas where everyone is on a level playing field, and no one should be allowed to change that for corporate gain
—Michael Chaka, Jewell, OH

As a technology professional I can't imagine how much of a setback it would be to impose such archaic and ill conceived restrictions on such an important tool.
—Jay Bosworth, Bay City, MI

So many, many reasons.
—Brogino Gibroni, Orem, UT

It is question of fairness and equality. It is also an issue of equal access for all, not only for those that can afford to pay. Verizon and the other corporations are not people(the US Supreme Court ruling not withstanding.) They do not own the air waves that we all use the internet for. The 1% cannot control the 99%. This is supposed to be a democracy, not an oligarchy. This is another step toward corporations controlling all aspects of our lives--- a death blow for freedom and democracy. Tom Wheeler needs to stand up for the people or step down as a corporate stooge. Net neutrality equals free speech. We deserve our constitutional rights to be protected.
—Sharon Anderson, Napa, CA

As a small business I rely on my internet to be stable and current with the rest of my competitors
—Robert Hipp, Bend, OR

I, and many others, rely on free and open internet to run our small businesses. Giving corporate giants the ability to control the speed of internet based on how much someone is able to pay will only continue to raise the corporate giants and lower REAL PEOPLE and hard working human beings. Do the RIGHT thing for the people YOU SERVE. Come on.
—Matthew Laine Nall, Haiku, HI

I am taking graduate classes online. It is vital that I have secure reliable and fast access to the internet.
—Thaddeus Noto, Johnson City, TN

Without a truly neutral internet a Company like Comcast can literally advantage one company over another. Comcast is already to large to serve its customers. This would allow them to purchase any line of stores and give them a service advantage not available to others. The internet should work just as well for a mo and pop and Goggle.
—Robert May, Templeton, MA

Because I love the internet. I love that there is no limit to what we can do with it and on it because it is open to everyone equally to both host their own ideas and browse the ideas of others. Net neutrality keeps control and power of this exchange in the hands of the individuals and out of the hands of others. If ISP's gain the power to control this flow of information and exchange of ideas (which these new rules will give them indirectly), this equal exchange will be lost. There is no denying that these rules will only help the few in charge of ISP's, and would go against the desires of the people who, in many cases, have no other providers to turn to.
—Kevin Gries, Ames, IA

Net neutrality is important to me as an American because I realize that the entire future of how we interface on the net is impacted by the rules that are made today. I find it truly sad that politicians and monopolies are carving out the internet for themselves. The FCC's recent actions confirm that. Are there no champions of what is right and ethical left????
—Carolyn Allan, Brattleboro, VT

I already have a bad history of every ISP I've ever used not providing the service I'm paying for. The last thing I want is for them to be in control of the speeds at which I get access to the internet based on their subjective decisions or the demands of the monopolized ISPs and cable providers.
—Matt McDaniel, Austin, TX

As a public educator, I see the importance of the Net Neutrality when it comes to my low income students. They need access to educational resources that will be affected by online discrimination.
—Marjorie Oyler, Gypsum, CO

Net Neutrality is important to me because i believe that the internet should be open to everyone not just those who can pay the most. I would also like to start a petition to ask for chairman Wheeler to step-down from the FCC.
—Jose Gomez, Paterson, NJ

Because equality of opportunity is an essential aspect of the internet.
—Andrea Yeash, Fairfax, VA

I am a small business owner. VERY SMALL. Without equal access to the internet, both in terms of how much content I can offer on my website and in terms of how many people I'll be able to reach, I am doomed. Net Neutrality is the ONLY thing keeping me afloat. DO NOT DOOM ME.
—Amelie Belcher, Austin, TX

Being retired and on Social Security I can't affort the outrageous prices that Comcast is charging NOW. The proposed rules would only make it worse.
—Charles M. Kittredge, Santa Fe, NM

I am disabled & I spend a HUGE amount of time on the internet. I don't want it controlled!
—Susan Jessee, Kingman, AZ

I already pay a significant amount of money to my ISP for what I consider subpar internet service at 50 mbps. I pay netflix for their monthly service and should be able to stream my netflix content at 50 mbps, as this is the service I'm paying the ISP. I'm not paying them for 50 mbps for google sites, yahoo sites, comcast sites, etc.. and only 12 mbps for netflix. Any anti-Net Neutrality ruling marginalizes the individual citizen at the benefit of "big business." Any fees Netflix pays will be passed on to the consumer and for all practical purposes the consumer is going to be paying twice for the same service. ATT, Verizon, etc... want to whine about how net neutrality will stifle buisness. This is ridiculous. Telecom companies have record profits. I've personally seen the inside of ATT and it is run terribly. The inefficiency is criminal and despite their poor operations they make a killing. Why? Because they charge so much already. If they made an effort to be efficient they could likely decrease their rates 25 to 50% and maintain their current profit margins. Please say NO to allowing these companies to rape the american people. Government agencies such as the FCC were created to protect the people's interest. Please represent us well. Please enforce net neutrality. If this requires reclassifying ISP as utilities then please proceed. Please take whatever action is within your power to level the playing field and protect the average citizen from "big business" gone wild. The courts carried out a travesty when they struck down the 2010 rules. Please set the record straight. As a side note, In the United States why is so difficult to proceed in that's best for the public as a whole. European Union doesn't seem to struggle with this issue as they continually pass laws and regulation that protect and serve their citizens. Seems the United States has greater forces that are designed to protect corporations at the cost of the citizen - lobbyists! Tell them not this time.
—Chris Massari, Bend, OR

Because the internet is like any other utility and should not be performance tiered based on who is on either end. If you pay for a certain speed you should get that speed again regardless of end users.
—Dharma Kemp-Bresett, Nashua, NH

I think that for all the talk about freedom, that this is one of the most important. The free exchange of ideas. Also I don't believe corporations should be allowed to control everything. They have only their own bottom lines in mind.
—Jason L Naramor, Calera, OK

Government should fight for the common people. Not corporations. Tom Wheeler is corrupt and making millions of dollars while common people fight for every penny. Now he wants to help the rich and steal from the poor. How do people like him get into leadership positions? All he speaks are lies. He specifically laughed during a FCC hearing at people who wanted their voices heard. HE LAUGHED! What leader laughs at common people and not hear. Makes me sick this is what government is coming to. Please Tom sit me down and explain why this will help me and not Comcast? How much money did they offer you? How much are you making while the rest of us must work hard and long for every penny. I would like Tom Wheeler to personally call me and explain like we all deserve. Why his he ignoring everyone's voice and only trying to push the government into corruption.
—Korey Kluding, Findlay, OH

Information, news, and media should be delivered in equitable way. When those who pay to get their message out faster, information and news is no longer objective!
—Catherine Handschuh, Aptos, CA

Allowing already existent website monopolies to become even more empowered will stunt the evolution of information.
—Amber Tuthill, Hebron, NH

The net is far too important a tool for grassroots organizing to hand over to large corporations.
—David Edwards, Seattle, WA

Because access to information is vital to a free society. The government already does more than enough for big corporations at the expense of ordinary Americans; this would just be one more huge proverbial kick in the teeth.
—Michael Bergamo, Tucson, AZ

Net Neutrality is important for a fair and open Internet. I think that the idea of a "fast lane" for those who can afford to pay for it will exacerbate inequality on the Internet and stifle innovation on the margins. The next big start-up that comes from someone's garage will simply have a harder time coming to prominence if the FCC goes through to kill Net Neutrality. I demand nothing less than REAL net neutrality. Regards, Jason Lipshin
—Jason Lipshin, Cambridge, MA

Equality! And, I paid for the infrastructure…..what is your cable doing under my earth? They should be paying us (taxpayers) for the property that houses the cables. Internet should be free and fast for everyone…..the FCC is employed by me not corporate America…..what is the FCC mandate?
—EA Daniels, Seattle, WA

Net neutrality (at any cost) is the foundation of change. We need to preserve this freedom for our children. Any cost benefit to the consumer and business owner is not worth the cost of the loss in freedom of speech and entrepreneurship that the internet provides.
—Alyssa Johnson, Seattle, WA

I run a small online business.
—Janel Goolsby, Aliso Viejo, CA

The free exchange of information keeps a society free.
—David Dye, Portland, OR

I do not wish to make a few wealthy in my pursuit of information.
—Raenie Kane, Long Beach, CA

Mega-corporations are already controlling so much of the free world that it scares me. To allow them to take even more control could create a world that is even harder for the less wealthy.
—Tina Vigorito, Vancouver, WA

We have heard every reason Tom Wheeler has gave for why his plan is great but now it is time to listen to the american people. It will not work and we dont want it. Make ISPs common carriers. That is what the american people want. You may defend this plan all you want Mr. Wheeler but the american people are not buying what you are selling.
—Leslie Lewis, Capitol Heights, MD

please save the internet now
—Stephen Kollenborn, Mesa, AZ

The Internet is more than a private business, it is a public trust that needs government/social protection in order to remain an equal source of information and learning for humanity. Much like libraries house our trusted sources of information, freely available due to the private invention of the printing press -- the Internet too, must at its heart be kept free an open to all. Businesses already have many opportunities to leverage the potential of the Internet to profit while connecting us all. In fact, protecting net neutrality ensures all businesses have an equal chance to succeed (including bare bones startups), much like it ensures our democracy promotes a fair chance to read, react and participate in discussion. We cannot have tiered Internet and discrimination against those who have money and those who do not. To do that is to go against the nature of freedom we like to promote around the globe. Technologies far beyond our grasp today exist on the horizon, and to have it only distributed to a higher paying class hampers growth in our country.
—Matthew Ryno, Milwaukee, WI

Corporations already have too much power.
—, Seattle, WA

It is going to slow down progress in new technology and give rise to too narrow of a spectrum of content.
—DeAnn Worland, Rockford, IL

The internet is the number one leveling tool that allows capitalism to function like it is supposed to. It is truly an equal space for all. Don't ruin the internet with this ruling, which will allow large oligopolies to make even greater profits at the expense of ordinary citizens.
—Heather Sevrens, Menlo Park, CA

Net neutrality will maintain the internet as a free and democratic public utility, as it should be. If the FCC monitors and regulates it, it belongs to ALL citizens, not the corporations who already own far too large a stake in our government.
—Kristie Cunningham, Tucson, AZ

It's a learning tool for my autistic child. And helps keep him grounded. As a single parent with the only income I could not afford to help him.
—heather Olson, Tucson, AZ

1st ammendment
—Mr. Noah Evans, Huntington Beach, CA

Because I am a small online retailer and because it's patently unfair to give large companies preferential treatment on the Internet that, we, as taxpayers, paid to build.
—Nicholas Africano, Bourbonnais, IL

I work from home and my husband is an internet radio DJ. We need open access to the internet and to not be limited by greedy corporations that already take to much from the average people. What they want you to do would make things extremely difficult for my husband and i
—Rebecca breaks, Cincinnati, OH

This can't be the land of opportunity if access to knowledge becomes an even more profitized commodity. It could be the final nail in the coffin of the American Dream.
—Don Landry, Dallas, TX

Because it's double dipping, unfair, selfish and a disgrace to the internet
—Ben, ,

The internet may be the Wild Wild West but its a true democracy. You can create whatever you want, discuss whatever you want, and everyone has access. These companies already make BILLIONS of dollars, but now they want more control? More money?
—Ms. Roxanne Oraguzie, Carson, CA

First off, I'm piss poor. I'm not going to pay a premium for internet speeds that aren't at a premium price in the other 194 countries on this planet. That's hardly fair. Secondly, as an artist, I need streamed movies and videos to get reference material for my own work. To put it bluntly, having that slowed down would not end well.
—Jace Viernes, Ewa Beach, HI

As a person who uses the internet daily, and runs a website, the "Net Neutrality" rules are sickening. Along with SOPA, ACTA, and PIPA, this will ruin the free information highway. The Internet is supposed to be used to share information, not to give more money to the HollyWood Pigs.
—Riley Burns, ,

America is founded on the principle of freedom. Also, fuck Comcast.
—Nikhil Nair, U S A F Academy, CO

Anything other than complete net neutrality will only be a danger to free communication and the flow of ideas. The internet has the chance to connect the human race in ways never before possible, congress and the FCC must not hinder this tool for intellectual freedom.
—Joshua Yang, Cerritos, CA

I focus my education through the internet. From what I do not learn from public education, I further explore the concepts on the internet. If the FCC goes through with this, me as a lower-middle class american will struggle to keep expanding my knowledge.
—Tanner Bruner, Rogersville, TN

Net Neutrality supports small business & freedom of speech
—Harriet Matter-Jones, Portland, OR

Because I am a lower class citizen and I have the right to a free and open internet in order to educate myself to reach a higher level of knowledge. I believe the internet is the most powerful tool for education, so please don't take away my access just because I am not in the 1%.
—Corrinne Simone Willis, Colorado Springs, CO

because the internet is my life. I have extreme social anxiety and 2 broken knees. the internet is my escape.
—Ciara Bonneau, ,

A great gift that our own government put into action is being abused by controlling companies that are already overcharging us. Please look at the overall picture of such action and consider "us" the taxpayers and our futures in not only this issue but, all issues pertaining to the betterment of all! This nothing more than a two company monopoly without the opportunity for improvements and direct competition. Thank you for your consideration! Jack Thank You
—Jack Schmidt, Aurora, CO

The internet is a communications service for all of mankind. There is no place for Government picking winners and discriminating against the rest of internet users. When technology experts create new and innovative means of communication the internet users should have access to it indiscriminately. God Save The Republic.
—patrick Dugan, Felton, CA

It gives an equal change for everyone to express themselves and create whatever they wish for without fear that a greater company will somehow affect them or treat them as any less important than any others.
—Manuel Diaz, ,

It's important because I can keep in contact with friends I've met and it's Freedom of Speech. Taking our internet and limiting it is taking away out Freedom of Speech which is against one of the rules of the country.
—Josie Valdez, Santa Fe, NM

Start up companies will be at a great disadvantage, but you don't care about them they don't have lobbyist that give politicians money. How are they giving you money to sell out? This is what is wrong with America, big companies just buy the laws that will benefit themselves. How do you sleep at nights?
—Wayne Dudones, Palos Heights, IL

It is important because imposing laws on connectivity will do nothing but stifle innovation and the advancement of technology.
—Mr. Justin Bisutti, East Hanover, NJ

I'd like to add my voice to the thousands who are in disagreement with this proposal. I think that this idea is foolish and one that could come back to bite you in the long run. As it is now most of America is held hostage by the larger cable companies and this only serves to give them carte blanc over a service that should be free and open to the public they have forgotten how to serve.
—Mr. John ODay, Saint Louis, MO

The level playing field of knowledge, expression, and commerce is incredibly important. It is a founding principle and makes the internet a better place..
—Jeremy Bethel, Roanoke, VA

Please do us all a favor and leave the internet alone. PLEASE!
—Shea Davidson, Marshall, TX

A two-tiered internet where it costs additional fees to be in the fast lane will hurt small internet reliant companies. As I hope to one day start a company such as this, this has a huge impact on what I hope to do with my future. I do not believe that a monopolized internet is the correct path.
—Dominique Brown, Excelsior Springs, MO

If there was no net neutrality there wouldn't be facebook or google or anything , it keeps the playing field even and not gives a advantage to the big companies , so we need net neutrality for innovation and newer projects and everything
—Rahul Jain, ,

In a society where the internet is the main form of communication, making that communication free and open is of the upmost importance.
—Sean J, Fishers, IN

As an engineer and a entrepreneur, net neutrality gives me the same chance as large corporations to invent ideas and expose them to people all over the world. I have an equal opportunity and it is a crucial part of the American dream. Net neutrality will slander the American dream and provide a systems of tiers or classes between websites. The internet will no longer serve as a gateway to equal opportunity if fast lanes are approved.
—Cary Wood, West Lafayette, IN

There are so many reasons, but one reason could be that you ll stop people from innovating things on the internet because they just don't have the power to make it
—FrozenStarz, ,

It allows information to be freely shared. The Internet is a place where people can find comfort, valuable advices, understand other cultures and discover news that cable media don't bother to share. Destroying net neutrality equals to saying no to free speech. Please cherish what makes our civilisation so great instead of getting it one step closer to Medieval era of censorship.
—Michaela Ivasienkova, ,

Because having bigger corporations take control over what online sites have faster speeds is completely irresponsible and not right in terms of fairness to the consumer.
—Kirsten, Morrisville, NC

The internet has naturally grown to become what it is, and stopping that now, would slow down the growth of what it can become.
—Sergey Barshtein, Brooklyn, NY

As a graduating web and front end designer, I think it's unfair to put a price on internet speed. This proposal is a form of discrimination against all businesses, and will affect my work intake in more ways than one, making it more competitive to get the biggers jobs from companies willing to pay this extra "fast lane" fee, and every single web designer/developer will feel the same. Please don't pass this!
—Kristen Whiddon, Atlanta, GA

I want to see our Internet still open to everybody, and not to pay higher fees in fast lines! Even not fair to smaller websites using slow lanes too.
—Melissa Maddox, Frankfort, KY

It's the last frontier of equal opportunity
—Derek Masten, Morrisville, VT

I have a business website
—Stephanie Petersen, Reno, NV

Net neutrality is the most important issue of our generation. It is COMPLETELY ridiculous that speed would be dependent on tier and product. This crushes the democratic possibilities inherent in the internet.
—Kamran Hakiman, Washington, DC

The free and unrestricted flow of information using the internet allows it be an important source of communication that has become vital, not simply to entertainment, but also to communication and education.
—Tyler Smith, Allendale, MI

EQUAL ACCESS to knowledge and information should be available to all. Regardless of you financial situation.
—Asef Alam, Hillsborough, NJ

An open, free, fair internet is going to be one of the most important freedoms going forward. There's a reason why nations in Europe and the Republic of Korea have substantially faster internet speeds than those of us here in the economic powerhouse of the world. I urge you to force the ISPs to keep an open internet and require them to increase their bandwidth so we as a country are on par with other industrialized nations around the world.
—Kennith Conley Coleman, Mohawk, WV

how are we to say that the few rich companies should have the right to jeopardize all the smaller companies to line their pockets even more. REAL NET NEUTRALITY IS FOR EVERYONE!!!!!
—Jason Lamb, Grove City, PA

Net Neutrality is key to democracy. Without it, the Internet will become yet another place where those with money get to benefit, and everyone else gets shut out of the discussion. A two-tiered internet would extend class warfare into the online realm, where the increasing numbers of poor and "middle class" have their last, best chance of regaining political representation.
—Benjamin Healey, Fort Richardson, AK

because its fair and there's nothing wrong with it the way it is.
—Andre, Salt Lake City, UT

There are already too many barriers to what should be a right to information, we don't need any more.
—Ben Urciuoli, Wethersfield, CT

I believe that the internet is a valuable resource that must be protected from fiscal influence. I believe that if Net Neutrality is not preserved we will lose a magnificent resource of learning, discourse and innovation. If all of the information on the internet is not allowed to flow equally, then the people are at the mercy of those who control the flow of that information. Thank you for your time. Gabriel Naugher
—Mr. Gabriel Naugher, Upper Marlboro, MD

It keeps the world at our finger tips and of of corporate hands!
—Jennifer Whitworth, Topeka, KS

There will be no freedom, no democracy without it.
—Barbara Swanston, ,

Real Net Neutrality rules that protect Internet users from corporate abuse. Keep the internet Open and free to grow.
—Leo Kisrow, Jacksonville, FL

Corporate profits and renegade laws that continue to impose restrictions and unfair burdens on the citizens the elected officials are supposed to work for and protect has gone horribly wrong. You're asking for a revolt, and if you keep persisting in such bullshit as this act, you WILL get exactly that. #OCCUPY
—Maureen Dauphinee, Rochester, NY

To have the freedom to use the Internet as I please, not as someone else dictates
—Richard Riley, ,

Net Neutrality is important because it allows me to access to websites that I use for school, for my job, and my personal life. Entering a two tiered system would leave me in the slow lane because I will not possess the funds in order to have the faster speeds and money for the fees websites might charge that I NEED. The internet is the largest form of free speech, and it should not be subjected to discrimination from the big wigs.
—Erin Englett, Houston, TX

The internet generation is the one i grew up in. Without it, most teens/kids would be lost. We're living off the entertainment, information, and education that it's giving off.
—Malorie Keylon, Cedar Hill, TX

Net Neutrality is essential! We, the public, pay enough for our use of the internet. The public should not be victims of corporate abuse!
—Amanda King, Boston, MA

I do not like that companines with a lot of money will be able to pay for faster "pipes" and like guys will not be ale to. I also do not like that by doing this ISP's will be able to charge you more for select services and in turn these services will cost us more.
—Joaquin Bridges, Watsonville, CA

Being able to use all of the sites that I usually use at a consistent speed is important to me in my day-to-day life, from browsing Reddit to checking my Microsoft Outlook and Gmail inboxes to playing video games such as League of Legends. I'm disappointed and frustrated at the possibility that this free and open Internet, where any site and any user are created equal, could disappear in favor of a pay-to-access system with exponentially slower speeds and a method that allows ISPs to charge us more for what we already fairly pay for, such as seen in this image (http://i.imgur.com/4jTTFbP.jp g). I'm not happy.
—Paul Lucero, Littleton, CO

The internet is what I use on a daily bases. I don't have any extra cash to pay for faster speeds, my father already pays enough. I want to be able to continue making content and posting it on the sites that I want, without feeling like my internet is second class. Fuck you FCC, The internet is for people to spread and share information that is important to them. Step away from the gate and let these people continue to run free.
—Jakob Prater, Houston, TX

It is the ISP's responsibility to update their services so that congestion can be alleviated. The internet will continue to grow, and charging the customer more money for this trend is unethical and should be prevented at all costs.
—Tim Hanneman, Locust Grove, VA

I was under the impression that FCC was supposed to protect the public from power and influence from money. It is outrageous that the FCC would even consider siding with big corporations so they can take control of the Internet and end what is known as Net Neutrality. If the FCC allows this I am totally convinced that it is being run by the $$$ from these big corporations. It seems there is no end in sight from this onslaught of corporate dollars running our country. Our democracy is more than halfway in the toilet now. The Internet needs to remain free of corporate influence and greed. Please DO NOT allow Net Neutrality to be flushed down the toilet along with voting rights and "corporations being equal to "People". I am an outraged US citizen.
—Robert Smith, Seattle, WA

As a student, I can't afford to pay for the internet I will need for my education.
—Emma Fredericks, Hackettstown, NJ

The web connects the world. Making people pay changes the entire way people will exsist.
—Kim Troxall, Lexington, KY

Net neutrality is what makes the internet great.
—Eli Schroeder, Glen Carbon, IL

Scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Corey J. Apling, Columbus, OH

The YOUTUBE!
—Ariel Pineiro, Fort Myers, FL

I am beginning college this year, and I use the Internet for a multitude of incredibly important things. The Internet is the fundamental basis for undiscriminating, free speech. It allows young students like me access to global communications and information. Obviously I am not going to be able to afford increased expenses for the Internet, nor should I have to. The FCC must realize that the Internet cannot be regulated by the government as it's essential that all people of the United States are allowed to let their voice be heard EQUALLY, not favoring those who can pay more. The Internet does need funding, but throwing net neutrality out the window is strictly benefiting companies like Verizon and Comcast, allowing them to make extra millions to stuff in their pockets while the Internet becomes less and less usable without extra payment.
—Cari Wolff, Lake Geneva, WI

When money talks, the ones with the deepest pockets win.
—James, Orlando, FL

I strongly encourage the FCC to classify Internet Service Providers as Title Two Common Carriers. Allowing companies to purchase premium delivery for their content is unjust and a form of extortion. If this were the case the freedom and growth of the internet that the nation has experienced in the last 20 years would be devastatingly halted; leaving only the super-rich companies to compete against each other.
—Andrew Hassel, Chicago Ridge, IL

It allows me to use everything at the fastest speeds possible. If it's removed, then services would be slow, I'd stop using and paying for those services, and the internet would lose users.
—, Huntington, NY

ISPs have essentially a monopoly here in the US, and they have abused that power in so many ways. We need net neutrality for free competition, especially for upcoming services using video, and we have reached the point where internet can be considered a right. I refuse to let greed win.
—Scott Mason, Detroit, MI

because it make us equal. if this does pass, all your telling the people that your just greedy for money. I can't afford to pay more and things are really hard as it is for me. please don't. :(
—Paul Laureano, Killeen, TX

I am front end developer and know the importance of an open internet.
—Khalid Robinson, Los Angeles, CA

The Internet is an amazing resource which allows access to books, documents, films and documentaries which help to further educate those who may not have access to such resources wherever they may be.
—Justin Creasman, Los Angeles, CA

I've been able to surf the web since I was 12 years old all on my own. I can learn things, find humorous sites, and enjoy surfing just for fun. I can start a business, purchase things from other countries, sell things from my country, and connect with people from all over the world. Internet is already pricey enough just for better SPEED... don't include exclusive access to it, too!
—Jessica Gill, Dallas, TX

I don't believe the providers should have a say in what I have legally paid for. We already have a substandard internet with data caps and limited to no options for alternate isp, i don't think they should be able to charge me more for what I've always done.
—Joron McRae, Youngstown, OH

Chairman Wheeler the internet should be the peoples not the highest bidding companies. The government intrudes on every part of our lives these days. Leave the little people something.
—Donald Ross, Aylett, VA

As a full time college student who already pays rent, a car note, tuition, and other bills I can't afford to also have to pay for the internet which plays a big role in my education
—Ariana Walston, Reston, VA

I can barely afford internet as it is. I can't have these companies charging me more to use the internet when I basically work on the internet. It isn't right.
—Emily, Nashville, TN

Stop messing with us!!
—Mohammed Moinuddin, Elmhurst, NY

The internet is a great source of information and entertainment for myself personally. I don't want our system to change because I fear I wont be able to afford it.
—Daphnie Russell, Corona, CA

My livelyhood depends on the internet.
—Jeremy Dew, Madison, WI

I own a video based business incubator that will be crushed by segregating the world wide web that my taxes paid to develop. Broadband providers are common carriers. Most importantly though net neutrality is important to me because the elitist two tier model is "Information Access Discrimination".
—Matthew Steven Melin, San Diego, CA

Equal opportunity and access for all
—Scott Cunningham, Tucson, AZ

We must not continue to kill small business in this country. The corporations already have enough power! Start representing the people instead of the corporate oligarchy!
—Norm Lindner, Melbourne, FL

I cannot afford a more expensive internet. The open internet saved my life by allowing me to research my disease and find treatment. Without it, I would be dead.
—Dawn Adkisson, Normal, IL

As a costume maker and small business owner, losing net neutrality would literally destroy my only source of income. I would also lose access to important resources and learning tools I use in my every day life, in order to support myself. Not only will this affect me, but hundreds of thousands of others. If net neutrality is lost, I would certainly stop using the internet all together. I'm sure many would. All in all, placing such restrictions on the internet is just plain stupid.
—P Lammers, ,

It's important for EVERYONE to have a free and open internet; just because others have millions to billions of dollars more doesn't mean they should get their content provided to people faster. It would be like if highway HoV lanes were only for people who made $250,000+ a year and everyone else was restricted to the standard highway lanes.
—Jeremy Brown, Brighton, CO

I am an academic, so I am very concerned that information be freely available and that access to information not be influenced by wealth. The internet is one of those public venues that preserve democracy and prevent the US becoming an oligarchy. So far, the internet has provided an incredible platform for innovation and social sharing. Please don't destroy this amazing human resource by making it controlled by wealth and power. Keep the internet a public resource!!!
—Suzanne Benack, Schenectady, NY

Everyone is equal in real life, so why wouldn't they be online? People already pay for different connection speeds and strengths, so why complicate it even more with different tiers?
—Jordan Andrus, ,

The internet is the best way to help people and for people to help themselves. Taking away net neutrality would hurt the most disadvantaged and make the most advantaged have slightly more convenient speeds at which to download pr0n.
—Emerson Goncus, Springdale, PA

You know why.
—Jonathan, ,

As the Internet is backbone of the free flow of information, I feel it is important to protect free speech by not allowing those with money to control this flow.
—Sakura Lipsey, Sammamish, WA

Because all websites should have equal playing field, and big internet providers just want to make more money
—Jack Koury, Ballwin, MO

It ensures our basic rights for free speech, innovation, education, economic growth, creativity, etc. - not giving unequal rights to the wealthiest among us.
—Jacqueline Smith, North Fort Myers, FL

Why wouldn't it be important to me? We all deserve net neutrality. There is no good that can come out of it. The end result will be higher fees for customers, and it is ridiculous that something like this is even being thought up. We, as consumers, already pay for Internet access. Why should we all not get regular services like email or videos that we've all paid the ISP for? Please reclassify ISPs as Common Carriers under Title II. We need to keep net neutrality ALIVE.
—Kenneth Neurohr, Butler, PA

It is absolutely essential to make sure that the one Internet, World Wide Web, serves all information packets at the same speed. Otherwise large companies will use large numbers of legal procedures to defeat small companies, who cannot afford the legal bills to get equal speed. Existing cable and phone giant companies already use their public exclusive geographical franchise grants to charge excessive rates to consumers because they own the only direct lines. The FCC must fully support net neutrality to make the one Internet/WWW a common carrier so that there is fair competition in both business and fair competition in ideas that the big cable companies and phone don't want to be heard. The FCC must not allow any additional speed fees on the one Internet /World Wide Web. It's the only Internet we have, and the FCC better not kill our rights of free speech and free enterprise, or the US public will rise up and hold accountable all those responsible.
—Timothy C. Warlick, Tulsa, OK

A free and non discriminatory Internet is necessary to continue our everyday lives as they have been for years
—Enrique Rufo, Cape Coral, FL

It should be important to everyone, to have net neutrality. The internet is only what it is today because of the interaction of everyone with a stable internet connection. Take that away from 99% of americans, and suddenly you'll find only the 1% surfing the desolate AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon webpages - because the rest of us will have moved on from the internet and gone back to actual human interaction. Us internet users are a fiscal lot - which is why sites like facebook and youtube have done so well, while others in their position, but charge for membership do not. This is also the reason that piracy is the large issue that it is. The average person would rather jump through hoops than to pay, when it comes to the internet. Human patience only lasts so long on the net - and there is nothing more aggravating than a slow internet connection. So, with all due respect, it's more likely you'll see a mass exodus from the net rather than having people actually pay more for a better connection, or for better site hosting. And once the majority of people leave, you lose the entire infrastructure that has been built up over the years. Tldr: The internet is only as great as the amount of people who choose to use it.
—Andrew Wesolowski, Rhinebeck, NY

It is important to protect our rights from discrimination and freedom of communication. Lets not give that to the telecom giants Tom Wheeler, and take it away from American citizens.
—Bryte Beevers, Vancouver, WA

Allowing this plan would further widen the divide between rich and poor in this country. Time to STOP!
—Keith Baratta, Long Beach, CA

Fairness in competition and reasonable prices for consumers
—Lucas Black, Herndon, VA

I value having adequate network speed for all of us.
—Sallie Shapiro, Glendale, CA

Because it internet is the future of the economy and I want the internet to stay free and open.
—Michele Harman, Portland, OR

Because I love the internet and this country already does enough to fuck over the poor.
—Amy Shaw, Willimantic, CT

The Internet is a place to be free. Not so that fat pigs in suits and sitting on gilded chairs get faster wifi and more freedom, while those who work for what they pay for lose their rights.
—Kadhim Al-Kaylani, Grand Rapids, MI

Cost
—Elizabeth Ackerman, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality protects the economic interests of budding start ups. Without equal access the internet, economic achievement will be at the hands of those already in economic power. Limiting startup's potentials pushes American technological progress backwards, rids the economy of worthwhile and much needed jobs, and sends a stark messages to the youth of today that their projects, and thereby their individual interests, are nothing compared to the economic interests of the telecom giants.
—Cole Bubenik, Austin, TX

Without Net Neutrality the way that we interact, perform our daily activities and transmit data will be changed tremendously. Allowing the FCC to enforce these rules will only allow the rich to get richer including the corporations that own the telecommunications companies as well as the giant corporations that would be able to afford the higher producing internet service.
—Chris Michalak, New York, NY

The moment you let net neutrality go, you lose the web as it is. You lose something essential – the fact that any innovator can dream up an idea and set up a website at some random place and let it just take off from word of mouth.
—Kartik Sareen, ,

The future depends on us not selling out now.
—Bill Stern, San Francisco, CA

Without it, as a poor college student, I wouldn't be able to afford the faster lane of internet for school and would therefore struggle immensely financially.
—Mary Grove, Roanoke, VA

Free speech and video streaming.
—Alanna Phillips, Brooklyn, NY

For one, students all over the united states use the internet for research projects, studying and connecting with teachers. Many already can't afford the internet and to add even more costs is ridiculous. College students can barely afford to get to college, how would they afford to keep up with classes? Net Neutrality is important for everyone, for society to be able to grow as one. Connecting with those over the internet happens now and it brings so much to the world. It allows for others to be exposed to different cultures, foods and for some, it saves lives. If one has to pay even more than they already do for internet that now, is perfect, then forget about America even coming close to being the best country.
—Breanna Higgins, Kyle, TX

I want the internet that I paid for, there should never be a two-tiered internet that telecoms decide what my fate is. This will destroy a lot of businesses and put a lot of people out of jobs! Please reclassify ISPs as Common Carriers under Title II.
—Matt Bauer, Black Mountain, NC

I think that if we have pure freedom in real life, we should have the ability to have pure freedom online, too.
—Riley Annon, Phoenix, AZ

because we don't want big businesses to take control of the world my Internets all ready slow enough and if it gets any slower ill probably go crazy
—Johnathan Dudley, Cumming, GA

I do not believe there should be discrimination when it comes to Internet speeds.
—Amanda Simpkins, Fort Myers, FL

I am a college student trying to beat the odds of a jobless recovery by trying to enter one of the only places which seems to have a future: the internet. Without Net Neutrality, any company I work for or set up on my own will be dead in the water. Every company begins as a small business, many of which would not be able to pay to get their content to their viewers. And many viewers would not be able to pay to receive their content! Don't kill the only thing keeping the internet's economy afloat!
—Andrea Munguia, San Diego, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me because the greedy communications corporations need to keep their corrupt filthy hands off the information superhighway, and find new ways to adapt their flawed business models to a modern world. Secondly net neutrality is important because we need to have internet speeds comparable to Sweden and Japan, if we claim to be a technological society. If I want a data pipeline to my house I SHOULD BE ABLE TO HAVE ONE at a REASONABLE price. I render 3d models, play video games and program, I need bandwidth to do these things. The internet does not need to be nerfed or tampered with in any way. Through legislation like this the FCC renders its self un-patriotic in my eyes. We need to unite and build a strong tech educated America, so we don't fall behind the rest of the world. I'm signing this submission, to help preserve reasonable access to data and technology to all people.
—Nicholas Fazzolari, Portland, OR

I want to start a website, I want to make money. I CANNOT make money if I have to PAY to start the website that I plan to MAKE MONEY on. Does that sound like freedom? Does it sound like freedom to let the people with the most money own the internet? If I must PAY to use the internet, why the hell should I pay extra fees that come along with it? Any website that is a competitor (hell, even just not liked) by the big companies will be demolished, finished, destroyed. THIS IS NOT FREEDOM, THIS IS MADNESS. Why do you always try to fuck up the Internet? This is a source of information for the masses. Do you not want information to SPREAD?
—Pearson Batitto, Chesterfield, VA

The internet is one of the largest hubs of information and blocking that off from the public is a grave disservice.
—Haley Fox, Novi, MI

Our rights to the internet shouldn't be cut short to line the pockets of already wealthy people.
—Christopher Gallavan, Midlothian, VA

Equality for everyone.
—John Kaye, Beverly Hills, CA

The internet is the only true protector of democracy, human rights and innovation. Breaking net neutrality is a slippery slope that could badly cripple the countless wonderful fruits of the modern web. This has to be stopped.
—Ido Kalir, ,

I dont want the Internet to be dominated by monopolies and prices for access to go up and up
—August Malupa, Yonkers, NY

For education purposes, this new discrimination will greatly affect our youth.
—Laila M, Los Angeles, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because I do not believe corporations should be able to tilt the playing field in their favor. It is not the business of anyone to decide whose voice is heard.
—Davis Collins, Springfield, MO

Freedom for all, cost to none.
—VonDexter Montegut II, Los Angeles, CA

Lets prevent companies, who provide a necessary service, from making as much money as they possibly can off of The People
—Megan Adams, Seattle, WA

I favor social justice over corporate profits. We all need the internet to work and play; it needs to be fair. It is the government's job to make sure it's fair.
—Eric D'Asaro, Seattle, WA

For me, this is less about large companies having all the power and more about individual citizens not having the same access or FREE SPEECH as the larger companies. It is an equity AND equality issue. It is a free speech issue. It is an issue that affects those who don't have a voice... So I'm using mine. Don't let this go any further. Remember: "With great power comes great responsibility" Use it wisely.
—Emma, Arlington, MA

The Internet has come a long way, why ruin it? Why control it? This is similar to the black white oppressions in America in the 1940s. You control the internet you control the voice of billions of people.
—Darin Hogen, Foothill Ranch, CA

Because it is the livelihood and valuable resource for everyone I know.
—Ruffin White, Atlanta, GA

Why isn't it important to me? Removing net neutrality is one step closer to living in a communist country. America the free, right? Let's keep it that way.
—Megan H, Georgetown, KY

The internet is a place where people share ideas and information. Restricting this will not help us as a society gain useful knowledge to better ourselves and the people around us.
—Andrew Richardson, Plano, TX

Because it prevents unnecessary greed from companies. Punishing people for having better internet is unfair and overall its just down right wrong
—Ryne Knight, Louisville, KY

Its not fair to make people pay more to go to sites they can already go to at a normal internet fee just because their internet providers don't have the support of the said sites!
—Arturo J. Briano, Bryan, TX

It allows me to be apart of a world community!
—Aleksander Berg, Los Angeles, CA

I like the internet
—Nick Smith, Rochelle, IL

because I believe in true open and competitive internet without mettling by big business.
—Mitch Montgomery, Vancouver, WA

I would like to be able to visit my college home page, and also learn new dyi from sources in forums on how to repair, create, innovate either my car or just my hobby. Net neutrality is disgusting. It serves anything but advantages for the consumer.
—Jordanis Laureano, New York, NY

We need the freedom to innovate without corporate obstruction. Opportunity for everyone.
—Mike Riley, Cape Coral, FL

I do not believe this is an actual neutral and fair way to connect and communicate to a service provider. Americans already pay huge bills as it is. Provide America with REAL NetNeturality not this government interference of our right to connect that we are currently enjoying.
—Kelley Morris, Stevens Point, WI

the free, open and neutral internet represents the biggest equalising force society has perhaps ever encountered and it needs to be kept that way
—Angus Macrae, ,

Internet service should be fair and consistent for all users. A service provider, that serves as a 'highway' for the delivery of goods should not be allowed to dictate what it delivers when it is a monopoly. That is exactly what ISP's are, a monopoly.
—Liam Livingston, Ocala, FL

America needs a free and vibrant internet, free from corporate interference and greed. The very people who need to use the internet for everything from education and research to social communication will be forced to pay monopolistic prices to use it. "Fast lanes" will morph into slow, fast, faster price levels for everyone combined with data charges...all stymieing Americans' need for the internet.
—Dennis Link, Monaca, PA

We need an unbiased internet, or "free" internet for all...and I want the internet to remain the way it is. Small businesses should have the right to the same rights, as big business. If I want to use big businesses, I can look them up on the internet. If I want to use a smaller business, I want to be able to find them just as easily. KEEP THE INTERNET THE WAY IT IS NOW, KEEP THE INTERNET FREE FOR ALL.
—Corinne Vautour, ,

We are already paying inflated prices for high speed access because service providers have no competition. Does the FCC exist to protect the interests of business, or to regulate that business in the interests of all?
—Stuart Hirshhorn, Seattle, WA

1st amendment freedom must be protected!
—Robert Hart, indanapolis, IN

Net Neutrality is important to me reasonably because it has helped me learn and do well at school. Also I have been able to meet many people from around the world using the internet. If i have to pay more then these privileges will be taken away from me. These are just a few reasons.
—Nathan, ,

It seems to me that the proposed rules will have a chilling effect on our economy. American needs real net neutrality in order to prosper.
—Lisa Schlossnagle, Fulton, MD

As an educator, I believe it is important that we provide fair and easy access to the Internet. We need to make sure that no one is limited to what they can access based on what they can afford.
—Rhonda Spearman, Huntsville, TX

Net Neutrality is important to me because it's a form of freedom of information for Americans to seek, find, and locate information on health, housing, education, or any issue of concern without flipping through a book which doesn't provide clarity to our most seasoned Americans, seniors. Net Neutrality is simple, accessible, and does have a cost through my cable company so I desire the freedom to surf as an American of the United States of America. Fighting appears to be the American way to gain freedom for everything and it shouldn't be for Net Neutrality. Allow the small American to enjoy the freedom of the Internet as it is today without discriminatory practices. Power to the people?
—Elvie Jester, Silver Spring, MD

It doesn't stifle my search results and gives me access to everything that I need not just what company's say I would need. Keeps things fair for my and other start up websites
—Cashil Ferreira, ,

Equal right for all americans should be in person and on the internet!
—Hany Ryan Solh, Charlotte, NC

I believe that online speed and content should be equal and not discriminate!!!
—Lauren K., Des Plaines, IL

Without net neutrality, the greedy service providers would be able to controll the internet for their own benefit. This means they'd get extra money from those who could afford it, leaving the rest of us without good internet simply because they want their money. This would be a stupid decision, and the government needs to make sure that it NEVER happens.
—Emma Follman, Malvern, PA

Because having net neutrality will ensure that all people who want to use the internet will be able to do so without having to pay extra. it also restricts the power of large cooperation who would benefit at the expense of the common person
—Bob George, College Station, TX

I'm disabled & cannot afford the prices charged by the big telecommunications companies plus we are NOT served by the cable companies out where we live. So if this goes through we will be screwed big time!
—Bob Thomas, Myrtle Creek, OR

The internet is the ultimate platform of democracy. With fair and equal access, everyone, regardless of social status and economic means, can be empowered by access to important information, exercise their first amendment right of free speech, use the internet to help advance themselves in society, among many other advantages. It is critical that politics, and especially that which is supported by dirty money from the ISP's, not sully this access. The folks who will be hurt the most are those in the lower levels of economic means, those who would like to innovate with internet-based start-ups, and the racial minorities. It would be a dereliction of duty for the FCC to allow the ISP's to control access to the open internet. It is profoundly hypocritical for political "liberals" to be among those fighting viciously to deny Americans the free and open access to the internet. Please uphold the principles of our democracy and support net neutrality.
—Sammy Elzarka, San Dimas, CA

As an educator, consumer and American I find this thinly disguised bit of pandering to big business disgusting and unconstitutional. I promise you I will be one of the first to sign onto any punitive action taken for this ridiculous over reach of the commissions power.
—Brandi Martin, Chicago, IL

I'm a retired Librarian. I understand the importance of reliable information and open access to that information for our democracy. Net neutrality--the equal playing field of opportunity that provides access to critical information for voters, students, care givers, and citizens of all categories--is the new bedrock of equal opportunity. More and more people in this country are seeing the negative impacts of catering to the rich, of allowing our democracy to devolve into plutocracy, of granting 'personhood' to corporations. The assault on net neutrality is just one more facet of that destructive onslaught by the 1%. If you wanted to find one way to wake up the American citizen, especially the younger generation, you couldn't have picked a better alarm clock. Net neutrality: the last stand.
—Carol Fitzgerald, Denver, CO

Its important because this is how we get our voice heard! Right now as I'm typing this i am using the free internet , what will happen in a few years if this actually happens?
—Danny, Oxnard, CA

I own a small business
—John Langton, Somerville, MA

it is the only way to have a level playing ground for any business large or small
—James Hartsell, Concord, NC

Net Neutrality is important to me because I believe in an equal and fair democracy. 50 years ago we eliminated discrimination against African Americans, the minority. Do you really want to repeat history, but this time against the majority?
—Celia Shapiro, Potomac, MD

To ensure the internet remains a equal public forum for innovation and access
—Joshua Sierra, Los Angeles, CA

Neutrality is important to a free society and should not be allowed to be ruled by corporations. I think that the free market can determine who wins and who loses. I do not want ISP's to determine that for me!
—Robert Simon, Victoria, TX

Free speech, innovation, education, creativity, fair access and economic growth.
—Tracy Austin, Las Vegas, NV

I don't want to have to pay to use the internet even more than I do. Wifi and phone bills are expensive enough.
—Rachel Conklin, Cape Coral, FL

Democratization of the internet is paramount to keeping this country free. no one should have to pay more for certain 1's and 0's over others.
—Christophe Jammet, New York, NY

It is essential for equality & free speech in a democratic country.
—Carolyn Lamb, Santa Fe, NM

Internet should be an open resource, not a government controlled one.
—Casey Cahill, San Antonio, TX

Net neutrality is fair and common sense.
—Emily Selman, Denver, CO

The internet needs to remain open and equally accessible to all - period. No favoritism should be allowed for those who can afford to pay more
—Steve, Mount Joy, PA

I already live a modest life and cannot afford all of the luxuries and even some of the necessities I desire. Net neutrality is what makes the internet not only a place of entertainment, but my primary source for meaningful education. Destroying net neutrality will not only make me more bored and angry, but also dumber, and the FCC would be responsible for the decline in not only mine, but the whole country's intelligence.
—Patrick Varela, Belleville, NJ

I want to be able to access the internet and be able to look up what I wish. The internet should be free and equal. Just like the United States says it is.
—Shelby Hughes, Georgetown, KY

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—, Boulder, CO

Because I absolutely do not comply with the corporate world and the web needs to remain an open place to share and learn from. I do not want corporations to empede on my ability to figure out what matters to me. outrageous that Mr Wheeler dares asking. He must be getting a big chunk of $$$ from those corporations. NO, not acceptable. I do not have to pay for information. Those corporations wish to darken the place where most live. Greed is the most vile human trait. thank you
—Carole LY SING LAO, North Hollywood, CA

An internet connection is critical to my job, and also critical to my ability to learn new things. Throttling connections for people who can't pay will stifle creativity and imagination in a lot of people.
—Ben Link, Columbia, SC

It is a part of our freedoms, which are being taken from us almost daily. The government does not need to control us, our activities or our "speech". They need to protect our freedoms, not destroy them.
—Judy Link, Greenwood, SC

As a future internet entrepreneur and student, I want to have the same opportunities as the big companies. I believe that I have rights to connect and communicate equally
—Christopher Araya Araya, ,

Cause it brings power to the people rather than those fucking money hoarding asshole tycoons.
—Dillon Green, Greer, SC

I work and play in the internet. I don't want other to determine what information is more important than other information.
—Mark Klein, Sterling Heights, MI

The internet is a free space for exchange of information among people. If companies are able to control the what websites people are able to access then only those with money have to right to speak, be heard and share their thoughts. This is wrong and not what the internet was created for.
—Chris Aiken, New York, NY

Dismantling net-neutrality is completely ridiculous and is another thinly veiled act of classism. If you do this, it will backfire.
—V, Philadelphia, PA

It's unjust to give a voice to only those who can afford it. Only you can vote to keep the doors open. Do the right thing for the global village and not just the wealthy privileged class.
—Kevin Velez, Jersey City, NJ

It protects my freedom of speech. The first amendment in the Bill of Rights, don't take that away from us.
—Victor Joel Valdez-Hidalgo, Fresno, CA

I don't understand how you can allow a company like Comcast who has zero ISP competition where I live that you've already allowed them to create tiered pricing for the Internet speed. There is nothing stopping Comcast from charging even more for those of us on the already slow lane at anytime and as many times as they choose. Our city split up arbitrarily many, many years ago between two ISP providers COX and COMCAST creating two monopolies because where you live determines what ISP you may sign up with for your internet. Tax payers payed for the initial internet with our tax dollars where only the military and universities had access. So, consumers paid for it with their taxes and now commercialization means that Corporations now control something they claim they invented which is an outright lie. My elderly aunt lives in a very rural town that has only one cable and one ISP provider. She cannot afford either one. There is only one wireless phone provider, Verizon. She cannot afford a wireless phone without assistance. These are also monopolies. 19 States have passed laws making it illegal for communities to build ISP networks providing better service and incredibly less cost. We cannot rely on the ongoing do nothing or do destructive things to consumers CONGRESS to pass any laws for Internet Neutrality, to break-up monopolies, to federally outlaw any laws passed at any lower level of government from allowing communities to build their own networks (ISP's). Why do does the commission speak about cable and internet providers as if they are not the same companies with huge monopolies? The same goes for wireless companies who have quite achieved total national monopoly (price fixing status), but are darn close. Remember that, we the tax payers originally paid for DARPANET and ARPANET without even knowing it unless we were members of the military in the latter 1960's or universities in the early 1970's. I want to address the two (R) commissioners who clearly have no clue as to the origins of the internet. You are both in the pocket of these companies and your absolute ignorance about the internet. For people who claim all "regulation" especially from the "government", do you really have the gall to accept a paycheck from the FCC a "regulatory" "governmental" agency. Stop taking our money for not doing the job you were hired to do. Do you have any idea how ridiculous you appeared on CSPAN? You are both complete and total hypocrites.
—Melinda Tharan, Tucson, AZ

Net neutrality is important because creating a slowlane for those unable or unwilling to pay for decent isp connection speeds is preposterous. it is a basic utility, as important as a basic home phone service or a running tap. allowing telecomunication companies to provide priority to particular websittes would create a huge mess, and would ultimately infringe on my 1st ammendment rights by selecting what content I get based upon what isp I'm using.
—Thomas Donovan, Beverly, MA

I believe the Internet is the most important force in both innovation and education in the modern world. I want to see it remain an open resource available to all.
—Daniel Miller, Elizabethtown, KY

Fairness and freedom.
—Carol Payne, Atlanta, GA

I use it all the time at wok and my children need to use it for school work at home.
—Helen Bisesi, Kennesaw, GA

I like innovation, and growth, and feel it is our best chance at creating positive change. The internet is one of the most valuable resource in my life. I have found an education, friends, my passion, and started building a company through it. The idea of breaking apart and selling the internet makes me sick. On the plus side if it gets too crazy something innovative will find a way around it.. Maybe an open source infrastructure. The internet is a rescource people will not allow to be tampered with. It may seem like this isn't true now, but when people feel the effects of this ruling attention will be directed towards fixing the problem, and human attention is the most powerful force on the planet. At some point we will all need to accept change instead of fighting it. Cable companies are not innovative, have no pulse on modern technology. They deserve to lose money, feel uncomfortable, and hopefully learn what is needed to succeed in todays market.
—Mike Lamentola, Grass Lake, MI

As a social media consultant offering services to clients, I fear that the impending threat to net neutrality will impact not only my business but consumers in general. The internet is crucial to many areas of life and threats to net neutrality will only squelch innovation, communication progress, while narrowing the scope and availability of the net to the few who will be able to afford price hikes and red tape. Telecom giants are now merging and the options for consumers are diminishing. A tiered internet structure will only worsen the already narrowed options for consumers. I don't want to see this happen and I'd like the FCC to prevent this from happening.
—Courtney, Tucker, GA

I am a web developer. If the FCC takes away certain rights, I won't be able to do my job to it's fullest extent. Not only would I have to charge my clients more for already expensive services, but those clients would also be forced to pay more to actually use the services I build for them. We all know that said service providers won't take the high road and just make a "slower lane" cheaper for those that can't afford the internet, they will make what we have more expensive and make something faster that's even more expensive cutting even more people out of the loop just to make a few extra bucks!
—Amanda Johnson, Waite Park, MN

Restriction of the flow of information in an age where misunderstanding and misinformation is so rampant will only exacerbate cultural divides and increase resentment. Additionally, those who support this will be [metaphorically] crucified during elections.
—Eric Owen, Orlando, FL

Forget who gave you money during your election. Forget who appointed you or any political, regulatory, or legislative agenda you may have. If you want to stay in your office, support of this bill is not an option.
—Tyler Owen, Eustis, FL

Because the internet should be equally accessible to everyone no matter what their economic status is.
—Carrie Brightman, Brooklyn, NY

Net Neutrality matters for anyone who believes that economic growth matters (driven by start-ups and entrepreneurs), education matters (the U.S. is behind most developed countries), innovation matters (keep this a strength for the U.S.!), freedom of speech matters (cornerstone of democracy even if I don't agree with you).
—Laura Farwell, Marquette, MI

Throttling access to online content that won't pay extra is nothing short of extortion. Don't give the telecom companies the power to do it. Keep the Internet open!
—Seth Argabright, Los Angeles, CA

I want the FCC to represent the people in this case and not the special interest groups and lobbyist. The internet was created with tax payers dollars, and needs to remain free for the progression of world communications and individual consumer choice/rights.
—Dave Campnell, Akron, OH

Its the most unbiased source of information. I have the freedom to see and choose any and all content that I wish to see for either myself or my family. Please don't take that freedom away from me.
—Nate Dailey, Platteville, WI

To me, net neutrality is one of the most critical issues our country currently faces. The Internet, and its open access for everyone, levels many playing fields across socio-economic strata. Now, threats to this open access are rampant, and many carriers already slow the speed of their data flow depending on the use, the user, and time. This two-tiered data speed structure will give the "haves" an even stronger advantage over the "have-nots." Why take this step backward when we have the technology to level the playing field with net neutrality? What will happen to Facetime and Skype communications? At a time when so many families are apart because of military service or because work has carried them far from home, eliminating inexpensive access to these online tools could splinter families even further. It's already happening now, as peer-to-peer file sharing and Internet video streaming face slowed streaming times. With this latest proposal, these amazing technologies could be curtailed even further if users can't afford to pay for faster streaming times. Plus, we already have such an information and education gap in this country between the rich and the poor. I see that gap widening if this two-tiered structure passes, which is unfortunate if we have the technology to help narrow the gap! Now, I understand the reasons carriers would want to charge some users more for their usage, especially if they use more data than the average bear. After all, the carriers are providing them with more data. I get that. What worries me is that net neutrality also involves the concept of non-discrimination, with no censoring. Under this new proposal, carriers could choose to slow download times or block competitors' apps or information. In a country that has a free speech constitutional amendment, which has been broadly applied, I see these developments as a direct attack on that free speech. Who wins with this two-tiered system? Big business, that's who! The big corporations, like AT&T, Comcast, Verizon, etc., will make more money as they collect higher fees from clients seeking faster download times, and exert more control over what information, apps, and sites to which end users have access. Who loses? Us, the average, middle-class and lower-class U.S. citizens who elected our government officials to protect our interests. Is this really the future you want for our country and our Internet? Please vote down this two-tiered nightmare and preserve net neutrality! Thank you for your consideration.
—Rebecca Plaza, Tracy, CA

As a person who has spent his entire life developing software for the internet, I demand that we keep last-mile operators from hijacking the network that we have all worked so hard to create.
—Josh Cragun, Minneapolis, MN

Net Neutrality is essential to societal and economic growth, not only within the US, but in relationship to international growth. Unbiased and, dare I say, even free, digital access is a human right. By limiting our digital access through taking away Net Neutrality you are not only infringing on and limiting our growth as race, but on our inherent right as human beings. The key to a better world is not to limit digital access, but to openly aid in the fight to provide it to all of humanity. Digital access in regards to Net Neutrality is no different than the right to an education.
—Crystal Montalvo, Woodstock, GA

It is important that all have equal access to internet.
—Estelle Block, Port Jefferson, NY

Freedom of information. When you allow ISP's to throttle and control what information I am allow to see you take away my freedom to learn. I would like to show my son informative videos on space and nature..oh but sorry, daddy can't afford to pay even more money to a money hungry company that is hell bent on monopolizing the I data sector. And how is this not ISP's just want to dissect and charge more? You stopped ATT from acquiring t-mobile but now they own dish....and now they're looking at a fantastic way to make ubsurd amount of money with out costing them anything just...because? Keep the internet open, fair and free.
—Kyle blake, Addison, TX

Because it should be free to all as it has been. Anything else creates a monopoly for Comcast, at&t, Verizon. We no longer have free TV. How much more can you take from the American people for big business and their CEO's
—Joanne Fish, North Grafton, MA

Net Neutrality is democratic and we need to care for everyone, not just the few.
—Katie Sherman, Brooklyn, NY

so the public can have a place where we can learn what is going on in our country and the world without bias, and disinfornation, but with truth!
—Kathy Barrett, Dunmore, PA

My parents couldn't afford a high speed internet connection when I was growing up, luckily we at least had dial up - I don't want the internet to only be for people who can afford it. The internet should be a public utility - it should be treated like a landline. The internet is for everyone, not just for the people who can fork over $70+ a month for the service from a cable provider who has no competition.
—Ichha Arora, Rancho Cucamonga, CA

Isn't it obvious?
—Ryan O'Quinn, Baton Rouge, LA

This proposed path would open the door to widespread discrimination online. America is supposed to be the land of equal opportunity, net-neutrality is anything but neutral. It would give Internet service providers the green light to implement a two-tiered Internet, with a fast lane for those who can afford it and a dirt road for the rest of us. This would be a disaster for startups, nonprofits and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls. Bring Equality back!
—Andrew, Temecula, CA

ISPs are common carriers, and deserve to be treated as so, like all other Telecommunication services.
—Sarah Larara, Chesterfield, MO

I want equal access to opportunity and information. Handing over the internet to big corporations will cause the destruction of innovation and create a two tiered futile society.
—Marie Mckeeman, Bend, OR

I do not want more government intervention in my life nor do I wish for my internet provider to regulate what I can and cannot access. Internet access should be open and free.
—Amanda Swanson, ,

As an independent artist who uses the internet on a daily basis to promote my work, I feel like this law will only handicap my marketing and sales, and that is NOT acceptable & unfair to us indie artist. Please get rid of this unfair proposal and keep Net Neutrality REAL.
—Ashraf Dawod, Baltimore, MD

Freedom of Speech. No net throttling!
—Richard Borden, Maple Shade, NJ

The web is one of the last frontiers in which a small business could actually succeed and therefore one of the last ways for an individual from the lower class to rise to a higher class. This would crush even that.
—Isaac Sloan, SAINT GEORGE, UT

Every ISP should be classified as a common carrier. There is ONE internet! Not a fast one for those that can pay for it and the slow one for everyone else. I pay my ISP for access to the ENTIRE internet, not what they 'allow' me to access. If there were not local monopolies in most cities, the 'free market' would allow me to choose another ISP that does not segregate the internet. Since that is not the case in many cities, we are not free to just switch to another provider. I, as a consumer and a tech employee, am tired of seeing my monthly bill increase while my internet speeds continue to slow down.
—Jason Feather, Mahwah, NJ

This important to me for a variety of reasons, not the least of which is access to information. If you go with the axiom that "Knowledge is Power", this form of regulation and control is tantamount to taking Power away from the People, which is NOT a good thing in any manner, shape, or form. People should be able to use the internet to educate themselves any time, any place, on any topic (not to mention use their hard-earned money to make online purchases). Period.
—Rodger Weir, Baltimore, MD

Its about personal rights to millions of people. I feel that many of our liberties are being stolen, this being one of them.
—Amber Britt, Eagle Mountain, UT

freedom
—Steve Engelmayer, Saint Paul, MN

The internet is a commonplace for information distribution. Enforcing throttled connections to the highest paying consumers stifles creativity and goes against the principles of the implied 'neutrality.'
—Matthew Beaudreault, Navarre, FL

Because it allows communication to all people throughout the world.
—Richard Ramirez, New York, NY

I don't want to lose communication
—Yolanda BRigs, ,

Keeping the Net open to everyone at the same level is imperative if we are going to continue to be a society based on equality. We are slipping away from that quickly, and this is one way to help curb that.
—Paul Reyburn, Saint Paul, MN

I can see no way in which consumers would benefit equally from this measure. It would serve to create a tiered system that can too easily be manipulated in favor of corporate profit and control over real service to the customer base and free use of the internet. The internet should not be sold!! Preserve REAL NET NEUTRALITY!!
—David Coral, Minneapolis, MN

Freedom of speech, freedom of information, freedom in the general sense of not being controlled.
—James Michael Lockhart, Dana Point, CA

The internet is one of the few reserves left to people when the government does not recognize or serve their interests as a democratic force. To infiltrate the internet with this concept that the more you can pay, the more of a voice you have, is damaging to a contemporary forum for democracy. Net neutrality should be an American value.
—Paige Bradley, Brooklyn, NY

We need net neurtrality so there are no issues with content delivery. Everyone from small start ups to large corporations have the same bandwidth to send their information along. To do anything different is to stop the basic philosophy of what the internet is for--information for everyone, equally.
—Melanie Ulrich, Saint Paul, MN

Basic needs--and internet access is now a basic need--should not be controlled by private enterprise with no thought for the public good. In the best of all possible worlds, utilities and communications services such as the internet would be owned by the people who use them, sort of like a cooperative. At the very least, the federal government should enact SUBSTANTIVE laws that protect the public interest.
—, Washington, DC

Many countries have a faster internet than Americans do. We don't need a fast lane for those who can afford it. We need a faster internet so that we can all continue to be treated equally, namely a fast lane for everyone, including making sure it is possible for the next great idea to be successful by not being relegated to the to the Slow lane.
—Andreas Klute, Playa Del Rey, CA

Because there are already enough ways for big business to push out smaller entities on the Internet; they don't need another one that fundamentally reclassifies the internet in their favor.
—Desiree Taylor, Jamaica Plain, MA

Net Neutrality isn't a privilege. It is a right. Ending Net Neutrality is ending the chance of success for the underdog. Mom and Pop shops online will not be able to compete. Neither will musicians who are trying to make a name for themselves. Net Neutrality is American. It helps the underdog succeed. It helps the little guy have a chance at winning. It is freedom of information; freedom to share your knowledge and freedom to learn. Ending Net Neutrality is unamerican. Please, fight to keep a real net neutrality.
—Marilyn Ann Bow, Sterling, VA

It will keep the internet more accessable for everyone, and curtail the extent to which those with power and money gain increasing control.
—Dawn Nelson, Jamaica Plain, MA

Because everybody should be treated equally in terms of internet speed. I dont even know why this is in question..
—Colby Oldroyd, Salt Lake City, UT

I'm a college student. I need access to a fast and open web for everything about my academic and personal life. I already pay enough for school. Why should I pay more for my internet content?
—Ankit, Lake Oswego, OR

it helps me get the information and the tools I need. if passed I will not take the fast lane or the dirt road. I already left cable. I know I can definitely live without.
—Brandon Mullins, Norwalk, OH

So that people aren't being discriminated against
—Ryan Enright, Mays Landing, NJ

Truth, Justice, and the American way? How about those?
—Olivia Destandau, oakland, CA

Net Neutrality allows my voice to be heard.
—Tara Kerksick, Festus, MO

It makes the internet fair and accecable to everyone! Now I may not live in america but I know what is right and what is wrong STOP THIS
—Louis, ,

Corporations should not be able to limit what we read, or how fast we read it. I believe it falls into the free speech category, although written. Speed is a necessity - and as technology improves, speed will improve at relatively little cost to the providers. Congress and the FCC has already let cable companies run rampant over people (why does BASIC cable cost $100/month?) ... don't let the internet follow suit.
—Ann McFarlane, Seattle, WA

As young citizen of the grand/o great developing times I feel that net neutrality is an innovation which shall shape a prosperous world of creativity that is to come. I will never stand by while greed is involved.
—William B. Mace, Brooklyn, NY

You can see where the Internet is going “Today”, not tomorrow. Not after Comcast plays nice a couple more years to get the FCC’s blessing for it's take over of Time Warner and then have a monopoly to your Internet connection. This is “Today”, real time. Europe passed Net Neutrality so the telcos and cable companies would not use it as a cash cow. Those governments took a lot of flack from the telco's and cable companies, but went ahead and did what was right for the people, not corporations.
—Drew Stoiberg, Woodland Hills, CA

Because I'm a poverty stricken, anti-social, agoraphobic
—Mike, Indianapolis, IN

Becuase the opposite is unchecked corporate greed.
—Brian worthington, Danvers, MA

Because it's important for EVERYONE. Duh. It's dangerous and insidious to allow information only to those that can afford it.
—Kim Carrier, Minneapolis, MN

Allowing ISPs (who are already monopolistic) control over content would force small sites, businesses, and even non-profit sites to go out of business or pay exorbitant amounts of money to ISPs.
—Anna Matthews, Palo Alto, CA

Can we be honest?
—Ricky Bakosh, Oswego, IL

I don't want to have to pay for something that's been free since it's creation.
—Dylan leffler, Laguna Niguel, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because it allows us as Americans to have access to the internet. If this freedom is taken away, I fear what's to come next. Internet and technology should be available and truthful for all because it allows humans to be educated in a way that prevents oppression.
—Chloe Filippinetti, Phoenix, AZ

Access to information (the internet) without discrimination must be equal. It is a very slippery slope before one's economic access will dictate the type of internet experience they have--this should not be.
—Nigel Philip, Springfield Gdns, NY

To give the millenniums a chance to change the world for the better.
—Haley Cope, Kennesaw, GA

I care about the internet and the lower class and I don't think people should be forced to pay for something they can't afford
—Robert Kuehne, Branford, CT

Net Neutrality is a platform for incredible innovation, both creatively and economically as new businesses and companies are able to grow and technology advances with incredible new ideas that have the power to reshape the world.
—Logan Reynolds, College Station, TX

it is the key to artists and other creative people's livelihoods
—Jamie Paratore, Santa Cruz, CA

We must preserve the equality of the internet - we must protect our access to information to have any chance of gaining equality and justice in our American Dream.
—Sarah Hastings, Madison, WI

There will be long term complications with selling the internet piece by piece. It will hurt small companies and consumers and only benefits large corporations. Keep the largest media source open!
—Whitney D Lomax, Layton, UT

Because the internet is one of the last remaining places that are safe from favoritism and discriminatin.
—Brenda Sanders, Baltimore, MD

Freedom from ISPs creating a pay-to-play internet.
—Allen Hsieh, Milpitas, CA

Net neutrality promotes a free market. If services rendered directly compete with services offered by internet providers (ie Netflix and cable television) then the market should adjust for that competition. Allowing providers to control competition in affect creates a crowding out situation and if severe enough, a monopoly.
—Brian Maulding, Sugar Grove, IL

I don't want American's paranoia, monopolistic, capitalistic, anti competitiveness to allow a few power-hungry, unregulated, boys-club-millionaires and/or paranoid militants, undemocratically seize power to control the internet, which will open the doors to corruption, manipulation, further censoring, black-listed-spying, extortion, and ultimately removal of the worlds basic rights of personal and commercial freedom on a medium that America no longer has sole ownership or the right to tamper with. This is ultimately a G20 matter. It's internationally culturally insensitive that yet again Americans believe that USA is the "world" and the decisions they make will have no impact on anyone else on the planet earth. This legislation will open the doors of internal legal precedence and completely unnecessary implementation of new technology solely for the purposes of legalising internet traffic monitoring and tampering under the false guise of business. If the fat cats of America want a fast lane - build your own dam fibre optic intranet service! No new broadband legislation is required. No monitoring is required. No tampering is required. The GFC which American business leaders and politicians caused through anti-regulation and immoral practices is an excellent example of the incompetence of considering America being ethical model business leaders. Homeland security, NSA, and now this? Without an open internet, who is policing the enforcers? The FCC is manipulating us as they themselves are being manipulated. This is simply not democratic at all.
—Dean Goddard, Winmalee,

The U.S. has one thing going for it in today's global economy and that is innovation. Don't let the big corporations take that away from us. A free and open internet is vital to our economy and public discourse. Our entire economy and way of life depends on it.
—Christian Lynch, Charlotte, NC

Because I have the Need and the rights to communicate with out a Caste system
—Yolanda, ,

Internet shouldn't be reclassified. The mergers of telecom services should lower the cost of internet but I see only excuses from these telecom giants to increase the cost. Net Neutrality for the monopolies.
—Mary Ann Snellings, Lake Alfred, FL

If you take down NN then that means the less fortunate will have to pay fees they can't afford in order to get onto websites they use daily, such as tumblr, facebook, or even YouTube. I'm not sure if it's because you people are greedy and stingy about money, but pretty everyone else in the world hates the FCC and their decisions to change our way of life just to make some money.
—Sean Carroll, Carmel, IN

Free exchange of ideas is the founding guideline of the internet and should not be restricted.
—Terry Boyd, Atlanta, GA

It's the future of America
—Jack M Morrison, Costa Mesa, CA

Just another set of money bags trying to control something. We should be getting tired of this. This is our net and we need to keep it. Look at other countries so far ahead... of us. we allow this crazy keep net neutrality reclassify and get the net every where and speed that stuff up!! ex. see the gig from Chattanooga Tennessee.
—Levi, Sidney, OH

Working in software industry, it's very important to have neutral Internet for innovation.
—Ruchir Amin, Fremont, CA

its the last vestige of free speech.
—Matthew Peterson, Belleville, IL

As a disabled person the internet brings the world to my doorstep. Please don't allow corporations the power to fast track highest bidder. Thank you.
—Nathan Maxwell, Sarasota, FL

ONE COVERT NOME HARPP GETS OLIGARCHY!
—Hitlerson War MacHT Bunker Generator Capitola Superman Is ! and Homey, Capitola, CA

Net Neutrality is the new 1st amendment! Internet providers should not be able to discriminate against smaller companies and should be treated more like common carriers! A common carrier is legally bound to carry all passengers or freight as long as there is enough space, the fee is paid, and no reasonable grounds to refuse to do so exist. A common carrier that unjustifiably refuses to carry a particular person or cargo may be sued for damages. Unless you want the whole of the America People weighing down on your shoulders make the right decision for the internet users in America! Thank You, Eric Ballestero
—Eric Ballestero, Ventura, CA

Net Neutrality is essential for a free flowing internet that keeps creativity and innovation alive instead of stifling it.
—Jeff Peters, Conneaut, OH

I work in research and need a high performance free and open network to properly utilize nih funding to do good science.
—Andrew Box, Mission, KS

Information wants to be free. The internet is a vast library of every kind of knowledge that would destroy this country if most could not afford to access it. Then again, the uneducated are easier to control.
—Taylor Sloan, Vanderwagen, NM

The internet is the only place where everyone globally has an equal voice, it should remain this way, belonging to the people, preference should not be given to those based on their monetary value.
—Tim Forshaw, ,

For education, a global community, freedom, world peace, and to help prevint monopalies.
—Andy Bunch, Wartburg, TN

Im an artist and the internet allows me and those with similar talents to have our work displayed for the world to see. Sites like Instagram, Tumblr, Etsy and Deviant art are not only promotional tools but provide a creative community. If Net Neutrality is threatened the online art community will take a large hit. Artists usually don't have extra money to make sure their home grown websites run as fast as those from major corporations.
—Jennifer Belott, Rantoul, IL

As a proponent of free speech and the open sharing of ideas and opinions, I fear that creating a two-tier Internet in which telecom giants can decide which sites, apps, and other Web-based content is more accessible than others would effectively silence the voice of individual citizens online in favor of major corporations and wealthy individuals. It's the government's responsibility to protect the rights of its citizens, not cater to the demands of corporate entities. Please reclassify internet service providers as common carriers as to prevent a cooling of our free speech and assembly. I appreciate your consideration. Best, Susan Jennings
—Susan Jennings, York, PA

Freedom to choose without being exploited for everything we're worth.
—Abby R., York, PA

Equal internet for all!!
—, Twining, MI

Net Neutrality has become an integral part of our democratic system. Like free speech it needs to be protected.
—Jay Mead, Hartland, VT

It's important on a social justice level, not just on economic principles, to keep it open for those who need it.
—Jacqueline J. Basse, Brooklyn, NY

So that it remains as available to everyone as possible.
—Darci Barrett, Great Falls, VA

The internet is for everyone. It's like air. Wait, don't give big corporation any ideas with that analogy! Keep the internet open and free.
—Marla Thomson, Boston, MA

Sounds like an eventual rip-off
—Bernard Ungerbern5@gmx.com, Malverne, NY

Net Neutrality is important because it prevents the Internet Service Providers from abusing their small monopolies. It will prevent them from making deals with content providers that will guarantee a good connection to their service while throttling they competition. It will make sure that I am never suddenly unable to enjoy some of the services I pay for and the content I enjoy because I am priced out into a lower tiered plan.
—Raul Rivera, Columbia, SC

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Protean Acumen, ,

This is the most important communications medium in the history of the world. To move forward with your proposals is to sell out the medium. It's to sell out mankind.
—Eric Peterson, Cary, NC

Keep free speech forever!
—Sandy Sobanski, New York, NY

Enough is Enough! STOP the FCC, You can't control everything! What you want to control our money and our mind too?
—Cammesa Plummer, West Orange, NJ

Telecom companies charge exorbitant amounts of money for basic internet and television services. The only benefit to destroying net neutrality would be to allow companies to charge public users more, and these companies clearly already have a monopoly on our business. If our government is serious about protecting citizens' rights to access information regardless of income or other assets, they need to strike this legislation down. Please do not allow the internet to be skewed in the favor of corporations over the citizens of our country. Those of us without means will suffer if this legislation is enacted; as usual, telecom companies will be fine, either way. There is an observable and proven inequality of access to resources that has arisen largely because of the freedom that is granted to companies at the expense of individuals. Please do not let the internet be yet another area in which our government has failed us.
—Jennifer Cuzzocreo, Baltimore, MD

Because open access is crucial to all our lives.
—Kathy Simmons, Aiken, SC

Information is a right for all and not those with more money then the rest. Any kind of categorization of priority would create a hindrance on freedom of speech.
—Jon Nowak, Albany, NY

I work in software and have seen over the course of 30 years the tremendous benefits of the Internet for myself, my industry, my community and the global community. The potential of humanity tied to a free internet are is incalculable, I don't want to see that potential compromised for the questionable benefit of the very few.
—Brian May, New York, NY

I'm sick of this - I can barely afford healthcare and now the government wants to create this two-tier internet system? Do you realize how difficult you're making lives are for people who can't throw out cash at a drop of the hat?
—Mary Dawson, Auburn, AL

The internet should be free!
—Brennan Hartich, San Diego, CA

The internet has become a vital tool for all of us - big and small. This is yet another ploy to favor the rich. We are losing our democratic foundations in so many ways in this country. We are not far from an aristocracy at this point.
—Sherry Hartmann, Bartlett, IL

Net Neutrality is important to me because I rely on a fast, secure internet connection for my school work; as do many other college students in the United States.
—, Northbrook, IL

I do not want an oligarchy to control 90+ per cent of the market. Price fixing is unnecessary and detrimental to us all.
—Patrick Chu, Northbrook, IL

An open Internet is the only way to keep large corporations from suffocating new enterprising businesses. The proposed rules are biased towards those entities with the ability to buy access and guaranteed speed.
—Duane Baker, Powell, OH

Everyone should have an equal chance of success
—Ryan Yau, Naperville, IL

equality for all
—Nancy Gangler, Minneapolis, MN

The Internet is the one place we can freely share ideas, where individual s can share their voices and communicate at the same level as the corporations. We need to preserve this open international free forum!
—Carina Hizliok, Malden, MA

It makes the internet accessible to EVERYONE
—Louis, ,

The internet is a marketplace of free ideas. Money should not decide which ideas get through.
—Evan Conn, Alpharetta, GA

Becasue I care about the Internet as it is today.
—Jake Reece, Smyrna, GA

The internet is the ultimate platform of democracy. With fair and equal access, everyone, regardless of social status and economic means, can be empowered by access to important information, exercise their first amendment right of free speech, use the internet to help advance themselves in society, among many other advantages. It is critical that politics, and especially that which is supported by dirty money from the ISP's, not sully this access. The folks who will be hurt the most are those in the lower levels of economic means, those who would like to innovate with internet-based start-ups, and the racial minorities. It would be a dereliction of duty for the FCC to allow the ISP's to control access to the open internet. It is profoundly hypocritical for political "liberals" to be among those fighting viciously to deny Americans the free and open access to the internet. Please uphold the principles of our democracy and support net neutrality.
—Marie B Elzarka, Azusa, CA

it is the backbone of a democracy to have a free and open system of communication. we're in a democracy not an oligarchy.
—Margaret Wallace, San Francisco, CA

This literally give Service Provides such as Verizon, At & t, the power to wipe out small internet business or bully them into turning over their businesses at bottom dollar. Were legalizing extortion.
—Christopher Sessa, Mesa, AZ

I make a decent living, but just becasue someone makes more than the next should not determine that they are more worthy of faster speeds. This goes back to class and people with less aren't worth much.
—B Howard, Woodstock, GA

I think closing the internet would endanger innovation. I completely support keeping start-up companies open access to the internet.
—Richie Cyprus, Sacramento, CA

The whole internet should be equally accessible to all and free from corporate abuse.
—James Roberts, Quincy, IL

Medical information needs to be accessible!
—Carla Eisenstein, Somerville, MA

Equal access to information is an essential part of democracy in the internet age. Allowing large corporations to dictate access to online content is an affront to our right to free speech and pushes the U.S. even more firmly towards being an oligarchy
—Elana Gilbert, Houston, TX

Its something every person should be free to do its free speech it's the voice of the generation and if it starts with the Internet who says our speech isn't next
—Carl P Bonafede, Seaford, NY

we consider these truths to be self-evident
—Aerie Ward, Santa Barbara, CA

Because without it the creation of new ideas will be stifled
—Patrick Nugee, ,

Its the one form of true freedom we have. It's there for many things. Communication/Education/Entert ainment. Once this is blocked. True freedom will also be taken away. It will be like paying for oxygen.
—Andrew Ramirez, Glendale, CA

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service. The internet is fine the way it is. Protect our first amendment rights and throw this proposal in the trash. We demand nothing less than REAL net neautrality. Stop lobbying for big corporations.
—, Baltimore, MD

Please pass rules/regulations/laws classifying internet providers as common carriers in order to keep the internet open and free.
—Pat Kirk, Fremont, CA

I think I, and everyone, has the right to this.
—Casey Browning, Granger, IN

The FCC has proposed rules that would break the open Internet. This proposed path would open the door to widespread discrimination online. It would give Internet service providers the green light to implement a two-tiered Internet, with a fast lane for those who can afford it and a dirt road for the rest of us. This would be a disaster for startups, nonprofits and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls. I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Jeremy Sphinx, ,

Because I am a literate citizen and a user of the internet, who doesn't want to see prices increase while quality, access, and communicative connectivity all decrease.
—Lauren Sleator, Tucson, AZ

To preserve a free and open Internet.
—, Elk Grove, CA

Everybody deserves equal access to free speech- regardless of their socioeconomic status.
—Jessica Pedersen, Eastpointe, MI

The internet shouldn't be selectively priced by how it is used. This would only create a class biased system of internet use where the affluent could have access to the more premier services and the poor would be denied access. If the United States is actually interested in equality and freedom, it would never consider such measures.
—Jane Carmack, Fairdealing, MO

Competition and cost. Regulation should be about protecting our interests from corporate interests -- not the other way around.
—Roger McCluskey, Kimberling City, MO

net neutrality is democracy. comcast, att. time warner. all of these companies soak the consumer. outrageous increase in costs, just because they can use leverage that you have offered them. stop. keep the internet free and open. this is absolutely unacceptable. KEEP NET NEUTRALITY.
—Jeanne F, Oakland, CA

The internet has become the primary means of communication in the world. Giving control and favored access to rich corporations is just another sample of the incredible corruption in our government.
—Elaine Bletz, Columbus, OH

We are loosing so many of our freedoms and liberties in our country to the interests of corporate greed mongers. Americans are loosing their love of their country because it is on a daily basis, becoming more and more unrecognizable. Please choose the stand with the American people, not private interests.
—Michael Rubio, Salinas, CA

When I pay an ISP for my internet service, I am paying for data. Any data that I choose. I am using them as a gateway, not as a "Content provider" for specific media or information that has a higher "value" and is then slowed down or sped up depending on if their company can line their pockets with more money.
—David Knapp, Dallas, TX

most don't seem to understand that the way we use the internet is no longer just about surfing the web. It's more and more likely that instead of buying a physical copy of a computer game, I will choose to buy & download it, legally, through Steam or some other game service. Some of these files are 50gb+. Yes, I'm talking about games, but this is what movies and tv shows will be like. We will pay for and download them legally, not pay a ridiculous amount of money for cable service that gives us content we have no interest in. Denying this just means you are against the consumer and for the big cable companies
—Kal Leonard, San Dimas, CA

I believe our very democracy is at stake.
—Susan M. Blubaugh, Milford, NJ

The FCC has proposed rules that would break the open Internet. As a person who has little money this would affect my daily life. I use internet for just about everything whether it be recreation or work, I rely on high speed internet with access to high quality streams and etc. If I needed to pay more it would make my life extremely hard. I CANNOT afford these tolls and trying to start a business would end in failure unless I had all this money that larger corporations have. You are literally charging for an american necessity. Most Americans need access to certain parts of the internet without it being restricted by speed and quality, and by tolls and fees for what you deem as extras. I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—John Johnston, Florence, MA

ISP are common carrier and should not have the right to discriminate and interfere with a free and open Internet. Net neutrally must be included in the constitution for this to NEVER happen again. Also, the FCC in its present form is a cancer that must be terminated immediately.
—Ramon Zarat, ,

The internet is my means of watching tv programs and movies and my method of communicating with friends and learning everyday.
—Kathleen Branton, Ellensburg, WA

BUCK THE GREED!
—Mr. James Patrick Meehan, Fort Lauderdale, FL

The internet must be reclassified as a public utility, accessible to all without regard to our ability to pay. Equal access and free speech must be preserved for everyday Internet users as well as startups and nonprofits.
—Nancy Maneely, Tucson, AZ

Without net neutrality, information will inevitably be censored. Net neutrality should be a given.
—Matt Dalton, Southlake, TX

I hate the idea of a two-tiered internet, because it inhibits the amount of freedom start-ups and nonprofits have on the internet. It will mean that new companies will not be able to compete with all the big ones.
—Aahlad Madireddy, Flower Mound, TX

TO preserve an open internet without favoritism to large telecom companies.
—Ann Smith, Huntsville, AL

The regular middle class internet user who can't afford the ramped up prices of the ISPs vision of the internet, and the startups/small businesses who will be hurt or destroyed by not paying the big bucks like the companies already established
—Jacob Speicher, Cresco, PA

ISPs are common carriers, plain and simple. Their manipulation of loopholes to gain more profit for what is already a monopoly needs to stop.
—Bret Van Horn, Washougal, WA

Net Neutrality allows for the internet to stay as an open forum for people to speak their mind , create new and unique content, start innovative businesses and communicate and network with millions of other people that they normally would not be able to connect with. I believe that getting rid net neutrality not only destroy these aspects of the internet , but also stifle any prospects of any new innovations or businesses unless they are bought or acquired by a big corporation. I don't believe that trying to control the internet by trying to change it into the "New Version of Cable" by which the internet companies can pick and choose what you watch, how fast you can watch it or whether or not you can even watch it at all! I think that in destroying net neutrality will lead down a slippery slope that will spell the doom of the internet as we know it.
—Bryce Robinson, McDonough, GA

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband access as a Title II common carrier. Furthermore, the new rules should explicitly ban the practice of implementing 'fast lanes' and/or throttling connections for any reason. Finally, the aforementioned caveats should equally apply to wireless (mobile) broadband as well.
—Jason Horwath, Homer Glen, IL

Net neutrality is important to me because what some ISPs are doing is unfair. The internet should be a place where everyone can come together and enjoy content regardless of importance.
—Paul Debski, Orland Park, IL

Freedom and saving money. It appears these days, America's number 1 goal is to INCREASE debt by taking away our freedom of choice. Don't you remember when TV was free? Now we have to PAY for it! Insane! The FCC has allowed ATT to strip our freedom away from us. Give it back!!! Thanks for standing up for us :-)
—Andria May, Fairview Heights, IL

We must keep Net Neutrality in order to allow freedom of invention and allowing the "little man" a level playing field to compete with big corporations. Greed is killing this country. Maintaining Net Neutrality may very well be the key to our children's future success and ability to compete in the world market place.
—Dana Routh, Winston Salem, NC

Free information resource
—Jose Raborg, Brandon, FL

the world needs free internet trade
—Sebastian De Dios, Passaic, NJ

Running my small business is online, how can I innovative and grow to get my name out there without the internet?
—Jacqueline Charak, Highland Park, IL

Net Neutrality is important because internet access has become a basic modern necessity and needs to be treated as such.
—John Michels, Sedona, AZ

Net Neutrality is the only way to protect our rights to connect and communicate from corporate abuse.
—Anne Wharton, Austin, TX

Being disabled and on a fixed income, I have been able to educate myself online when access to traditional methods of education were not available to me.
—Tonja Peterson-Wendt, Ashland, NE

open creative connection, collaboration and inspiration make the world a better place.
—Alyssa Szarkowski, Minneapolis, MN

we are losing everything, our education sucks, getting a reasonable job is close to impossible, actualy getting our voices heard in the government will never happen, the government takes as much of our money as they can, and now you want to let the internet get ruined beyond repair. Please don't do this
—Alden Lofquist, Alamo, CA

The internet has been the most powerful force for democracy in history. It's unacceptable to further the digital divide by giving corporations control over this public utility and resource.
—Kristin Lawton, denver, CO

I am part of the working poor! I need the internet to help better myself so I won't away's be scraping by. Also corporations have gotten to so big, this is just one more step toward becoming a third world country!!
—Toni Hansen, Sacramento, CA

The internet should be available equally to ALL, not to the few giant businesses that will only create a monopoly!
—Jamie Maloney, Grass Valley, CA

I use the internet and this is unfair...
—Brandon, ,

Because I use it everyday for entertainment, education and communicating with family and friends.
—Jesus Gonzalez, Newberg, OR

Net Neutrality allows an open Internet and allows the users to dictate what information should be flowing through it. And not allow large companies to force upon us what it thinks are the privileged services based on deep pockets.
—William Parks, Santa Monica, CA

The way the U.S. economy is right now so many people are struggling to keep a roof over their heads and food on their plate. The unemployment rate is skewed and doesn't reflect the correct amount of people with little or no income as it only shows those on unemployment. Many of us are using the internet to make an income or supplement our income by selling items on the internet. Whether we've purchased from wholesalers or are making the product ourselves. We are trying to rebuild America to what it was by being entrepreneurs as there aren't enough companies hiring. This is a whole new way for the United States to grow economically and allow people to support themselves. Net Neutrality has to stay in place for the good of the United States economy. If the big telecom giants rule and are allowed to create a two-tiered internet IT will be the downfall of our economy. I like many other people will then be out of any chance for an income, be homeless, without a means for food and will have to resort to being on unemployment and all other governmental assistance. This is much bigger than just the telecom giants greed, it is the BIG picture for the U.S. economy that has to be seen. This would be a monopoly, discrimination at its highest form and the devastation of the U.S. economy. Please do not let this happen.
—Karen Y. Elo, Canyon Country, CA

It's a freedom. A voice. A connection.
—Melanie Reller, Cincinnati, OH

Freedom of speech !!!
—Joseph M. McCall, Seattle, WA

i am against discrimination of any kind. In my mind one one owns the internet.
—Paris Davis, Lawrenceville, GA

I use the internet for a multitude of things - including business related reasons. It's disgusting that instead of looking for ways to cut costs, the rich are trying to get richer. I can only spread my paycheck so far. And it's not right to discriminate ultimately against the end users because the costs will be passed on to us.
—Virginia Hendricks, Washington, PA

I pay a lot for utlities,my house and those "necessities" but please don't let the same happen to my entertainment. Thanks for listening.
—Dan Garcia, Aurora, IL

Small business owner.
—Erin Stimac, Crestwood, KY

To take away the freedom of expression and filter my right to hear and be heard is an attack on my civil liberties which violates everything which America as a nation stands for. This is a country founded on the principle of "by the people, for the people" not "by the elite, for the wealthy." To censor the internet in any way, up to and including limiting access thereto, is an attack on my first amendment rights and should be treated as such.
—Joshua Mark Michniewicz, North Port, FL

The federal government needs to stop taxing the american people.
—Donna Yates, Hebron, KY

Because the internet was created to be a free and open exchange of ideas. Not something a former corporate shrill could come in and charge for so his former employers can get even more money for awful service. This is a travesty and should have never even made it this far.
—Alan Lawson, Gainesville, FL

Just say no to censorship and discrimination!
—Michele Lea, Frankfort, KY

The internet is supposed to an unbiased place and it should not be possible for an ISP to control what data a user has access to at what speed. Defend Net Neutrality.
—Toran Richards, ,

Net neutrality means equality and fairness. The proposed rules unfairly prioritizes profit over people. The United States is supposed to be a government of, by and for the people.
—Stuart Tanquist, Des Moines, IA

Protecting the competitive nature of internet business by preventing "fast lanes" is key to innovation in the future.
—Nathan Phillips, Myrtle Beach, SC

it just fucking does ass hole
—Kimberly Moore, Purcell, OK

The internet should remain a platform for free speech, and be accessible to all: the US should declare the internet a telecommunications network. Mega corporations should not be allowed to fabricate scarcity (creating 'faster lanes') for those who can afford to use; this will crush equal access and free speech on the WWW.
—Lori Chilefone, Eau Claire, WI

It is matter of free speech and discrimination.
—Shawn Carney, Trenton, NJ

It's important to preserve net neutrality so that everyone can continue to learn, share and grow together.
—Elizabeth Gorn, Brooklyn, NY

Net Neutrality ensures that myself, my family and loved ones could continue to enjoy the freedom of choice I have for my home and entertainment purposes. If I choose to play my games online or offline, (via Steam, etc.) I should have that right knowing that I paid for those products and services provided to me. If I don't see something interesting on tv or the radio at my location; I have my iTunes, I have youtube I have other choices out there to choose from If I so wish. It's manageable for myself and my family to afford this kind of freedom from our service provider, including our other financial responsibilities. If what you are proposing should be become a reality, that would offer only preferential treatment to those that have a more successful lifestyle, financial or otherwise. It's one thing to want to give the right to service providers to regulate and control their customers viewership and usage of their service, but it's another thing entirely if they themselves aren't regulated. If this passes, it will only be the first of many steps downwards for people who DEPEND on their content for their viewers and subscribers. But please also understand that with every action that is taken in what would appear to be a positive for the Service Providers, there will also be Negative Consequences as well. If more people learn of what is at stake for their future involving the internet, they will also know that it could very well be the end of their involvement with it. Higher prices, railroading people to a single or few means of entertainment or internet usage via websites and etc, will mean a STAGGERING loss of customers and longer term reproccusions. I urge you and those you are affiliated with, to PLEASE consider all the options available to you and us, the customers the viewers, the ones the companies and YOU depend on, for a possibly better or at least a mutually agreeable path for all of us to equally tread, just as Net Neutrality intended all along. Though I may only represent myself and those close to me through my own voice and opinion, I also represent a very large and surprisingly receptive group of individuals whom unfortunately do not speak out as much as they should or get involved as much as they should. Thank you for your time and consideration for what I had to say and hope for a more peaceful and more educated learning experience from this.
—Clinton Glassey, Cordova, TN

The internet belongs to everyone, get your hands off it!
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Big companies do not have the right to restrict the freedom of the internet.
—Carolyn Wagner, Philadelphia, PA

I would be out of work online sales would not be possible under this
—Kelly Neddo, Jacksonville, FL

I use internet for everything from school projects and education to purchases. Please keep it neutral. It makes life simpler and what used to take hours looking up in books and making phone calls now only takes a few minutes. In our fast pace lifestyle, it is necessary to save time any way we can. Technology has advanced enough to keep it neutral with everyone and it needs to be kept that way.
—Jenna Pitts, Moss Point, MS

Because the Internet should not be regulated. The Internet is one of the most amazing things to have happened in the past 25 years and we should not toy with it
—Matthew Wentworth, Allston, MA

The defining idea behind the internet was to be able to freely communicate across the entire globe. I can understand having to pay an ISP to maintain the lines so this service is upheld but allowing bigger companies to pay to muscle out the competition goes against everything even the capitalism that makes them want to make this change in the first place. What right have they to do this to a system they didn't even create!?
—Mr. Michael George, Margate,

Because it is FAIR and RIGHT.
—Laurie MacAllister, Jersey City, NJ

How could it be not? It's critical to anyone who uses the internet. Listen to the technology companies and not just the organizations that seek to exploit citizens for profit.
—Brian Moore, Purcell, OK

I use the internet on a daily basis, but simply could not afford to pay more than I do for it
—Brian Gardner, Colchester, CT

Somewhere somehow discrimination must be stopped.....this is just another "give big business all the rights to "rape" us" Just do what's right for the American people for once.....
—Paula Thompson, Talent, OR

level playing field is the foundation ethic of our founding fathers ....
—Geoffrey McCabe, Hollywood, CA

Freedom of expression, innovative new business ideas, connecting people
—Todd Lyles, Nashville, TN

As a small business owner, I depend on the internet for my living. This change could destroy my livelihood.
—Debbie Martens, Flint, MI

My internet already being limited in bandwidth as it is, we don't need any more of that problem anywhere.
—Kyle Herrmann, Caro, MI

The internet is a place where, for better or worse, free speech is always allowed. For small companies who need bandwidth to get their message out, having to pay their isp in order to have a chance to compete with large companies is wrong. ISP's are already being paid twice for their services and since they have a monopoly in their area no one has a choice to argue their rules; why should they be allowed to ask for more money from a third source. We as a country are being artificially held back versus the rest of the world in connectivity; why would any isp improve their service if they can just steal more money from companies. We need to set rules and guidelines that support nondiscrimintation of services.
—Blake Thornhill, Monroe, LA

It makes every voice equal.
—Moira Lourie, Kensington, CA

freedom of speach and thought sharing
—Iris Natanzon, ,

Because big corporations dominate so much of every day life, it would be terrifying to let them dominate the information we are able to access by introducing discrimination online as a restriction.
—Nicola Buckingham, ,

I do not believe that large corporations, who certainly DO NOT have my interests at heart, should be allowed to control what I can and can not do on the internet. I do not believe that America should model its internet service similar to China.
—Nicole Boyeson, Madison, WI

WHY ISNT IT FOR EVERYBODY
—Matt Blanchette, Goffstown, NH

Metered internet billing is the real goal of these monopolists. The Net Neutrality issue is very important, but I believe, it is just a red herring. They will cave on Net Neutrality in order to seem entitled to Metered Billing. Multiple credible studies, around the world, have repeatedly shown that the incremental cost to the ISP to deliver a gigabit of internet traffic, above some arbitrary cap, is nearly nothing--almost unmeasurable. Any charge for excess traffic is nearly pure profit. Huge Profit. The cost of internet service is -not- like groceries or gasoline or electricity. The price for that next bag of groceries is the same as the price for the first bag. The cost to the grocery store is the same. It is not even -close- with internet service. Metered billing fees for internet service are almost pure profit to the ISP--in the area of 95%+ pure profit. And monopolies -never- invest their profits. Their incentive instead is to create and maintain artificial scarcity--and then to charge more. People using less are -not- "subsidizing" people who use more. They are all paying the same basic monthly fee--which, BTW, is already very profitable to the ISP. These monopolies simply want MORE. Is this what we want?
—Ronald Rauscher, Austin, TX

Even though I live in the UK and not the USA, I still believe that the USA needs Net Neutrality. It is meant to be the example for democracy, freedom and fairness and this proposal only achieves to do the opposite of that. Net Neutrality should be protected and regulated for the people that use it the most - the new generation, and not old and greedy businessmen. Anything less would be unreasonable and illogical - net neutrality is a basic concept that is a cornerstone in the growth of the Internet, which in turn has helped communications and services to all of its users - this proposal would only stifle this growth and promote its abuse and injustice.
—Ivan Riley, ,

Net neutrality is crucial, ISPs already charge me for a certain speed of internet I pay $70 for 25MBPS so now you are saying that it's okay for the ISP to limit that speed unless the web service pays them again! I That speed is already paid for and the ISP shouldn't restrict that speed any more than they already do by limiting me to 25MBPS. What the FCC is proposing is madness and needs to end now! The only ones who support this are the ones who are on the profitable end of the stick and that is not fair or equal in any way.
—Wesley Sandidge, Bellingham, WA

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service!
—Katie Aiani, Simi Valley, CA

I am a full time student who has worked and saved for 30 years to afford an education and I still need the internet to afford it now. It is already a challenge to complete online course work with the lag that exists now, making it any worse would also make it impossible. I have always worked and volunteered for my country and community instead of my own greed, like a lot of Americans. It does not make any sense to believe that our country will ever be strong again as long as laws make it easy to be self-centered and greedy and hard to be patriotic and actively care for your nation. As long as Americans who care more about their country than their own personal greed remain less important to politicians than those who care more about their own greed than anything else, our country will continue to whither. Ending net neutrality makes it easier for a small percent of Americans to put their personal greed before our country's needs. Needs like the education of public school children, medical and scientific research- most of which is done by grad students, and people who volunteer their time to build stronger communities for a stronger America instead of focusing on personal gain. On what planet is that good for America? Because it certainly is not good for America on Earth!
—Michelle Barrett, Birmingham, AL

I believe that everyone should have equal access to the internet.
—Miriam Clapp, Grand Forks, ND

The lobbying by huge corporations to control the flow of information should not take precedence over the rights and wishes of the U.S. citizenry.
—Nicole Martin, Marengo, IL

Because I am a small business person and my entire income relies on online sales. Potential user fees, costs to customers, inability to be accessed, restrictions to social media, etc., will all affect my livelihood.
—Robyn Parrish, San Mateo, CA

We don't need tiered internets. We need to keep the internet truly neutral. Don't let big corporations choose what sites I want to visit.
—Kevin Wellsand, Lathrop, CA

Why wouldn't it be?
—Shahin Hossain, Woodbridge, VA

Freedom of internet is Freedom of Speech!
—Maciek Gorecki, Portland, OR

Keep the internet open!
—Elizabeth Hill, Champaign, IL

Stop caring about the money that is going into your pockets from these companies and start thinking about the money that has to come out of ours. The Internet should remain open.
—Sean Lively, Medfield, MA

Open internet = open forum for new ideas. Fast lane = potential to choke off new ideas.
—Pete Nelson, Brooklyn, NY

Access to information, freedom of speech, education, free information, innovation, medican info, connection with family etc...
—Lynn D. Anderson, Cornelius, OR

The internet is the last true free medium, controlled - at least in part - not by those with money, but by every single user. The freedom of and access to information, which I'm sure you'll agree is presupposed for any functioning democracy, is at stake. The internet has allowed for independent media like democracynow! and others to thrive solely on the merrit of their content and not by the dollars that are gained through advertising and selling priviliged audiences to top-end businesses. I am familiar with the theory that is proclaimed so widely in the more well-funded media that we should fear government control and allow "the magic market" to take its' course. However, I would rather have the internet regulated by the government who have to, at least to some degree, answer to the people, than simply have them answer to the whims of big business, or the dollar as you will.
—Dennis Duine, ,

So there can be neutrality on the internet and not have to pay extra to access certain information.
—Ellen Hawkes, Charleston, SC

The foundation of democracy is based on free and accessible information. Keep it free. Keep it fast, and stop gatekeeping the internet.
—Teresa Raines, ,

We all deserve same rights!
—Jodene miles, Sacramento, CA

I am a freelance artist and a free and open internet is integral to my livelihood. Killing net neutrality will be hugely damaging to me and others like me.
—Allison Westbrook, Milwaukee, WI

Why is net neutrality important ? Be serious here, why would such a question exist in the first place, what you want to do is make something that is equal to all, unequal. Why would you do that just so people can pay millions of dollars to get their "websites" more exposure by not having their traffic stifled.
—Jarl Ove Sletten, ,

I am hoping to make some portion of my career happen via the internet. I believe that we all deserve an equal opportunity to use the internet on the same terms. Being an art student is quite difficult as it is, but should these rules pass, making a career out of it would become that much more impossible. Please rethink this situation. Thank you.
—Andrew Harms, Winter Springs, FL

As a new freelance artist having my portfolio have the same equality on the internet as any other website is extremely important to me and I know it's important to many others. I really hope that large companies like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon aren't allowed to monopolize the internet- they honestly don't need any more money then they already have. There is no reason to allow them to have that much control. I hope you throw out these proposed rules and devise a plan that really solidifies true equality among those with money or without.
—Natasha Raymond, Lawton, OK

I am an aspiring artist who recently graduated from college. I, along with many friends, make our living online as freelance artists. Currently what you're doing is making life harder for us artists by allowing companies like Comcast to monopolize and take control of the internet, meaning they can deny us from continuing to work as artists. Please reconsider your actions, you're single-handedly ruining the lives of many people who cannot afford the luxuries that most have.
—Mike Liotta, Buffalo, NY

My entire life relays on the internet.
—Joe Burak, Center Line, MI

The internet is an important part of everybody's lives, especially artists. Many of us use the internet to collaborate, inspire, and bring the artistic community closer together. If the FCC took control of the internet, it would make these activities nearly impossible for artists as well as other professionals that depend on the world wide web to connect to each other. Please rethink these FCC rules and think about the millions of people that it would negatively effect. Thank you for your time, Andrea
—Andrea Rawson, East Amherst, NY

As a newer Freelance Illustrator, my future lies entirely with the free internet. My income entirely comes from contract work acquired from around the world. Giving the reigns of the internet to corporate entities not only will jeopardize my future as an artist but will effectively destroy the level playing field that creatives have to grow and innovate. Don't make paying out my student loans that much harder because already rich corporations want more money.
—Douglas Nisbet, Peoria, AZ

Everyone should have access to information despite their tax bracket. People in small town America already have issues with obtaining Internet access and the current plan would just put more barriers in their way.
—Elizabeth Jones, Norman, OK

Why wouldn't it be? In a society where our freedoms continue to become smaller, it is now important than ever to keep the internet free for all.
—Viviana Podina, Madison Heights, MI

The flow of free information to those who can't afford it... For starters!
—Paul Stenis, Canoga Park, CA

ISP's already have the upper hand. To keep a level playing field for everyone, policy must favor the small, not the large.
—Dustin D Furseth, Portland, OR

To let others control your actions and mine you for data is just wrong. Nobody owns the net so they can't use it like they do, its the worlds, not some CEO's toy.
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Just what we need, more haves and have-nots.
—Felton Frueh, Austin, TX

On a moral level I believe that all services that are deemed basic for a population should be protected from private interests, i.e. that no one should make money off their infrastructure, or that it should at the very least be heavily regulated. On a practical level I believe that this will give the ISP's too much power in the realm of content delivery. I believe they will use this power to secure their own economic interests first, and the interests of the customer second, if not even lower. I strongly believe that this will hurt the consumers, the content providers and ultimately the internet as an open platform for communication itself.
—Thomas Longberg, ,

I use the Internet for everything school, entertainment, and work. Allowing ISP's to reduce the speed for people like me who NEED it for my education and income just because I can't afford to pay the ridiculous prices they propose is basically allowing them to fix prices.
—Cory Lollie, Utica, MI

I fear this is only the first step on the slide to an elitist money grab and stratification on Internet access.
—Matthew Tomlinson, Churubusco, IN

Both my established company who creates/utilizes online content and my on-the-side startup would be negatively impacted if the proposed rules get a pass.
—Andis Reks, Providence, RI

Information should be available to anyone, like a library.
—Rachelle Bradley, Paradise, CA

freedom
—Khalil Honsali, ,

Freedom
—Angelos, ,

It is wrong to charge people extra to visit each site they go to on top of their already expensive internet bill. Not to mention it is just flat out greedy.
—Nicholas Butler, Lakeland, FL

Freedom.
—Brent Spann, Los Angeles, CA

Dudes, free internet, enough said. Plus, the internet was made for posting and sharing information for all, or some to see.
—Justin Berghauser, Naugatuck, CT

Because I am a content creator and want to still have a voice that can be heard on the internet.
—Mhairi Morrison, Los Angeles, CA

Clearly broadband internet access providers should be regulated as Common Carriers for the benefit and safety of the users of the internet, not purely for the profit of a few large incumbant ISP's. Public good is the clear issue.
—S Murton Guild, Pensacola, FL

Well it is obvious...
—Samuil Pavlevchev, Sofia, CA

We are all born free and taking our freedom away is a breach of Human Rights .
—Teresa Pace, ,

Net Neutrality insures a free and open space for equal participation of all users. This will protect our democracy Please represent the majority of the population that wants the internet to be a common carrier and telecommunications utility with free and open access. Sincerely, Dr Lyn Pestana
—lyn Pestana, Los Angeles, CA

The Internet has the potential to continue being a diving force in the economic, technological, and cultural development for the human race, much like electricity or plumbing. The internet is a Utility. The proposed fast lane system is unacceptable, it will cripple future technological innovation, cultural expression, and entrepreneurial enterprise. Internet service providers offer a utility and should be bound by the same rules as the other utility services.
—Justin Stone, SOUTH RIVER, NJ

Your job is to protect those that cannot protect themselves. Work for the people. Freedom should not just be for those that can afford it.
—, Terryville, CT

Because the Internet should be affordable for all!
—Anteaus Reese, Jacksonville, FL

The internet should not discriminate based on whether or not someone can afford for their content to be faster than someone else's. I want to be able to get the content I want from everyone equally - not what someone else pays for me to see first by slowing the content of other providers.
—Leeanne McLeod, hamilton, OH

The open and free Internet is allowing human knowledge and self-determination advance in historic ways.
—Noah T. Winer, Philadelphia, PA

I'm a blogger; Net neutrality fosters creativity, democracy, & the exchange of ideas. There's enough inequality already.
—Amy Fried, North Bethesda, MD

To maintain fair access of resources to all and to avoid the increased costs being passed to consumers!
—Candace lapan, Greensboro, NC

Net Neutrality!!!
—Catalin, ,

This matters. The rich should not take over the net as they have everywhere else. Please protect net neutrality.
—Terry Lee Burns, Grants Pass, OR

Because everything shouldn't have a price.
—Arman Zand, Mission Viejo, CA

FREE INTERNET FOR A FREE PEOPLE!!! Enough is enough!!! Keep your hands off the Internet!
—Sandra Oliveira, Tustin, CA

I am a have not and I am afraid the internet will divide access to favor the haves
—Willie Davis, Charlotte, NC

Look at it this way. You're writing a research paper on global warming, but your internet provider doesn't support your beliefs, thus those websites are blocked...
—David k., Leesburg, GA

We are all equal, why should someone with more money have more rights that I do?!!
—Edna Brown, Cordoba,

As a small business owner whose livelihood depends on the internet, more regulations and requirements are only going to make it harder to bring in new business. Making life more difficult for small businesses is not the America my Grandfather fought in the war for. Capitalism requires a fair market to thrive. Please don't take the fair market from the backbone of this great country! America needs Net Neutrality! The world needs America to allow Net Neutality!
—Joe DelPreto, Bartlett, IL

too much power centralize leads to more corruption
—James T Smith, laguna beach, CA

Monopolies should not control content. Internet access is a telecommunications service.
—Russell Easterly, Seattle, WA

Freedom. If we live in a land of freedom, we can not turn a blind eye to it in the name of business and allow people and businesses to be bullied into higher costs. Without net neutrality, the FCC is essentially legalizing internet price gouging. That is not freedom.
—Josiah David, Dallas, TX

Internet is an infra whose freedom needs to be protected for capitalism to thrive.
—Subodh Prabhu, San Jose, CA

Net Neutrality is essential to the free exchange of information. Broadband access is a necessity for the exercise of the vigilance that will preserve our liberty. We must not allow the classification of information into fast and less-fast, important and unimportant, based on a content provider's desire to purchase special treatment from the delivery system. Preserve net neutrality!
—Carl Wilson Laur, Mill Valley, CA

With the mounting costs of everything these days, having the internet get more expensive for the things we need isn't an option.
—Axel Jimenez, Kissimmee, FL

The agency can preserve Net Neutrality only by reclassifying Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the only way to protect the open Internet. Anything else is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate.
—Jake English, El Paso, TX

Internet might be the last refuge for freedom of speech and expression especially on some third world countries, leading countries should know better when giving example on making such laws...
—Hassan Radi, ,

its the internet
—Taiwo Mannn, ,

Because I am a human being that somehow still has hope that "The Man" is going to lose this battle. Power to the People.
—Kyle Rehder, Camarillo, CA

Because I use internet for studies and some extra stuff. But if those sites are going to slow down I don't have the money to pay to have faster service for each website I visit and consecutively that will hurt my studies. And this is not just in my case but many Americans who rely on education through internet.
—Ninad, Wilmington, DE

Capitalism does not work when start ups cannot afford equal internet access. Such a system would lead to massive monopolies and cannot be allowed.
—Webster Wing, Wayzata, MN

Its opportunity for all and the right to access what we want to access.
—Lisa Echevarria, Maspeth, NY

we must have a free and open internet equal for all
—Mark Vanatter, Jamestown, NY

Without net neutrality, I believe commerce and fee speech will be severely restricted. The only way everyone has a equal say in our ever expanding world of new media, is through a fair, shared access to the internet.
—Jason Swenson, Mountlake Terrace, WA

Because it was meant to be free and it helps to get my music out to new fans who would never see who or what Bonerama Music really is. It's important to not charge us what was meant to be free so that major corporations can make more money than they should off of something that was created for us. Please keep it as it is. Don't succumb to the almighty dollar.
—Craig Klein, New Orleans, LA

Internet is important for freedom
—Richard Tybout, Columbus, OH

I don't want cable internet. I don't want big corps taking control of everything.
—Delia Ross, Mobile, AL

It makes it easily available to those of us who really need it. Especially being a student and having to have internet access for studying.
—Isabella Earthchild, Springfield, MO

I enjoy privacy and secrecy online!
—Juniper Hanna, Bakersfield, CA

It's the only fair, just and democratic way for the internet to progress.
—Michael Dowling, ,

Money is not everything.
—Saravanakumaran, ,

De FCC heeft regels die het open internet zou breken voorgesteld. Deze voorgestelde traject zou de deur naar wijdverbreide discriminatie online openen. Het zou Internet service providers het groene licht te geven voor een twee-voudige Internet implementeren, met een fast lane voor degenen die het zich kunnen veroorloven en een onverharde weg voor de rest van ons. Dit zou een ramp voor starters, non-profitorganisaties en het dagelijks internetgebruikers die zich niet kunnen veroorloven deze onnodige tolgelden zijn. Ik dring er bij de FCC om deze voorgestelde regels te schrappen en in plaats daarvan te herstellen van het beginsel van non-discriminatie online door herclassificatie van breedband als een telecommunicatiedienst.
—Walter Botteldoorne, Kortrijk-Heule, NJ

Because freedom speech extends to the internet and should not be decided in the interests of corporations
—Alexis Velasco-Coley, Steilacoom, WA

What the heck are we doing giving the people with money faster and better internet and the little guy gets crap! I a so sick of getting stepped on and the rich keep getting richer and the poor keep getting poorer. My children won't have faster speeds and benefit from it because I won't be able to afford the faster speeds! The kid down the street who's parents can afford it will be able to reap the benefits from faster speeds because why, THEY have money!!!!! Please stop this!!!
—Nicole Lounder, Stafford, TX

Because the internet provides an entire world of information important to me and those around me. It's what connects me to my family and friends and what spread my art to those I want to share it with. Without net neutrality, there would almost be no point to the internet. Please throw out these rules.
—Paul Igla, Overland Park, KS

I agree with savetheinternet.com: "...Net Neutrality preserves our right to communicate freely online. This is the definition of an open Internet. Net Neutrality means an Internet that enables and protects free speech. It means that Internet service providers should provide us with open networks and should not block or discriminate against any applications or content that ride over those netwoThe open Internet allows communities of color to tell their own stories and to organize for racial and social justice in the digital age. The mainstream media have often failed to allow people of color to speak for themselves. And thanks to economic inequality and runaway media consolidation, people of color own just a handful of broadcast stations. The lack of diverse ownership is a primary reason why the media have gotten away with portraying communities of color stereotypically. The open Internet gives marginalized voices an opportunity to be heard. But without Net Neutrality, ISPs can block unpopular speech and prevent dissident voices from speaking freely online. Without Net Neutrality, people of color will lose a vital platform to shape debates on issues that impact their communities well-being. And without Net Neutrality, millions of small businesses owned by people of color won't be able to compete against larger corporations online, which will further deepen the economic inequality in our nations most vulnerable communities."
—, Chicago, IL

I am from a lower middle class family. If these new "rules" are put into place, I will be forced to be behind those who already have more than I do. If you take away my rights to internet freedom simply because I do not make as much money as other people, you are stepping on my and many other Americans' freedom and giving more power and authority to the rich, leaving the poor with even less. The same poor who have made your companies INTO the giants they are today. Without the millions in the lower middle class who pay for the ISP services, they would never have gotten as big as they are. Why are we being punished for making them successful? We make up a majority of their business, yet we are being pushed aside for the rich who only make up a small percentage.
—Richard Lord, Mannsville, NY

Because I use the internet a lot and don't want to see it screwed up by governments.
—Bryan Valenta, Winter Park, FL

Don't let this, too, become a monopoly.
—Callan Langsdorf, Alexandria, VA

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service. The internet means something to me. Don't break it.
—Chevy Hungerford, Shepherd, MI

STOP PRIVATIZING COMMUNICATION AND KNOWLEDGE!
—Miss Michelle Choiselat, Riverside, CA

It's important to me because it's apparently not important to the FCC for whatever reason.
—Matthew, Tarpon Springs, FL

I want a neutral Internet for everyone, That seems fair.
—Murray Thompson, ,

The internet was designed as an open medium and as such should be equally available to everyone and must be protected from corporate monopolies. Tom Wheeler's proposed plans are bad for consumers, as well as start-ups, non-profits, bloggers, and smaller businesses that can't afford to pay for access to that internet "fast lane".
—Leslie Drechsler, Honolulu, HI

I use the internet for school and so many other important aspects of my life depend on the internet.
—Joe Tagle, El Cajon, CA

I want my FREEDOM! We don't need companies giving us no choice in what providers we want to use and what internet SPEED we pay for. You can not monopolize the internet. STOP BREAKING THE INTERNET.
—Samantha, Chicago, IL

Regulate Internet Service Providers as common carriers with oversight from the local corporation commitments. These strategies worked for water, electricity, and telephones; why not for broadband as well?
—David H. Barr, Claremore, OK

Regulating the flow rate of data across the internet is just the first step to controlling access to data in general. The internet is a major contributor to free speech and the open sharing of ideas throughout the world. Free speech is meaningless if your voice cannot be heard.
—Jesse Bright, Alameda, CA

The internet is an open space for free speech, innovation, and growth; it is ridiculous to discriminate based on how much money people can afford to pay. These rules should not even be considered.
—Le Yi Zhou, Parsippany, NJ

It helps provide a level playing field for everyone so the people who are trying to start up actually have a chance instead of a monopoly like system.
—Kenneth Spencer, Conyers, GA

I have no choice of internet provider. When I called a local provider to sign up for service that others tell me is nothing less than stellar, they told me, "Sorry. We can't sell to you because you live in AT&T's territory." Withoutout strong regulations, the providers who are available to me (AT&T and Comcast), who do not truly compete with eachother, will slow my access to services that threaten their business models. Without net neutrality, these companies have a financial incentive to ensure their networks are constantly congested and service quality is poor. This is a violation of my right to free expression and free association. Without strong regulations these robber barons will eploit the internet to extort every last dime they can get from the public while working to ensure the internet is slow, frustrating, and useless. That behavior cannot be rewarded if this nation is to reclaim the freedoms we once enjoyed.
—Nicholas Durcholz, Bloomington, IN

It should not be locked down by ISP provides that already offer poor service. All information must be equal and not juged by big companies.
—Shadhadley, Denton, KS

It is critical to allow startups to compete and for free action to information.
—Morris Massel, New York, NY

There are already enough factors in our country where the rich get benefits, let the internet remain a place for everyone with a good idea and ambition. Also I fucking hate comcast, they are the worst company i have ever delt with. I dont want them to benefit in any way.
—Caroline Warfel, Alexandria, VA

Cable companies and internet providers already monopolize geographic areas around the US. We do not need another internal way for these companies to gouge people through services that they already pay for. What I want to access on the internet should not be privy to an extra charge.
—Anna Seekatz, Ann Arbor, MI

Net neutrality is important to me because I need the ability to search and find free information, to be allowed freedom with my speech and what information I seek. And, I'm a hard working civilian that shouldn't be given something free and then have it taken away once someone finds away to regulate and sell it. There are already enough things I have to buy just to make ends meet by living in this country. we've been allowed to use the internet for a monthly service fee. Don't restrict and make us pay more money for something that had already been given to us.
—Krystyna, Nine Mile Falls, WA

are you kidding me, don't you get it? control control control!!!
—BT Griffin, Woodside, NY

The internet is now a necessity to work, communicate, and to research different view points of issues. Everyone should have equal access to it. The internet has became a public utility. Everyone should pay the same rate for it use and should have the same access. Playing favorites only will enrich the cable companies which have the worst customer service and not help the people.
—Laura Bebee, Owings, MD

I live on the web. Communication, education, work, entertainment.
—Jonathan Grossman, Atlantic City, NJ

It's the right thing to do.
—Jennifer Green, Ellensburg, WA

Because it prevents cable company fuckery.
—Dr. Russ Milliken, Eighty Four, PA

Need fast service as a small business owner but cannot compete with big corporations $
—Jodie Apeseche, Natick, MA

Access to information!
—Mindy Hiley, Arcata, CA

It is and should be important to everyone! It was founded on the principle of open sharing of information and it is that environment that has sparked countless innovations in technology, medicine, and all fields. Limiting speeds would also limit the creativity and innovation that increasingly demands higher throughput. Making that access commercial will most definitely stifle economic growth and the United Stated future as leader in technology development.
—William Bosler, Three Rivers, MI

Creating a fast lane for higher price will stifle innovation and democracy and give certain companies too much control over the flow of information.
—Gretchen Weber, Palo Alto, CA

Without net neutrality services such as Netflix providers will incur and added cost for streaming speeds and thus the cost will be passed down to consumers and more often than not result in a breakdown of proper service
—Femina Patel, Tampa, FL

Because its currently a fair playing field and should stay that way.
—Isa, Milwaukee, WI

With the appointment of Wheeler to head the FCC... What do you think the President was doing? Of course this is an expected result. However, this will go down as the most egregious self serving act the Obama Administration has done.. Their legacy will be virtually ignored and succumb to the Administration that monetized the internet for their own interest. This single act will be what is left of their accomplishments, not Obama-care, not Benghazi-gate, but the subjugation of the internet. Why you ask? Because of the voice that it has... year over year this will ring out as the Hooverville of the Obama administration and the Republicans will use it to get back in power with the promise of a repeal... Gentlemen, if I were you - I would revisit the ROI on this...
—Paul Shanty, Buena Park, CA

Today we rely more and more on the internet for banking, communication with family including hard-of-hearing relatives, shopping for products that are hard to find locally, weather and new information, instructional content, etc. that needs to be delivered more quickly as opposed to more slowly as the big providers are proposing. The United States is already lagging in Internet speed.
—Christopher Daly, Rochester, NY

Dear Tom Wheeler, Please keep the net free for all and stop the FCC breaking the internet. Thank you, Petria Seymour
—Petria Seymour, Playa del Rey, CA

I don't want to have to pay extra to receive high quality internet services and do not believe in offering preferential treatment to some companies based on their desire to corner the market on high quality internet content. There already is too much collusion between corporations and government in this country. We need to maintain net neutrality to assure equal access to all internet content for all citizens.
—Matthew Johnson, Cleveland, OH

Net Neutrality is important because everyone should fair and equal access to the internet, period! The wealthy already get many more tax breaks and privileges that the working class doesn't. Why should they get a fast lane when we all deserve the opportunity to enjoy the best internet possible. Living in a small city I already have crappy internet because there's only one provider and they haven't updated their cables/infrastructure to support faster/better internet. I imagine that my service will go down significantly if we allow for fast lanes. Quit passing laws that line your pocket and leave the rest of us poorer than we were before. The working class and small business owners deserve more from our government and we demand better treatment. NO to fast lanes!!!!
—Wendy Nance, Brownwood, TX

I don't believe that our internet access should be limited or controlled by the big telecom companies. Broadband internet should be classified as a telecom service.
—Kathleen Hulme, Pavilion, NY

Freedom to discuss, post, search, entertain, entrepreneur on a open platform.
—Betsy Daniel, Huntington Station, NY

I believe in an open internet. Somewhere you have all information treated equally. In a time where the highest bidder or donator gets whatever they want....all of the rest of us are left in the ashes of what will be left behind.
—Dustin Rowell, Lexington, NC

It keeps the internet free and even. The only place where there isn't a hierarchy.
—, Minneapolis, MN

Changing the Net Neutrality rules would effectively allow providers the ability to hang a noose around the necks of data providers that the internet has blessed us with. The internet itself is important to me because it is an unmatched source of data that can be reliably searched and obtained at any time. Those who seek to end Net Neutrality only seek to put a premium on information. Do you not think that the prices of education have already done this enough? I urge you to continue to allow us freedom of information in this accessible way that we have. Throw out your new damned rules and stop catering to these controlling large businesses simply because of the money they spend lobbying. I urge you to protect the people and lobby for our best interests. Do not choke our access to information.
—WIlliam Johnson, Griffin, GA

The internet should stay free and should not allow for tiers of service.
—Sean Aman, Sioux Falls, SD

Net Neutrality is a necessity for keeping an open internet, and preserving our right to communicate freely. When internet service providers are allowed to limit the speeds of different sites, it is infringing on my first amendment rights as an American. Allowing internet service providers to charge content companies for preferential treatment would not only allow companies like Comcast, Verizon, and AT&T to hold content providers hostage for higher payment, but it would stifle growth of new companies and content providers. Allowing these rules to be implemented would be a serious step backwards for the American people. The telecommunications industry is already a non competitive service, with over 96% of Americans having only two or fewer choices for high speed internet service. Furthering the big telecom companies to increase their strangle hold on the American people's access to information would cause serious issues and increase their position in their oligarchy.
—Matthew Strickler, Front Royal, VA

Because the internet shouldn't be controlled by businesses. Communication companies already have huge amounts of power. They don't need more.
—Meredith Crow, Oklahoma City, OK

The basic tenet of the American capitalist system is equal access and opportunity. This proposal violates that tenet egregiously and further promotes the existing monopolistic practices of politically connected cable providers. I am shocked that any government organization can even consider these proposals in good conscience.
—Angela Weil, Woodbridge, VA

Net neutrality is important for the sole reason that internet providers already make more than enough money. The consumer shouldn't have to pay even more for services. The telecom giants should not be allowed to pick and choose who gets preferential speeds/treatment. Small businesses that rely on the internet for their revenue will suffer as a result, and it is unfair to the 99%.
—Matthew McSparran, Norwich, CT

Im a software engineer and depend on high speed internet to get my job done.
—Christian Robsahm, San Francisco, CA

The imbalance of finances in the world is bad enough without gentrification of the last fiscal equalizer...the internet. "We the people" are not in support of policies that make subordinates of common Americans, and support a capitalistic elitist paradigm.
—Kabir Cain, Taos, NM

The Internet is there for everyone I have a small web site that I need to give my company more profile. I cant afford to pay extra for a better connectivity. Ending net neutrality would ruin my company.
—Felix Werner, ,

As a web developer, whose life is hinged on the internet the way it is, I urge you to reconsider this ruling. Doing this may end my business and end the businesses of many other small business owners.
—Timothy Buell, Willington, CT

We already suffer from terrible service provider choices in this country due to the lack of common infrastructure resulting in monopolies in certain geographical areas for ISPs. We do not need another regulation that will stifle the little guys that aren't able or willing to pay the price of blackmailing the ISPs into not slowing down connections to their services.
—Jason Ferrier, Oakland, CA

It provides the means for up and coming companies to start and provide well worth capital to the United States. Anit-trust laws are here to protect us from this filth. Rockefeller would be proud at Comcast for screwing with the people's cat videos.
—Jordan, Hialeah, FL

Net neutrality embodies the concept of a level playing field for companies to compete on. This fair competition is one of the fundamental principles in how companies, policies, and people interact within a functioning capitalist society, especially within the United States. An end to net neutrality would allow bigger corporations to eliminate competition in a manner analogous to the overbearing trusts and monopolies that flexed their muscle in the underdeveloped policy of the Industrial Revolution. Net neutrality is a necessary expression and foundation of functioning capitalism within our country and must be present on the internet to ensure a functioning society.
—, Medford, MA

I think Net Neutrality is important to me because i believe the internet should not be controlled by giant companies. I believe the internet should be free.
—Raul Moreno, La Puente, CA

My phone company is not permitted by law to dictate who I can call or who can call me. And they must provide the same quality of voice service for every outgoing and incoming call I make. Telemarketing companies are not allowed to purchase a preferential voice lane so that their calls get through to me before other calls that are made to me. I already pay the phone company a fee to provide me with neutral voice service. The same principles apply to my relationship with my ISP and it should stay that way. I ask that you please look at the the issue of net neutrality more clearly and designate ISP's as common carriers. Thank you.
—Richard Diller, Elk Grove, CA

The ISP companies have demonstrated the desire to control information and blackmail companies. By destroying net neutrality you bring back the robber-baronsand the monopolies that brought America to its knees. You also cripple the only real economy that America has left, its ability to create and innovate. Don't cripple America.
—Chad Jones, Redmond, WA

It allows equal treatment for all people, companies and organizations.
—David Afzal, Pacific Palisades, CA

There should not be a two tiered internet. This would be horrible to an open and free society.
—AJ Botham, Saint Petersburg, FL

The proposed rules would give larger businesses an unfair advantage over smaller and start up companies.
—Chris Vonderweidt, Bowdoinham, ME

I have a choice about how much bandwidth I might need each month and about how much I am willing to pay for it. I am an average American without the deep pockets of a large corporation. Doing away with Net Neutrality turns my bandwidth into a dirt road, regardless of how wide it is.
—Soren M Peterson, Riverdale, MD

Seriously? Why do I have to ask for this? It's absurd that it is being taken away.
—Ruth, Mc Queeney, TX

It's important, cause I want choice around the information I take in. I don't want that choice to be made for me.
—Milla Ahola, ,

Free speech is a pillar of democracy. If that falls, the whole system could collapse.
—Aaron Davis, Cleveland, OH

Freedom of speech and freedom of information are a large part of what makes this country great. I use the Internet every day to inform myself, connect with others, and also for entertainment. Creating this monopoly would curtail the right of myself and millions of others. This "fast lane" is simply a way for cable companies to increase their wealth at our expense. Protect our citizens, protect our right to access and sharing of information: get cable lobbyists out of the FCC and out of our Internet.
—Emily Sinn, Brooklyn, NY

Internet centered start-ups are a backbone of the modern American economy, and are the 21st century embodiment of so much that is great about American culture. Anything that potentially interferes with the competitiveness of these firms, in no uncertain terms, is absolutely unacceptable.
—Brandon Bennes, Hershey, PA

Don't try to fix something that's works just fine for us regular people. Big business is ruining America.
—Jessica Ogata, Sacramento, CA

Cable companies are already basically a cartel - this would further stifle competition and access to the Internet.
—Kelsey, Chapel Hill, NC

This nation was founded on free speech. The internet is the ultimate forum for free speech and as such deserves special status. We already have corporate control of almost all aspects of our lives. We don't need more.
—Mrs. Barbara Talbott, Elgin, TX

I am Computer Science graduate student and a firm believer in technological progress for the greater good. The beauty of the Internet is in how it provides a place where ideas can succeed based on their merit rather than on the bankroll of their promoters. Yes, Google operates more server power than I could ever dream of having access to, but all their data still has to travel the same road as mine. In my eyes, broadband is clearly a "telecommunications service" and should be classfied as such.
—Ryan A Dellana, Greenville, NC

The rich have enough advantages, these rules would give them even more control.
—Tim Heintz, Takoma Park, MD

It's important that everyone has a equality not preferential treatment for those who can afford it.
—Paul Ordonez, Torrance, CA

The advent of the internet has already had an enourmous effect on society as we know it, and it is not done yet. But as a student preparing to make a career in the tech industry, I do not feel comfortable giving the power over the future of this industry to those who stand to benefit from holding it back. What other modern nation has such restrictions on this resource? A pseudo monopoly already has us behind the rest of the world in quality and pricing of internet access, and it isn't because we are incapable of doing better. Please help us
—Drew Lazzeri, Littleton, CO

I oppose monopolies and the censorship or restriction of data of any sort.
—Mitch Housman, Falls Church, VA

It is nice to be able to find small companies online that we can buy items for that we can not find here in out local town. Plus with the cost of living how are some people suppose to be able to afford the cost when they can barely afford their house or rent payments.
—James Williams, Odessa, TX

It isn't just important to me - it Is important to everyone. This is one more example of how the rights if everyone our being chipped away by the needs of a very few to be able to make as much money as possible and deprive the majority of the American People from free access to a just a fair system. This is NOT FAIR AND WILL ONLY RUIN THE INTERNET - A SYSTEM THAT IS NOT BROKEN AND NEEDS TO ALLOW EQUAL ACESSS FOR EVERYONE WITHOUT LOOPHOLES FOR COMPANIES LIKE COMCAST AND VERIZON TO BE ABLE TO CHARGE FOR FASTER ACCESS.
—Catherine Palter, Culver City, CA

Equality. Fairness. Access
—Loretta Hollifield, Parkville, MD

I am an American citizen who has watched the events over Net Neutrality for quite a while. I have been wary of the consequences of the direction things are headed and until very recently I have never known what I can do to try and affect things other than discuss the issues on websites. I believe that my fellow Americans and I both demand, and President Obama pledged, real net neutrality. This requires: 1)FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler should resign or be removed from his position. The recent policy proposal from the FCC on net neutrality enables service providers to blackmail content providers with fees for the delivery of content that the subscriber already paid them for. Such a proposal is consistent with Wheeler's former role as head of National Cable Television Association but it is a violation of the chairman's responsibility to the public. I.E. Tom Wheeler has a conflict of interests, his actions speak to this. 2) Internet service has become an essential tool for work, commerce, and the exercise of free speech. Broadband providers use public rights of way to string cable across the country and the space to do so is limited. Accordingly the government has an obligation to ensure that this natural monopoly is not abused. Given that the installation of internet cables is controlled by the local governments just as utilities are, it is unjust to not list them as a utility to be controlled by the government granting them this monopoly. 3) Few households in America have more than one provider of real (> 6 mpbs) broadband internet access. The FCC has done nothing to promote competition for this critical service. I have seen statistics that of any kind of internet service options other than satellite internet, more than 99% of Americans have two or less options. This is a problem as there is no legitimate competition between any companies and it stifles technological growth and allows for ISP’s to overcharge for internet speeds that pale in comparison to many other countries. 04) Internet Service should be regulated as a "telecommunications service". The companies that operate the network must not be allowed to discriminate regarding the physical devices connected, or the type of traffic transmitted over the network. For almost all people, there is only one high speed 'pipe' available to them. The operator should be compensated fairly for operating the pipe infrastructure but they must not be permitted to control who and what can be accessed or to artificially affect the throughput; just as Ma Bell was obligated to connect people wanting long distance service from Sprint and other providers. 5) Any network services over and above the raw transmission of data through the network should be provided by third parties; without discrimination based on content, source, or destination. There are many ISP’s that are attempting to collect and sell your data to other companies which is obviously something that should be illegal as their customers have no way to stop them from doing so. 6) Broadband providers should be permitted to inspect traffic only for the purpose of routing it to it's intended destination and not otherwise, scan, store, forward or share it. In short, Internet Access should be treated exactly the same way that phone service was; after the dismantling of the Bell monopoly. The necessity and issues that happened around phone services at this time mirror our current situation with internet service providers and so I believe they should be regulated as Title II Telecommunication Services as that is what internet traffic at its core is just communication from one end to the other via 1’s and 0’s representing what is said. Sincerely, Texas
—Texas Ruiz, San Antonio, TX

I think it's ridiculous to allow big corporations to rule what we can and cannot due in yet another aspect of our lives. I'm tired of it! The internet is meant for the people to use, not for corporations to dictate what we can and cannot do.
—Jennifer Cooley, Loveland, CO

Net neutrality is important to me because i use the internet and anything but net neutrality would be an egregious act. It would irreparably damage the internet.
—Alexis, Jersey City, NJ

I work with small startups in the internet industry, and I am worried that dismantling net neutrality will hinder young startups, reduce competition, and create monopolies for established tech companies. It seems like a way of kicking the ladder out from under a lot of new competition.
—Emma Lindsay, San Francisco, CA

The internet should be accessible to everyone, not just the rich or big companies.
—Ms. Chris Rutledge, Levittown, PA

Because I do not believe in furthering the inequality of the ultra rich and everyone else. This would just be one more way to hold back those without power and to further the power of those who already have control over certain markets.
—Andrew Klein, Lansdale, PA

I have Comcast because I don't have a choice for a better provider - either with service or pricing. I want a choice - it is America, land of the free - and allowing Comcast or Verizon or TWC to charge the next Netflix more money to prevent competition isn't very American.
—Darren McMichael, Woodstock, GA

It maintains a level playing field for all internet companies and promotes healthy economic competition.
—Vlad-Stefan Marcu, La Canada Flintridge, CA

Radio and television both held the promise of education and connection of the masses, but we've seen what capitalism did to the promises they once held (Jersey Shore and defunded NPR for all!). Don't cause the same thing to happen to the internet. We have enjoyed the relatively open and democratic structure, and allowing those with money to have a different set of rules is a slippery slope that will kill (or splinter, which would be just as bad) the global community of humans that we've created.
—Matt Claypool, Cedar Rapids, IA

I don't wanna pay a premium for the site said I want to get to.
—Todd Larson, Meridian, ID

The future of innovation, creativity depend on free, unhampered access to the internet. Allowing ISps to control access levels to content and profit from will hamstring US companies. it's short term gain for ISPs with deep pockets and death to long term growth of us business.
—Joshua Welber, New York, NY

Internet Service Providers that use their power to sell customers information are violating our 1st and 4th amendments. They also may be contributing to identity theft.
—Jo Whistler, Hampton, VA

Big businesses should not be able to control how I use the Internet. Everyone deserves the freedom to use the Internet and information made available from it, no matter how much money they have or who their provider is.
—Danielle, North Wales, PA

Simply, It maintains a safe internet for everyone without discrimination. We need this for our future generations to provide free and unbiased services. It is wrong for big business to once again attempt to rob the consumer but use the guise that they want to help them!
—Shelia Givens, Mount Juliet, TN

I want good internet access speeds to all websites, not just those that pay web service providers. Some smaller sites have the most interesting, and less commercial content
—Keith H, Plymouth, MI

Stop corruption now!
—Rina Bliss, San Francisco, CA

Limiting the internet would only limit growth and potential. America would then become much like Orwell's 1984
—Colin Kirkpatrick, West Hollywood, CA

A free and unobstructed internet is important for my life, commerce and future innovation. The proposed rules will severely hamper internet development, free speech and increase prices for all
—Mohammed Osman, Centereach, NY

The internet should be equally accessible by and for everyone
—Karen Zeilnhofer, Danbury, CT

Im disabled so cant go out much all my friends are on the internet
—Jordan P Bassett, Kennewick, WA

I am a small business owner and a registered voter. It is critical to protect innovation and competition on the internet.
—Julia Wester, Fort Myers, FL

To All Parties Concerned, We know that you are giving deep thought to the issue of net neutrality; however please continue to consider the deep repercussions of this bill. Affecting access to data in any way whether through internet speeds or fees will have a dramatic affect on the flow of information. The ramifications of allowing companies to overly influence the flow of data will not just target a select group. Every income level and culture group will be subject to the abuses that are inevitable when monetary interests are at stake. Please consider your part in history and the well being of your fellow citizens in this ruling. The flow of data is a gift that not only advantages this country as a whole but allows the innate gifts of our citizens to flourish. We sincerely and respectfully urge you to reconsider this proposal. The effects of this plan will alter destiny and reality for millions of Americans.
—Waellzly Milton, Royal Palm Beach, FL

Net Neutrality is important to me because I am able to feed my family by providing value to others with the internet. Keep it Neutral
—Kurt Younker, ,

I want free access to all the educational information I require. I think it's unethical that corporations might control my internet usage. It's bad enough that they already monitor it. Please restore the principal of online nondiscrimination.
—Elizabeth Wing, Nassau, NY

Because despite all disparities of income, education, and opportunity, the internet provides true universal equality and always should.
—Tera Childs, Las Vegas, NV

Net neutrality holds the right we expect in the modern day and age
—Benton Hunt, Boise, ID

Freedom
—Rhiannon Frater, Austin, TX

It is extremely important to keep the internet truly neutral. Putting these rules into place will ruine any faith I have left in our government.
—Lucas Kevlishvili, Rolling Meadows, IL

I do not want to be discriminated against online nor do I want tolls on anyone for using the internet.
—Melissa Barnes, Seattle, WA

Because its fair and we should all get a say in what we use.
—Margarita Llanas, Houston, TX

The human race is dependent on freedom of information, not crony capitalists monopolizing through their nepotistic connections.
—Michael Heath, Arlington, TX

Internet access is no longer a luxury, but rather a necessity for many Americans, myself included. We rely on it for business, relationships with distant relatives and entertainment. My ISP, Comcast, falls somewhere between shaky and out-and-out corrupt as they currently exist, and the idea of allowing them any more control is repugnant.
—Robert Oseas, Beaverton, OR

It allows everyone in the world to be connected and united without the worry of lack of privacy
—Maximillion Rosario, Miami, FL

It's the foundation on which modern telecommunications is built. Audio, video, text, email... All of this is incredibly important. To set America back behind the rest of the world by putting connectivity in our country under the control of a few large companies is simply ridiculous. Modern business relies on these networks like they do roads and water.
—Aaron Mason, San Francisco, CA

because net neutrality is creating a renaissance in creative products. These rules would hold the US's full potential back, and move us from a leader to just one in a heard.
—Leslie Allen, Philadelphia, PA

It's important to keep the free flowing traffic of ideas unimpeded by corporate policies and politics. It will only deter the future improvement of the human species by making access to powerful and innovative information unnecessary difficult to attain.
—Michael McNellis, Levittown, PA

The internet is entrenched in our lives to the point that creating a two-tiered Internet would be like getting people to breathe two types of air. Don't destroy Net Neutrality, for the sake of sanity.
—Christine Chen, Durham, NC

Everyone deserves a fair chance. Lobbyists are ruining this country.
—Brian kolb, Portland, OR

Net neutrality is important because it threatens the very foundation of what makes the internet as ubiquitous and important as it it. If data speeds were regulated we would lose the ingenuity of millions, crush start ups, and do nothing more than fill the pockets of a select few that already have a strangle hold on America's digital entertainment.
—Anthony Ferrante, Biddeford, ME

Net Neutrality keeps the internet equal for everyone-- switching to a tiered model will keep the internet better for the highest bidder and worse for everyone else
—Kevin Strick, Los Angeles, CA

Should NOT be discriminatory!!!!!
—John Oden, Anaheim, CA

Because it is so instrumental in our daily lives. The internet is the fundamental source of everything you can think of. To inhibit access to any of that because of behind-the-scene contracting is just deplorable
—Elizabeth, Philadelphia, PA

Life is expensive enough. Leave it alone.
—Sarita Freedman, Agoura Hills, CA

Are you absolutely insane? How much money have they thrown into your face? Thousands? Millions? Billions? This is almost a thug shake down of content providers. Do you remember when you weren't a sell out? I can't believe this is even possible.
—, Galt, CA

I think it's totally against the principals that the internet was created upon. Profiteering is all this is. As someone who is rarely home due to work commitments, i do not pay for un-necessary bills... my home broadband connection would quickly become one of those un-necessary, over inflated, not worth the money bills. Get a grip.
—Andrew Taylor, ,

Having big corporations control how people use the internet is UTTERLY WRONG!!!!!!!! This cannot be allowed to happen.
—Caroline Dando, San Francisco, CA

I rely on the internet for daily use, both personally and professionally. To allow greedy corporations to have such unconstitutional power over my life is just disgusting!
—Seth Yohnka, Northridge, CA

it is our god given data highway.
—Arun Sharma, Gallipolis, OH

Universal access to all the internet at indiscriminate speeds. Protection of small companies and websites that cannot pay the inevitable tariffs .
—J Flaten, Westminster, CO

Freedom Is free
—Matt Clark, Los Osos, CA

We must keep our Open Internet. Do not let greedy, awful ISPs ruin something so critical.
—Kyle Dylan Conner, Long Valley, NJ

The internet should be a level platform for everyone to share content and information.
—Tom Lees, ,

Big Brother is BIG ENOUGH as he Shouldn't be. Don't do this small business and those who already scrape by to afford an internet connection, and to everyone who deserves peace of mind when browsing... we don't deserve to be marketed to on an even more constant basis than we already are.
—Miranda Hernandez, Santa Rita, GU

It's all about a level playing field.
—David May, Wallingford, CT

It is unfair to pay extra for access and encourages big corporations to make more money. This screws startups and smaller companies.
—Sajid Ghaffar, Fairfax, VA

I am a web developer and want to make sure that small businesses have the same playing field as everybody in the industry. I also want to make sure my personal data is not being sold to the highest bidder.
—Balz Kaufmann, Brooklyn, NY

It is obvious that Internet service is analogous to other utilities such as phone service, energy, and water, and that in our information-driven society it is becoming as necessary as these utilities. Internet service should be treated as a utility and regulated as a utility (especially given the paucity of ISP competition in many areas of the US). The Internet has empowered individuals to compete with large corporations in the marketplace of ideas, and competition is a very good thing for people. As we seek diversity in our public and workplaces, we should encourage diversity of viewpoints and ideas. We should not allow gatekeepers and pay-to-play-type policies that will take away the voices of many individuals and empower large corporations to speak with less dissent.
—Holly Bell, Fayetteville, NC

This is such a slippery slope. As an entrepreneur I am deeply concerned about the effects this could play with launching and advertising my endeavors.
—Kim Liggett, Fenton, MO

It allows my company which is a new start up on the internet to compete on an even playing field with companies with more resources than me. Off line I am limited to a small range of clients on the internet I can go after the same clients as a larger company. It keeps American business fair online which encourages the American dream.
—Diallo West, Dallas, TX

I am a marketing manager of a small business with corporate competition. Net neutrality gives us the even playing field that keeps our company in business.
—Alex Duggan, Huntsville, AL

Corporations should not be given this level of control of the free flow of information. You should protect the best interests of individual citizens and not corporations
—Douglas Ramsey, Indianapolis, IN

because it levels the playing field for small business and start-ups. Too many laws handing the advantage to only those that can afford it. It WILL stifle innovation and competition which is extremely un american.
—Ross Pearlstone, New York, NY

The net should be open to all, freely. Not preferential treatment for those who pay more. The consequences of this would be enormous- I really don't think those in charge have really thought of the ramifications
—John Ogborn, Orem, UT

We do not need more corporations taking advantage of the people. One internet speed for all. How is this a good thing?
—Sean Hoy, Bryn Mawr, PA

FREEDOM OF SPEECH. Every individual must have equal access to public forums.
—Torrey Bell, New York, NY

The end on Net Neutrality would be a critical blow to freedom of speech and freedom of expression. The internet is one of the only places where the unheard masses can still have a voice, and the end of Net Neutrality could take that voice away from them forever. The companies that provide internet access should not be allowed to control it: should not have the right to bend it to their will. Just because one man owns the only ferry, does not mean he owns the river. It belongs to everyone and anyone can access it: so should be the internet.
—James Weir, Douglassville, PA

If you allow cable companies to set up two speeds of service, it won't be a "fast lane" and a "hyper-fast lane." It will be a fast lane and a slower-than-a-turtle lane. Comcast already proved this with Netflix. Comcast held Netflix hostage to their demands by dramatically decreasing their speed.
—Katherine Lippa, Portland, ME

ISPs should not have the power to block or interfere web traffic. The internet is not broken, but the FCC seems determined to do just that.
—Nick Oliver, Powell, TN

As more and more businesses, large and small, move to a hybrid cloud infrastructure; removing net neutrality rules could drastically impact their performance and outcome.
—John Day, Sacramento, CA

Mr. Wheeler's proposed rules for net neutrality would only furthers the disparity between the haves and have-nots. Potentially bright minds that live in rural areas, or in low income situations, would be denied the ability to advance their status, perpetuating the growing gap between the classes. This is unacceptable. Everyone has the right to reach higher, to desire better in life. Only a truly neutral internet would allow this. Throw these ludicrous rules out. Let the internet be for the people, instead of the ISPs.
—Josh Miller, Eunice, LA

competition , not control over who gets my business
—Sandeep Puri, San Jose, CA

Without net neutrality, progress just can't happen. With large corporations stifling the websites and services of those who could possibly compete with them in any service they might want to dip into, nobody will be able to open a new service. The very idea of the internet, the idea of an open forum and source for information, commerce, and new perspectives will die.
—Benjamin Kimble, Rexburg, ID

The internet is a path intended to be traveled by all, monetizing the speed at which one can move is absolutely deplorable. I am all for capitalism, however this is not necessary, nor does it make fiscal sense for anyone other than the government and the lucky gatekeepers in telecom.
—Ravi M. Babu, Nutley, NJ

Net neutrality is basically going to cripple the little guy on the internet. The idea of a fast lane and a slow lane is not possible with companies. Who would hold them accountable for maintaining the "slow lane"? It will not happen, it will be abandoned because there will be no regulatory/cost penalty for those who spend their resources in favor of the companies that can pay for the high speed. It is an unfair rule and I will not support any politician or organization that is for it.
—Marcus Vaughan, Gilbert, AZ

Net Neutrality lowers the barriers of entry for entrepreneurs, startups and small businesses by ensuring the Web is a fair and level playing field. It’s because of Net Neutrality that small businesses and entrepreneurs have been able to thrive on the Internet. They use the Internet to reach new customers and showcase their goods, applications and services. No company should be able to interfere with this open marketplace. ISPs are by definition the gatekeepers to the Internet, and without Net Neutrality, they will seize every possible opportunity to profit from that gatekeeper control. Without Net Neutrality, the next Google being built in a garage somewhere will never get off the ground.
—Sharon C Young, Salt Lake City, UT

It not just important to me but everyone. Company will have a too much power!
—Danny, Aurora, IL

Cable companies provide terrible service at high prices. Estonia has higher download rates than we do here. I don't trust them, would abandon them if I didn't want basic cable, and think they operate as a cartel. The idea that they won't compromise users' interests--charging more from disrupters than incumbents (and potential consumers) is laughable.
—Caitlin Bowler, Somerville, MA

Internet is an ultimate free market, it must be fair game for everyone. This ruling ultimately benefits already hugely profitable ISPs and not the consumers.
—Steve O'Shnall, Rego Park, NY

The internet is a way to express free speech.
—Ryan Good, Muskegon, MI

All people should have a right to open internet without companies dictating what we can and can't have.
—Anna Banker, Minneapolis, MN

Fairness
—Jeffrey Bedrosian, Santa Margarita, CA

I, like other small businesses, I will not be able to compete on a level field with bigger more established businesses. In general, American people and American ingenuity will be stymied as new ventures with better products and services can't compete with bigger businesses able to buy internet fast lane advantages.
—Judy Rodman, Nashville, TN

As an individual on a fixed income and caring for a loved one with a debilitating mental health disorder, I am heavily reliant on access to internet resources that draw on a heavy bandwidth. Sometimes, on the darkest days, watching a favorite movie or TV show on Netflix is the only thing to keep my partner's mind off his suicidal thoughts and deep depression. We use videos of TED talks and motivational speakers on various therapy sights to give him a place to reinforce the coping tools he learns in therapy. Since the sudden onset of his illness two years ago, neither of us has been able to work full-time, and our savings have plummeted. We live in a rural region with limited internet access options, already leading to fairly high prices for only adequate internet access. To make it even more costly would prohibit our ability to stay where we live and work on helping my partner from being able to get back on his feet and find his way to a happy and healthy life.
—Jennifer Anne Johnson, Stowe, VT

I am strongly against this, the internet belongs to THE PEOPLE, not giant corporations! I'm tired of big companies trying to swindle out the American people and taking away equal rights for smaller companies.
—Lacie Pedersen, Sandy, UT

Net neutrality is essential for small startups to be competitive in the internet market place, which allows new companies to adapt to the needs of the market faster than industry giants. Without net neutrality large corporations will have an inherent advantage in the market due to buying priority, allowing them to control the internet services market. This goes against the internet's use since its inception in that all websites and services are equally available, leveling the playing field so it's about quality of service.
—Chris Vittoria, New Bedford, MA

It is important because there should be NOTHING less than REAL Net Neutrality. This is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate!!
—Jill Doering, Grafton, WI

I take my rights of freedom granted to me by the Constitution of the United States Of America, very seriously. STOP TAKING MY FREEDOMS AWAY!
—Steven Prevost, Grand Rapids, MI

Net neutrality is important to me because it provides startups like the one i work for an equal playing field with the the larger companies like the greedy bastards you represent. Thank god google fiber is coming and those companies will soon bea thing of the past.
—Ricky Thomas, Austin, TX

Because without Net-neutrality, the internet woulnd be the same!
—Daniel, ,

Our future is looking like a feudal society. Keeping net neutrality will continue to allow a large part of our culture still open as a land of opportunity.
—Attorney Russell C Leffel, Prairie Village, KS

I enjoy the freedom to access all the content the internet has to offer. A major corporation should not have the authority to dictate what information is available on the the internet.
—Ryan McFarland, Indianapolis, IN

I am a web developer. And I don't want big companies to take over smaller ones.
—Shamir Towsif, ,

An Open Internet is the ultimate free speech purveyor. By creating a two-tiered Internet, you are creating fascism and everything America goes against. Scrap these rules. Be a leader and do what's right.
—Latanya Ivey, La Verne, CA

Big Corporations should not have precedence and control over the internet. These rulings are undemocratic and corrupt. It's terrifying that these proposals made it this far along.
—Chen Blume, San Francisco, CA

To me it is a free speech issue; not scrapping these rules would allow corporate interests to restrict the free flow of communication for it's own purposes. The full-service internet should not be available only to those who can afford exclusive rights to it.
—Rita Pearce, Marion, IL

The Internet should remain a level playing field for everyone, big and small, a like.
—Roxanne Eldridge, New York, NY

Because anything is as unfair as charging for air to breathe. For once take a simple stand for the populous not the masters.
—Jane Childs, Las Vegas, NV

The reasons are legion. Most importantly we can't allow big telecom to continue to create more and more ways to generate new profit streams through manufactured pricing tiers. I live in a rural area that can't even get fiber or real high speed internet. If products or services that I use get choked arbitrarily it will be awful for me as a consumer, and for any entrepreneur.
—Andrew Roeder, Beaufort, SC

I want to enter any page i need to. I live in a country where the people that are against the gobernment are censured and i dont want that on the Internet too.
—Kenneth, ,

The internet was created to bring any information to all who sought it. Net Neutrality ensures that everyone has access to the same information, and that everyone has the capacity to spread their own information or business equally.
—Kate M Tucci, Glendale, CA

The internet altered the way the entire world lives, dies, and communicates. It allows for freedom and connection among every single person that uses it. Like the freedom of speech it should not and cannot be altered. The United States does not own the internet, no one does, and therefore cannot try and impose itself upon it. Creating prioritizable traffic just plays into the corporations that current monopolize the internet. It's bad enough that I don't have choices between internet providers at my house. The internet will surely suffer if cable providers and isp can introduce charges to access certain websites or services. I'm a budding entrepreneur and these new rules could likely inhibit my success as a starting company. How can we compete against bigger companies with financial backing when money starts impacting how I can start an internet service. Keep the net open and free. The way it has always been. It's the reason why the internet has been so successful.
—David Fedele, Sherman Oaks, CA

It prevents corporate interests from taking over the bandwidth and using it for corporate profits.
—Kathie LaLonde, Sanford, MI

It is the last equal opportunity place in our universe where people of all economic backgrounds, ethic origins, and various orientations can come together and create communities, start businesses, and learn what ever they see fit. Keep the 'net neutral.
—Gretchen Bedell, Williamsburg, VA

The internet is the last free place in the world. My voice is as valid as any other man's. Without Net Neutrality, I will only be subject to the whims of a a subjective force of inequality.
—Adam Meredith, Provo, UT

It keeps the Internet free and open to all, and I would hate to see this service be put behind paywalls.
—, Jasper, AL

I wish to preserve the neutrality of the internet to provide small businesses and new ideas the opportunity to grow and reach consumers. In addition, the neutrality of the internet gives an opportunity to all minorities (racial, religious, economic, etc.) to use their voices and advocate for their issues. If the net were not neutral, it would be harder for the small, the new, or the different to take a stand -- a dark future that clashes with the ideals of the United States.
—Brennan Murphy, Anderson, IN

Without net neutrality ISP's, who already reap the benefits of monopolization, will be able to discriminate against individuals, organizations and businesses by deciding who is able to get better service. I demand net neutrality and urge the FCC to reclassify broadband as a telecommunication service.
—David Ross, Fall River, MA

It is no one's place to dictate the web. It is our last true free space, with no politics, which is what humans desperately need since politicians don't understand the actual concept of neutrality and freedom.
—Maury Holliman, Northport, AL

Please don't turn the regular Internet into snail mail, and the 'pay-to-play' Internet into FedEx. It isn't fair and it isn't democratic.
—Tina Peterson Ph.D., Houston, TX

If it ain't broke, DON'T FIX IT. Period. This is such a blatant use of government and corporate power, it boggles the mind.
—Renee Musicus, Parkville, MD

The internet was designed to be free. To create express routes will ruin the internet for everyone. It's a cheap way to raise revenue and will be the downfall of the web. Also, Anonymous may end up ruining you!
—Mark Rossiter, ,

equal access to/for all
—Frances Johnson, Austin, TX

Because it is a reality of our 21st century. It's a channel of communication that shouldn't favor a corporate person over a real person. Why should we give power to a few so they can make decisions for us. The problem with television and radio is that it was controlled programming. We don't want to go back to that mindless shovel-fed world. It's our future and our children's future. Stop looking for short term gains and keep the net open and free.
—Craig Erickson, Port Townsend, WA

It lets small organizations and individuals to have good internet sites that require reasonably priced high speed coverage.
—Max Siders, Gallatin, TN

Freedom of speech shouldn't come with a price tag. My ancestors paid the price already. Why burden future generations with corporate greed?
—Mike Smith, Chicago, IL

I'm fortunate to have grown up in a household where books were valued, and a town with a very good library. But the ways I access information or do research have changed so much the past 30 years! The internet has increasingly become my first source for information, and allows my business to work with clients and use services located anywhere in the country. Most people and businesses have very limited choices in who their ISP will be. My physical location allows me only two choices (Verizon DSL or Charter Broadband – and many locations do not have DSL as an option b/c they are too far away from a main copper trunk line). If my ISP has the option to throttle access to my clients, the online services my business depends on, or the sites I visit for personal reasons, it can censor my access to information and/or shut my business down. The economy as a whole increasingly relies on the internet; individual access and the ability of every business to deliver content or services must be protected across the country, regardless of which ISP the end user has delivering that content or services.
—Jo Landers, Easthampton, MA

Its a good thing for all americans not just a few corporations. Its whats best for america as a whole to uphold our morals and core values as a country.
—Kathryn Pergola, Brooklyn, NY

As a small business owner I rely on affordable internet access to grown and run my business.
—Tracie Grant, Idaho Falls, ID

Freedom of speech means in the digital age means that no one should have to pay for special internet access.
—Shane Burns, Colorado Springs, CO

Because freedom is important to me and the Government isn't.
—David Kurman, Baldwin, NY

We must preserve net neutrality and keep the internet fair, fast and accessible to all regardless of income level. The United States already lags behind South Korea, Japan, Estonia, and Latvia (to name a few) in connection speed. Cable companies and other huge corporations have far too many rights and are slowing national progress. The FCC needs to reverse its prior decisions and reclassify Internet access services as “telecommunications services” under the law and treat ISPs at the common carriers they are. and Without legal restraint ISPs can monitor everything we do and say online which is a blatant violation of freedom of speech. What is the point of a regulatory agency if it does not properly regulate giant corporations and protect the interests of citizens? As a concerned citizen, I urge the FCC to restore net neutrality and the open internet.
—Leslie Reed, Tampa, FL

Net Neutrality is important to me because it allows me to freely communicate with anyone that is on the internet and access whatever information I would like to (selectivity is nice). I do not want those apart of larger companies to receive an excess amount of money, such as Verizon or Comcast. They have already made quite a profit from their regulations on data and channels. This assists the development of a social class gap, which does not need to be any larger than it is. I do not find it fair that those who are not capable to afford to use the internet freely, will not be able to access the internet as easily as those who have the money to afford to do so. Which would also mean that anyone who wanted to access the same information as someone else will be left in the shadows of unawareness. Everyone should be able to receive the same information at the same time, this is better for the public sphere in helping shape us all to be well-informed. The internet has been beneficial for many in giving others opportunities for careers, social interaction and education. Especially with education, with Net Neutrality, I'm capable of researching whatever I would like to research and not have any concerns about having slower (no) internet because I cannot afford whatever packages of "faster service" internet that Verizon or AT&T will provide. I would like to continue to freely communicate with anyone, access any information that is available and continue to not support large service providers like Comcast and Verizon in their accumulation of wealth. Information is for everyone, and we, as the public sphere, should all be capable, able and allowed to access that information, no matter what social class we are apart of. We would all appreciate no discrimination.
—Drew LaFasto, Maryville, TN

Companies like Comcast and Time Warner Cable already have a quasi-monopoly on internet service in many areas. Consumers should have the option to CHOOSE without paying more premiums for faster speeds.
—Yuqing Kou, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality maintains an open and free internet, which celebrates the 1st Amendment and makes education available to all. Additionally, it promotes a healthy economy where barriers to entry are broken down for new businesses, encouraging innovation.
—Sameer Khan, Baltimore, MD

Net Neutrality is most important thing for deaf culture because we can't use the phones so we had to use internet to do most of errands and works that we need to be done with instead of relying on the phones that are completely not working for the deaf people. Also Internet are allowing us to educating the future generations with better tools that are available on the internet.
—Heath, Duncan, SC

I decide for myself what content to surf. Thank you.
—Kevin Hathaway, Key West, FL

This is the only way to protect the open Internet. Anything else is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate.
—Kristy Hopper, Tucson, AZ

It's already a struggle with ISPs and their high costs for poor service. I rely on the Internet to be able to do my job. I don't need government regulations making it easier for the ISPs. They already have a monopoly and this proposed ruling will give them more of a monopoly.
—Craig Clingman, Colorado Springs, CO

I have lived through the golden age of internet accessibility for all. This is a wonder of modern civilisation. How galling to see a few robber baron corporations working as a cabal to deprive Americans (and the whole world) of fair and free access to this great tool for education and entertainment. Please act to ensure true net neutrality for the global internet community, not the weasel version sought by the greediest ISPs.
—Kathleen Cain, ,

The internet was founded on the basis of free and open sharing of information on a neutral platform. To remove net neutrality is to remove the very core values that the internet stands for. Preferential treatment will lead to conglomerates and corporations ruling the airways whilst also allowing the sharing of information to be quelled. This is an abomination and it must be stopped.
—Dylan Godfrey, Sanford, NC

The internet is one of the last places that allows american entrepreneurs to be successful and keep market competition. To allow giant corporate ISP's to essentially restrict any start ups ability to compete will only open doors to monopolization discrimination and widespread corruption of the best chance for human improvement since the rigorous application of the scientific method.
—Matthew Robinson, Simsbury, CT

I believe in fairness, competition and innovation. People who support these proposed rules apparently don't believe in what I believe.
—Benjamin Walker, Carlisle, PA

It means freedom of speech for everyone
—Raj Pabla, Harrisonburg, VA

Chairman Wheeler, please disallow the FCC from proposing rules that allow discrimination online, and throw out your proposed rules and reclassify real Net Neutrality.
—Paul Sensat, Clear Lake Shores, TX

By not allowing net neutrality is a step towards communism. We complain about other countries not allowing freedom of speech and equal rights for all to express opinions, we too will be like one of those countries if we do not have net neutrality.
—, Houston, TX

I manage a small business that rely's on internet traffic for new customers. My business is just starting and we have next to no money to compete with bigger companys for faster internet. Please do not pass this law.
—Michael Simonitsch, New York, NY

Everyone should have an equal playing field. People can't afford food these days let alone "premium" internet service.
—Dustin D., Shawnee, KS

A free and open internet is the single greatest technology of our time, and control should not be at the mercy of corporations. A free and open internet stimulates ISP competition. A free and open internet helps prevent unfair pricing practices. A free and open internet promotes innovation. A free and open internet promotes the spread of ideas. A free and open internet drives entrepreneurship. A free and open internet protects freedom of speech.
—Rebecca Wilson, Astoria, NY

Protecting liberty
—Dj, San Francisco, CA

Without it innovation will be stifled
—Tom Whitcomb, Southbridge, MA

It is essential to preserve open access to the internet for everyone. The internet has become fundamental to communication, to access to information, to commerce--to every aspect of our daily lives. The internet must be reclassified as what it clearly is--a telecommunications service under the law--and regulated as such by the FCC.
—Alan Stafford, Sarasota, FL

To preserve fairness to all.
—Desmond Ng, Jersey City, NJ

On May 15, 2014, the Federal Communications Commission proposed rules that would allow rampant discrimination online. Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would enable Internet service providers to charge extra fees to content companies like Google and Netflix for preferential treatment. Under these rules, telecom giants like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon would be able to create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford it and dirt roads for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. The agency can preserve Net Neutrality only by designating broadband as a telecommunications service under the law. Anything else is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate.
—Julia Decker, Astoria, OR

I do not want my ISP deciding which content I will receive in a timely manner and which I will not.
—Stephen Deffenderfer, Corona, CA

The internet is an amazing tool for education and economic development. In order to keep this accessible for all people, net neutrality must be maintained.
—Jessica Williamson, Washington, DC

I support net neutrality, and strongly encourage you to throw out your proposed two-tier "paid prioritization" rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The FCC needs to regulate the internet under Title II common carrier rules, as originally laid out by Congress in the Telecommunications Act of 1996. Also, I strongly encourage Chairman Tom Wheeler to resign his position immediately. He is obviously and embarrassingly in a conflict-of-interest position, and seems incapable of making impartial and objective policy decisions.
—Rachel M. Barrett Knight, Franklin, IN

Equality for all. Mr. Chairman you have been a telco lobbyist however I want to remind you of your duty to citizens first. Remember opportunity for all.
—Jagan Subramanian, Santa Clara, CA

It is the single remaining level playing field left. What is best for a small handful of large corporations is the worst possible outcome for everyone else. I am tired of critical decisions being made simply for the financial benefit of the very few.
—Laura Corogenes, Kansas City, MO

A neutral internet provides everyone with equal access to content and information. There is already a sort of hierarchical divide between people who have the hardware use the internet and those who don't. Asking people to have to worry about their service provider, especially given the essential monopolies these companies have is an unnecessary and frankly pointless form of censorship. My children deserve to use the open and cultural advantages of a neutral internet.
—Eva Gallagher, Denton, TX

Unnecessary fees that would make giant cable corporations with terrible customer satisfaction have even more control over the internet.
—Ben Young, Austin, TX

The internet is a platform for gigantic economic growth in America. Jobs are created everyday because of companies access to the internet. The thought of charging different rates for data speeds is ridiculous. It is creating an unfair platform for large companies to strangle the competition. Instead of creating more jobs a new company would have to spend that money on staying competitive. The internet should not be restricted to those who can pay more. The fact that the people making this decision are in the pockets of companies like Comcast just show are poor the decision making abilities of this government are. This is not a Democrat vs Republican issue. This is the entire country looking at the greed of our Government and realizing it is no longer for the people.
—Katherine Whaley, Elmhurst, IL

You will crush our business if you allow this to take affect. We are a small business we will feel the full brunt of what's to come. We rely on the internet and can't compete with the Netflix & Googles. Protect our right to have a fair hand shake.
—Luis Rosario, Marina del Rey, CA

The Internet is free speech. We want free speech.
—Ali ElSayed, Woodside, NY

small biz
—Mark Spera, San Francisco, CA

The Internet must remain an equalizer and level playing field for small business owners and massive corporations, people of privilege and those without, etc. I do not accept the monopolization of Internet providers and their flexing of power over consumers. This. Is. Bullshit.
—Jennifer White, Portland, OR

Do you guys even realize up what your doing? Don't do this.
—Marshall mathers, Indio, CA

free speach
—Dennis Manier, Taylor, MI

Research, education, answer questions, free speech.
—Lisa LeBlanc, Austin, TX

Because it's fair and the right thing to do!
—Suzanne Preston, Bedford, IN

Net neutrality is important because all content should be treated equally. No corporation should be able to dictate what content can be accessed faster or give priority to their own content.
—Danielle Cosme, Sammamish, WA

The Internet will play a huge role in my future and you are planning to take this away from me! How dare you push the telecom industry's lobbying efforts to create a new global inequality divide? The Internet belongs to the world, and the fact that people like you are trying to privatize it for personal gain sickens me!
—Jesper Mount, Plano, TX

It lets me stay connected with my loved ones from all over the country. And it grants me access to whatever information I'm seeking!!
—Bryon Smeltz, Harrisburg, PA

It's already a monopoly and should be prevented from becoming more of one.
—Andrew Blake, Kansas City, MO

Freedom of speech
—John Galdo, Augusta, GA

The Internet is an essential telecommunications vehicle, and in this country, perhaps the MOST essential vehicle. Everyone should have equal access to this vital means of telecommunications. Equal access means equal processing speed. If I buy a phone, my call doesn't connect any quicker than the call of the person standing next to me. The proposed rules will encourage corporate abuse and make access far more difficult to those who can't afford upper tier access plans.
—, Teaneck, NJ

It seems that this country that was for the people by the people is not for the privileged only. When do fairness get back in to our great country.
—Robert Carter, Stockbridge, GA

Even playing field
—Charles Jennings, Chesapeake, VA

Let's let just one thing be an even playing field. Just one thing. We all own the internet together, and that's the way it should be.
—Jaqai Mickelsen, Atlanta, GA

As the owner of a small business which obtains most of its clients through its website, I know that an open internet with a level playing field is imperative.
—David Davis, Independence, MO

My grandfather fought in World War II to defend, among other rights and liberties, my freedom of speech. Chairman Wheeler's proposal is a direct violation of that right.
—, Lexington, KY

Because I value free and open access to whatever websites I choose to consume, and don't want corporate ISP's to dictate what I have access to.
—Kirsten Brennecke, Missoula, MT

Allowing ISPs to financially manipulate the relationship between internet content providers and content users runs counter to your mission of "supporting the nation's economy by ensuring an appropriate competitive framework for the unfolding of the communications revolution." Once ISPs can censor or charge for delivery of specific content, competition and innovation cease to exist.
—Elisabeth, Austin, TX

The Internet should always be open-source.
—Hannah Pieragostini, Milford, CT

This needs to be stopped. Don't break the internet, everybody wants an open internet.
—Carlos Vaquerano, Everett, MA

Unrestricted internet usage is vital to the progressiveness of technology and the enhancement of learning in this digital age.
—Jessica Lester, Seattle, WA

I am an employee of a small business. It is important for us to have net neutrality so that we are able to have the same speeds are any other company and have the same chance to grow into a larger business, as the larger companies had when they first started.
—Meghan Minus, New Haven, CT

A neutral internet means equal opportunity for all. Anything else is a plutocracy. My tax dollars paid for the development and construction of the internet. It should remain equally open to everyone because we've all paid for it. The big corporations are raking in profit already from the infrastructure that we put in place. We should charge them for access, not the other way around.
—Mark Kauffman, Chico, CA

I am daily internet user in my personal and professional life. I use it almost constantly and depend on it. I cannot stand by and let these horrible changes be made.
—Miroslav Lulic, Chico, CA

Corporations already control so much---don't give them more!!!
—Mallory Nettleton, Roseville, CA

Really? ! Another way to categorize people in classes, by rich and poor. The internet is the only place where you can fully express freedom of speech, by anymore. And you don't have to be in a category to express one self. Now taking that new idea just to divide a group of people, is unconstitutional!
—Oscar Ventura, Somerville, MA

Net neutrality is our right.
—Tomi Yamamoto, Santa Clarita, CA

The internet should be open with equal access for everyone.
—Paula Leffel, Prairie Village, KS

We have too many big businesses not acting in the best interest of their customers. Our government needs to start ensuring that the public interest is protected and not big business.
—Chrystal Hagerty, El Segundo, CA

Internet connectivity is the best hope for improving the human condition globally through education and connectivity. If it is further monetized, those who can benefit most will no longer be able to connect to this essential lifeline.
—Darlene Susco, West Hartford, CT

Stop letting lobbyist run this country
—Charles Lambert, West Palm Beach, FL

The internet is a global resource and tool. To allow companies to bid over priority would undermine the very reason the internet came about. Not to mention people are already paying more for internet than any country for the slowest speeds, killing net nutrality would allow for companies to raise prices even further not to mention costs from other companies to pay for faster connections. Its ludicrous!
—Gary Farris, Bentonville, AR

As an employee in Ecommerce I recognize the EXTREME importance for an equal playing field for all businesses who want to has an online business.
—, Bemidji, MN

Censorship for any purpose is not acceptable
—Heather Lancaster, Mountain View, CA

because discourse in America is already dominated by large corporations. The internet is the only vehicle for free discussion of ideas and the introduction of new ideas.
—Jean Corigliano, Spencertown, NY

These telecommunications companies have become monopolies and it is time for them to be stopped.
—Margie Dent, Havertown, PA

It represents one of our last freedoms.
—Alain Garcia, Irvine, CA

We need to protect our internet.
—, San Diego, CA

less corporate influence over communication
—Alex Lapp, Seattle, WA

I believe in equal access for all.
—, Los Angeles, CA

I like paying for services that give me the freedom to use them as I see fit, without hindrance.
—Ron West, Charlotte, NC

IT IS IMPORTANT TO EVERY CITIZEN! DO NOT MESS WITH OUR INTERNET!
—Danny Decena, Alameda, CA

We don't need another controlled environment.
—Nikola, ,

common sense
—Viktor Lauro, ,

The ability to browse the web freely
—Tyrrel Tsosie, Fort Defiance, AZ

The internet has empowered the world, please don't turn it into a profit center that suppresses access to those who need and benefit from it most.
—Brenda Boles, Tampa, FL

I spent 5 years in the Marine Corps serving this country, and will not allow the freedom that I volunteered to defend be corrupted.
—Jacob Scott Collier, Portland, OR

BECAUSE IF THESE GREEDY PIG BASTARDS DO "BREAK" THE INTERNET, THEN SOMEONE COULD BE OLIGED TO "BREAK" THEM AND I DON'T WANT TO SEE AN HONEST AMERICAN GO TO PRISON SIMPLY FOR GIVING BOTTOM FEEDING SCUM WHAT THEY'VE LONG DESERVED.
—Tim, Nashville, TN

Net neutrality is important because censorship is against the freedoms we enjoy in America.
—Kerri McConnell, Land O Lakes, FL

Prevents establishment of further stranglehold by monopolistic companies such as Comcast, Verizon, etc.
—Morgan Wilson, San Luis Obispo, CA

Corporations cannot decide whether or not the rules of net neutrality apply to them. Save the internet. Give us real net neutrality.
—Rebecca Cody, Austin, TX

The internet needs to be open, free, and AFFORDABLE. I'm tired of reading about the fast, modern gigabit internet services in Europe and Asia, while I'm being charged over $100/mo. for the privilege of having my connection throttled, charged overages, and randomly dropped. It's time to invest in the future of the internet and abolish these huge monopolies that don't care about their customers.
—Vincent Cimino, Phoenix, AZ

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service. Also take a look online.....go do it we got time..........now go on youtube and look up a video....any one will do.......now click on the videos on the side and SEE ALL THE GLORY OF INTERNET AND SEE HOW WE SHOULD TREAT THE INTERNET BUT YOU WONT F*CKING DO IT CAUSE YOUR JUST A GREEDY A$$ N*GGA WONT EVEN CARE CAUSE YOU ONLY WANT MONEY EVEN IF IT MEANS SCREWING WITH PEOPLE YOU CANT EVEN THINK!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! !!!!!! JUST WAIT FOR THE LONG TERM EVERY SINGLE COMPANY THAT USES THE INTERNET WILL HAVE TO PAY MORE A CLOSING DOWN THE SMALL COMPANY'S AND ONLY LEAVING THE BIG ONE TO STAND!!!!! BUT THIS IS WHAT YOU GREEDY @$$ WOULD LIKE AND THATS WHY YOUR GONNA LOVE HELL CAUSE IF THIS GOES DOWN AND IT PASSES YOU HAVE WRITTEN YOUR NAME RIGHT ON THE NEXT TO GO TO HELL LIST!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! thanks for reading
—Kolby Doxey, Hooper, UT

I have several family members and many friends that make their livelihood through small internet venues. These rules would be devastating for many of their businesses, as the ISPs would be able to discriminate the content they provide in favor of the larger, wealthier companies would can afford preferential treatment.
—Jesse Paul Nelson, Tucson, AZ

The Internet should remain neutral to promote free speech, small business and access to education, art, culture, etc. No corporation should be able to determine which start ups succeed and which don't. Reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers.
—Jacqueline Wichern, Denver, CO

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—Brianne Corona, Arvada, CO

It should be important to everyone. Less control for corporations.
—Alexandra Keane, Cheltenham,

It gives a level playing field for all and promotes healthy competition among both startups and major corporations.
—Daniel Mooney, New Haven, CT

It is very important to me to have access to many different websites - having different speeds would discriminate against and even end some of my friends smaller businesses. We must have an open internet!
—Kelly Bradley, Dallas, TX

I don't want cable companies controlling my internet usage.
—Tavier Ellis, fresno, TX

I implore you to keep the internet free and open to the public. By reclassifying Net Neutrality, you will be abusing your power as elected officials and servers of the American public. Do not abuse the power you are given. Do not think of your money and power, think of the common wealth of our nation. The internet allows all the freedom of speech, research, and it givens up open communication to our global community. By allowing these HUGE corporations like Verizon and Comcast to regulate themselves and basically do as they would like to their customers, you are allowing a basic freedom to be bought. The internet is priceless and should be sold at no cost. It should be easily accessed by all and not monopolized by so few companies! This will harbor innovation, free thinking, open conversations, connections between those who are far away and promote resentment between the people and the government. Do what is right, keep the internet and the world wide web truly neutral.
—Kate Vanlandingham, Savannah, GA

Because everyone deserves the same privileges on the Internet. There should be no price discrimination. Net neutrality is a must.
—Clarissa Padilla, South San Francisco, CA

i support net neutrality. this will be a key moment in the world development
—Stuart Quang, Croydon,

We don't have oil like Saudi Arabia, but we do have talented innovators that and an open playing field in the technology sector. A large portion of our GDP comes from the great minds that are capable of building fantastic software platforms like Facebook, Google, Amazon, etc. These companies are primarily American. To take away net neutrality would be to reduce the potential for innovation online and thus, over the long run, stifling the economic engine that is silicon valley that has helped so vehemently to keep America on top.
—Frank Zondlo, Fort Walton Beach, FL

Do the right thing for we the people, not the highest bidder.
—John Woodall, Bellevue, KY

everyone deserve open and free and EQUAL access to the internet, which has become as great and wide spread and REVOLUTIONARY as it is today because at least on the internet, everyone has the same capabilities to have their voice heard!!!
—Swati Dontamsetti, Edison, NJ

Net Neutrality is important to me because it puts everyone on a level playing field, not favoring one company over another. A new website would have as much possibility of achieving popularity as the website by a corporation, which allows for entrepreneurs a fair chance. I don't want the internet to become bogged down by the same people who control television and newspapers.
—Alric Knebel, Biloxi, MS

The playing field is level now. The FCC Regs will allow Corporations to take over control of the Internet.
—Roman Reynolds, Madison, WI

You will further deepen the divide that is occuring in this country against the common man and communication giants and governments. Please don't feed into the lobbying that is occuring by the telecom companies. You will be only a pawn. Be on the side of the people in this country not on the side of the deep pockets of the corporations who threaten to sue you if you don't take action to give them preferential treatment. Don't do this.
—Mark S., Milwaukee, WI

Net Neutrality is important to me because I believe the internet should be an even playing field and that preferential treatment should not be given to those that have and are willing to spend more money.
—Alex De Marchi, Delray Beach, FL

There should be no discrimination over internet broadband use.
—Austin Prario, Wilton, CT

Freedom on the internet is essential.
—Robert Pless, Marietta, GA

It balances the social/political powers in our country, and protects against increased corruption.
—Matthew Fisher, Greensburg, PA

I want to be able to see ideas and products from small business and individuals not be locked into viewing what communication corporations like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon can charge more for. American pay more for Internet than most other countries! Why do we need to be charged more, reducing content and diversity? Protect complete access to the Internet for all.
—Brian Rose, West Palm Beach, FL

freedom of choice. If the cable/phone companies can regulate speeds with $$ they can regulate what we watch when we watch it and how we would like to watch it. How is that right?
—Kekoa Parker, Orange, CA

I believe we should have free, consistent, and open access to the Internet without condition. Abandoning net neutrality would be catastrophic to our economy and country.
—David Pollman, key west, FL

Please do not break the internet. It is extremely important that it remains open. As a computer scientist and an aspiring software entrepreneur, many of my lifelong dreams would be crushed by an internet with gatekeepers. Please take action to ensure the net remains open and an enabler for entrepreneurs all over the world.
—Brendan, Seattle, WA

I'm a small business owner and I work with tech start ups. Don't shut out innovation online.
—Mitra Cline, Ventura, CA

People everywhere understand that the Internet is a crucial driver of free speech, innovation, education, economic growth, creativity and so much more. We demand real Net Neutrality rules that protect Internet users from corporate abuse.
—Peter Feller, ,

This is one of the most egregious eradication of our supposed free market enterprise economy and a blatant example of just how little elected politicians provide their obligatory support of the rights of the American citizens, choosing to favor the interests of corporate America and the millions in campaign finance and lobbying dollars spent to keep them in positions of power. This and campaign finance reform are the two crucial political problems that need to be solved immediately if America wishes to exist as the democracy that so many corrupt politicians claim it to be!! This situation shows just how uneconomical free America has just become: huge corporations are campaigning to give themselves the power to provide substandard products and services while eliminating the chance for competition to provide better alternatives to the public. Plain and simple.
—Jason Graser, Naples, FL

Free market capitalism.
—Matthew Bagsic, Carson, CA

Because I'd rather support companies like Amazon, Twitter, Google, Microsoft, and Facebook, and ten thousand innovative start ups and small businesses over monopolistic, greedy, manipulative ISPs like TWC and Comcast. Because the first group is what has and will carry AMERICA forward into the 21st century. Make the right choice. Support TRUE net neutrality.
—, Overland Park, KS

Net Neutrality is very important to me. Although you may not see the lower states of community like twitch.tv. I've already noticed changes as Time Warner Cable has already take in the change and quickly started to slow my internet down. The buffering, and constant disconnects can be very frustrating. I'm a live streamer and its very hard to keep constant viewers if they/me keep getting disconnects and/or buffers. It makes it nearly impossible to do anything on the internet and I fear as more and more people will start to fall of from ISP's and go to the better ISP's. For the people who can afford it, they don't really care. For the people at the bottom of the shit-stick its rough. Net Neutrality is nothing to be messed with. So can we please change it back. Its already affecting mine and many other lives. This is not what the internet was intended for. Please reverse the actions and save 'our' internet. Become a hero....
—Austin Osborne, Miamisburg, OH

Without equal access, there is no real competition. Without competition, there is no free market, with all it's benefits. Prices will rise, services will deteriorate.
—, ,

I'd prefer not to live in a world where all information is provided only by the largest corporations with their own agendas.
—Jean Loughran, Buffalo, NY

Already living in a large city where internet speeds are less than Ideal, having the throttle cut on information based on price seems ridiculously counter-intuitive. This hurts everyone, period.
—Mike Baker, Baltimore, MD

It is important that small emerging company's can stand with the big guys. This country has ravaged the ability for a small business to start in every way but online start-ups. Do not let this happen.
—Jon Hamber, Vandalia, OH

The FCC has proposed rules that would break the open Internet. This proposed path would open the door to widespread discrimination online. It would give Internet service providers the green light to implement a two-tiered Internet, with a fast lane for those who can afford it and a dirt road for the rest of us. This would be a disaster for startups, nonprofits and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls. I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Sabina Kajtezovic, Chicago, IL

THIS will cost me more money. REALLY!!!!
—Holly, tewksbury, MA

It is a constant source do information and instruction. Don't break the best thing to happen to this century thus far!!!
—Patricia O'Brien, New York, NY

The Internet must remain a level playing field for all. We can not allow corporate interests to take this away.
—Stephen Groundwater, Philadelphia, PA

Because equal access to online contents promotes free speech.
—Asad Ahmed, Hagerstown, MD

I want the Internet to remain a place where everyone is equal. We all get the same chance. Companies should not hold this kind of power over the internet
—Alexander Gudschinsky, Fairbanks, AK

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—Christopher Lee, Saint Louis, MO

The death of net neutrality in the U.S. Is going to destroy our ability to compete in the digital marketplace. It's going to kill startups and further empower internet giants giving them a monopoly on their services. If you care about our countries future more than Comcast, Time Warner or Verizon's future, you will defend net neutrality. Christopher Kind New York, NY
—Christopher A Kind, New York, NY

As a young entrepreneur hoping to make a name for himself in the tech industry, Net Neutrality is absolutely vital to my success. I don't have the resources to pay for preferrential treatment in a two tiered Internet. Being stuck in the slow lane will undoubtedly crush any attempt to get a web based business off the ground. No company has the right to hinder the success of another through service restriction. Healthy competition is one thing, but to prevent the next Google or Facebook from getting off the ground because they can't pay for premium service is unacceptable.
—Nathan Casale, Bristol, CT

Network neutrality is the principle that Internet users should be able to access any web content they choose and use any applications they choose, without restrictions or limitations imposed by their Internet service provider.
—Anthony Hernandez, Carol Stream, IL

Net neutrality is essential to keeping all voices equally heard, and to allow the internet to continue to develop as a space where new, useful, and unexpected things can occur. Anything else is rediculous and impoverishes potentials of the internet that have yet to be explored. Market values can not be the only values. Commercial internet-services are acceptable, but they are by no means the only thing that makes the internet interesting, useful, or beneficial to people. The internet, as it is, is already getting more and more commercialized, and thereby, less valuable. Any stance to further this development, or systematize it will make it culturally beyond repair.
—Till Hopstock, ,

The internet is one of the most important creations of our time, and we need to safeguard it. It has brought people together from across the globe who have shared their knowledge and experience with one and other, pooling it into a single digital construct. It isn't just about freedom of expression, its about freedom of community. The internet has brought people together in ways not seen before. And, in this time of corporations, lobbyist, and politicians that seem to act in self interest, the internet has become the one place where we can express our voice. On top of that, this could be a critical blow economically. Capitalism needs competition to grow and flourish. Jobs need to be created so that more people can make money so that more people can afford goods and services. If net neutrality is broken, then you can say goodbye to one of the few (and most important) outlets left for entrepreneurs to create business and competition. Maybe we've become too reliant on the internet. Then again, does it matter? What matters are the repercussions if net neutrality is lost. Cable companies are acting in self interest, rather than in the interest of the people. They are an antiquated business that has become nothing more than a parasite and detriment to society. The internet has become society, a place where all can have a voice.
—Daniel A White, La Crosse, WI

Net Neutrality promotes innovation and fairness. Do the right thing.
—Marta Walz, Geneva, IL

It is extremely important to me that the internet continues to provide an equal opportunity and voice for EVERYONE. Please and thank you.
—Jason Den Van Eng, Oakland, CA

To ensure the continuation of free speech and avoid a broadband/telecommunications monopoly, it is crucial to keep the Internet open and maintain net neutrality.
—Kate Karczewski, Chicago, IL

The internet should be open and free from corporate abusers.
—Kim Allio Warner, Houston, TX

The cost of internet access will prevent the freedom to use the system. Big companies will continue to abuse the less fortunate into paying for access that is disproportionate to the utility value of the general consumer.
—John C. Kaczmarek, Boca Raton, FL

The web is the only place left that is truly free. Our rights are manipulated everyday, in every place, but not there. Keep it free please. Freedom! 'Merica, fuck yeah!
—John Hammersley, Eldorado, IL

freedom to start a business without a ton of money
—Annette Eland, Fair Oaks, CA

Protect internet freedom. Don't drop the ball on start-up companies!
—Adam Garrison, OLYMPIA, WA

We need equal access to open and efficient internet for our livelihood and well-being! Don't discriminate, stop these misguided and selfish rules and enact REAL Net Neutrality!
—Jami Nielsen, Goleta, CA

I don't want a Limiting Diversity of Content I don't want Favoring Commercial Services I don't want Restricting Internet Telephone I like the freedom on the internet I do not want cable/ISP companies having power over what I want to see, download, stream, etc. by discriminating against any other services or companies they do not have ties with. I'm paying for my service already. why would other people using the internet would have to pay for exclusivity while other that didn't would get slow or low service.
—Jose vega, Santa Maria, CA

The internet offers an amazing amount of services and information for all users. It's a great tool for education, communication and entertainment. Most importantly, it offers an equal playing field for individuals and companies. Startup companies, small companies and non-profit companies are just as likely to succeed online as any big-name company. The whole point of the internet is freedom without discrimination. To turn it into a tiered system where large telecom companies rule would ruin the whole purpose of the internet and would only open the door for these companies to make further changes to shape the internet to their favor. This new system is unfair and quite honestly un-American. Let the internet stay as it is, don't try and fix what isn't broken.
—Alyssa Schuett, Warminster, PA

The monopolies of communication companies already have devised cartel ways to block net neutrality. Stop them from having legal backup for it. Please prevent the tiered system of internet speeds from happening. It will undeniably put a block to revolutionary technological projects from happening. It will create globally problems in the way we communicate. It will disrupt financial viabilty for anything that we currently do. Moreover it will put comm companies in charge of our everyday communication and thus life. We already pay extremely more than enough for subpar services. Communication is a freedom that should not be controlled, and especially not be controlled by monopolies.
—Triantafyllos Paparountas, ,

Seems as if nothing is free in this country any longer. Now our information highway is also at risk and there seems to be nothing we can really do about it. I hope this and other forms of protest will work.
—Yvette, Round Rock, TX

Stop being a money hungry pig, throw out these rules.
—Shelby Shook, Spring, TX

As a future small business owner, I will be heavily dependent on the internet to promote my services through an online website, blogs, videos, audio clips, and social media. I believe it is imperative to keep the net neutral for not only my optimal survival and growth, but for other small business like me that don't have the capital or platform to benefit from such a revised internet usage. This would be a violation of rights and freedoms, guaranteed to me as a citizen of the United States. A country that was founded on the backs of those that this unfair ruling looks to cripple the most, no less.
—Kimberly Chapman, Edmond, OK

It is important for being able to do work. Everyone needs access to knowledge
—, Lawrence Township, NJ

I believe that it is essential for freedom of speech and to keep the internet easily accessible to everyone, not just people with money. This proposal will increase the educational and economic divides.
—Kelly Ludwig, Kansas City, MO

I think everyone should be on a level playing field.
—Claudia Gibson, Prairie Village, KS

As a librarian, I see people everyday who can't afford broadband Internet at home. They need to be able to use the Internet to find jobs, promote their businesses, work, study, and access all the things they need to continue to connect and access information. Please don't take this freedom away--especially from the people who need it the most.
—Laura Marlane, Pawtucket, RI

I feel that more and more, the rights of regular people are being infringed upon, to the benefit of the wealthy. These proposed rules will ruin the Internet as we know it, and will make American Citizens vulnerable to the aggressive tactics of large corporations. The economy is bad enough. Don't make it worse but letting these companies place an even greater burden on the public. This is wrong, and I think everyone knows it.
—Nathan Harris, Orem, UT

It is important to allow access of the internet to be the same for all.
—Andrew, El Dorado Hills, CA

http://www.supplychain247.com/ article/net_neutrality_what_yo u_need_to_do_and_now
—Clive Purchase, Framingham, MA

Free market trade, free speech, social justice, anti-monopoly safeguard, and a separation and healthy competition of powers/market forces.
—Kent Schmiedeberg, Edmond, OK

Because the internet is something that no individual owns and everyone should have equal access to in order for them to find information or any general path to enlightenment. Allowing this could potentially open up a wider gap between the "haves" and "have nots" and the next Einstein is having enough difficulty coming from poverty as it is without being further limited.
—Mark Hoffman, Columbia, MO

We cannot allow the freedom of the internet to be infringed upon by anyone, either big government or big business.
—Grant Sabean, New York, NY

The internet is for everyone. Do NOT take away these rights and take a dump on those of us who do not make much money. Not everyone can afford to pay extra so their internet connection won't be awful. Let us have what we are already rightfully paying for.
—, Evansville, IN

It is one of the only places global citizens can feel close to true freedom.
—Daniel Bowler, Arlington, VA

I won't be able to take online classes with additional two tiered internet service fees.
—Tyler James, Fort Smith, AR

1. freedom of speech. 2. i like millions of americans work for a small company that relies on the freedom of the internet to compete with large companies like walmart and amazon.
—Mark Fields, Osseo, MN

The internet has done much to fulfill the promise of equality enshrined in the first amendment. Today, the voice of anyone may ring loudly if it finds resonance among the populace. Any unknown may provide challenge -- indeed, meaningful challenge -- to even established and entrenched institutions. Giving providers control of internet speeds on the basis of content would provide an amplifier, and a mute switch, to established and entrenched institutions. Please keep the internet free of such influence and ensure service remains neutral to content. Please reverse the decisions and reclassify ISPs as common carrier telecom service providers.
—Adam Rausch, Oakland, CA

Net Neutrality is the basis of our freedom
—Junglee, Sunnyside, NY

Net Neutrality is important because it is freedom. If you take freedom from the people you service, your freedom will be taken from you also.
—Rachelle Beasley, Afton, NY

I depend upon quality content from the internet for learning purposes, communication, and self expression. These are all fundamental human desires and I fear that they will no longer exist if net equality is destroyed. Please support an Open Internet so that knowledge can spread, ideas can be fostered, and people can become capable in a perpetually changing world. The internet is a precious, infinite resource. Please consider the consequences.
—Timothy Pulliam, Rochester, NY

Net Neutrality is important because the internet is ours!!! Not the governments!! Stay the hell away from our freedom, you greedy bastards!!
—Gordon Montross, Auburn Hills, MI

This will only further the gap between the haves and the have-nots.
—Josh Cline, Santa Cruz, CA

Equal opportunity is the American dream.
—Jenni Wells, Birmingham, AL

The internet is the last truly free place in this world. If we limit those freedoms, how can we ever expect anyone or anything to lrogress? Why do we protect those who can afford to protect themselves?
—Alexandra Greenway, Atlanta, GA

I am an small business owner that relies on the neutrality of the internet for my livelihood. It is important the ISP's are not blocked or any unfair tier system be applied to the internet.
—David McRae, Richmond, VA

Real Net Neutrality and the FCC reclassifying internet service providers as common carriers is important to me for a number of reasons. ISPs with the ability to determine the cost of content create new social classes - the information rich, those able to afford any content they choose, and the information poor, those who have access to only the content that they can afford. An ISP is put in a position of great power to determine what is seen and what is hidden via charges on information sources. I don't want to live in a world where my ISP determines that Fox News is available to all and a surcharge is applied to PBS, foreign news or sites that are not aligned with a particular political bias. The ability for any business to serve its content to an audience without financial penalty on the part of a user is critical for continued innovation and developing services in an ever growing connected world. I entrust my ISP to deliver the data I choose, I do not trust it to choose the data it delivers. I hope you will take a longer view of the actions you propose and consider what is in the best interests of America, not only those who run AT&T, Comcast and Verizon. Regards, Scott Layne
—Scott Layne, ,

Prevention of a corporate oligarchy!
—Shannon Jones, Carrollton, TX

Because our economy is built on small businesses that have a fair opportunity to compete with established companies online if they have a better product or service. If ISPs can start charging for that advantage, you skew the system in favor of the "haves," in the same way the 1% are currently now heavily skewed for success than the rest. That is the opposite of the American dream. And it's also not what Congress and the Courts intended, which this administration seems to forget are the other two arms of our government.
—Adrienne Luscombe, Alexandria, VA

Net Neutrality is a right, WAS a right. It has been taken away in order to allow petty cable companies to take advantage of people, to take their money and give nothing back. This is a step backwards, not just for internet but for all people who live in America.
—Kenneth Gomes, Jersey City, NJ

We need free access to the only media that is not beholding to anybody.
—Carol Kopsco, Tucson, AZ

Our amazing internet companies like Google, Facebook,etc. need an open internet. A two teired system will destroy innovation. Don't sell out to the big telecoms.
—Michael Rooney, Vienna, VA

I have a small business and already deal constantly with issues pertaining to internet speed and customer service. I can't see how this proposal would do anything but make it worse. On a more macro scale this would seriously harm competition and innovation in the US.
—Henry Fleischmann, Berkeley, CA

A two-tiered internet would accelerate the divide between the haves and the haves not. This is a matter of equal rights and supporting competition and entrepreneurship in this country.
—Stacey Foreman, Portland, OR

As a web developer I want a free and open internet where all can thrive, not a competition killer. The role of government is too defend and ensure competition and I do not believe these rules fulfill that role.
—Patrick Metcalfe, Chicago, IL

because any form of discrimination is abject
—Matthijs Wolff, ,

The internet is the biggest tool of leveling the playing field...a true equalizer for all. By making the internet a two tier product...you're alienating a large demographic that will not be able to afford the higher end version.
—Jesse Tarantino, Boston, MA

I serve in the United States military, and I didn't enlist to have my internet and telecommunication capabilities trampled over and monopolized on. I demand Net Neutrality.
—Benjamin D Tenbrink, Marshall, NC

Freedom and a level playing field
—Larry Poindexter, North Hollywood, CA

You'd essentially destroy any hopes of a start-up to be able to compete with the giants if they don't have the money to do so. I would also assume it would affect established smaller companies as well as areas such as academia which may not have additional capital to fund the fast lane. The ramifications for your decision are huge. The internet is not just a place for play. A lot of important information flows through it that is useful for many not only in the United States, but the world.
—Adel, College Station, TX

Though I'm sure this won't be read. The telecom companies need to stop double dipping. Please don't stifle competition in the future.
—John Kelly, Sealy, TX

We need to keep everything neutral for a truly competitive market.
—Hannah Wang, Gaithersburg, MD

The internet is a open egalitarian ,distributed network. Without net neutrality regulations, ISP's could create caste systems based on economic status, the internet would no longer be an egalitarian space.
—Benjamin Cheng, San Jose, CA

Companies cannot buy my clicks.
—Mackenzi Coan, Chino Hills, CA

To enable entrepreneurs and start ups to exist!
—Charles Faulkner, ,

The internet is one of the last remaining spaces where access to information isn't dictated by economic standing. The risk of a widened digital divide is real and actualized with the loss of Neutrality. Information access dictated by business undermines the notion of free speech and access to information. The whole basis of the creation of the internet was to be a open communicative tool. Please be better than this Chairman.
—Carrie Vogler, Stone Mountain, GA

Upholding Net Neutrality and keeping the Internet open is essential to the future of our country. Allowing cable companies to freely dictate our laws is a failure of our democracy. Don't let corporate CEOs deuce all over our constitution.
—Brenda Hidalgo, Yorba Linda, CA

Net Neutrality should be preserved at all costs. The FCC must not finalize this proposed rule.
—Priscilla Flattery, Alexandria, VA

Net neutrality allowed for innovative entrepreneurs 10-15 years ago to revolutionize commerce and the economy. No doubt there are more innovations and entrepreneurs on the horizon and they-we deserve the protection of equal/ low-cost access to the internet
—Kyle Kauzlarich, Omaha, NE

It's essential to our modern First Amendment rights.
—Andy Simons, Seattle, WA

Freedom of Speech rights and a level playing field for business and others to distribute their content on the internet.
—Marc Williams, Bentonville, AR

Cable companies made a free market decision to invest and build the broadband infrastructure and reaped massive profits organized around market monopolies. They don't get to now claim that they need government help with their wildly successful business model. Are they capitalists or not?
—Steve Overturf, Providence, RI

Cable television, nearing the end of its developement and relevancy, has been reduced to absolute fecal matter thanks to big networks and big money. The internet is a miracle of the modern age, please do not let it suffer the same fate. Please do not let big money destroy the greatest human advancement of our time.
—Adrian Daley, Tucson, AZ

It's essential for small businesses.
—Tara Zdzienicki, Seattle, WA

There is nothing wrong w/how the internet works right now. Accept maybe the speed, and the only thing this is going to change is the price we pay for the services we receive!
—Katrina Thompson, Douglas, AZ

it works the way it should
—Linda Baker, Prior Lake, MN

The internet is one of the greatest creations of mankind and this is largely because it is an infrastructure that allows equal access to information for everyone. Although it may not seem like it now, allowing corporations (or individuals) to pay for faster (or better) access to information will eventually destroy the aforementioned infrastructure. It would only be a matter of time before a tiered, class system took the place of a free exchange of ideas. I'm not sure if anybody even reads these comments but if you come across this one and happen to be in any position of power to do anything about, please consider what you're doing. This is bigger that some corporation or government. This is about all of us. Please preserve an open Internet. Thank you.
—Mark Alston, San Diego, CA

I do all my business on the internet, just leave it alone.
—Billy Allen, Grove City, OH

I support Net Neutrality Net Neutrality is the Internet's guiding principle: It preserves our right to communicate freely online. This is the definition of an open Internet. Please keep the common Carrier
—Patricia Bearhs, Cincinnati, OH

Equal opportunity for all internet sevice providers on internet
—Harold Bosse, Minneapolis, MN

Equal right for all to reach potential customers on the internet
—Christelle Michel, Minneapolis, MN

It's for everyone.
—Christina Bisio, Kihei, HI

The reason the internet has become this giant entity that we all know and love is because of net neutrality. Without the internet being open for all ideas to be shared in a fair and democratic fashion, the internet will become nothing more than another tool used by the cable oligopoly to snatch our hard-earned money out of our pockets, another way corporations will stifle the creative process that only the internet can provide by only letting those with certain internet providers have decent internet connection. The internet is not a place for discrimination, despite what you might read in any given comment section.
—, North Richland Hills, TX

This proposal directly conflicts with the freedom of speech and expression that is guaranteed to every citizen in the constitution. I ask that as a representative of the people that you move to reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. Otherwise you will be supporting a vehicle that will create discrimination and inequality between socio-economic classes. This will also hinder the upward mobility that is a crucial part of the American dream. Please protect this incredible country and ensure it remains the land of the free.
—Celestial Pennington, Wilmington, NC

Are you really going to let these already FAT cash farm companies put this country farther in the hole??
—Stefan Romaldini, Wilmington, NC

If a service is paid for, we deserve to receive those services. Especially if several of our paid services coexist and rely on each other.
—Rebekah M Callaway, Spokane, WA

bc America is supposed to be the land of liberties, not restrictions and tyrannic control
—Matt Thies, Wilmington, NC

I'm a consumer and expect to get equal treatment
—Bruce a west, Cypress, TX

I believe that we must protect open internet.
—Whitney Helm, Wheatland, WY

We are distributors. Before the internet, we had to gamble large sums (for us) on Yellow Page and newspaper ads. It they didn't pull we could go bankrupt. The internet gives us an opportunity to get in front of potential customers affordably - to be competitive with anyone.
—Cecil H. Myers, Erwin, NC

internet citizen
—Ms. Anon Smith, Anon, IL

I believe that ISPs should not hold ye power to sway free speech via the speeds at which internet voices can be heard.
—Jai, Durango, CO

Net Neutrality is important to me as I enjoy being able to talk to my friends, no matter where in the world they are, and know that I can do so by only paying my ISP's monthly fee. If the real Net Neutrality is abolished, it will destroy the free internet we've all come to know and love. And it can be almost guaranteed that people will start becoming their own ISP's as opposed to having to leech of major groups.
—Guy Schulz, Clinton,

I don't want company's with their own agendas to control the information available to myself and the public.
—Brian Tobia, New York, NY

Who'd definition of Net Neutrality?? I don't want the FCC regulating my internet
—Danielle Femine, Hartsdale, NY

The FCC should be protecting the American people and it is selling us and our needs to the highest bidder!
—Kari, Sioux Falls, SD

Because Net Neutrality is the basis of the internet and the core of the future of freedom, weather individual or corporate. No one should be able to legally dictate which companies get faster internet.
—Joel Oleaga, Teaneck, NJ

Simply, Net Neutrality rules are fair for all those who are the majority of the middle class in our society.
—Suck-Min Kim, Seattle, WA

These proposed rules would open the door to widespread discrimination online. It would give Internet service providers the green light to implement a two-tiered Internet, with a fast lane for those who can afford it and a dirt road for the rest of us. This would be a disaster for startups, non-profits, and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls.
—James L. Day, Texarkana, TX

the internet should be free information open to everyone equally.
—Stephanie Trice, Houston, TX

As one of the founders of the software publishers association, its' first chairman of the software protection committee, the publisher of the first ever officially licensed software package of the National Football League (NFL), a Stanford University graduate, and an entrepreneur, I believe that it is in the best interest of our country that the Internet remain neutral. The FCC should correct the classification of Internet service providers to what they were previously - telecommunication providers not information providers. Dale Hillman, P.E. Daleh@isd.net
—Dale Hillman, Minneapolis, MN

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—Jeff Larson, Lincoln, NE

The agency can preserve Net Neutrality only by designating broadband as a telecommunications service under the law. Anything else is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate.
—Kelsey Davis, Palm Beach, FL

I am against discrimination and this proposed path is so obviously discriminatory that it seems incredulous that it is even being considered by the FCC.
—Chris Billington, Montara, CA

I want to be able to make online content in the future and allow small businesses to prosper online without going through a bigger business.
—Rebekah Durig, Chillicothe, IL

Net Neutrality is the only way to have a level playing field for all sorts of businesses that rely on the internet. In the very near future virtually all businesses will be dependent on this communications network. Internet service providers MUST be reclassified as common carriers! If we want a vibrant economy that can move quickly with new ideas and technologies, we need this vital backbone to be available to all equally. Chairman Wheeler’s gift to the very industry he lobbied for will be disastrous for our country’s economy, stifling innovation and pushing us way behind other countries in the new world economy. PLEASE don't allow this to happen to our future and our children's future!
—Dave Dennis, Downers Grove, IL

Because I believe in Democracy, and anything but net neutrality is undemocratic.
—Carmine Aiello, La Jolla, CA

I about to start an online business and I want fair competition
—Amy master, Gloucester, MA

All data should be treated equally. No two tier or multi-tier approach by ISP or cable providers. The Internet should remain the great equalizer.
—Mark Barwinski, Ellicott City, MD

Everyone deserves access to the internet in the similar way that everyone deserves a public library in their community. Internet is the library now and restricting people access is selfish.
—Sarah Esquivel, Las Vegas, NV

Its important to everyone.
—Becky McGinnity, Fort Worth, TX

Business, Freedom, Privacy, Security
—Jason, Manchester, NH

I work very hard for my money that pays for Internet access. I should be able to visit any website I want to without being hindered by my ISP provider.
—Greer Hallmark, Cookeville, TN

keep the net open to all
—Bill Cantlon, ,

everybody should have equal access and rights on this important medium.
—Gerard Platerink, Hillsborough, CA

It is vital to allow access for new business start ups on an equal footing to established businesses who already have the ability to pay to gain commercial advantage. The limited competition shown by the cable carriers illustrates how competition between ISPs will be stifled. Lack of competition has already left the USA behind other nations in terms of service quality and competitive price. ISPs are common carriers and should be properly classified as such under the law.
—Michael Burton, Lyman, SC

Net Neutrality is important to me because it allows for a level playing field and freedom. This is the very freedom on which America is founded. To alter this would be the same as taxing a specific gas station along the highway because it is not Exxon. Since some of the internet companies compete with the provided content with what is online, it would be as if Exxon told people they were no longer allowed to set up dinners on the road without them or pay an extra tax. Question should be, why does Exxon get to charge me extra?
—Jesse Wright, Great Falls, MT

I really don't want a corporation denying or limiting users use of the internet, and I want the internet to stay as it is, because it's fine as it is.
—Alex Concepcion, Waldorf, MD

It's part of Free Press and is essential for an informed public.
—MaryMartha Pritz, Fairview, NC

The net is a form is digital free speech and should be available in its full format to anyone just like power and water
—Joshua Johnson, Escondido, CA

Do not allow corporations to own parts of the internet. Access should be equal for large and small companies and everyone should have access to speed/throughput.
—Anne Varnell, Bakersfield, CA

I don wan this fast lane slow lane bs. Keep things how they were and don't just let them take control. I want my internet to be free of hinder abcs by other companies who simply want to monopolize my internet and regulate what I want.
—Jeffrey Winkler, Whittier, CA

Democratic freedom, anti monopoly and a level playing ground
—Elena kumarasamy, ,

For small businesses
—Albert Arenas, Santa Paula, CA

Too many reasons
—Dante Delfini, Chicago, IL

Priincipal. The US was founded on freedom, but for the last 40 years I have watched HELPLESSLY as these basic freedoms are being restricted or even removed. Europe has become more tolerant of racial, and religious differences than the country founded on those principals. I am being forced to pay premiums for subpar performance already and I see it only getting worse if this rule is enacted. Please keep corporate greed out of my internet service. Thank you, Michele
—Michele Mitchell, Cecilia, KY

Because I do not accept living in an oligarchy. Net neutrality is not only common sense, it is just.
—Gina Mosca, Malden, MA

"This would be a disaster for startups, nonprofit and everyday internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls."
—Leslie Pomales, Hartford, CT

Because anything less is inhibiting important freedoms that every American deserves; rich or poor.
—Michael Vostatek, Youngstown, OH

It is what is left to us as what was once a free and democratic society to express ourselves. To build businesses To protect what my father and my ancestors since Jamestown came here for. Freedom. If this is passed, it is and act of treason and you, Chairman Wheeler, would be a traitor to this country. A traitor to my father, my uncles (who fought in WWII). To the founders of this country. You would be doing more damage than Bin Laden. I am already ashamed of my President , who appointed you and intend to share that with him. If you have children, you should care that this freedom needs to be protected for their sakes. They will inherit the world you leave them with. Would you leave them unable to enjoy the freedoms millions have died to protect? Are you so determined to destroy our freedom of speech? I have nieces and nephews. I have great-nephews and a great niece. Their futures, their very freedom is at stake. What enrages me is that YOU are the only one who will decide their future. I am looking at my father's picture and now realize that in spite of his sacrifices, the country he fought for and that even more died for were wasted. If you allow this to happen. Then you spit in the face of my father and single United States Veteran. You spit on the graves of those who gave their lives to protect our freedoms (which are already under attack). You spit in the faces of every child (including your own) who should be able to enjoy the freedoms we have. There is only ONE choice for you. If you do not make it, I call you traitor to this country. To all we hold dear. And you and your descendants will have to live with that shame. For I and millions of others will make sure of it . Oh, yes, please, suh...could you protect my freedom of speech?
—Ann Trulove, Burbank, CA

I do not want sites blocked from each other. This is a step towards countries like North Korea that restricts its citizens from knowledge of what is going on in the world.
—Daniel Browning, Jeffersonville, IN

I speak as a former employee of ATT, current multimedia specialist at Santa Monica College and former research assistant to Leo Hollister Senior Researcher Palo Alto VA. To start with I am extremely worried that the good works and good will that this government has taken to help this country become whole economically, medically and spiritually will be tossed away by giving companies like Comcast, Verizon and AT&T a stranglehold on internet commerce. The companies' public comments have been transparent shams built upon the notion that they run things here. Though there is ample evidence of Comcast's intentions to increase tolls on their internet highway and decrease speeds to any companies (Netflix) that do not agree to their blackmail; it is the many and varied smaller users who will suffer and hold this administration responsible. This is more than just movies this is inhibiting start up entrepreneurs from doing business. It starts with streaming providers (which is where everything is going as the DVD rental business is gone) and it goes to individual users who will soon be charged per gig like these companies cell phone plans. The move to the cloud is allowing individuals and companies to share more data in a single day than I could input in a year in my years in research. People routinely transfer gigs of files in a single transaction. At the college we teach on a 100 terabyte share, which is now local but will soon be cloud based. Being held up by providers who we subscribe to will cripple our efforts to move forward. All companies that use editing technology like Avid Everywhere (Fox Broadcasting etc), that hire our students and use these providers will also feel the cost. Individuals who work at home, vets who are homebound all will feel the pinch. This is not the American way but a money grab and corporate influence over government at it's worst. Trust in our system is at stake here. Verizon is not a troubled company. At stake for them at worst is competing in a healthy American competitive atmosphere. All these companies have and are providing service far below their ability to deliver and charging way above what they should. THAT SHOULD BE THE NEW LEGISLATION. Something that takes them to task. Something that puts an American customer service agent at the end of the phone when you call for help. A policy that provides support to workers here and puts the public good first.
—Robert Hershon, Los Angeles, CA

Domination of corporate interests must be curtailed.
—Joel Spears, Gurnee, IL

I'm a business owner and I believe Net Neutrality should be protected as giving the ISPs all of the power would destabilize the internet. Small businesses wouldn't be able to compete and would simply fall farther and farther behind leaving only a few corporations to "compete." Or just agree upon outrageous fees and terms and conditions and leave consumers with zero to little options. I pay an ISP to use the internet, why should the sites I visit have to pay for my traffic to them as well? They shouldn't. Do the right thing.
—Ken Kadwell, Mount Pleasant, MI

The two tier system is simple leverage for misuse with no practical benefits to American citizens.
—Michelle Hayden, Delray Beach, FL

I believe in the principle of net neutrality; this whole debate and the current status of telecom industries reminds me very much of the state of affairs with holding companies in the electric sector in the 1920s and early 1930s before PUHCA was passed.
—Katherine Dykes, Broomfield, CO

Net Neutrality is the ONLY way to protect our rights to free and open communication on the internet. Otherwise it will be controlled by rich corporations, like Comcast and Time Warner. Anyone else's stuff would be SOOOOO SLOOOOOW. It's not fair. What makes the internet great is that anyone can put whatever there and it is just as fast as stuff put there by the extremely rich. Without Net Neutrality, that would go away.
—Kathy Doran, Tucson, AZ

The FCC can preserve Net Neutrality only by reclassifying Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the only way to protect the open Internet. Anything else is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate.
—Adam Seebeck, Phillipsburg, NJ

We pay the highest rates of the industrial countries and have the slowest Internet service.
—Patrick Lowe, Charleston, SC

small business startups
—Alicia Gonzalez, Lubbock, TX

I don't want my isp to determine what I'm allowed to use my connection for.
—Adam Seebeck, Phillipsburg, NJ

Keeping all content on the same level allows all levels to be accessed. Monopoly is not welcome on the internet.
—Asha Roe, Los Angeles, CA

The free market system on the internet is built upon this.
—Aidan M. Mohan, Lindenhurst, NY

I dont want anybody messing with my internet!
—Sterling Collins, Austin, TX

It levels the playing field. Don't let the large corporations gain control over us.
—Katie Thomas, Lakewood, CO

Profit and other corporate interests should not be interfering with content routing nor transfer speed.
—Andrew Warren, Blacksburg, VA

Net Neutrality is important because without it, the internet would be useless.
—, Kaneohe, HI

I am already paying for faster internet so I can watch movies and tv on the internet. Why should I have to pay twice. I am the end user and will have to suffer the cost fallout of this action. Why should a cable company get to suppress its competition by slowing their speed. The responsibility of government is to insure a level playing field and not hinder competition. This new rule proposal will only benefit the cable companies, no one else. I want real net neutrality, but I fear the President has put the fox in charge of the hen house and Mr Wheeler will bow to his old masters.
—Vince Tebalt, Gilbert, AZ

An open internet is vital to the innovation the internet has spurred. Two tiered internet, of any form, will have a chilling effect on innovation in the country.
—Mr. Jason Albert, Rochester, MN

I like my online freedom!
—Lucia Serrano, San Diego, CA

Constitution of the USA says that I should be able to have free speech, and that applies to all not just telecommunication companies. NO ONE should be able to limit my access to internet information.
—Jacob Manee, Jackson, GA

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Sophie Morgan, Lexington, MA

Greedy telecom companies will make more money by charging internet-based companies more to stream faster content. This is basically a shakedown and the cost will be passed onto me, the consumer.
—Matthew Phares, Aledo, TX

Please reconsider the proposed rules and scrap this proposed rules change.
—Robert Kumagai, Denver, CO

cuz freedom
—Jung Seo, Duluth, GA

The idea of having a fast and a slow lane and all of the evidence against them disgusts me, (NETFLIX)
—Ethan Norsworthy, Berryton, KS

This is about democracy and equality, about everyone playing with the same rules and about open, unbiased access to information. We're in the 21st Century, not in feudal times.
—Ricardo, ,

Internet service is being increasingly monopolized and priced out of the reach of many Americans. This is THE basic means of communication now and in the future. If you allow those monopolies to dicriminate against inovators and competitors and offer lower tier service to the general public we all lose.
—Jeff Moore, New Bern, NC

I use the internet services everyday. Even my teachers use services like Youtube, Google etc. in their teaching (I'm a High School student). Just wanted to let you know that the internet is a worldwide provider of education, and that this is only insured with real net neutrality. Thank you for reading this.
—Joakim Kryger-Baggesen, ,

We went from free TV to now having to pay for it. My cable bill (along with phone) continues to go up and I don't have any special channels. I watch the movies I choose via services like NetFlix which give me a choice. Now you are going to drive up those costs. How much are these companies paying you???
—Bekki Windsperger, Minneapolis, MN

Where to even begin....oh, maybe the monopoly that is telecommunications. I heard an interview with a Time Warner executive who said they aren't a monopoly because they can't compete with Comcast because of the geographic restrictions of the services they provide. Except "can't compete" is the definition of a monopoly. Sure, they can't compete with Comcast in my area, but neither can anyone else. This isn't the law we need. The law we need is one that prevents former lobbyists from chairing government agencies that exist to improve and strengthen our nation. Mr. Wheeler, your new (non-lobbyist) job is to promote competition, not stifle it. To, as the FCC website says, "Provide leadership in strengthening the defense of the nation's communications infrastructure." This proposed law is completely counter to that mission. As it doesn't in anyway strengthen the defense of our communications infrastructure, it only strengthens corporations. Not exactly the same thing, is it?
—Betsy Fitzpatrick, Pittsburgh, PA

Controlling and blocking online content is something we, as Americans, have condemned other nations, such as China, for doing to its public. We are supposed to encourage the freedom of information, not restrict it even more. The companies WE PAY for service should not be dictating our access to information. This rule would harm growth and progress for entrepreneurs while lining the pockets of already prosperous organizations.
—Chelsea, Riverview, FL

Small businesses are critical to the U.S. Economy, and many small businesses today get started on the internet. Without true Net Neutrality, small businesses will not be able to effectively complete with large firms that have the marketing budgets to influence ISPs. Net Neutrality is vital to a protect a free market environment for consumers. Thank you.
—Candace Holowicki, Plymouth, MI

Net Neutrality is critical to everyone. The FCC must continue to regulate and ensure the ISP's do the right thing. We all know without regulation costs will rise and service will deteriorate. All the large ISP company's care about is there money!! No more small businesses starting up online once this change goes into effect!!!
—John Bostick, Orlando, FL

The internet is a telecommunication tool, and should be classified as a utility. Allowing ISPs to control what content customers see and how fast they see it online is akin to telling a consumer with a cellphone who they can call and text and who they cannot, or sabotaging their connection when they do call someone the cellphone provider does not want them to (or charging the person they are calling a premium in order to accept the call without issues). Healthy competition between ISPs is already dead in the United States; Usually people have at most, a choice between two ISPs in their area. Don't play into the monopoly more by granting them more power.
—Julia Marshall, New Orleans, LA

We have already allowed the telecommunication companies to become their own type of monopolies. I believe that empowering them further would cripple innovation and only benefit those who already wield too much power.
—Scott DeMaagd, Grand Rapids, MI

As a small business employee with website marketing this will make it very difficult for us to compete online with larger corporate competitors with deep pockets.
—Laura Baker, Houston, TX

My day-to-day life as well as my job is almost completely dependent on a free Internet. This kind of discrimination will hurt the country more than anyone understands. Just because the government can't afford to pay their bills does not mean that they should make it harder on the American people to pay theirs while trying to live the free life that we fought so hard to earn and keep. Imposing a two-tier internet could very well affect the small business I work at, which in turn will hurt my family and I who are already struggling. Leave us alone!
—Kristopher Fields, Maryville, TN

Internet freedom means Net Neutrality. I support Net Neutrality and against any plan that would enable Internet service providers to charge extra fees to content companies. I urge the FCC to act to preserve Net Neutrality by designating broadband as a telecommunications service under the law. Anything else is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate.
—Janet Twyman, Rego Park, NY

Please reclassify broadband as a telecommunications service thereby prohibiting discrimination. I am a registered voter. Thank you.
—Andrew Closson, Mason, OH

The right for all speech to be equally available to ALL is at the heart of our democracy and it’s now obvious that the internet is vitally important in ways individuals, communities, government and businesses communicate with each other. Keep Net Neutrality by reclassifying and designating broadband as a telecommunications service under the law.
—Dianne Jenett, Palo Alto, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because it protects new internet-based businesses (startups/etc), restricts further profiting by already-present monopolies and keeps the interests of the American citizens in mind. It is imperative that the FCC reclassify ISPs as common carriers, thus allowing citizens, companies, and small business to communicate and share information effectively and without the potential interference of ISPs.
—Ellen Teygart, Erie, PA

Democracy, equal access
—Kathy Cheun, San Francisco, CA

For the same reasons John Oliver laid out so well recently!!
—Steve Berquist, Minneapolis, MN

Information is freedom, Information is success. Blocking any content is censorship. Charging a premium for access to information is class based censorship. Allowing the "purchase" of premium tollgates would stifle small businesses and destroy so many start ups which is the life blood of America putting us behind the rest of the world and global economy.
—Dan Mallegol, Bahama, NC

The Net MUST remain neutral - not doing so will make it owned by the few wealthy corporations that can afford to run it.
—Andy Cohen, West Newton, MA

Throttling internet to people or companys that can't afford it it strait up discrimination.
—Jonathan Rogozienski, National City, CA

Let the internet remain equal for everyone.
—Sofia, ,

If you let net neutrality die, you will also be responsible for ending the classic American Dream. You must be aware that, in America, low-class citizens are not able to navigate out of their class any longer; they are born and die there, unless they have unfettered access to the internet. Since its creation the internet has been where all people could go and be heard and also have opportunities for progress. It is on the neutral internet, that people could find the resources necessary to help themselves. Considering their reputations, that they have earned based on their actions, you cannot actually believe that internet providers would be socially responsible, or that they would ever just do the right thing. You know they will not ever choose the right action over the profitable action. My hope is that your character is strong enough to make a better decision, and “scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.” It is your responsibility (as representatives of the American people); you have to decide to act right. The only right action for your people is to insist on real net neutrality.
—Dianna Schepler, Le Roy, NY

EQUALITY for all!!!
—Pamela Fullerton, Leechburg, PA

We need to have open and equal access to the internet for small business to grow and prosper, and for individual citizens to have unfiltered and affordable information access. Do not allow these changes to take place and create a two-tiered and costly internet. Thank you.
—Roger Whitton, Green Bay, WI

"All men created equal" has more than one application
—Kristin, Dayton, OH

Abandoning net neutrality is unconscionable. Net providers make plenty and like everything else you do this helps the rich and craps on the poor and small internet start ups.
—Matthew Galen, Costa Mesa, CA

Cable companies are already providing sub-standard service and now want to charge us more? What is the governments definition of a monopoly? We, the customers, don't have much of a choice in internet providers. I urge you to reject this proposed rule and make the internet what it should be.
—Christopher M. Mader, Steubenville, OH

The Internet is the only place where there is still competition. If a company can just pay to bury my website, there's no point of going online. It was founded on a "stupid network" so leave it that way. We're already paying out the nose for bad service because it's all a monopoly so please don't take away anything else from us
—Dylan Rickaby, Antelope, CA

i want net neutrality because i want everything equal
—Adrian, Chico, CA

Because bribery from communications giants should get Tom Wheeler thrown in Jail.
—James Cullen, Cave Creek, AZ

Are you insane? This is legal censorship and discrimination of the internet!!
—Brittany Zhao, New York, NY

Net Neutrality is part of my own personal journey towards freedom of creativity and my own journey in the pursuit of happiness. Controlling what I see on any level is censorship, which I will stand against every time. I choose what I will watch and what I want access too.
—Amanda Fields, Glendale, CA

NET NEUTRALITY IS MORALLY WRONG AND IS AGAINST WHAT AMERICA STANDS FOR. Do not go forward with this. We need to throw this out. It's not fair, and it's unjust!
—Nathaniel H, Bedford, TX

I want my freedoms preserved! I do not want to suffer more amoral spying, and I want the internet to be equally available to all!
—Brandon Kramer, Aurora, IL

You are violating the USA CONSITUTIONAL 1st Admenment what gives you the right to filter what we read you nazi terrorest i will sue you for being unconsitutional
—Noah Hatfield, Grapevine, TX

It is unjust to discriminate internet connections
—Karl Freyberg, Bedford, TX

This can't happen. This is such a gross misrepresentation of our freedoms and democracy. Use standard logic and prevent this from occurring.
—Greg Supelak, Delaware, OH

I believe in an internet which is free of discrimination for all users.
—Oscar Montes de oca, Hayward, CA

The internet is the perfect vehicle for expression and media consumption. Given the need for boadband access for on demand delivered content, it be appropriated fairly.
—Rafael Rodriguez, Wahiawa, HI

It preserves free speech and prevents ISP to discriminating against users and getting profits from exercising such discrimination.
—Ricardo J Flores, Dallas, TX

From large websites like reddit.com to a close friends personal blog, my internet browsing habits are quite diverse. What is amazing is that I can access, browse, and interact with each website in the same speed and manner, regardless of the sites size or influence. This allows me to peruse a wide variety of content and material without the hastle of a slow or spotty connection. I do not want a tiered internet. I want an open, unfiltered web were all information is treated equally.
—Dan Craigie, Minneapolis, MN

In our great country of "FREEDOM" the government continues to take away more and more of our freedoms. The Internet is and always has been meant for the world to use without restrictions. Please do NOT allow ISPs to take even more control than they currently have. Internet service CLIENTS in most of America do not currently have any choice of their ISP unless they are willing to bear the slow speed of satellite providers. If an American household doesn't have cable TV lines available they can only choose their current telephone provider for their Internet service as well. Most telephone Internet providers REQUIRE that you buy not only their Internet service but you must also buy phone service or they will not provide you with Internet DLS service. This has created a monopoly and last I checked a monopoly is illegal.
—Russell Chambers, Canton, GA

I believe that if you give the ISP's the right to discriminate for money THEY ABSOLUTELY WILL!! The FCC chairman is the fox guarding the Henhouse. Im disgusted by these proposed "New Rules". what utter Bullshit!
—Nate Franz, Poulsbo, WA

Because without neutrality the future of new enterprises do not stand a chance against corporate giants.
—Saro, ,

Ultimately and higher costs for the so called fast lanes will be passed on to the consumer as higher prices for access. At the same time new content providers will be placed at a competitive disadvantage. Given that the slowest link in the network is at the consumer interface, they as usual will see no improvement in service but will be forced to pay a premium. Given this it is much more likely that the technology employed will be throttling of those who don't want to pay for a fast lane. The FCC should be requiring ISPs to provide a guaranteed level of service to the consumer rather than making rules that allow ISPs to charge more for reduced service.
—William Holmes, Ithaca, NY

My privacy is more than important to me. It is crucial. Freedom is not to be stripped away.
—, New Albany, IN

Without Net Neutrality our progress as a species will be slowed considerably and our ability to connect will be decimated.
—Gianna Signorini, Troutdale, OR

Losing Net Neutrality would greatly hinder free speech, innovation, education, economic growth, creativity and so much more.
—Steven Redard, Ventura, CA

Because this is the last bastion for freedom of speech.
—Seth Bradley, Roanoke, VA

To promote fair competition for new startups.
—John Duhamel, Wilmington, MA

As an artist who gets commissions and contracts based on the visibility of my website, it is more important than ever that I maintain a strong internet presence to help support my growing family. If net neutrality were ended, it would mean taking a severe financial blow.
—Melissa Howell, Union City, CA

Do not bring back a class system in society. The Internet does not need to be included in the war on people in poverty. Information should be free for all.
—Julia Logan Stinson, Seattle, WA

The internet saved my life. Even if I live in a third world country, the internet provided me with knowledge and work which provided roof to my own family and aid to my elderly parents. Taking away the benefits we get from the internet is like supporting starvation of millions of people.
—Jan Patrick Apura, ,

I wish to ask the FCC to keep the internet NEUTRAL! It should be free for us all. There should not be any favoring of any company to make profit by charging for faster access. This can set a dangerous and unfair precedent as companies like Comcast could slow down video content for regular users. I am afraid we are already seeing this with YouTube. Something seems to be affecting users who have CenturyLink as their server. There are many who have found themselves unable to access popular YouTube video content in past week including myself. This is exactly what could happen if the FCC allows corporations to charge for faster access. This would be the same as allowing discrimination. I ask that you reconsider these new "rules" and keep the internet FREE AND OPEN ALWAYS! This is just another lobbying effort by the likes of Comcast to make even more money and seriously affect the open internet format. The open or neutral internet format should be maintained! the FCC needs to reestablish its legal authority to pass strong rules. I am against these proposed rules that the FCC is now considering on implementing. Sincerely, Patricia Pirnack
—Ms. Patricia Pirnack, Eastsound, WA

Net neutrality is important on so many levels such as educational, a way of keeping in touch with family and friends half way across the world, being able to be a part of a revolution, and find same minded people who believe in the same thing as you do. It is a way to create awareness of issues on a whole new level, faster and more efficient. You can share information in the blink of an eye. Yes, there are discrimination, yes there is racism, and yes there are bad behavior online. But come-on... As long as there are people around there will be bad behaviour. I am not saying it is excuseable, I am saying that by building high roads and dirt roads online... that is really not going to fix the problem. It's a ridicoulus way of attempting to stomp on people's rights. Besides building a fast lane for PEOPLE WHO CAN AFFORD IT is discriminating, it is bullying, it is bad behaviour. Get real. For me personally, for my own future, I am dependent on having the internet be neutral as I am an aspiring artist, and will be looking for clients online as a freelancer. I will be looking for jobs online. And you would be taking away, or making it even more difficult for me, and equal minded people like me, to earn a living this way.
—Lise Sofie Hopland, ,

The Internet is the last place where the middle and lower class can get work for what actually they are good at (eg: concept artists, translators, programmers). Here we are not judged because what color our skin has, in which country we were born, who were our parents or which millionaire we are related to. On the Web if you are good at something you can find a job doing that and also get a decent paiment. And this is true also for third world countries, like mine. A chance for the less fortunate. Please don't take this away from us.
—Cristian Somcutan, ,

As a creator, i rely on neutrality to have people see my work (it's hard enough to get work sometimes as it is), with these rules it would see most of my hardwork going nowhere unless i pay? It's ridiculous and will only add fuel to a fire that is already burning with most of us towards big business. Have a proper think about what is being proposed. Put yourself in our shoes.
—Damian Audino, ,

I'm currently working on becoming an Internet based artist. I rely entirely on Internet neutrality in order to build my fanbase; destroying Internet neutrality would completely break any hope for me to reach sustainability. I also absolutely refuse the predominance of any political power on the Internet. The Internet is a world to fill, not a world to control.
—Rebecca Scalese, ,

Innovation grows from the equal playing field we have now, and stopping that would allow industry to sink into mediocrity.
—Lance, ,

Governing the internet by large cable company's will hurt the flow of information and emerging business
—Brooks d back, Franklin, OH

Because it represents one of the last true arenas of a level playing field for everyone. Take it way and you just confirm big money controls everything, again.
—Roy Bennett, ,

As a recent college graduate with a degree in Character Animation, it's crucial to me for the Internet to share my stories-- not just with potential clients, but with friends and family. I delight in the Internet's ability to educate, entertain, and inspire the next generation of artists. It excites me to see my talented friends and myself receive accolades from far-away art appreciators. This is the age we live in, the age I grew up with. Revoking an open web is going to set everyone back -- small businesses, students interested in exploring new topics, friends and family blogging about their life adventures. The open Maker community may crumble. I'm relying on the Internet for a nation-wide outreach for an educational product I'm developing. I've had the pleasure of traveling to Europe for international film festivals-- all thanks to the Internet. We all rely on a freely open Internet. Let's keep it that way.
—Tahnee Gehm, Fallbrook, CA

Nowadays, that's pretty clear that the world has gone digital in many aspects, including work. Lots of people make a living out of internet business, and a large number of them are ordinary people who use the internet to sell products and services. Having a 'fast lane' and a 'slow lane' would totally damage lots of us, who use (or intend to) the internet to reach different markets. Putting us in a 'slow lane' (since the majority wouldn't be able to pay for the 'fast lane' advantages) only brings back the inequality we have seen many times in the 'real world'. We would be pleased to have our breadwinning activities protected, rather than put down. Thank you very much!
—Rodrigo Figueiredo dos Santos, ,

It is important for the continued growth and innovative standing of the entire country. Without net neutrality the United States will continue to fall behind other countries both educationally and in terms of provided infrastructure.
—Nathan Skwierczynski, Gurnee, IL

The free internet is a medium in which we can share ideas and information without government manipulation. If this ceases to exist, we might as well be called China! The government needs to stop being bought by giant corporations whose agenda only benefits themselves.
—Leigh, ,

I am an interdependent artist, comic creator and aspiring independent game creator. I am also an avid consumer of independent media. The fact that people like me can make their living is because in the face of the internet our position is the same as the big, mainstream media companies. We can meet our audience and our clients from all over the world on exact footing as those who have huge marketing budgets - and we won't be able to do it otherwise. If a real Net Neutrality is not maintained the whole livelihood of people like me will be in danger as we will be not able to compete with wealthy corporations. This is true not only for artists but for any small company that manages to function thanks to the Internet. Please don't stifle the voices of the small.
—Joanna Piechowiak, ,

I am an artist and writer who is starting out, but with how net neutrality is now, I at least have an equal playing field to grow and improve while getting fans. The internet allows us to collaborate with other creative people and actually keep up with the rest of the world in the art fields. However, the instantly it is destroyed, there goes to recovery to the US as well as a lot of people moving from the US going up as that "fast lane, slow lane" deal will be the last straw for a lot of people, especially artists, writers, and such. Telecom giants are going to hurt themselves with this as deal as many Americans are not happy with their current "one to two" internet providers in their area due to the monopolies already in place by these companies. At least Australia as a great budding artist communities and access to art supplies, which makes up it lack luster internet. Here in the USA, most of that has been wiped out and we have to order a good deal of it online to get the good stuff. If the sites are slow and we can't get our supplies, then we will be in trouble. But, outside artist fields, the internet is the competitive advantage many businesses, small and medium used to stay on toes with the foreign companies. If Net Neutrality is lost, so goes this recovery(though has the economy really recovered as wages are stagnate and bills go up, including internet) as we lose our last means of competition. To survive, we would have to either move and pool in the few good areas in the USA with good internet for possibly really high prices or move overseas, which the overseas looks pretty good with so many providers overseas having really good internet for cheaper prices than what we are paying for sub-par now. Some in very nice locations perfect for artists. So, think about it. If Net Neutrality is turned into this two tier system, you're going to be on the hook as well as the telecom giants when the rate of Americans leaving the USA goes shooting through the roof and the economic caves back in(it's already doing it, but this time makes it look like you would be a great scape goat for when it does). The way main street works has changed to use Net Neutrality to the fullest and that is where the jobs are recovering as many realize we have to make our own jobs as there is not jobs to fill. We need the internet to allow so many people becoming their own boss the change to fail and experiment before finally finding success and adding to the American Economy. However, many of us are beginning to shift think of our back-up options with hearing our jobs at risk. Even I am thinking of moving if the internet goes down as it's important know in order to keep in business as an artist and writer and reaching our audience in the 21st century. I hope you realize what a bad move this is. I usually look at both side of the story instead of rant like this, but I HAVE and no which way is this good. It will hurt ALL, even the Telecom giants who may benefit at first, and it will hurt really, REALLY bad as I remember history real well as it's one of my inspirations as an artist and writer. I hope you are having a good day... And hope your email hasn't exploded yet as artists are rallying against the Telecom Companies from around the world, not just North America, as this is how big this simply little rule of Net Neutrality in the USA effects the whole world.
—Mandy Milliron, Iowa, LA

Discrimination is already rampant all over the nation. The internet is the one place where you can access any viewpoint and wade through the bullshit to find the real heart of the matter. Take that away and we as a society are nothing. Right back in the middle ages.
—Amy Karony, Elmhurst, IL

EVERYONE must be able to access the Internet freely and evenly. The vast majority of our communication and information are provided through the Internet. Corporations such as Verizon and Comcast are not concerned about the "little guy" - they are concerned about the bottom line. The FCC was designed to help protect the little guy from these big conglomerates. If net neutrality is abolished, the FCC is not doing it 's job.
—Kathryn S. Coe, Bayville, NJ

I am an independent animator, producing my own series call "TAR of Zandoria". The Internet makes it possible to find an audience without having to pitch the concept to traditional gatekeepers in order to get distribution. Without net neutrality, media companies like Disney, Dreamworks, Cartoon Network, etc can use their monetary advantage to squash competition from independent creators.
—William Studios Sutton, Ooltewah, TN

I am an independent artist. I am trying to get to the point where I can make a living off of my art, and an open, equal web really helps in that direction. The open web has changed the business landscape of the world and has created economic opportunity for millions. Please do not hamper that opportunity. The web gives me and others the opportunity to go after financial independence, and everyone benefits from that. Please don't make an opening for that opportunity to be destroyed.
—Devin Smith, Piedmont, SC

It is free passing of information and of opinions this is our naturally born right.
—Louie, Greenville, SC

It should be a basic right in America, the country that happens to be considered a 'free'. Altering net neutrality compromises our basic freedoms.
—Lisa Cipriani, Chicago, IL

I am a new start up with a creative business. I rely heavily on the internet to share my work and get it to as wide an audience as possible. My primary format is animated video and having a 'slow lane' not just for myself but for my viewers would be detrimental. My audiance and list of potentila clients extends to the US and I would love to be able to share my creativity as well as work with US based businesses without such an unnecessary handicap.
—Rob Cardus, ,

Our current system has its flaws, but this proposal is much worse. There are already serious competition and monopoly issues, don't make it worse. Common carriers!
—Jordan Lee, Huntsville, AL

porque soy artista y quiero que mi trabajo sea igual de importante que el de los demas
—Jimmy Sánchez, san jose,

FREELIFE.
—Andrê Chambers, ,

I see this as progress toward totalitarian control. Please keep the internet open/free/equal.
—Ryan McAllen, Greenville, SC

Art is my livelihood, and the equality of the internet has allowed me to fully support myself through my art. It has helped me reached people I never would have known, learn things that would have been unattainable from physical distance and cost, and overall, it's allowed me to grow as a person. I know there are many, many others who share my story. If we lose net neutrality, we are going to lose an emerging pool of the strongest, most creative, innovative talent we have seen in years. We are going to lose our future, not just as a new and strong generation of artists, but as a culture. Please, let us keep our voice. Protect our freedom of expression.
—Jessica Doll, Tulsa, OK

I don't have my own radio program. I don't have my own television program. I don't have any lobbyists. I don't have my own newspaper or magazine or even a book to my name. But I have a website, I have an online portfolio and an email address for clients to contact me through - I have a way or supporting myself because I have a website. I have a voice because I have the internet. I have a voice because I'm a tax paying citizen. I have a right to orientation about what's going on in the world especially since magazines like Time makes special covers for American Shelves. 6 corporations own nearly all publishing platforms in America. The people deserve their own equal platform - all people, not just Americans - have a right to hear each other's voices and perspectives - the internet is the only place left with free speech. Don't change that. History will remember you, you can decide how.
—Kirsten Allen, Tallahassee, FL

I want my data, and I want it now!!!
—Tyler Hasz, Bolingbrook, IL

As an independent artist, I rely on Net Neutrality to share my work and to support other artists and small businesses. Please reclassify the ISPs as a telecommunications service so that people like us can thrive in an equal opportunity environment.
—Bethany Pyles, Nazareth, PA

Without Net Neutrality I would not have become as knowledgeable about the world or my job as I am now. I don't think I would even have my job right now if it wasn't for net neutrality. I'm an independent artist, my work is directly proportionate to how many people have access to it online from around the world. I have worked with companies and private people from across the entire globe but mostly from the US. You take away net neutrality and you take away business, their JOBS, from hundreds of thousands of people who make their living solely on the internet. Who are going to pay for them? The job market regardless of profession is oversaturated already.
—Chris, ,

The Internet is a powerful resource and access should be open and equal. As a retired Federal employee (DHHS/NIH/NLM) and a taxpayer, I am proud of our Government's contributions to the Internet. Much of my career was spent in developing and maintaining information products and services for healthcare providers and consumers, an increasing number of which were made accessible via the Internet. We should be expanding free access to the highest quality of Internet services available and not allowing commercial interests to profit by creating levels of privileged service.
—Jan Willis, Lewes, DE

The ability to share and collaborate and create with other artists would be hampered. Then we would loose the potential greatness of those possible ideas and actions that can be born through sharing our work with others. It would limit our potential to the privileged. In essence we would be going back in time to a class based society, where those who don't have the means are discriminated against.
—Crystal Flippin, Xenia, OH

I'm an illustrator and artist on my first steps toward going full force with my career- I just left my job in order to pursue my own work and be self-employed. This isn't an easy path, but it's part of the American story- putting in long, hard, passionate work in order to build your career. That journey isn't possible without Net Neutrality. The internet is THE means of communication for getting my work out there, for connecting with other artists and fans alike. My circumstances are just one example of how smothering Net Neutrality will pave the way to killing much of this country's innovative force, if small-time creators, developers, business owners, etc are unable to reach people and customers without getting through barriers of cost which are insurmountable for the average person. People trying to create their /own/ jobs will be out of luck, and may be forced to abandon their potential. Please protect these creators and innovators and their continued existence as such by protecting Net Neutrality.
—Sasha Jones, Austin, TX

I pay ENOUGH money to get the SPEED THAT IS ADVERTISED to me. When I watch a streaming movie, that is absolutely NOT the case. This is false advertising and to be pay even MORE just to rectify something that shouldn't even be a problem in the first place is extortion.
—Jeremiah Joson, Bakersfield, CA

Thank you for talking the time to listen. I desperately hope the FCC will not move forward with the current rules in question - the rules that would create a two-tiered internet and destroy Net Neutrality. I really appreciate the services of big companies, but selfish initiatives such as these may benefit only a few and hurt everyone else. I have been either unemployed or underemployed for over 2.5 years, working myself to the bone to support my family and build a brighter future. Unless you reclassify ISPs as common carriers, AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon may crush everything I've created, which would not be in the interest of the federal government, or the majority of US citizens. I'm not alone in my concern, and if we want the U.S. economy to grow, we need real Net Neutrality. Please throw our the proposed rules and reclassify, ensuring that all U.S. citizens can benefit from the powers of the internet. Thank You.
—Scott Wiser, Ogden, UT

I use the internet to keep in touch with my family who lives in Texas and Arizona. I want to be able to see pictures of their families and vise versa.
—Travis Raffel, Middleton, WI

Protect the consumers
—Ms. Pierrette Guimond, Orcas, WA

I am a young digital artist that pretty much makes a living off the internet. New Neutrality is important to me because it allows me to share my art and ideas with people all over the world. It allows me to get new ideas and helps me think of new, innovating ways to approach things. Please don't take this away from us. The internet is the only thing that keeps a lot of us off the streets.
—Nicole Artigas, Norwalk, CT

This is exactly what the internet was created for!
—Andrei Dumitru, Charlotte, NC

The internet is vital to free speech, education, and so much more that is good in this world. Please keep it wild and free.
—Ms. Regina Simpson, Chico, CA

Everyone should have equal access to the internet.
—Mandy Wilson, Austin, TX

I am an illustrator and a creative. I rely on the internet to show my work to potential clients and connect with other creatives around the world. I blog, make videos, use social media, have a website, and am planning to start a podcast about my area of expertise later this year. I am a mother of two children, and my husband is a graphic designer. Our income is low end middle class. Most of the time we are just making enough to get by- and if I had to pay for the internet as we know it, I might not be able to actually make any income. My business has been growing because of the internet. I have been able to make very important connections with people who have helped my career grow- people who live clear across the country that have become great mentors. I have gotten clients that are clear across the world. Without the internet as we know it, or Net Neutrality, this would never have happened, and my career would not be where it is today. My career is continuing to grow, but if Net Neutrality is taken away, this may be taken away from me. I won't be able to share my artwork with the world, connect with other artists and clients, and make a living doing what I love like I have in the past. Please, please consider those of us who are making our living from relying on internet neutrality and an equal playing ground. Sincerely, Shawna Tenney www.shawnajctenney.com
—Shawna Tenney, Eagle Mountain, UT

I am an independent artist who is striving to make a living for myself with my artwork. I have made many friends and connections within my community from all over the world - and we are all still in the same community thanks to the equality and neutrality of the internet.
—Sarah Elliott, ,

I am a freelance artist, and if people choose to look at my content I don't want to be in a slow lane. I don't want the content I look at to be in the slow lane. I want my internet to be equal ground with equal opportunities for everyone.
—Jennifer Mealing, ,

The idea of a free internet is paramount to being an American. All races of humans are allowed to speak freely without discrimination. Getting rid of net neutrality will allow monopolies such as comcast to slow down or block access to the internet for different ethnicities or different socio-economic status. This is infringement on our basic rights as Americans and net neutrality should be preserved as one of an american's basic rights.
—Judson Bristow, West Point, MS

I am an independent illustrator and animator and I rely on the equality of the internet for the future of both my business and my contributions to culture. It is vital to me and other artists to be able to get our work out to a global audience without gatekeepers. Without that ability the clock will be turned back to a time pre-internet where our best hope of making a living was from convincing said gatekeepers to give us the platform to make a name for ourselves. With an open internet, we can allow consumers to decide for themselves if something is worthy of their attention and, ultimately, dollars. It is the basis of our American economic system: work hard, make something people want, and benefit from that. These proposed rules would wipe that dream away. Thank you for your time. Christopher J. Purdin
—Christopher J. Purdin, Portland, OR

I firmly believe the internet should remain free and open, ensuring accessibility to all users. The FCC's recent steps to align themselves with large telecommunications corporations causes a great threat to the future of the net and jeopardizes the expansion of business and creativity. I am currently a Comcast customer, not because I want to be, but because I have to be. There is no choice in my local area for alternative internet access. The fact that Comcast currently has a monopoly on the market, coupled with the fact that the FCC is willing to give them even more of a boost in profits and forego the principals of net neutrality greatly disturbs me. Make the internet a place where ideas and content can flourish without preferential treatment to corporations.
—Jessica Taylor, Alexandria, VA

Dear FCC Chairman Wheeler and Members of Congress, In my development as an artist and a thinker, I started believing that the most important quality that makes us, humans, a bit more special in the World and, maybe, in the Universe, is the power of creation that only we are able to carry on. A power that made our evolution as rational beings possible. A power that, if used for good, would only bring positive things to every living being. Since the Internet is the most accessible, affordable and inclusive media distribution platform in history, the freedom and equality it offers for creative people like me has inspired big dreams and new hope for our world, our families and for ourselves as creative people. I would be happy if things could be kept in the way they always should have been being, permeated by freedom and goodness. Best Regards Poppe
—Douglas Poppe Lopes, ,

Due to the price of living currently and my school loans the last thing I need increased is my internet which I need for both school and work!
—Christina Reynolds, Ogdensburg, NY

Dear FCC Chairman Wheeler and Members of Congress, I'm a young woman, aged 24, from Portugal, who's been working a lot to fulfill her dream. I'm a designer and illustrator, who, together with my fiance, created her own software and design company at the age of 20 (as soon as I graduated from university). We dream to create games together, make them known all around the world and provide everyone with a lovely, immerse and profound experience through them. I am currently investing on my education on art, so I can become better and better in order to fulfill this dream. PLEASE, I beg of you, consider your actions. Without all the freedom and resources the internet provides, our dream will be crushed, as so will so many others. I thank you from the bottom of my heart for taking the time to read my e-mail. Wish you the best, Ânia Marcos.
—Ânia Marcos, ,

I'm a 23 year old independent comic book artist breaking into the industry through the internet. My collaborators and I are building a fanbase and networking through our website, and making that harder would impact my future career in a hugely negative way. And it's not just me, most of my friends and colleagues make a name for themselves on the internet and that turns into a career in the field. The removal of Net Neutrality would heavily impact our ability to make a living in our field.
—Jack Ciolli, Savannah, GA

Dear Chairman Wheeler and members of Congress: Please allow me to share a story with you. As a little boy, I was endlessly curious. I loved to draw and paint, to tell stories and tell jokes, and I pelted anyone who stood still long enough with countless questions. I was awestruck by the wonder in the world, and I wanted to soak up every drop. I did not comprehend this on an intellectual level, but I felt it, LIVED it, all the same. My father was a preacher at a small church in Florida, and growing up in such a home opened my heart to the possibilities of worlds beyond our own, which were filled with untold wonder in their own right. As I grew, so did my love for these worlds. I began to create worlds of my own, filling them with creatures and people born of my own imagination. A vision began to form, that of myself as a grown man, sharing these worlds with others, and experiencing those they shared in turn. It was an exciting time. One day a man came in to my father's church. I had happened to join my father that day, sharing his office and his time, drawing and daydreaming and all manner of things to which small boys are prone. The Man was tall, with a white cowboy hat, and boots that proclaimed his arrival on the tiles of the church's foyer. I did not know him, for he was not a member of my father's congregation. He walked around, as if he owned the place, informing my father of the ways in which he failed to properly lead his church. The Man had, he was certain, all the wisdom and knowledge needed to proclaim such things, as well as the right to do so. Age granted authority, and he must not be questioned. I did not understand the things he and my father discussed, but I felt the waves of hurt radiating from my father's heart. That was when the Man turned his attention on me. "And what do YOU want to be when you grow up, son?" He asked, deciding for me that I owed him the respect due by the word 'son', a respect that my father had earned through loving me the moment I entered the world. "I want to be an ARTIST!" I replied, with pride, and the unwavering conviction of it's reality, as is so often the case when the young talk of their dreams. After a long, interminable pause the Man replied. "Son, you should become a preacher like your father. Art may be a fine hobby, but don't you think that your life would be better spent doing the Lord's Work?" I do not remember how I responded to the Man. I do not remember his leaving. Nor do I recall if he ever returned. But something had changed. I had been raised to respect authority, to hold in high regard the input given by those older and wiser than I. I do not regret being taught this value, and should I have children of my own, I plan on encouraging the same. But in this instance, great damage was done. The idea that my dream was in some way inferior sank into my marrow, and it's impact rippled over my life. I lost my drive to seek wonder and create beauty. I lost confidence in the value of my imagined worlds, and I slowly left them to crumble. I began to pursue intellect over imagination. Just as the increase of my imagination increased my love of other people and their own imaginings, as my intellect grew, so did disdain for those who didn't know as much as I. Instead of the boy with a thousand questions, I became the young man with all the answers. I was smart, and I made sure other's were well aware of that fact. I became highly intolerant of those with different opinions and beliefs than mine. I developed the habit, the NEED, to be the first one done with tests in school. I was first to raise my hand, if I even waited for that. I had to be the first in line to display my intelligence. My identity became tied to other people being impressed with my wit and eloquence. In short, I became a selfish know-it-all. And yet, even through that decline, my inner soul cried out for expression. After high school I went to school for music, a form of artistic expression that I allowed myself to consider. And I flunked out. In life, intellect is not enough without a strong work ethic to back it up. A strong work ethic is built on curiosity, respect for the knowledge of the teacher, and the craving to never, ever stop asking questions; to be an INSATIABLE learner. But I already knew enough. I was smarter than the rest, and I didn't need to work at it. I was wrong. Yet I still could not see, so when I returned to a different school a year later, I put in more effort not because it was the right thing to do, not because I craved learning, but to avoid the embarrassment of once again being told I did not have the commitment necessary to succeed. When that too began to crumble, I decided that music was not for me. Again I changed schools, this time pursuing a degree in Interior Design. AN art, but not MY art. This time I graduated, but I still lacked the passion that drives one to walk the long, hard road to mastery and success. I searched for work for three years, to no avail. I had $60,000 in student loans, and nothing to show for it. I hit the end of my rope, and my rope snapped. Depression and anxiety overtook me, and held me captive for several years. Two things gave me the hope needed to carry on. First, the love and care of my wife, who never gave up on me. And second, with nothing left to loose, I remembered my boyhood dream. Could the Man have been wrong? Could I return to the joy of my youth? This is the age of the internet, after all, and anyone can carve out their small place in the economy to do what they love, and to make a living doing it. I made the choice. And I have not looked back. The harmonic resonance between my soul and creation was powerful, nearly frightening. The spark of the idea burst into passion; blazed into an inferno. If has settled into a constant flame, ebbing from time to time, but always there, driving me forward into the light. There is a reason I have shared this very personal story with you. After years of struggle, I have once again begun to pursue a rekindled passion, and now I find the success of that dream balanced on the edge of a knife. And not the knife edge of my own choices. I am just one man. I cannot compete in a market where preference is given to those few with deep pockets. It is not even a matter of competition for me, in truth. I do not begrudge the success of a company, and I applaud those with the determination, intelligence, and guts to make something, and make it profitable. My desire is simply to tell stories, to invite people into my worlds, and in doing so, enrich their own. I am not seeking this to make myself rich. I simply want to make a comfortable living, with which I can provide for the needs of my family and bless those around me. My succeeding will in no way reduce the profits of those companies that will benefit from the proposed FCC regulations. But to succeed here I need to be FOUND, ladies and gentlemen. I need a platform from which I can share my stories with those who want them. This cannot occur if priority is to be given to companies and institutions who are willing and able to pay for the right to place their products and services between me and the people to who might benefit from what I have to say. We live in an age where large strides are being made toward the abolishment of discrimination in all areas of life. We can search for housing and employment and education without fear that we will be

stopped simply because we are who we are. Equality of marriage is gaining momentum, and I hope and expect that we will soon be able to declare commitment to another person without being told that we cannot due to our genders. Why then, should the internet be any different? We ALL have the right to Life, Liberty, and the pursuit of Happiness. These proposed regulations will effectively allow ISPs to define for me what Happiness is, to give me only the Liberty to pursue that definition of Happiness, and then call that Life. This is an injustice that cannot be allowed to occur. The land of opportunity MUST remain one of opportunity for all. If not, ISPs will don their white cowboy hats and their boots, to enter unannounced and insert themselves between the creator and his audience, and tell us all that we should only value the work that they deem worthy. It will take the imagination of the human spirit, which gives light, and hope, and childlike eyes that still see one another as precious, and put a bit in its mouth, to be turned this way and that, by the ones with holding the reins. Control over the dissemination of information and ideas will create a caustic environment of narrowed minds, in which many others will share the sad path that I have walked, through disdain and intolerance, pride and contempt, and only perhaps to come out the other side as I have done, and am still doing. Please, for the sake of the value that we share as human beings, and for the sake of our children and theirs, take an active stand for equality on the internet. Define all broadband internet as a common carrier telecommunication service, make it illegal for companies to restrict our services and access based on their own, self-serving criteria. Hold ISPs strictly accountable for breaches of these laws. Remove the blockades that ISPs have put in place to ensure localized monopolies, and disallow mergers that give any one entity the vast majority of market control - carte blanche to rewrite the world in which we live. Perhaps then we will all be able to be Artists when we grow up. Thank you for your time, Seth Greenwald Independent Artist and Storyteller
—Seth Greenwald, Winter Park, FL

If you allow comcast, verizon and other network providers to create a two-tiered internet, then you will singlehandedly destroy an economic engine that has made our economy and our nation so prosperous the last 20 years. Facebook, google, twitter, and thousands of other great tech innovators might not exist today if not for net neutrality. The empowering nature of an open internet is arguably the most powerful catalyst for economic and technological development humanity has ever seen. that the fcc is anywhere close to considering undermining that is shocking. If you destroy net neutrality you'll be destroying the single basic element that allows the internet to function in such a powerful way. How could a non-profit like wikipedia or NPR compete with the bandwidth-purchasing power of walmart.com? How will the next video streaming successors to youtube and netflix reach through the impenetrable ranks of a class-based internet to the users who will help it grow? If you destroy net neutrality, the rich get richer, their ranks grow smaller and entrepreneurship dies in this country. A corporation who feels threatened by the small innovator can simply outbid her for bandwidth. Innovation grinds to a halt, and the American economy will rapidly fall behind the rest of the world. The internet is currently one of the few domains where the ideals of freedom and equality are truly embodied and where those ideals flourish and drive an explosive energy to innovate, cooperate, communicate, and share. No forum, ever, has assembled the immensity of cooperation the open internet has. The internet and its billions of contributors constitute the greatest collaborative effort in human history BECAUSE net neutrality evenly distributes access to the effort. But... EVEN aside from all of that, the one question on the mind of every citizen helplessly watching as corporate greed attempts to set fire to our generation's greatest achievement and the one that we deserve an answer to is: Who wants this? Who are you serving in destroying net neutrality? Citizens of the United States? Obviously not. So..... who do you serve? Thanks, Matt
—Mr. Matthew L Jung, New York, NY

It's Net EQUALITY. These companies are trying to take away my equality on the internet and show preference to people that will line their pockets. It's corrupt and wrong. This is the kind of thing that will spark anger and revolt.
—Jen Waldon, Nottingham, MD

I am an independent artist who makes my living in whole by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. It is the FCC's responsibility to the future of humanity to protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Edward Smith, San Rafael, CA

To keep the power of choice in the hands of the people and not the interests if big business.
—Matthew Kaiser, Minneapolis, MN

I'm a creative professional. Having one equal internet lane for everyone is crucial to my success and the success of all others working in creative or innovative fields. A two-tier internet service would drive innovation to a grinding halt. I shouldn't have to point out that a lack of innovation is a bad thing, but apparently this is necessary. What ever happened to America being a land of opportunity?
—Zelda Vinciguerra, Penns Grove, NJ

I am an aspiring artist who is deeply committed to learning my craft. I plan to use the Internet for 80% of my education while learning and 100% of my marketing to build my career. PLEASE do not compromise my American Dream by changing the way the Internet works.
—Melissa Allison, Boulder Creek, CA

As a place for creativity, community, discussion and most importantly, free spech; a free internet is vital to the modern world. We need a free internet to hinder major corporations and governments from abusing their power. We do not want oppression from a place that is supposed to be free. Let us create, enjoy and help eachother in a vibrant, free internet instead of being turned into even more mindless drones.
—Rasmus Kvist, ,

It is important because on the internet as it currently is, we are all the same. We are all just people. By allowing companies to make changes to who can afford higher speeds, it is just a way to separate the haves from the have-not's AGAIN! The internet is a place where people of any race, creed, religion, sexual preference, and age can express themselves freely. It should remain that way, FOREVER! Why does everything need to be separated by you people (The FCC and Congress)? Any form of segregation should be unlawful and never even explored if thought of. You will be taking the ability to learn out of the hands of children, the ability to play a simple game online with friends away from gamers. Potential future historians or scientists might not get to the information they need, or at least not as fast if they can't afford a better connection, and could miss out on a major breakthrough that changes our thinking, if not the world. Why are you thinking of doing this? Because you are just as much in bed with the telecomm sector as you are with the oil, automotive, and banking industries. It is all about trying to help the rich get richer, and the poorer be damned. Our society is worth more when we actually have things in common, rather than constantly trying to differentiate ourselves and drive a wedge in with our differences. Net neutrality is essential to the country and our place in the world. Whether you believe it or not, it is! I have just as much a right to connect with people as the poor person in the next town, or the rich person across the country. Keep net neutrality!
—Charles Orrell, Melrose, MA

Because it is one of the few real, tangible ways in which stories and art can be shared around the world instantaneously. I would rather the internet remained in its delightfully anarchic state than become one more tool to force a bland, hollow monoculture down the collective throats of the entire world.
—John Scanlon, ,

I am a freelance web designer/developer just starting out in the business. The disintegration of Net Neutrality would sabotage my efforts, making it more expensive to do business as an entrepreneur. Protect REAL Net Neutrality for everyone's sake.
—William Corpening, Las Vegas, NV

Internet users need protection form corporate abuse!
—Marcia Cooper, Waban, MA

This is the United States of America.....not China. The internet should be free.
—Maximilian Gantz, North Palm Beach, FL

Sir, as a young woman with experience in the world of business, I can understand your desire to make internet like an expensive amusement park with toll roads and large gates. It expands YOUR businesses and creates revenue while diminishing competition. However, what you are not taking into consideration is way internet has brought community to those in the midst of mental and physical healing, to those telling their stories. This community keeps people ALIVE. Doing anything that would negatively impact this community would end thousands of the lives of customers your revenue depends on. Lives that cannot afford therapy. Lives that thrive because they find true inspiration from artists, bloggers, indy musicians, and others found online. I ask you respectfully, as one in the midst of healing, as one of millions who share their inspiration through creative means and networks with others in healing too, please take this impact into consideration. You will not only be affecting small businesses, you will be affecting human lives.
—Sharon Salazar, Mannford, OK

I create content and develop web systems for myself as well as paying businesses. I need to be able to trust a communication system that is open and ever-evolving for use as a public utility - NOT a tool of a consortium of large corporations who only reason to change the internet is to increase their profits. Please do not fix what isn't broken.
—Dan Foegelle, Culver City, CA

We need have to keep at least one fair playing field available to the people. Leave our internet alone.
—Jessica Curran, Federal Way, WA

I am a member of the media. I support the free flow of information!
—Darrell Greene, Collierville, TN

because I believe in net neutrality
—, Solon, OH

What has happened to this country? Instead of helping each other, we bleed each other dry with our greed! The internet should stay on a level playing field for all. By not allowing net neutrality you allow the bigger corporations to continue to smother the little guy. This country was built on the little guy! Don't forget your heritage! The whole idea of allowing greedy companies to continue to suck the life out of people is disgusting!! Get a Conscience!! Or have we all lost our humanity?!!
—Theresa, Santa Ana, CA

Allowing the internet providers (many with a monopoly in local areas) to choose at what speed individual content is delivered is an unprecedented and dangerous practice. I already pay a large bill every month to have my content delivered at the speed that I pay for. It should be my right and privilege to have ANY content I wish delivered at the top rate that I can afford. It is unconscionable that you are even considering allowing these companies to take my money to deliver content at the contracted speed, and then allow them to also restrict that speed based upon an extortion that they are able or unable to extract from a content provider. This is double dipping in the worst possible way and also restricts content providers on the internet to only being those who can afford to pay for the privilege. The Internet is not some product of a company that they may charge what they wish. It is a fundamental backbone of our country like water and electricity delivery. These companies MUST be classified as COMMON CARRIERS. It is a danger to our way of life and the security of our nation as other countries surpass our abilities while we remain shackled by the greed of a few who happen to have their hand (literally) on the throttle. This isn't about Big Business, this is about the progress of the United States and its ability to retain its advantage in the World.
—George Neville, Fort Worth, TX

This is the equivalent of freedom of the press however without net neutrality being preserved you eliminate the mechanism that equates to that expression. Shame on you if you side with this unabashed monopolistic industry's efforts.
—Darren Wood, West Des Moines, IA

Don't let big business hold the internist hostage and make it harder for small startups to compete with the establishment. It's what has driven many innovations over this past decade.
—R Brady Finch, Lees Summit, MO

It is important that all people in this country have the ability to have their voices be heard through their freedom of speech.
—James Banks, Ashburn, VA

I'm an independent artist and right now I'm using the Internet to improve my skills by taking online courses from a group of great artists and also by being able to be a part of a great artist community. And all of this is possible because of the current neutrality of the internet.
—Lucila Idoyaga, ,

Like America, the internet should be a free place.
—Ben L, Jacksonville, FL

Americans so rarely have real equality these days & internet should stay EE! Big corporations should stop milking the middle class! Also why should an ex telecommunications company leader be running the FCC on this issue. Talk about government corruption
—Rose Ecabert, Omaha, NE

A balance between supporting the obvious benefits of being able to share information, communicate and be connected as a global society, and not allowing corporate giants to gain even more control over our ability to do this or to profit at our expense.
—Derek Ahl, South Berwick, ME

The Internet has become so much a part of the lives of most Americans that it is easy to imagine that it will always remain the free and open medium it is now. We'd like to believe it will remain a place where you can always access any lawful content you want, and where the folks delivering that content can't play favorites because they disagree with the message being delivered or want to charge more money for faster delivery.
—Al Klein, Portland, OR

Why? Are you kidding me? I don't watch TV or lsiten to Radio anymore for years now. Why? Because on the internet I can choose the content I'm going to watch. Also I get to find more than one version of every ingle news, and can decide for myself whether something is bad or good, I can make my own judgement WITOUT THE MANIPULATION AND CENSORSHIP OF OTHER MIDIAS. Also, many people make a living out of the internet! Producing videos, art, literature, news, content, all kinds of important and silly things you can imagine! Do you have any idea what would happen to these people if you started censoring their production? Also you'd kill the best thing about the internet: freedom of speech. You are able to freely express yourself in any way you choose without being cut or erased. You matter on the internet. Don't take that away form people! Also, many people find support for bullying, domestic violence, abusive relationships, addictions and all kinds of things on the internet. We can communicate with people that otherwise wed never meet! I seriously don't understand how ANYONE could possibly thing this act is a good idea!
—Juliana Vianna e Silva, ,

Are you kidding??? Most of my life is already controlled by the rich and powerful; now you're going to mess with the Internet? Look inside and bring up some courage - keep the Net neutral!
—Charles Ruff, Las Cruces, NM

I run a small business and a good portion of my work is from online communications, marketing and advertising. I don't think I could afford to pay for faster service but "dirt roads" would certainly hinder my progress.
—Christian F Rosselli, Woodside, NY

Id like the ability to start a business someday and i dont think my isp should be able to decide what i do on The internet
—Brian Vandam, New Orleans, LA

I am a filmmaker and business owner. I saw entertainment heading this direction back in 2004 and finally started my production company, American Wasteland Entertainment, LLC. We focus on online entertainment/content/short form TV productions. We have two award winning and critically acclaimed series and have moved into season 2. Why is net Neutrality important to us? The answer is quite simple and I feel like nobody is listening. Its one simple word, freedom. If you take away the freedom of net neutrality, you take away the equal ground for filmmakers and businessmen like myself against bigger corporations. I keep hearing that the government encourages small business, but many of the companies that are trying to form now, are based on the use of the internet. Taking away net neutrality just gives the giant corporations more control and takes out the competition. There are shows online that are getting better reviews and more views than TV shows on networks. Instead of trying to cultivate this, these corporations don't want the competition, when its proven that competition facilitates a healthy work environment. Without competion there are no more jobs in this country being created. Net neutrality gives people like me and other entrepreneurs level ground to go head to head with the big guys. Many jobs could be created if we helped facilitate these creative endeavors online instead of cutting off their source to the world. Basically, net neutrality creates jobs, facilitates business, and helps create healthy competition between companies. Think about it, there are people out there right now that are creating businesses and having success thats making bigger companies sweat. Thats amazing! The bigger companies don't want to put money into making their product better, so they are just trying to cut off the source, Net neutrality. Netflix is a great example of rising from the ashes and is challenging the TV/Movie norm. Now they are having to pay more to keep their service open to their great clients because Comcast wants more money. They already have enough. Give your workers more money and stop trying to hurt us who work our butts off to make a living. We're doing something right because these bigger companies want be rid of the competition. As the FCC its your job to create and facilitate online entertainment as much as TV. You would be costing thousands of jobs due to smaller businesses having to pay extra fees that are not needed and having to let workers go. Lets help small businesses grow and not add to the problems this country already has with job loss. Thats what net neutrality comes down to; even playing ground for small business to go head to head with the big guys and grow. Taking that away hurts the American dream, which is already having trouble standing. You could be taking away the next Facebook or twitter.
—Jason Brasier, Springfield, MO

Right now, even you benefit from Net Neutrality, and you may need it in the future. The rest of us need it now and always. Thank you.
—Lea Hernandez, West Hollywood, CA

Hello, I am an artist who needs the internet to remain as it currently is in order for me to grow my business as an illustrator. small people like me will never have a chance to make it if the internet is transformed into a "net neutrality" system. I believe that the work on the internet that people see is popular based on it's own merit. it's simple and fair. and the people who work hard are rewarded. Thank you so much for taking the time to read my email. and please keep the internet as it currently is. -Alyssa
—Alyssa, Rapid City, SD

Because the merger among these already corporate giants will make the lives of creative everywhere immensely difficult. I'm just one voice of the millions this law will effectively harm. The simple fact that our connectivity will be slowed in favor of furthering this corporatocratic regime says it all. These giant companies simply get to stomp on the freedoms and joy of the masses. Don't let this go down in history as the companies that destroyed the once potent means of becoming self-sufficient as a creative in this world. Let not our media be censored like some North Korean-inspired, Orwellian derived nightmare.
—Taylor Payton, Minneapolis, MN

Protect the open internet, remove the ability to discriminate sites online, allow for growth of business and the ability for start ups and small businesses to be successful
—Courtney Tarantino, San Francisco, CA

Net Neutrality allows me learn about my own interest and hobbies. Without it, the artist and educators I use for myself and my children will disappear. This will stop growth on a personal, business, and spiritual levels. Small businesses have just as much right to be here as the top dogs. They will never have the same drive and creativity because they lack heart. Instead they pay for half-efforts and try to bully out the stuff that has became popular by its own merit. Please, don't allow them to shove the small guys to the side. Thank you.
—Chastity Leadbeater, Mc Kenzie, TN

Equality is important to me. This nation's future is in the balance. Having a free, "neutral" internet guarantees that those who aren't rich have a voice, and that creative freedom will continue. I propose that Tom Wheeler step down, due to an obvious conflict of interest. I also demand nothing less that real Net Neutrality.
—Taylor Hellewell, Salt Lake City, UT

Because I am a creative professional working with art for games and children books.
—Guilherme Da Cas, ,

I am a creative professional who makes a living thanks to the internet. I am able to connect and find work. But I am still new and poor, please dont take the net away from me.
—Jennifer Meyer, Leominster, MA

Because it is supposed to be my right as a user!
—Robert Delgreco, East Hartford, CT

I working on a way of art living. I'm a frelancer artist and i need internet equality to live, share my works and, of course, to work. Neutrality, equality, whatever you guys want to call it; keep it that way. You'll be ruining lifes with that, including mine.
—Rafael Dant'Anna, ,

The internet is the most important public forum of our time. Granting the wealthy and powerful control over who may access it and how is an immense disservice to every American citizen of whatever political stripe.
—Justin Davis, Wynnewood, PA

Equality for everyone on the internet. These internet companies don't need there pockets stuffed even more
—Arman Bhangu, Tracy, CA

I'm an artist and small business owner. I heard the internet accurately described as a great equalizer via equal access by big business & individual people. I want it to stay that way.
—GR O'Neil, Santa Cruz, CA

without a free and accessible internet for everyone, who will read my comics when I make them?
—Matthew Gemlo, New Brighton, MN

The equality of the internet has been the most important thing to happen since it's conception. It is the only arena where a small business can compete with a huge corporation. Please do not stack the cards in favour of those with the greater resources. The internet is the last bastion of equality. Please do not take that away. Remember that the biggest internet phenomenons over the past 10 years such as Facebook and Twitter which are worth billions now could not have grown and flourished under these proposed new laws. Thank you for taking the time to read this statement. Kind regards Ian Summers
—Ian Summers, ,

I depend on the internet to connect with other artists and be able to share my work with as many people as possible. If Net Neutrality ends, I will not be able to do this anymore.
—Bianca Severino, East Haven, CT

Everyone deserves equal access to the Internet.
—Alexandra Kepner, Cambridge, MA

As a business woman and an artist, net neutrality is my best chance to support myself and my family. Take that away and you will be killing small business's interests and creating a situation that won't allow for true freedom of speech and access to information as guaranteed by our laws.
—Laura Charles, Addison, NY

I am an aspiring artist looking to get into the movie making field. I have a long hard journey ahead of me and this would only make it harder.
—Alec Drake, ,

Net neutrality is important to me because it gives me a creative voice. It allows me to do what I love and run a business. It allows me to keep the lights on at home and my family fed. I truly believe that dismantling net neutrality would destroy one of the greatest things humanity has ever achieved. Thank you for your time Kind regards Paul Loubser
—Paul Loubser, ,

net neutrality is essential to keeping our society progressing and giving everyone the opeprtunity to be heard equally.
—Lars Johnsen, ,

The internet demands freedom for the people
—David Hoggan, ,

I'm an independent artist who makes a living in whole by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. it is a responsibility to the future of humanity that you protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable. Thank you for your time, Jean Claude de La Ronde Freelance Storyboard Artist
—Jean Claude de La Ronde, ,

Because it's a global issue that would affect everyone. I'm not even from the states and would be unable to vote on the issue (if it even is up for public vote) but it would affect my use of the internet. The internet is a great tool for small businesses to advertise and operate. It is an equaliser, probably the only true one left to us. Your decisions wouldn't just affect your country, but the entire world.
—Leah, ,

I am a UK freelance illustrator and nearly all of my clients are based in the US. All my work is found via the internet. I am a very small business making a small living to survive. These plans to discriminate websites and connections would severely throttle my ability to work efficiently as well as connect myself to other businesses and clients. I would not be able to afford to keep up with any special fees put in place to reach people, like in place on facebook pages right now. I can't afford to reach all 100 people who watch my facebook page right now but it's only facebook and there are other options for me, so it's a loss I can afford. However if this is put into place over the internet it would basically destroy my chance of being able to work and earn a living in the field I love and feel passionate about.
—Hannah Clark, ,

I use it for my work
—Lazaro Ruiz, Cocoa, FL

I'm an artist & illustrator who mostly use internet for marketing and showcasing my work. It's main source for work opportunities. The graphics/illustration/game/fil m/advertisement business will suffer extremely if the internet "breaks". Milions of people risk to lose their jobs.
—Andrea Femerstrand, ,

Everybody needs to be equal, at least online!
—Aart-Jan Venema, ,

I am designing a product, which will be primarily marketed and sold via the internet. With almost zero capital, I can't afford the fast lane, and this could very easily stifle and destroy my efforts. I am also working toward becoming a freelance designer and artist, which depend heavily on free equal access. There are already plenty of obstacles to these dreams. Please don't add another one.
—Jamie Sims, ,

It's my life's dream to affect people creatively. As well, my family depends on my ability to reach my customers, and this new legislation will take that away, essentially, because I can't afford to pay the toll.
—Justin, Mesa, AZ

Speaking as a business owner, the Net has allowed me to have a level playing field for my online business. By creating these preferences of fast lanes you will kill my business and future innovations that the level field our current Net has.
—Melony Chitwood, aztec, NM

I use the internet as apart of my daily life, I use it for work, for relaxation. Anything but a free and open internet with NO slow lane would be unacceptable. Please don't let the big companies push you around and ruin our free and open internet.
—Brendan H, ,

The internet is freedom of expression and freedom of choice. NO ONE should be allowed to control either of those.
—Kevin Richter, ,

As an independent freelance artist, it's imperative that my clients, art directors, and publishers are able to find me as easily as they would find anything else on the internet. Please keep the internet an even playing field. Don't allow larger entities to "buy" better service.
—Ernest D'Elia, Westborough, MA

To whom it may concern: The internet is my livelihood. I make most of my living off of Google Searches, media sites, and the content that I create. Net Neutrality would, without a doubt, ruin me. I would not be able to pay rent or buy food. I would not be able to pay my bills or save to buy a home. As such, I oppose Net "Neutrality" with such an intensity as cannot be described by mere words. It is a proposal that only has one winner: the ones who proposed it. There is no regard to the consumers, only to the money they have in their pockets - money that I have already told you will be spent on better things. The Internet is and should be a free and open resource. This bill would effectively destroy that in favor of the minority and not at all in regards to the majority. Please do the right thing.
—Meg Syverud, Columbus, OH

Equality should be the major stance when it comes to how internet resources are divided.
—Benny Lindberg, ,

Dear FCC Chairman Wheeler and Members of Congress: The FCC has proposed rules that would break the open Internet. This proposed path would open the door to widespread discrimination online. It would give Internet service providers the green light to implement a two-tiered Internet, with a fast lane for those who can afford it and a dirt road for the rest of us. This would be a disaster for startups, nonprofits and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls. I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Pascale Mackey, Miami, FL

Net neutrality is important because it gives artist of all varieties to have a voice and make their presence known to reach a wider range of people than oppose to physically going to places to broadcast that you're an artist. I am a freelance illustrator where the majority of my clients come from Facebook and through word of mouth. Neutrality would give me opportunity to communicate with customers who all don't live in the same place if we discriminate with the internet then how can there be equality? We fight for eqaulity amongst race, religion and gender but now you take all that and segregate how we communicate and share ideas and gain an audience for intellectual properties is crazy. Please keep the net neutrality for all of us not just big business but for the common man as well because our dreams are worth fighting for thanks for the opportunity to hear our because we also your consumer base as well. Thanks again I hope you consider our voices in this matter.
—Devon Camel, Jackson, MI

I am a self employed illustrator who has successfully used the internet and my website as my main marketing tool to get work as well as to promote my art. My work has reached a worldwide audience including the Salvation Army of Australia where my image of a homeless Christ ended up on their magazine cover thanks to them finding my work on the internet.
—Deb Hoeffner, Doylestown, PA

I am an independent artist working to make my living in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. It is your responsibility to the future of humanity that you protect REAL Net Neutrality. The “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Rosemary Knowles, ,

Net Neutrality is important to me, because, first, it is in my very right, to be free and equal, disregard of the money I have, the company I used, the country where I Iive. As an independent artist, I need that the information I sent, the art I post, is not more, or less seen than something less.
—Sarah Salard, ,

I have a very good friend who is an artist and is starting to teach me basic sketching. Please, please, please keep Net Neutrality!!!!
—Diane Kahler, Bay Village, OH

My small business as an artist depends on people being able to see my content and view my website. It would seriously hurt my ability to work if bigger companies were given preference because they're able to pay the toll that I can't afford. Please listen to us. When small businesses win, everybody wins. Thank you, Jesse
—Jesse Jones, Portland, OR

to make a living and individual rights and freedoms
—Dayle Dodwell, ,

I'm an independent artist, and allowing this to pass would be a major blow to not just myself, but many other creative people who are thriving today because of an open internet. Please do not allow the FCC to do this, it is not just about personal creative freedom, it is about the life and means to make a living for each and every creative person out there today.
—Mike, Clinton Township, MI

I want my art to be seen. I want a chance to compete with the big art studios, and I can't do that if I have to pay huge sums just to make sure people can actually load my website.
—Joshua Brown-Culp, Minneapolis, MN

Net Neutrality is important because many artist make their living by commissioning work online and selling prints of their most popular art. They can also send it to anyone in the world. Net Neutrality is also important because unknown artists who are aspiring to do art professionally (artists like me, who are just starting to plan out their post-secondary education) can get critiques on their work, find other artist, ask questions, learn how to improve their work and even make a bit of money before they even graduate high school. I am constantly learning from the tutorials and tips other artists post on Tumblr and DeviantART. Without Net Neutrality, it will be so much harder to continue learning or to get critique from other artists. All we want is to post our art for the world to see, and discover and support other aspiring artists. Please do not take that away from us.
—Emily Douglass, ,

Because equality and justice is defined by basic human rights we have to protect from giant corporations that take them away from the public every single day. It undermines the core believes in freedom that America was built on, giving unlimited power to those who can pay. Loosing net neutrality is announcing that those right are being sold off to the highest bidder, i.e. the corporate giants who have already split the market into shares, creating a monopoly, and blocking any prospect for a small business to thrive.
—Alexander Mirzoyan, Savannah, GA

As a digital artist, I make my living largely in part from my correspondence on the internet. Removing net neutrality would remove the equality that allows me to earn a living.
—Jesse McAllister, New York Mills, NY

One of the main reasons the internet is so valuable is that individual voices can be heard and rise to prominence based on their own merits.
—John Middleton, Rowlett, TX

Because everything is treated equal, unlike society.
—Michael Toovey, Laie, HI

As an artist and student, I use the internet as a resource for education, creative ideas, and as a resource. If the internet were not net neutral I would not be able to afford the access to the information. I am on a limited budget and I could not pay more for internet access.
—Robbie Klarer Smith, Pueblo, CO

I'm an independent artist who makes my living in whole or in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. It is your responsibility to the future of humanity that to protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable. Thank you.
—John, Allentown, NJ

I am a freelance illustrator who depends on the Internet for my business. Limiting potential customer access to my online presence will be a big hit to my income. The cable companies could give more bandwidth and attention to their own causes and self-interests. Access to voters' attention online? Could go to whomever pays the highest price and if it serves the cable companies' interests.
—Anna Measures, Oxnard, CA

Having freedom of speak is something that should never be taken or hindered likewise for the free voices on the internet/Net Neutrality. Million dollar companies have directly benefited from the superhighway of the internet and its freedom. I myself hope one day to make my mark as a creative voice and keeping the internet a free flowing entity will ensure opportunities for not only me but the entire world.
—Patrick Gassaway, Greensboro, NC

Small business!
—, Warrington, PA

I like bein able to see all of the internet at the same speed. Taking away this freedom means proving that the FCC is controlled by cable companies, and therefore corrupt. These changes are simply cruel, unfair, and unAmerican.
—Jeffrey Sweeney, Clifton Heights, PA

I'm a storyteller and an artist who has an unfiltered voice in this world through the internet. This is a magically time to create because of this opportunity. Don't take my voice away from me.
—Nick Patton, Sheboygan, WI

I am a creative artist and make my living as a writer. Controlling the internet in the way these companies are planning is criminal and a monopoly. It's un American and has no moral integrity.
—Vittorio, Tampa, FL

I'm an independent artist who is trying to make my living by sharing my work on the internet. The neutrality of the internet is imperative for my business to thrive. The way the world is being skewed towards anyone with a lot of money is really disheartening to me. The beauty of America used to be anyone can make it with enough hard work. By giving preference to Big Money, it will be the death of thousands of small businesses trying to make their way. This country was made by the workers, not by big corporations! It is your responsibility to the future of humanity to protect REAL Net Neutrality. And although the law sees corporations as people, we all know they are anything but humane! Please don't turn the whole Internet into one big, inhumane and corrupt corporation! It is unjust, unacceptable, and frankly, un-American.
—Lynn Alpert, Saint Louis, MO

We can't have freedom of speech if we don't have freedom of information.
—Leah, Lancaster, PA

Please don't make it harder than it already is. Please don't condemn our children to a life of inequality, superficiality and ignorance. Humanity didn't go all this way for this.
—Audrey Dowling, ,

I am an up and coming artist working toward making my living in whole by the current neutral playing field provided as of now which allows my fans to see my content indiscriminately from the content of other larger names in the industry and other larger corporate organizations. It must be taken into consideration how many peoples livelihoods are based solely on the foundations of net neutrality and how the replacement of the current system could be detrimental to those who can't simply buy their way into the "fast lane". Anything short of true equality is unaccpetable.
—, Oceanside, CA

Dear Chairman Wheeler, Please scrap the proposed rules for tiering access to the Internet. As an independent artist who trying to make a living selling his work to as many people as possible, being able to sell my works will be adversely affected by a tiered system. I want people to browse my art, appreciate it fully, take the time to look at it. That'll work fine for people with fast lane privileges, but for everyone else, they'll be getting dial-up speeds and will lose patience while waiting for their slow lane access to deliver my site or any site, government, business, or education, to download. This does not allow me to compete with artists with bigger pockets, and stifles innovation and commercial progress. Please keep the playing field level for all parties, regardless of the size of their wallets. Thank you.
—Larry Wentzel, Ann Arbor, MI

It is important to me because I am trying to my a career out of freelancing for concept art. Without net neutrality my career is gone and my family suffers, there would be no way for me to get my product out to my fans and gather more fans. Without net neutrality many people like myself and their families will suffer, and there would be no more spice to the world of consumers because it would be choked out. Events would no longer have the ability to happen, startups would no longer work, small business would be sent back to the '90s when there was dialup. Do you really want to do that to the economy? The economy doesn't just run off these large businesses, you would force stock to drop because there would be less money for us the consumer to buy from these bigger businesses because our own businesses (our way to make money) would fail or severely suffer. Do you really want to do that?
—Dara G. Lewis, Indianapolis, IN

As an independent business owner, Net Neutrality is what helps me get on the same playing field as others. Losing Net Neutrality would cause me to lose my business. America has always championed the little guy and small business startups. Please leave the internet free for all to experience equally. Freedom should be experienced everywhere, including the internet.
—Sara Diesel, Bridgeville, PA

Net neutrality is important to me as a creative. A recent illustration graduate, I am using my online presence as a form of advertising and exposure, self-made exposure, something very important to ALL artists. Through this presence, I am picking up commissions and jobs - a means of supporting myself. Not only this, because the internet is such a great platform for art and visual media, it allows me to come into contact with more creatives, artists, writers, filmmakers etc. - This allows for more collaborations, feedback, support and happier clients all around - Not only this but happier artists and creatives too! - Most of us spend a lot of time cooped up alone in rooms, working. There IS no set workplace for us. We do not need the internet to become a closed-off slog through advertising and censored media. Without net neutrality, we'll be taking a step Backwards in terms of our development. Thank you for your time; Please rethink these classifications, and allow internet service providers to be considered common carriers. Many thanks, Sarah Crossan
—Sarah Crossan, Dublin,

Chairman Wheeler: I am an independent artist. I have a job as an IT guy right now, working for a large corporation in South Florida, I enjoy it but it's not my dream. Working on art is my dream. I have a small website at www.aarpieart.com as well as a facebook page, tumblr, and twitter. These are my means of marketing, selling, and starting my own business. I don't make enough to 'pay the toll' to get in the Internet Fastlane, which means the difficult job of getting my name out there and getting recognition will become even more difficult, if not impossible. These new laws don't fix the internet, they break it. They break it for entrepreneurs and small businessmen like myself. I'm not in this for the money, either. I want to work from home. I've got four great kids and a wonderful wife, and I miss out on so much being an hour away. You're telling me that my dream isn't as important as someone who can pay a bigger fee. You're telling me that the America that I love is dead and buried, and that all we can dream for anymore is a good sale at Sears. Please understand what you're trying to do will continue to murder of the American small business. Don't pass these laws. We don't want Net Neutrality because it's not Neutral. We want Net Equality. Thanks! -Aaron Pierce West Palm Beach, FL
—Aaron "Aarpie!" Pierce, West Palm Beach, FL

As a freelance artist it allows me to effectively communicate and work with clients worldwide. For new clients to find me and me to find new potential clients.
—Ramsey Sibaja, Peachtree City, GA

I am an artist trying to build my client base online so I can suppliment my income. Please do not allow big corporations to control the internet, keep it free to all the public. If a schools are making homework and tests online, everyone should have equal access to the internet at its current speed. Please don't allow discrimination based on money. Your decision, whatever it may be, will go into the history books.
—Jen Beasley, Pulaski, TN

I am a freelance artist, and use the internet to reach my clients and future/potential clients. Please do not take away this platform from us. The internet has been the cure to the long suffered starving artist. Thank you for your time and consideration.
—Joy Walsh, Blue Island, IL

Net neutrality is important because it allows all businesses, and all people, to have an equal say in this digital age. Without net neutrality, creativity and small businesses will be stomped off the map. As a person, and a member of the ever-growing art community online, this is something that I cannot condone or approve of. Please reconsider this decision, if not for me, then for the people that you serve.
—Javier Pena, Orlando, FL

Cause i really want to become an freelance artist and i'm studying hard to that, if the FCC crushes net neutrality all my effort will be meaningless.
—Douglas Akio Ito, ,

I run a small business that relies upon a level playing field on the internet, all of my business comes from clients being able to easily find me on an open internet without restrictions. If these new restrictions were put into place I could not afford to run my business anymore and would have to shut my doors. I can't express how damaging this would be to one of the few areas of the economy that are thriving.
—David Kingham, Oelrichs, SD

I make my living creating content for clients on the internet.
—Kristin C, Oakland Gardens, NY

I'm an independent artist who makes my living in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. It is in part your responsibility to the future of humanity that you protect REAL Net Neutrality. The “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Olga Andreyeva, Brooklyn, NY

Anything other than Net Neutrality is an attack on our right to freedom of speech and access to important information.
—Judith Fosmo, Anacortes, WA

It enables artists and others to get their work out there like never before.
—Ari Binus, Waban, MA

The internet is a democratic medium and the only hope of sustaining income as an independent artist. My creative agency works with many non-profits whose message may be lost if they can't afford to pay for "Fast lane" sections online. It is the FCC's responsibility to the future of humanity that they protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Amy Mayer, Ypsilanti, MI

I am an independent artist and most of my profit comes from my publications on the internet. Even if I'm not resident of the United States, this greatly affects me as most of my contacts and public resides in USA.
—Paula, ,

Because large companies have enough control over the media/culture as it is.
—Brian Naughton, ,

How else is creativity meant to foster if you take away neutrality? You will stifle uniqueness, idea generation, everything that makes the world go round.
—Sorcha Moloney, ,

Because despite what people say, the American Dream is still alive. It's alive through the internet, where anyone can do anything and build themselves from nothing. If they take away Net Neutrality, than the American Dream will truly dead. And I don't know about you but I'd be ashamed to live in an America that threw away its own dream and basic morals to separate the rich from the commoners like a monarchy. I'm also disgusted that so few people get to decide the fate of so many people and something so many people use. A change of this magnitude should be put to a national vote. It's very suspicious and unfair that these rules are being debated on by the few people it would benefit. Please keep my faith that there are people out there who still think money isn't everything. Keep my faith that people still believe in what this country was built for: freedom.
—Michaela, Newtown, CT

I suffer from severe anxiety, if it wasn't for my ability to make a living from self employed illustration using the internet to correspond with clients and set up my business, I would be dependant on the government for benefits and I would be forced to live with my parents or assisted living for the rest of my life. This is not an exaggeration and I know there are others like myself. Net Neutrality means independence for people like me, this means a lot for someone with mental health problems and physical difficulties that prevent them from being so otherwise. On a wider scale Net Neutrality is Net Equality and it gives a voice and a platform to everyone equally. We fight for equality in our society, we should fight for the Internet to retain it's unique and brilliant platform that allows anyone from any walk of life to have a voice, run a business, connect with other people and create something wonderful. I urge the companies who are trying to erase this platform as it is now, to evolve, learn and explore, innovate and create so that they too can make use of the Internet without having to control it and take it away from other creators and consumers. There is room and opportunity for all of us - isn't that what America is all about? Why would you want to crush that? Look up from the rut of the old ways of business, open your mind to ideas and transcend outdated methods. I say it again. There is room for all of us.
—Ulv Havet, ,

I am an independent artist and designer who makes my living by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. My livelihood and hopes for future success depend on an equal Web. It is your responsibility to act in the interest and good faith of humanity by protecting REAL Net Neutrality. The "Internet Slow Lane" is unjust and unacceptable, and the repercussions of such a situation will echo beyond the U.S. to the global community if allowed to happen. Creativity, freedom of speech, and innovative thought will all be repressed under the discrimination of an unequal Internet. Please fight for true Net Neutrality and Equality.
—Katherine Campbell, Buffalo, NY

This is obvious. And many people have said it better than I can.
—Mario Gonzalez, Miami, FL

As an aspiring artist, the internet is a seemingly endless resource for inspiration and creative growth. TRUE Net Neutrality is important to me because I want that resource readily and without inhibitions. The artistic communities created through the internet are so so important, we are each others support. If you implement these unjust rules, you will impact HUNDREDS OF MILLIONS of lives. Those same lives that are the future of this nation, and this world. For the sake of big business would you have us. the future generation, living REPRESSIVELY? The internet is an open domain where thoughts, ideas, media content, and news is freely and equally shared. As part of this nations future, and for the sake of NOT fucking everything up for future generations, I DEMAND Net Neutrality.
—Mia P., West Chester, PA

I'm an independent artist who is working to make my living in whole or in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. It's is your responsibility to the future of humanity that you protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and totally unacceptable.
—Belinda Vega, Austin, TX

As an independent artist, what I'm aspiring to make my living off is largely depending on the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. Being able to publish and share work online and reach out to people, regardless of who you are, is the key for me and thousands upon thousands (or even millions) others like me to be able to communicate our creative visions. Dismantling Net Neutrality would not only hurt all of us, but would consequently hurt the world and its culture as well.
—Olof Eneroth, ,

I am an independent artist trying to break though the industry of entertainment arts. I rely heavily on personal contacts that I have made through the internet, all the social media where everyone can see my work, small forums and gallery sites to host my images for high resolution quality, and my own personal web site which contains my portfolio for potential employers. If you take away Net Neutrality, you are taking away my resources to make my dream a reality. It is not just MY dream either. The art world is immense in size and you would be taking away important income from all these other artists who make a living doing art. Who do you think designed that building you are sitting in? Who do you think designed the clothes you wear on your back? Who do you think makes all the designs and logos for everything you use? Who do you think comes up with ideas for costumes, monsters, characters, etc for movies you love to watch and enjoy? Everything is designed by an artist. Taking away Net Neutrality is harmful to the everyone and would benefit NO BODY except the internet companies. The internet, as it is now, is a level playing field for all. But what you plan to do will only destroy it. It is your responsibility to the future of humanity that you protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable. Please do not remove Net Neutrality!
—Mike Dumas, Interlochen, MI

Lately we have seen a lot of driven, clever people starting businesses, sharing ideas, getting educated... Learning and growing every day. A free and equal internet made that possible. Please, please preserve net neutrality. It is of outmost importance for the free and modern human being around the world.
—Sabina Pawlus, ,

Because I'm a freelance illustration and without a free and open internet it would be difficult for me to both use and make money off the internet. Keep the internet neutral and free!
—Marsha Riti, Austin, TX

The “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Kevin Fagan, Lakewood, OH

I don't think I should be discriminated against just because I won't be able to afford a basic speed of internet. Its should be the same for all.
—Teesa Loveless, Moorpark, CA

It's bad enough that the US lags behind other countries in providing high-speed internet to it's citizens. We don't need to be further marginalized by allowing the 1% high-speed privileges while the rest of us are in the slow lane. Little by little, what made America unique is disappearing in favor of laws made for the powerful and wealthy. Let's not contribute to that degradation of democracy. The Government is for sale and we "ordinary" folks can't afford it. That has to stop.
—Isabelle Green, Pittsfield, VT

Beyond my personal interests, this is something that simply goes against what we stand for as a nation, impinging upon our free speech. This is akin to saying that from now on political protests may only be held in deserted back alleys and must be no larger than ten people. I sincerely hope that the wonderful creative lifeline that is the internet will not be crippled in the interest of allowing telecom companies to further control the markets.
—Patrick Danber, Columbus, OH

Tom, My name is Phil Wade and I'm a freelance illustrator in San Diego. If you know anything about illustration or the art industry as a whole, it is very difficult to find work and make a living. At the moment the internet is my only source of income and self promotion. I have worked very hard to make the small footprint I have on the web and the contacts I have made through forums and the like. These small internet communities are vital to creatives everywhere. If we lose neutrality, we lose our ability to share, learn and grow as artist. I understand that you are running a business and that this would most likely be very profitable for you and your affiliates, but I urge you to try and put yourself in the shoes of those that live in a constant financial uncertainty and have not had the big breaks and opportunities these major companies have had. People may say, "Well get a real job" and not realize that artists are what make the world we live in visually compelling. It's in everything we see. In an economy that is short on "real jobs" it is even more vital that we keep the internet neutral and not allow the little guy to, once again, be trampled underfoot by those with means. I don't know if you will ever see this, but if you do, I ask that you take my words and the words of others that have written you about this to heart. This is our livelihoods that are affected. Thank you for taking the time to read this,
Phil Wade Concept Artist / Illustrator
—Phillip Wade, San Diego, CA

I'm an independent artist that relies heavily on net neutrality and the ability to get my work out on the internet for all to see.
—Adam Ratcliffe, ,

The US Constitution/BIll of Rights that I fought to protect in the military, is the same Constitution/Bill of Rights that I still hold as the standard for living. We are all equal whether we are talking about the color of our skin, our religion, or our freedom of speech. I am a Indie Writer trying to create an audience so that one day I can live solely by my writing. Unfortunately, with the 'Net Neutrality" this will never happen. The name itself is misleading. It's not Neutrality, it is censorship of the worse kind. Currently the internet is open EQUALLY to all big corporations, small pop/mom shops or just a single person. (You know the basics we have to come to expect in the US.) By signing a law that allows BIG corporations to slow my site so THEIRS is the only site that is seen is WRONG on so many levels. What happened to free competition, free speech, or even the American Dream. An 'Internet slow lane' is unjust and uacceptable. We have laws governing all facets of our lives to ensure that you are not discriminated against because of your race, religion, gender, capability (or lack there of), but its OK to discriminate against me because I'm one person who can't PAY a HUGH toll to get in the FAST lane? Its a sad thing, that this has even become an issue. Big corporations and small businesses and individuals should have a level paying field, not charge HUGH sums to even step on the field to begin with. I hope you consider ALL sides and that this type of blatant censorship is NEVER allowed to pass.
—Wendy Lorraine, Rockmart, GA

I like freedom, I like the little people
—Benjamin Truman, Tucson, AZ

I am a freelance illustrator. I depend on the internet, as do many of my fellow freelancers. And we depend on its equality: we depend on the ability for any post, any comment, any website to be able to go viral, to be able to garner as much attention as possible from as wide an audience as possible. If an artist had to pay for something that has made the playing field level with large corporations for the last 5-7 years, I don't know what that would do to us. That level playing field has made it possible for many of my friends and coworkers to be able to support themselves without battling through many of the barriers of entry that exist in other fields. If you care about the American dream, if you care at all for equal opportunity for start-ups, then you'll keep the net neutral.
—Mel Manwill, Provo, UT

Everything from access to quality healthcare to our access lawmakers are already the exclusive right of the wealthiest people and companies. LEAVE THIS LAST EVERYMAN FRONTIER AS IT IS.
—Keri, Chardon, OH

I am an independent artist who makes my living by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. Not only will this destroy the livelihood of millions of small business owners like myself but it will effectively allow censorship of information. Countless men and women have died to protect our freedoms, America's internet can NOT become like the Chinese! It is your responsibility to the future of humanity that they protect REAL Net Neutrality. The “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Shelby McBride, Chandler, AZ

I am an artist and I reach my audience through the internet. I can't afford to pay for favoritism. I also use the internet for educational purposes to hone and improve my craft. Anything that hurts communication between me and my colleagues hurts my whole industry. Thank you, Thomas Moore
—Mr. Thomas Moore, Chicago, IL

It's about fairness and truth.
—, ,

I am a freelance artist and conduct business via the internet. To undermine and destroy net neutrality would be to undermine and destroy my freedom to seek work and utilize the internet to share my creativity. I urge you, Chairman Wheeler and Members of Congress to trash these proposed rules and save the net neutrality of the internet!
—, Palm Desert, CA

Dear Sir/Madam, My name is Andrew Gaia and I am an independent illustrator from Kingston, PA. I am a 32 yr old highly educated son of a radiologist and father to a kindergartener. It is the freedom share and express my own content on the internet that allows me to earn a living and support my family as well as pay my taxes and live the American Dream. Our forefathers set out to this country in order to avoid the oppression set upon by the English government and their focused supporters. They wanted freedom from the powers that controlled their empire in hopes that they would create a new world where you could live work and play on equal footing to those with the money and power. The internet is the new free world. It is a place where I can build my own support, gather my own fans and develop my business without anyone holding down my potential. These new rules would not only destroy my potential in earning but would stop many other small businesses from developing and being able to support their families. Did your fathers and mothers work for Walmart, did they shop at target, get meat from price chopper, and learn all their information from television? Chances are they did not. They lived in a community where they supported their friends, their families and those closest to them without the added burden of powerful corporations holding them down. These new laws on net neutrality essentially disable the potential of those we love the most. Their ideas, their dream and their effort will be pushed down in favor of those with more. Is that how this country was built, is that why we sailed half way across the earth? Are we turning back to a system where those with more control cast aside our friends a families because they post a financial threat to billion dollar companies? It is not companies that suffer but families and friends. Without the "new world" of the internet their is nowhere to go. Our street corners are filled with chain restaurants and merchants, our stores stocked with corporation approved foods and textiles. All of these things come from close friends who had dreams, a family members with ideas, and communities with a desire to better our world. If you remove our potential to build on the internet we will no longer be able to support new growth and new ideas. Our dreams will be pushed aside for more re-packaged garbage. If growth is localized to one part of the human body it become cancerous, if water is not allowed to flow freely it becomes stagnant and diseased. You will be responsible for the stagnation of our American culture and the true dream of our people. The cancers will grow until even your job will be threatened if you dare support your family instead of a business. Your medications will be catered, your foods, your clothing even how you vacation. Do not let the freedoms of our time be crushed. This country was built on families and communities and if you side with those that threaten to block their success, you are condemning America to a dreamless stagnant world with no hope for people. It is our people that gives us strength and if you take away yet another avenue for their success then you are taking away the strength of our nation.
—Andrew Gaia, Kingston, PA

I am an independent comic book creator. I make a living by connecting with my fans through the internet. Reading my comic online is the number one way I get new readers who then in turn purchase my books. Please protect net neutrality! Changes to the internet where people like me could not afford to pay the fees necessary to have our work seen by everyone would kill my livelihood-- mine, and that of all of my colleagues as well. The comic book industry is hard enough to survive in as is. The FCC's proposed changes would force me and all of my friends out of jobs. Four years ago I decided that these powerful internet connections that my peers and I had with our readers could be used for more than self-promotion. So I asked 8 of my webcomic friends to participate in a fundraising drive with me to raise money to end human trafficking. We formed the Comic Creators for Freedom, and over 100 international artists joined forces for this purpose. In December we held our fourth drive and we've raised $30,000 for the cause. The internet is the most powerful tool that freedom has ever known. Please do not take that away!
—Lora Innes, Columbus, OH

Hello, I'm an independent artist in a very small country. I try to make a living working with what I most love, Illustration. The only way I can do that and reach as many clients and followers as possible around the whole world is through the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. When internet got popular where I live things got better because the internet meant freedom, equality and globalization (the good kind). I can say I have friends and co-workers around the globe thanks to the internet. This network is what makes it possible to me to work in illustration. I'm here writing today to remind you that it is your responsibility to the future of humanity to protect the real Net Neutrality (equality) and having the internet working in another way is unjust and unacceptable. We deserve equality. Best Wishes, Tânia A. Cardoso
—Tânia Alexandra Esteves Fernandes Cardoso, ,

I'm an independent artist whose income partly depends on NET NEUTRALITY.
—Michał Peitsch, ,

Online NON-discrimination is important to me!
—Carol Gamber, Matthews, NC

I am an independent freelance artist who makes my living in part by the current neutrality of the Internet. I am young and trying to support a family and it's important for me and my family's well being that there is net neutrality. Please keep the internet a place of equality by keeping net neutrality.
—Matthew Shipley, Provo, UT

Why can't the big companies play nice will all the other kids in the sand box? Why must they bully everyone and take their toys? If the net slows down people will abandon it apart from doing what they have to on it. Please don't let the big boys bully the rest of us. We've all got a good thing going on don't ruin it.
—Mark, Westerham,

Net Neutrality is important because it allows artists to gain followings. It allows small ideas to grow successfully. It allows people to grow successfully. With a 'fast lane' only those who have money will get noticed. The rich will get richer and the poor will remain poor. That sounds like a terrible idea made by terrible people. Please don't let corporations abuse the internet for profit.
—Mary Rhodes, Boulder, CO

Open access to information, which the Internet in its current form is a conduit of, is a basic human right. The proposed rules must be scrapped and Net Neutrality preserved by reclassifying Internet service providers as common carriers. Thank you.
—Gregg John Virostek, ,

As an artist, I've spent a lot of time in my life connecting to far away people through the internet to try and get a better hold of what it takes to get better. Net Neutrality is important to me because without it, I wouldn't have a lot of the skills I have today, nor know all the people I do now. It would be just like denying someone better access to a phone if they needed to get in contact with someone because of high call volume, so I can't see why anyone would want that over the internet. This is a place of creative freedom and endless possibility, I'd like to continue growing up to see it flourish, not be distributed better to those who have more money than others. Please, put a stop to this, some of the worlds most creative minds are just around the corner and should not be limited.
—Yannick Toney, ,

The free Internet is a wonderful open platform that unites people from all over the world, and allows us to share our vision with others and possibly even make a long, being true to ourselves. The Internet belongs to everyone, not the chosen few. People matter. The Internet is the platform for all people, it is not a controllable media machine. Nobody has the right to take the wonderful open Internet away from people.
—Atli Hafsteinsson, Reykjavik,

Freedom
—Jeff Holtkamp, Madison Heights, MI

I'm a freelance artist and the only way I can market my services is through the internet. The proposed path would be a real desaster for me and other creative people.
—Luisa Preissler, ,

The internet is freedom. Net Neutrality is poison. Please stop.
—Phillip Johnson, Midlothian, VA

Because I am in the process of trying to make a living with my artwork, to which I have a degree in, also to what I am currently trying to pay back for. I don't plan on working in bars for the rest of my life, so please, leave the internet equal to all. My friends and I will thank you
—Jeff Versoi, Seattle, WA

As an artist and designer, I work every day with others in my field and every field through the web. Giving big companies the option to regulate the speeds of web is essentially like tolling a road that's already paid for. The internet was created by those seeking free and open communication, and to now make it a purchasable asset for those who can afford it is ridiculous. Putting chains on the single most important communication and global sharing tool for the benefit of big business is not only a slap in the face to every independent business owner and entrepreneur depending on fast web access, but a selfish and overwhelmingly bribed money-grab.
—Courtney Cotton, Georgetown, KY

I am a freelance artist supporting a family of 5. A neutral internet is the lifeblood of our income. I am not well known, and my entire patronage reaches me through a small corner of the internet. Ending net neutrality, or as it has also been described, "Net Equality" would see me competing to be heard amidst multi-million dollar companies. Ending net neutrality would not only give preference to those louder, more powerful voices, but would completely silence thousands upon thousands of smaller, but equally valuable voices like mine. I'm sure you know this already. But it matters to me, and to countless others like me.
—Adam Watson, Seattle, WA

Everyone has the right to free access on the internet. To escalate profit for AT&T, Verizon, Time Warner and Comcast monopolies of the internet is capitalism at its worst.
—jacques Gans, Bloomington, IN

I'm a budding artist. I'm learning and growing with my abilities and I wouldn't appreciate not being able to share my ideas with the world because I can't afford it. That's it. Simple. Now on a larger scale this is highly unfair. Not everyone in the world is privileged enough to have the internet at their fingertips, but by approving this act it'll make it even harder. Sweet and simple, it's not fair and please don't change it. Thank you for listening to what I had to say.
—Tina, Nashville, TN

Freedom of speech and equality for all to share online.
—Melchizedek Todd, Randallstown, MD

I am an independent artist who makes my living in whole or in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet.
—Garrett Papow, Farmington, MI

I believe in equality in all areas of our lives, especially for opportunity and education for anyone whom works for it. I am a middle class, small business owner, hard working American, and I'm tired of being squeezed out by big business. Creative, hardworking, entrapranuel peoples, have built this America, and as we all know the internet is the future. The lack of net neutrality would destroy what little hope there is for growth, in an already disappearing middle class, small business, rich diverse culture!
—Teri Farrell-Gittins, El Segundo, CA

Good morning, Mr. Wheeler. I'm certain that you've received countless emails concerning Net Neutrality, but I wanted to add just one more voice if I might. Thank you so much for your time, sir. Unlike many of the artists that you may have heard from previously, I'm a strong proponent of capitalism and free market ideas, and I understand much of what companies have to gain by pushing forward with this initiative. To make this as succinct as possible, though, that's my primary concern. Yes, it's understandable for the Internet to be channeled, so to speak, much like television is today, but the cost to future generations is incalculable. You wouldn't be able to just create a television program today and upload it to cable, if that analogy works, but that's what makes the Internet so miraculous, and so different from tv and radio. Online, all ideas are given a chance to succeed. It's a true free market – perhaps the last even. If something doesn't work, or only represents the view of a few, it won't last online. The Internet, in that way, is the final frontier for new ideas, inventions, movements and breakthroughs. We may never know how many or which world-changing thoughts will be extinguished if Net Neutrality is eradicated, but we know that they will be – for certain. That thought is horrifying to me as an artist, a father, and an American patriot. Please, sir, consider our future, and not just our present. I honestly feel that in many ways this is the most important decision our generation faces. Surely, there are many variables at play in culture, commerce, politics and world affairs – but the Internet touches them all. For our good, and the good of all future generations, the Internet must remain free and equal. Please do your best to keep it so. Thank you, Mr. Wheeler, so much for your time. Sincerely, Luke Romer Jacksonville, FL USA
—Luke Romer, Jacksonville, FL

Net Neutrality is important to me because I am an independent artist who relies on unimpeded and equal access to online media for myself, clients and fans, in order to make a living.
—James Gardner, Lindon, UT

I am a small business owner and depend on the business the internet drives to my door. Full access to the internet is a requirement for my livelihood.
—Kathy Watts, Albuquerque, NM

I am an artist who how is working a web comic. My dream is to make this story big enough with fans to expand into new mediums and increase my own income as well as that of others. Eliminating net neutrality would make it virtually impossible for me to meet newer audience members and editors alike. Everything.I have invested my life in would stop. I implore you to not let this happen. We deserve this freedom. We need this freedom to fulfill our hopes and American dreams.
—Chris D. Anderson, Studio City, CA

I see the internet as a pathway towards my future artistic career. As a student, there are so many resources for learning that has helped me so greatly in these past years. I've been inspired by the numerous creative people from around the world. Please keep Net Neutrality the way it always was. The internet is a chance for someone with so little to then rise up and gain success.
—Jennifer Erazo, Silver Spring, MD

I'm an artist. This would negatively impact independent artists. It would be a great disservice and disadvantage for small businesses and creative professionals as myself.
—Reyes Rivas, Long Beach, CA

Because as an independent artist, the way I work to make a living using the internet would be greatly effected.
—Michelle Yi, Sarasota, FL

I am an independent artist who makes part of my income through the internet. I can reach buyers at a low cost, which being an independent business person is crucial to my success. The "slow lane content" will not help me in this process and, in fact, will hinder me. Like the new Facebook changes, the buyers of advertising and corporations will have a stronger hold on what people see and are able to find and purchase. Openness is key to allowing consumers to find all of their options quickly and easily, not just the ones big companies with lots of money to spend want them to find. We need to help save the middle working class for our troubled economy, not hinder them, and the "slow lane" will hurt the content creators and innovators like myself, not help. As a regulating aspect of our government, it is your responsibility to protect real Net Neutrality and the "Internet Slow Lane" is unjust and unacceptable.
—Mark Vander Vinne, Chesterton, IN

Net neutrality affects me both as a creative entrepreneur as well as a consumer. I want creative works to be judged by the consumer on their own merit, not by big businesses who simply want a monopoly. Please, please, please don't give Comcast and Time Warner the keys to the internet to leave the rest of us eating the leftover scraps that they leave for us small businesses.
—Bob Shelline, Provo, UT

It should be coined " Net Equality" to be more straight forward. Our internet is an analog for what America used to be before the corporate conglomerates took over our freedom. It is the only thing left that we can use to promote ourselves, and make a business of our own. I am an art student that has incurred a lot of debt. In retrospect, I see how rediculously stupid that was considering all the better options there are for me to learn online. But I digress. The point I'm making is that I am going to graduate with more debt than I have ever had, and MUST make a living. The internet is THE best place to do this based on my own merits. But since FCC Chairman Wheeler-- who suspiciously is a former Cable company lobbyist-- is proposing a fast lane for big business, and a slow lane for the rest of us. I will not get the chance to promote myself without paying a toll that I most likely will not be able to afford. This would be a despicable course of action. Not only will it hurt innovation, creativity and basic freedom, it will give the once beloved platform to the corrupt politicians. Promoting deceptive campaign ads, and unleashing damaging information that will effectively squash their political enemies. I will fight for this, as I have fought of our freedom in our country.
—Parker Hinckley, Salt Lake City, UT

Net Neutrality is of the utmost importance. Because the Internet is an even playing field, it has become the invaluable tool it is today. By not protecting Net Neutrality, all of that is put in jeopardy. As an artist, I depend on the internet to communicate with fans, peers, and employers. I need it to remain reliable and bot biased towards the highest bidder. The cable companies demanding a "fast-lane" are engorged enough - there is absolutely no reason, besides the selfish pursuit of corporate wealth, to bow to their demands. Please, Chairman Wheeler, protect the Internet as you would any other valuable resource.
—Cheryl Johnson, Valley Village, CA

I and millions of other artists like me grow and survive because the internet does not play favorites and everyone, no matter how wealthy, can post and access a world of media and information without content discrimination. Please, please consider how this affects free speech and innovation and act to keep the internet neutral with no slow or fast lanes. I urge you to reclassify internet service providers as common carriers and save the internet's freedom as we know it. Not doing so risks destroying the lives and happiness of startups, nonprofits, and creatives worldwide.
—Chii Maene, Berkeley, CA

It doesn't make sense to block pages on high traffic websites. Why they don't do it on porn sites?
—Joel Vazquez, Miami, FL

Because I am working hard to serve my local community and my nation by starting a small design, development, and marketing business with the goal of providing high end functional design at fair prices. I have started this business without loans and opporate it on an incredibly lean budget. My business, career, and clients depend on fast and dependable internet that is free and open. If this is taken away it will put an incredible burden on my livelihood and the growth of my clients' and my own businesses.
—Jonathan L Clark, Carbondale, IL

Because I feel I have the right to free access. No one has the right to charge me more or create a "two-tiered" system.
—Yamel Solana, Miami, FL

It promotes growth and innovation for start ups and entrepreneurs which is the foundation and admiration this country has to offer. Do not stunt it by allowing big corporations to be the gatekeepers of internet service
—Claudia Cutlip, Brighton, MA

I am a freelance illustrator who makes a living by connecting with clients online. I'm also a recent graduate with most of my income going towards high student loan payments for the next 10 years. There's no way I could survive without Net Neutrality.
—Elizabeth Luntao, Lodi, CA

One of the greatest things about the internet is it's ability to level the playing field. Allowing a two-tiered system just perpetuates and exacerbates the chasm between the rich and the poor. This is supposed to be the land of opportunity, not the land of the bug guy crushing the little guy.
—M Canzani, Paramus, NJ

The internet is a critical bastion of communication, commerce and connection for American. It is critical that these channels NOT be controlled by corporations who are basically trying to profit off what we taxpayers have funded. As an independent writer and artist, I rely on the internet for my business and for connecting with people from around the nation and the world. If you allow corps unfettered power to control how the internet works then it will not only hurt my business and scores of independent business owners like myself but it will also hurt our customers, vendors and the average consumer. Think about how destroying the foundation of net neutrality will purposely REDUCE business activity for everyone including the major corps who are trying to control everything (ie Comcast, ATT and like). You are actually narrowing the bandwidth of possibilities for people and businesses! And this treads dangerous ground-- laying the tracks for fascism--exactly what FDR warned about. Please protect the interests and livelihood of Americans! We people in the creative industry are watching very, very closely. I urge you to respect and uphold American values and equal rights by deleting the current proposed rule change and reclassifying to reflect what Net Neutrality truly means--Net Equality and Freedom of Speech. Thank you!
—Edna Cabcabin Moran, Alameda, CA

I am an artist that is busy working on a range of interactive comics and games I want to release. If this law gets past my chances of getting a business of the ground in a country with one of the highest unemployment rates in the world and a declining economy means that I will be with out work and the no way to feed my family. Rather put more law and restrict porn and other porn related website out of business and clean up the internet for what it was meant and not some back yard porn shop.
—Erich Labuschagne, ,

The internet is a place free communication, where ideas can be rapidly exchanged, where thoughts can be shared. It brings people from all over the world together, whether it's to talk politics, or make art, laugh at stupid videos. A place like this is important to the world and it needs to remain as it is.
—Jesse Diaz, Chattanooga, TN

Net Neutrality (or more fittingly: Net Equality) is important because the internet should be the level playing field it's always been. The broadband companies trying to create a "hyper lane" for people/companies willing (and capable) to pay for it is wrong and unethical. Our country's broadband speeds are one of the slowest ones for a first world country, and as is, we the consumers already have to pay a premium price for less-than-mediocre service, because broadband companies are an oligarchy. The government and the FCC's failure to regulate an obvious industry-based monopoly is bad enough, and now the FCC is going a step further by ignoring the outcry of the people it's supposed to serve, and allow the broadband companies to further their freedom to abuse their consumers. In this day and age, high-speed internet access should be considered a basic utility that every citizen should have equal access to -especially in a developed, first-world nation like the United States- and not a product for the privileged.
—Christina Yeung, Brea, CA

Please don't let this happen. I am an independent artist who works and makes their living through the internet and the way the internet is managed right now allows me to do that. Please don't let this pass, treating the internet companies like common carriers is a good thing. This new bill will ruin a good thing for a lot of people. beg you please don't do this. I've been able to live my dream and make a living doing what I'm passionate about through the internet, please don't take that away from me. Sincerely, William Christopher Heffernan
—Will Heffernan, Westborough, MA

Net Neutrality is important to me because my future depends on promoting my craft as well as sharing my skill with others. It's important to me as an individual artist I want to be able to inspire and delight people through networking and collaborating with other artist to craft the future stories that need to be heard! It's important because people are individuals and should be given the world's view and not a company's perspective!
—Christopher Stone, ,

Trying to fix someone that isn't broken seems silly but that's what your doing
—Tim Vargason, Nottingham, PA

I have a small business. Already paying way too much for entertainment/cable in this country to the big companies and now they want more.
—Scott Nance, McKinney, TX

Uhhhh because I should be able to do what I want with a service I PAY for. Suck one.
—Chase Holton, Detroit, MI

I am an artistic individual, and Net Neutrality allows me the freedom and equality to create and inspire using my creativity and merits alone.
—Jesi Thompson, Las Vegas, NV

Equality in all forms is important to me and we need to keep an equal internet. That simple.
—Rebecca Crothers, Rapid City, SD

I'm a photographer, and photography is a competitive and ever changing market. The Internet is how I communicate with the public, with my clients, and it's how people find me. Net Neutrality ensures that I can reach everyone, that anyone can see my work and find me. I'm not big or popular, but I'm getting there. Do I deserve not to be seen or found because I'm a startup and can't afford to pay for the higher internet tier? That doesn't sound like fair competition. It is, not to put to fine a point on it, un-American. It's in your power to keep the internet a fair and competitive place. Please do so.
—Deborah Kountz, Fresno, CA

I'm an independent creative who relies on the equal, neutral internet to pursue and develop my business. Do not pass these laws that will put control and access of the internet out of the hands of regular people like me. It would be wrong to do otherwise.
—Shara Mills, Ten Sleep, WY

It's the internet, not comcasts or Verizon's internet.
—Jim Kehl, Denver, CO

I am a new college graduate aspiring to be a professional artists in the animation industry. In this day and age, the only way I can reach that goal of making it into that industry is to create an internet presence with my art, to showcase my talent and abilities. Internet Neutrality allows me to do so. Without this neutrality of the world wide web, I would be virtually (LITERALLY) unable to make my voice heard, unable to pay the premiums, and unable to attract a fan-base to see what I can do. The internet was designed to be a free source of information for all. It is the one thing that can still connect and unite us. Without this freedom of speech, we will be throwing ourselves back in time to almost before the internet was created. Our freedom to create and share with one another allows us to grow and evolve intellectually and even emotionally as a people. This attempt at taking that freedom of speech away is against everything this country was founded on. It is unjust, and it doesn't do any of us any good. You are at the cutting edge of history, and you will be responsible for what happens to freedom and creativity. Don't let us down. Be responsible. Be accountable. And allow the internet to be what it was intended: Free Speech Around the World.
—Kathy McNeal, San Jose, CA

Net Neutrality is HIGHLY Important to me as an Independent Artist and a Creative because I am working towards making my living almost entirely on the equality (neutrality) of the internet! I am a digital artist so about 90% of my work, and me getting paid, is through the internet, SPECIFICALLY because it's a level playing field (Neutral) and I am able to do so...Passing these rules would be like choking to death the majority of the internet; Its innovators, its creatives, and yes, even its consumers!...it is our responsibility to the future of humanity that we protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable. Please, Do Not Pass These Rules....
—Eli D. Camacho, Allentown, PA

Without equality between different providers/services, the internet would very quickly descend into a monopoly only for the biggest and best established companies. Smaller sites and businesses would suffer. We've already seen providers using mob tactics to get their way, and it scares me knowing that THAT is the way of the future of the web. Shakedowns and increase in costs.
—Jonas Slott Hansen, ,

I am a librarian and work with students who use the Internet constantly to gather information, learn and research. This would affect them all.
—Ofelia Wiltz, Key Largo, FL

Hi There, I am an independent artist who relies on the internet for a living. Without net equality I hardly see how I can support myself and my family. And although I may not live in the states, what happens in the US often bleeds over into Canada. Especially since many online freelancing agencies are American based. All the best, Taylor
—Taylor Lenfesty, Edmonton,

I am an artist looking to make my way in the world right now (http://www.ashleydotsonart.po rtfoliobox.me/). To the innovators of this world, whether they are artists, entrepreneurs, inventors--the people YOUR BUSINESSES depend on--the free market of the internet is absolutely ESSENTIAL. This simply cannot be understated. Please, do not sacrifice the freedom of the innovators so that a few big companies can easily make a buck. They have to feel the pressure from us; they have to compete with us. That is how freedom works. I am in love with the American ideal and the way our Constitution was intended when written--laissez faire is of paramount importance. You've seen how our economy has suffered from crony capitalism and a few big companies and government controlling everything--it stifles growth and freedom. Open Internet shouldn't even be in question. I am begging you, keep the Internet neutral for everyone. Every single individual on the planet, and those coming to it in the future, needs this. Thank you, Ashley Dotson
—Ashley Dotson, Elkridge, MD

As a freelance digital illustrator and artist, my potential for livelihood is based off of networking and selling my work online. I will never be able to afford a 'fast lane' ticket with my income, but Net Neutrality has the potential to strangle my ability to find work with ease.
—Kathryn Brown, Shreveport, LA

I am a small business owner pursuing a dream on the Internet, and net neutrality is vitally important to me. Why? Because the Internet is one of the few places where the ideal of the American Dream remains tangible and real. I am an artist and writer. I share my work online to build an audience that cares about my work. A readership that buys my products and services directly, without middlemen. My husband and I formed this company because we believed in the open playing field offered online the only barrier between us and success was time and hard work. How does removing net neutrality benefit us or the American public? The only benefit I can see is to the telecom groups that are lobbying for it. A bid to give entities that already have a disproportionate amount of economic control an even greater, and increasingly unfair, advantage. I am concerned not only for my own small business, but for the unfair, government sanctioned distribution of power this gives telecom companies over all businesses that utilize the internet. I'm also concerned about the possibilities for telecom groups to forward (or deny) certain political agendas. How soon before the platforms of free speech find themselves in the slow lane for having opinions that the companies don't agree with? How many future law-suits and abuses of power is this proposal going to set in motion? An equal playing field is the basis for the growth and success of our current Internet. In a nation of increasing inequality, consider what removing this one realm of fair play could do. How will disadvantaging groups that are already playing terrible odds impact the small business owners trying to create jobs? Please, do not crush one of the last places where the American Dream can still thrive. For the sake of every American trying to improve their lives in already difficult times.
—Robin Childs, Aurora, CO

The internet is for everyone. Please do not limit it.
—Jennifer Sese, Arcadia, CA

Dear Sir, I am writing to you about my opinions on Net Neutrality. Please hear the voice of the people. The internet has allowed the American dream to come back. The internet has allowed the little people a way to be important! Someone who doesn't have connections and big money can create something and have a world at their fingertips! Net Neutrality is why this can happen. Comcast, Time Warner, Verizon and AT&T are big businesses and they have an agenda. Their agenda is to make more money...that is what a business does. Sometimes people who are so entrenched in their own agenda forget to lift their head and see how it is effecting the people around them. Then surround these focused individuals with "yes men" and suddenly they feel that it is only right to continue their fight. Other big businesses (the yes men) would love to own part of the internet with their money. Why not? they earned it! They think they deserve a special internet highway for the elite. The elite always want special entrances and such so they don't have to interact with the salt of the earth. Well, the internet is already a private entrance for everyone! We are not blocking their access to the internet. Why do they need to separate themselves? We already pay fees to these companies for the opportunity. If you allow the rich better access than the poor you have continued to encourage the caste system here in America. You don't think there is one? Look around, if you are rich you can't see it. If you are middle class you can see both sides. Here in America you need money to make money. That is true everywhere except the internet. Don't let them take it away! I don't think it should just be an opportunity but a right because of how heavily the internet is entrenched in peoples daily lives. Why do the cable companies think they need more money? Have they tried to live with in their means? Have they tried using a budget to cut spending? Oh wait...only "poor" people should do that! (that of course makes no sense, right?!) The internet has leveled the playing field for so many people. There is more communication, more art, more small businesses that use the internet to operate than we can probably count! I know a family who was supported by the father and his Fly Fishing Business, yes he made fly fishing rods and sold them on the internet! Pretty amazing don't you think? He couldn't afford to pay any higher prices than are already asked for to use the internet! George Bush (when he was still the President of the United States) was able to buy fishing rods from him because of the internet...evening the playing field at its finest!!!! Can you really listen to these big companies who say things like pricing for the consumer will go down? Why would they do that? They are trying to make more money!!!!!! The fact that they will make the internet slow down purposefully unless you pay more money is horrible. It is already slow sometimes...now imagine them making it slower on purpose!! (They are already big monopolies who have agreed upon which lands are their lands. There is no competition for them and therefore no reason to lower prices.) Think about all the ways in which people use the internet. It is not all Facebook...don't slow down the internet for those of us that are using it to work!! What about all the students who are required to use computers, need internet, for their work? There are plenty of families who could not afford higher priced internet...you've just hindered their education. What about people looking for work? Will the cable companies give special discounts to schools and libraries? Those are public places that don't have big business money! You might be rolling your eyes at this point. Those big companies didn't say that it would affect the general consumer that way. The cable companies just want to help their pals out. This is all hype. Please, think about their agenda!!! The big businesses in favor of this are bullies plain and simple. Nobody has hurt their ability to operate using the internet. There is no reason for them to try and hinder the general populace except that they can with their big money, their power. They are the bully in this scenario. We are trying to teach children in the public schools that bullying is wrong. If net neutrality is taken away we will be teaching them that we do the opposite of what we say. The people with power and money can do whatever they want...the bullys win. Tim Wu, a law professor at Columbia doesn't think this is hype. In an interview on NPR (you can find it on the internet!! http://www.npr.org/2014/04/24/ 306542099/what-do-net-neutrality-rules-mean-for-web-users), he talks about how there isn't any competition in broadband so the prices won't go down. He talks about how this is just a new way for cable companies to make more money. Do they really need to make more money? It says in this interview that the FCC,and you, have provisions to protect us from companies taking too much power. Do you really think you have the ability to police the internet and these companies? You think you can go through each complaint a user has and solve it? I think your email inbox will be so full of complaints that you won't be able to handle it. Tim Wu says it best so please listen to or read that interview!! This is also about freedom of speech. The internet is a platform for free speech and once we open the door to regulation the people will no longer have a voice. All we will hear are the yes men who agree with those in power. I thought we came to america to get away from dictatorship? This is sure sounding like another step toward the whole being controlled by a very small part.
—Anya R, Potsdam, NY

I am an artist, and I am trying to make a living via commissions and projects that I take on from other people on the Internet. Only the current state of equality on the Internet allows me, and many others like me, to do this. Countless people in my profession have become better artists and people because of the connections that they have made on the web, and slowing our access to the Internet would make connections like this close to impossible. It isn't equitable for companies to be able to control the Internet in such a way. Please restore online nondiscrimination and reclassify broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Melanie, Burbank, CA

For so many obvious reasons. What I want to know is, Is it important enough to you that you will fight hard for what needs to be done for humanity. Will you?
—Elizabeth T Allen, Prairie Farm, WI

The internet is a beautiful place fostering an exchange of ideas, learning, free speech, creativity and business. I remember when there were just a few universities online. The open and free nature of the internet has allowed it to develop and grow in such an exceptional way. Do not allow big businesses to take over that spaces for their own profit! Keep Net Neutrality! This is important for all the real citizens to have access to such an amazing resource.
—, San Francisco, CA

My business can only afford to find customers on the web. I also do not like having big stores shoved down my throat.
—Patty, Warrington, PA

I think the best thing about the Internet is the freedom and equality that everyone has to give out and receive information. If this freedom is compromised it will take away the voices of so many people, and the Internet will lose the quality that has made it so successful. If people need to pay a high price for their freedom, then the Internet will be limited to a very small group of people while the rest will probably transition back to the pre-Internet days. Net Neutrality I think is the most important thing for the Internet, and changing it would have grave consequences.
—Chandler Azling, Villa Park, CA

As a future freelance artist who plans to utilize the web and who has little money to be able to afford these fast lanes, it is a huge threat to my career and I for one will not stand for this change. I want complete Net Neutrality now, and I want it FOREVER.
—Tahla Tessier, Birmingham, AL

I am a freelance artist, and I make a great portion of my money every month via the internet. It's how I reach new clients, how I show my existing work, and how I transmit and store my current work. However, I do not make enough to add any expenditures, and any blow to my online reach would mean even less money for my wife and I. I cannt abide the ending of net neutrality, and I refuse to allow cable companies to have control over my business. DO NOT ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN. This is not only wrong and clearly money-motivated, it's UN-AMERICAN. Thanks, --Dylan
—Dylan Pharaoh-Whitney, Oceanside, CA

I believe it's not just important for me but also for everybody in the world. You need it, but we need it the most. Everything good could start on internet. The world is going to a slightly better place for us to live is also because of internet.
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Hi, I am yet another voice writing to you in favor of Net Neutrality. I'm sure you've received a lot of comments, probably ranging widely in quality and coherence. So, thank you for taking the time to read this one. Simply put, I ask the following: 1. Reclassify ISPs as Common Carriers. This provides them legal protection against the content of any of the traffic they serve, and puts all data on a level playing field. 2. Support and enforce Net Neutrality. ISPs should not be able to "double dip" by charging twice for the same data. Having a two-tiered internet - a fast lane, and a slow lane - hurts the users and small businesses of the Internet. I know the cable companies try to claim that the two lanes would be a "high speed lane" and a "hyper speed lane", but that's simply absurd. Imagine if such a system had been put in place ten or fifteen years ago. The "high speed lane" would be 56 kbps (the fastest dial-up around), and the "hyper speed lane" would be the only one to see speed improvements. Which would bring us to a present-day of "uselessly slow lane" vs "actually usable internet lane". It may seem like we have fast internet now, but in the coming decades, we will be able to have Gigabit speed internet (that's 1,000x faster than Megabit speed internet, which is 1,000x faster than Kilobit). That's amazingly fast, and will enable fantastically useful features, and new businesses that we can't even imagine right now (who could have imagined Netflix in the days of dial-up internet?). There needs to be One Internet. For all the people. Indivisible, with equal access, for all. Not just for the wealthy.
—Tim Chestnutt, San Carlos, CA

Net neutrality isn't just important to me, it's important to everyone like me, and beyond. Net neutrality has allowed small businesses, freelancers, and people with innovative ideas and products the opportunity to compete on the same level as large corporations. Putting in place the proposed rules would be a devastating blow to anyone who isn't a large company that has the resources to afford a spot in the "fast lane". Not only is this proposition completely frivolous, foolish and anti-freedom, it would result in a fallout that might be far more devastating than we could imagine. Let's not find out, shall we? Thank you for listening to the people. The proposed law will do nothing good for anyone.
—Zak S, Lawrence, MI

So that charges won't trickle down to me the consumer. So that I can post things on the internet and know that people will be able to find and download it quickly. So that I can explain to my kids what a hypothetical monopoly is and I don't have to explain to them why there are monopolies.
—Mr. Tyler Wall, Lethbridge, AB

Please don't allow ISP's to exercise control over content that they should not have. Double charging the consumer and the service provider to transmit data is double dipping and greedy, pure and simple.
—Alex Poklewski, Campbell, CA

I am an independent artist who makes a living in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. Please protect REAL Net Neutrality. Protect the open Internet. Anything else is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate.
—Chris Perry, Fort Worth, TX

Chairman Wheeler, I am a Sophomore in college majoring in illustration. I aim to become a freelance artist so that I can work in a variety of industries on a variety of projects, work from home, and effectively manage my own finances after graduation. One of the main ways that I and artists like me get the exposure that allows us to make money through job offers and commissions is through sites like DeviantART, Tumblr, Behance, Facebook, Twitter, and other social media. With a "fast lane" type of prioritization for certain people on the internet (apart from other issues) it would make me and other artists - who are already being crushed by student debt, as art schools (CalArts, SVA, Pratt, SCAD) are a) notoriously expensive and b) notoriously do not offer much in non-loan based student aid - impossible to be noticed and make the money that we so need to survive and to create art that persuades, entertains, and inspires. And this is apart from the moral issue of opinions not being able to be heard on important topics. Please, for everyone's sake, keep the internet free and equal.
—Kate Sheridan, Philadelphia, PA

I am an independent artist who makes my living in whole the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. Please, It is your responsibility to the future of humanity that you protect REAL Net Neutrality. The “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Malika whitaker, Poissy,

Net neutrality is, of course, indescribably important to me as an individual. Nearly all of my livelihood and probably my future depends on the internet because of countless reasons. However, I'd like to write not just about why it's important to me, but why it's important to everyone INCLUDING the telecom companies and ISPs. On a socio-cultural level not only would getting rid of net neutrality be utterly detrimental to thousands of livelihoods across the globe, but could also create a negative chain of events that we might not be able to see right away culminating in probable acts of violence and worsening the state of affairs in countries and regions of the world that are already in a turbulent position. One only has to think of recent events like the uprising in Egypt to show how transcendental the internet is. When something as massive and deep rooted in contemporary cultures as the internet gets uprooted, it's not far fetched to think the repercussions could be severe. This would undoubtedly start a chain of events that would lead to economic uncertainty for millions of people and, obviously, subscribers. Even in more stable markets. The reason why the internet is so huge and such an integral art of so many people's lives is BECAUSE of it's net neutrality. Take that away and you're guaranteed to begin to lose clients little by little. Maybe it'll be a few today and a few tomorrow, but it will eventually add up to huge losses for the telecomm companies. Honestly, getting rid of net neutrality doesn't end well for anyone. Not a single good thing can come out of this. The telecomms might profit in the short run, but eventually it will catch up. You just have to look at the history of humanity and realize a move like this is eventually going to cause issues for every party involved. On a more long term plane, think of everything positive that the internet is used for freely: education, science, discussion, freedom of speech, global communication, cultural diffusion, justice and everything in between. In what world does anybody believe that dismantling this is a good idea? Finally, a bit about myself. When I graduated from college I moved away from my family and they moved to a different country. I could've gone with them but I decided stay and try to start my life here. I didn't have much one of the few things that I always made sure to have was the internet. I didn't have a phone, not a tv, not even a smart phone. I just had the internet as a means of communication with my family overseas and as a tool to help me launch and maintain my career and put my life together. None of that would've happened without net neutrality. Dreams, hopes, objectives gone. I'm only one person though, and fortunately I've come far enough to say that I have some semblance of a life, but think of all of the future generations of people. Think of all the million that might not have the same opportunities. That's not just for them, but it's what any one of them might eventually go on to be and the things they might do for the benefit of everyone else. A lot of great ideas might never see the light of day. Getting rid of net neutrality won't just debilitate lives now, but it will also be the indescribably detrimental to the future for everyone.
—Fabian Cuevas, ,

I'm an independant artist who can not afford to pay for publicity.
—Justin Conway, Warrington, PA

1. It is the future basis for my income 2. I need! a fanbase to have a successful carrier and to be able to sustain my family 3. the internet has too much potential in order to hold that back 4. A free and open internet is the single greatest technology of our time, and control should not be at the mercy of corporations. 5. A free and open internet stimulates ISP competition. 6. A free and open internet helps prevent unfair pricing practices. 7. A free and open internet promotes innovation. 8. A free and open internet promotes the spread of ideas. 9. A free and open internet drives entrepreneurship. 10. A free and open internet protects freedom of speech.
—Flo Haeckh, Berlin,

Without net neutrality the job killing effect of 2008 would be much worse. The free internet allows many tiny, niche type business to provide specialty products and services to a small (but real) world wide audience. The economies of scale needed for a large company to address these needs do not exist - but not only can a "mom and pop" operation serve this customer base - they can make a living at it! Our world has been made much better by the free internet - it supports innovation, education and political action. It opens doors, provides venues and opportunities for individuals worldwide. It is the best thing that survived 2008. To allow the multinational, big players to shut it down (for most assuredly that is the goal) is to take a fragile recovery and stomp it out. We have seen what "answering to the shareholders" has done to so many of our communities - do not hand them this last slice of pie - for without hope a people perish and most certainly the internet does provide hope. Please protect and save it.
—Elizabeth Macdonald, Durango, CO

It is my hopes and aspirations as I'm an animator for the internet and know exactly what this all means. please please please stop this. The internet is an amazing tool for all. It seems as if all the greatest tools for mans progress eventually slips into the hands of people who do not use it for the greater good.
—Robert A Jones, ,

Hi, I'm an independent and free lance artist who is trying to make a living with my stories and creations. I need Net Neutrality to help me make my dreams a reality. Me and many others need a level playing field. Independent artist don't have the same advantages as the corporations.
—Jody, Jonesboro, AR

Hello, My name is Amanda Carbine and I am an independent artist living in los angeles. Im currently striving to become a character designer and eventually open up my own production company for animated film. Because of this, I must explain my distaste and concern about net neutrality. Giving cable and internet companies the ability and discretion to decide which websites are on the "fast lane" amd which are on the "slow lane" is not only unfair, but it is dangerous. It is a slippery slope that will undoubtedly lead to a less diverse economy and the stop of technological innovation and competition. With cable companies holding all the power in the internet like this, the budding Disneys, Zuckerbergs and Jobses of the world will not have an opportunity to build new and thriving businesses. As an artist the internet allows me to show people my work and contact other artists to collaborate. I will not be able to compete with others should this bill pass. And this is against the philosophy of america at its very core Please uphold the current standard freedom and competition. Do not allow this to go through. It will be the end of our country being a hub of technological and artistic innovation. Thank you.
—Amanda Carbine, Harbor City, CA

I do not wish to be censored and I want the freedom to access anything without restraint without internet slow lanes.
—Cristina Komaroff, ,

I am an animator with aspirations to utilize the internet as a platform to share my content alongside larger studio works. The creation of fast and slow lanes on the internet will make it impossible for small companies to have the same quality experience with their consumers as large companies would have. Content creators with more money should not be able to dictate the power of the internet. Only the richest will be able to communicate most effectively on the internet, and that is wrong. If ISPs want to provide better experiences for things like streaming services, they should use the billions of dollars they bring in each year to improve their bandwidth, not take it away from those who can't pay as much.
—Ryan Geery, San Jose, CA

I am an independent artist and I would be hampered from making a living if real net neutrality is not preserved. I sincerely hope the internet is preserved as an open forum for all those who require it to supplement their income.
—Justin Cornish, Milton, FL

The only thing this does is encourage monopoly and it stamps out individuals looking to make something out of nothing. If this bill is allowed to pass, you're essentially allowing companies to butt-fuck every customer and small business owner who can't afford to pay for that "hyper speed" service. You're stamping out change in favor of monopoly. This bill isn't even necessary, it's a power grab. Don't give them the power to break something that has and will always be for everyone.
—Erin C., River Edge, NJ

As someone looking to be able to self-employ myself and support myself doing something creative that I love, I need Net Neutrality in order to sustain my independence, self-sufficiency and creative happiness to be able to pursue my career online and to expose myself to other fellow artists' artistic endeavors. To end Net Neutrality is to end creativity and deny artists and their audience a way to communicate with one another. Ending net neutrality denies us our voices.
—Liz C Tolleson, Pittsburg, CA

I believe in the freedom this country was founded upon. This is a disgrace. The internet is not something to be controlled. It does not belong in the wrong hands. Don't we all love and enjoy the internet? Why would anyone want to destroy something so crucial to the freedom of expression in our society? I can't find any reason to justify that and I won't stand for it. I know the founding fathers would be extremely disappointed to see such tyrany and abuse of power. Find your humanity.
—Anastasiamcmanus@gmailcom, Beverly Hills, CA

As an artist trying to get established, an end of net neutrality would mean an end of many new possibilities for little guys struggling to get ideas to the marketplace. What would be left is a playing field heavily tilted in favor of those who already had an advantage.
—Matthew Beraz, Castro Valley, CA

Please support, uphold, and restore Net Neutrality, or Net Equality. // As an independent creator and artist it has been amazing to watch the last few years as small creators, businesses, artisans, anyone with little more than a good idea have been able to parlay that into successful, popular, industry-disrupting or world-changing phenomena. I hope to take a stab at some projects myself in the near future. // Without Net Neutrality, none of that would have been possible. Only the already-big dominant businesses would be able to reliable get word out to their audiences. // The Internet has become vital, and should be treated as a utility like power or phone. Subscribers pay for service, there should be no reason big companies get to pay extra to squelch rising competitors smaller than them. // Please, please, please support, uphold, and restore Net Neutrality.
—John Nunnemacher, San Jose, CA

The question states the answer.
—Harvey Barry, Whitehouse Station, NJ

Please, you must keep net neutrality. You are only going to hurt small people by doing this. People like me depend on net neutrality to get content on the web. Creating a "fee" for internet that you already pay for is ridiculous and unnecessary. PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS
—Carrie Hankins, Murrieta, CA

Because without it, the internet just wouldn't be the same.
—Benjamin Hagan, Eddy, TX

I am studying to be an artist. I am always learning by everything I learn on the internet, but if certain corporations or companies who have to pay for my time block me from my favorite teachers, no one wins. How can I easily find Chris Oately's tutorials? Or watch a clip of a cool girl drawing something beautiful (and looking at her techniques) if a company could blast all it's "big schools of art" in my face and make it hard to enjoy looking online for a small independent artist? Also, if I can't even use the internet without feeling like I'm part of the "dirt road" compared to what the Trumps must feel on the "fast lane", where else can I find equality? Not only must I work long hours to earn a living, or spend a lot more time trying to find the other "dirt road" bound small artists, but I must also feel like the internet must be a little restricted for me just because I'm too poor to afford otherwise? I apologize if I got the wrong message or sound harsh. But this is important to me. To me, my experience on the internet is what makes my experience out in the real world just a little bit more manageable. Thank you for "listening" to my message.
—Shara, Wahiawa, HI

I am an independent digital artist who wants to create my art on a free Internet.
—Emily Barber, Ethel, LA

Net Neutrality is essential to me. I am a freelance artist that frequently uses the web to do business, share artwork, and receive feedback. I need it to grow. I need it to prosper. If there's no net neutrality, no REAL net neutrality, millions upon millions of people are cut off from prosperity. From knowledge. From aid. From communication. It shuts down the world as we know it. It will cave in on itself. Everyone depends on it to create and grow, to share, laugh, and live. No company should have control over that. It is an attack on our rights. As a creator myself, my own business would plummet, as would millions of others. Limiting the free network of ideas being shared will bring our progress as a human species to a standstill. Technological progress. Societal progress. Whole revolutions against inhumane administration quelled before they can get their bearings because they no longer have access to the basic tools that they need. This isn't purely an American thing. It isn't just whether or not we can access Facebook or social media quickly. It has a much larger range of effect. This affects everyone worldwide. With this kind of limitation in place, you could very much cause the end of many people across the globe. Do you really want that blood on your hands?
—James Thompson, Lansdowne, PA

Fairness. Equal access has engendered tremendous benefits. And I have a niece who is creating an ongoing webcomic, and she cannot afford higher fees.
—Ms. Carolyn Cliff, Charleston, ME

Because I'm a student who needs information fast. The elimination of net neutrality would make writing papers that much harder and would significantly impair students' abilities to learn. The internet has become essential to high school and college courses. Eliminating net neutrality would destroy our modern system of education.
—Kimberly Phippen, Los Angeles, CA

As a digital artist and a creative person the internet lets me speak and collaborate with other artists quickly and efficiently. It also allows growth of beginning artists to join in on communities they normally may not have access to like art tutorials and help. I know that net neutrality is very important to me and thousands others and that to pass these laws would be immoral and a great disservice to inventors and creators everywhere.
—Lepone Åagard, Sandy, UT

Be it a big compony like Netflix or a house wife checking her email, no one should be forced to pay more for internet then anyone else just so big cable Comping can line there already blotted pockets.
—Joe Colestro, olean, NY

As a young adult who has watched the internet grow, I cannot stand for net neutrality to end. Those in my generation have watched businesses grow from their internet origins. We have been inspired and motivated to succeed and innovate by them. The internet is the great new playing field for business. And for many my age, it's an integral part of the new American Dream. We go to college and learn of successful PR through the internet. We have classes on Social Media Management. Many of our favorite businesses, brands, etc. owe a great deal of their success, fanbase, and loyalty to the internet. Losing net neutrality means losing future businesses, services, and more. On an even more personal note, I am a minority. I am Asian American, an international adoptee, Jewish, and not straight. The internet has allowed me to connect with others and learn empowerment when living in places with no physical connection to these others like myself. For many people my age, we have found our voice on the internet. The thought that services streaming content and providing discussion spaces could find themselves cut off or severely cut back due to these new rules is heartbreaking. I could not imagine myself without the possibilities, opportunities, connections and knowledge the internet has provided. The thought that others who are struggling may, in the future, not have the same access I had breaks my heart.
—Hannah Rome, Assonet, MA

The internet should treat all data as NEUTRAL. IF Tom Wheeler get's his way, it will destroy the internet as we know it.
—Steve, Jackson, MO

Please keep Net Neutrality, it is extremely important to everyone with access to internet. It would bias everyone who uses it, in directions that are not necessarily in the best. This would be like controlling information, which is a violation of free speech and this is not acceptable. Thank you for helping to keep Net Neutrality.
—Zoe McCartney, Mill Valley, CA

I am an independent artist and net neutrality is important to me for connecting with people all around the world. Any one who has access to the internet should have equal access. The internet is the road to the future. Without individuals having equal access to the internet, innovation will cease to progress. New ideas are shared everyday online. Corporations are run by individuals. If they want their companies to progress the people in the company need to progress. They need equal access to information.
—Ian Smiley, Valencia, CA

the internet is my livelihood, my relationships with my peers, my opportunities to help myself and others create a better future. It would be criminal to end that opportunity now, when its just starting.
—Kathleen Kralowec, San Francisco, CA

The internet is how we get the news today, there is no other way-- television is going to the highest bidder, we as voters need access to the whole story and not what FOX curates for us. We have this tool now-- why go backwards?
—Kat, Mountain View, CA

I am in independent artist trying to share my creations with the world. At the moment the most easily accessible way to do that is through the internet. By creating Internet "fast lanes" and "slow lanes" the FCC would severely limit my ability to be self sustainable. In a world with quickly dwindling resources shouldn't long-term self sustainability be our top priority?
—Austin Root, Allston, MA

it is their responsibility to the future of humanity that they Protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable. Our nonprofit art studio for people with disabilities deserves to be heard from loud and clear!
—Yolanda E Propson, Rochester, MI

I'm a visual artist and it seriously infringes on my rights to free expression.
—Brent McCarthy, Brooklyn, NY

The internet is a massive source of communication, education, and innovation. Creative individuals and small companies need Net Neutrality to reach their audience. The internet has become a place where people can earn money to support families and themselves. Taking away the equal playing field would mean the devastation of many people's jobs and livelihoods. Please consider each and every one of these people and keep the internet as it is. Thank you.
—Gabe Brandt, Fremont, CA

I am striving to establish a career as a freelance concept artist and illustrator. Most of my business will be done over the web and I will need my professional websites to operate at competitive speeds. Ending net neutrality would make it 100x harder on my career to succeed.
—Gina, Los Angeles, CA

We the people need equality in the real life and in the internet. Thanks for hearing :)
—David Perez, ,

I am an artist and I value connections made on a net neutral internet.
—Madeline Chen, Morganville, NJ

Children in schools will seek online for information and will receive info from the fastest supplier weather it is true or not. I am also worried that people like me, freelancers, will not get the jobs I need to live because will not be able to afford the light speed internet. The internet is ultimately free speech. If this happens why would American users not find a new way around this, a new internet. Everybody would loose.
—, Felton, CA

I do much of my business via the Internet, and want to keep my client service sharp and my costs down. We already pay too much for web access for what we get compared to the rest of the world. Provide us with the ability to compete in the global economy without costly increases by Internet providers.
—Tom Mescall, Redondo Beach, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me because of education. A lot of Education takes place on blogs and personal websites, and if some of us get put into the slow lane, that will stunt the growth of others. I shouldn't have to pay extra to keep people in the community informed on what their children are learning in my classroom or educate online for those who had a hard time getting it elsewhere. Please keep Net Neutrality.
—Tate Mlady, Lincoln, NE

Net Neutrality is important to every American and it must be preserved. I work for a small business and we DEPEND on having affordable fast internet connections and we cannot afford to pay the kind of "tolls" that GIANT corporations can pay to send their business communications and large files. No one should have less access or speed on the internet. The internet needs to be handled like all our other utilities. My neighbors don't get cleaner water than I do by paying more for it and they shouldn't get faster internet than I do by paying for it either. Same goes for businesses. Equal access with equal speeds...Net Equality=Net Neutrality FOR REAL and FOR EVERYONE. Thank you for your time.
—Tantris Hernandez, North Hollywood, CA

My daughter and I have a small business on Etsy. Our shop is "open" 24/7/365 to anyone in the WORLD. We are on the same level as any other business, large or small. If "net neutrality" is abolished, and we are forced to pay a fee to compete against other companies, we will flounder. It would not be fair to us or to anyone else.
—Christine M. Irvin, Grove City, OH

The system FCC is trying to enforce is medival, greedy and completely pointless. It will hold humanity back, and for what? For the sake of the corperations purse. how this is even considered to be allowed is beyond me. Tom Wheeler, take the proposed rules, and throw them out the window. Take the chance to be a protector and hero of civilization.
—Johanne Workinn, ,

bad idea, nobody wants this. if you want feedback google it, see for yourself what the rest of us think about it.
—Ivan Grekov, Swampscott, MA

As an artist this could mean a whole new internet in the wrong direction. We don't want fast lanes or slow lanes or even medium lanes. ALL CONTENT EQUAL!
—Liz Davis, Sterling, IL

I've always followed the road led by others, told by others was the only way of doing things. I've been through school, graduated and see the world differently. This world is not what it used to be before the internet got big. We can't all go straight from school to apprenticeship to a career. Even when we do, there is a chance that the careers gets cut without our knowing. The internet has been the one place where I feel like I can still be somebody in this world! Not only is a platform for a struggling college grad turn hopeful-artist like myself to establish my brand, but it also a place where I find inspirations from. The massive amount of people, bloggers, artists, comedians, writers, etc etc. who are now free to express their life perspective and give advice for those of us who are still searching for our purpose has boomed over the years. That is only capable because starting out with barely any money, we can still get our voices heard. Even though there are things in the world which falters our hope from time to time, the way that the internet is open to everyone has been a foundation of this future. It is a future which we want to continue building, even if we don't have money like Comcast or other companies do. We have great ideas, we do matter and we can make this world better. Please know, creating fast lanes for a small percentage of people who can afford it will only create a narrow-minded resource for the future of America and of the world.
—Becca C., Concord, CA

I aim to get a job at a large animation company as soon as I get out of college. Having the Internet stay equal is important so I can continue to post my work, make important contacts from those working in the field, and collaborating with other artists.
—Katie Wyman, Union, KY

I make my living from the internet. Clients find me via my website and blogs. A change in net neutrality would affect me and countless other artists, business start ups, musicians, bloggers - basically everyone. The net should be for everyone not just those with money.
—Kenneth Anderson, ,

I am a graphic designer by day, single income, family of 6 (soon to be 7) to support. I am an independant artist attempting to build a business online, simple fare- independent children's stories and the like - I'm a small fish in a big, big pond. With the internet as is, I have a chance- equal free exposure to the masses and a level playing field for a shot at success. With the proposed changes I wouldn't have a chance. Sir, please. For the people, for startups, nonprofits and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls proposed. Please don't do this. Thank you for your time.
—David White, Lake Forest, CA

I am an artist and a woman with interests in building a small business some day. Net Neutrality is something that would allow me the ability to actually gain some measure of success through that. Keep Net Neutrality! And, keep big corporations out of regulating our internet.
—Ashley Armanini, San Jose, CA

I've graduated from college unable to find the kind of employment I need to survive. So I've found another way. I'm an independent artist now, and I use the internet to run my business and build connections. Please, don't make this even harder for me. Thank you, Ellie Fortune
—Ellie Fortune, Arvada, CO

As a creator/designer, my website is the only place for people to see my work and (therefore) hire me. As a consumer with little disposable income, the lack of Net Neutrality would actually prevent me from subscribing from many internet services I currently use (Netflix, Amazon lending library, etc)
—Jacob Lowry, Memphis, TN

I am an artist, and Net Neutrality is highly important for me to reach out to potential visitors and build a fanbase. I feel the new rules are unreasonable and unfair for us creative people and we have to work hard to get what we want out of it.
—, Marietta, OH

The Net is supposed to be fair game for everyone. If it is no longer neutral than it isn't fair. Those who pay more should not be more important than those who can't pay as much. I post to free sites like deviantart and it isn't fair to us artist who use it as a medium to showcase our hard work.
—David Young, North Concord, VT

I'm working toward becoming an independent artist who makes my living in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. For the future of humanity, I respectfully remind you it is your responsibility to look out for the best interests of people and protect REAL Net Neutrality. The “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—India Cable, Madison, IN

To me, the internet exists as an infinite frontier; one rooted in the fullest of human potential, and expression. It acts as a leveling agent in a world marked by increasingly stark inequality, and continues to educate, instill a sense of social responsibility, and establishes a sense of community, potentially leaving nobody isolated...Likewise, I duly acknowledge the capacity for palpable evil--the degree of cyber-bullying, pornography, and addiction increases to near-pandemic proportions daily; nothing is sacred. However volatile this system might be, the degree of liberty it bestows upon so many outweighs any potential risks. To deny anyone of this liberty through regulation is nothing short of fascism. Please do the right thing as an American.
—Adam R. Fortin, Los Gatos, CA

I keep waiting for signs that will allow me to hope that greed will, eventually, stop hindering the development of the human race. It is because of greed that advancement is stagnant. Have we come far? Yes. But we could be so much farther a long. Incredibly and unbelievably farther along. The internet is a place for ideas and content. Sure. Many people misuse the internet. But there are some voices among that crowd of ignorant people that should and must be heard. If Net Neutrality stops, you'll shut everyone up. You'll stop development. You'll let greed drive. I keep hoping people will eventually stop making a priority out of making money. I keep hoping they'll look to bettering this cold, brutal world instead. How about it?
—Jean Paul Thewissen, ,

Dear Mr. Wheeler, As a storyteller in the animation industry, I hope to one day own my own studio and make animated shows that everyone can enjoy. Net neutrality gives me the ability to show the masses what my team can do and what we have to offer, and allow our business to grow into something bigger. It is my belief that even big businesses and most of the people behind them had earnest and humble beginnings and had to work hard to get to where they are, and if you value seeing ambitious folks from rural areas working hard to make a name for themselves, I urge the FCC keep the internet as it is: for everyone, no matter how big or small. Sincerely, Josh DuJordan
—Josh DuJordan, Yuba City, CA

Because the Internet is an essential resource for life and shouldn't become an elitist tool.
—Tabitha pujol, Staten Island, NY

Without net neutrality you will be sending a message to the 99% of us who are not in the elite category. You will be blocking the growth of intellectual minds everywhere. This is just so wrong. Scrap the proposal.
—Michele Fergus, South Lake Tahoe, CA

Equality is integral to balanced social structure. Without balance, we have oppression. Do not create the divide online that already exists in the physical world!
—Lisa A, ,

We will be getting fed advertisement everywhere we go, everywhere we look. Its being shoved down out throats. We wont even be able to connect with the artists we want to support. Please stop this net neutrality, for a better tomorrow.
—Frank, ,

I’m an independant illustrator and artist, ending net neutrality creates further barriers in making a living as an independant. It staunches creativity and innovation. Please stop the corporates from owning the creative world. Sincerely, Ciro Correia
—Ciro Correia, ,

Net neutrality is indispensable for the internet to remain the way it is, equal to everyone and free of government and corporate control. Taking it away would change forever the biggest invention of last century and put it in hands of corporations to make their businesses grow. The internet is now the only place in the world where one can speak freely, revolutions were started through the internet, change is made through the free internet and it should remain so.
—Federico Etchegaray, Savannah, GA

Net Neutrality allows us to start our own discussions, businesses and contents in the internet without the interference of big-time corporations deciding on what is 'commercially reasonable' or what is not. I want to be able to read or watch things in the internet that I discovered to be interesting by my own browsing in the internet, not because Time-Warner decided what web-series should be the most popular. The internet's state of Net Neutrality is synonymous to free-speech. To take that away from us because a content is not profitable is to take away our free-speech for the lowly reason of 'lack of profit'.
—Carlo Puche, ,

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—Poila Invictiwerks, ,

Net Neutrality is critical to myself and every fellow artist I have ever known. We need to be able to share our artwork in it's myriad of forms and be able to be seen and heard to make a living and feel satisfied as people. The internet is one of the greatest opportunities and most exciting thing to happen to us creatives! Please respect net neutrality. Creating an "internet slow lane" for independents is just unfair and unacceptable.
—Andrea K Haid, San Francisco, CA

I'm a freelance artist and I have a blog online that allows the whole world to see my work. I don't have money to market myself besides paying my above-average Comcast monthly internet fee. Also, I follow 250 artists on blogger as well as 108 artists on tumblr. I wouldn't want any of those artists to have to pay extra either. Also, right now I'm allowed to have Facebook, Google, Blogger, Tumblr, and Flickr for free. I would assume they would all start paying these new fees to keep up with the higher-tier. That might turn into me and all my friends having to pay for these currently free services. Also, I really appreciate the bargains on Amazon. I don't want them to have to start paying fees and thus the customer base having to pay more as well. Please consider this as you are making your decision about Net-Neutrality. I admit I may not understand all of the issue on both sides of the fence, but I want you to know what is important to me.
—Matt Watts, Orem, UT

Same reason as everyone else.
—Michael Firenze, san jose, CA

I make video games for a living and release them online. Without net neutrality I do not have a fair shot at making a living for myself and my family.
—Sean Keeton, Walnut Creek, CA

The internet is an important tool for information. Everyone deserves information, not just those who can afford to spend huge amounts. As newspapers cut back and TV goes to "reality", every day people need to be able to research and get real information.
—Bridget I, Doylestown, PA

I'm an artist and both of my children are too. It sounds like the end of net neutrality would not benefit anyone except for cable companies. It will make the world a little sadder for the rest of us.
—Sylvia Scott, ,

We live in a time where the American Dream--the ability to pull one self up by their own bootstraps and become a success story--is possible and prominent on a global scale thanks to the equality that presently stands among the internet. Eliminating net neutrality will reverse this entirely and put us in a world where only those in power get to decide what can succeed or be seen. I am personally an independent artist working hard to expose my ideas to the public world via the internet, a working father and husband who has little chance to travel. The internet is literally the only real way I can expose my work to the public and garner some attention and business for my craft. It would be terrible for me and artists like myself (and there are many, many of us) to have to abandon hope of being able to put our work out there unless we can afford exorbitant fees for the "fast lane" instead of allowing our works, our books and comics and animations and blogs, to have the chance to stand on their own merits. Net neutrality must remain. Internet service must be declared a public utility.
—Jonathan A Price, Philadelphia, PA

I work for a non-profit, www.ittakestwo.org, and the proposed changes would greatly hinder our efforts to expand our out reach. Our plans involve building a dynamic site with video and streaming resources. I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service. Thank you.
—Jason Wright, Upper Marlboro, MD

I am an independent artist who current equality (neutrality) of the Internet to promote my work, research and help contribute to me making a living. Please do not let telecome giants ruin the career I have worked so hard to build.
—Pei wei Li, ,

As a citizen of this country I request the FCC to keep the internet as an open network, free and usable for all peoples of the world. We have a rare opportunity to participate in a means to provide access to news and information, usable by all mankind. I use the internet for mail, basic information on all topics, a way to meet people from all countries and walks of life, education and entertainment. In times of crisis and emergency it needs to be open and quickly available to me for information and instruction for my family's safety. I see no reason to politicize the internet by allowing business interests a better access than the rest of us. Thank you
—Martha Clark, Cape Elizabeth, ME

The net should not be driven by greed!
—Summer Passmore, Los Angeles, CA

For equal access, equal rights, equal freedom of speech, and lack of a corporate takeover.
—Lara Sandygren, Seattle, WA

Im an independent artist who makes your living selling my art (or is working to make your living) in whole or in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. It is their responsibility to the future of humanity that they protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Santosh G Oommen, Sierra Madre, CA

It gives me the right to explore the internet and learn. The internet gives me a foot up on what school teaches.
—Brian Walton, Plainfield, NJ

The internet is the most democratic and powerful platform for that mankind has ever seen, allowing anyone to deliver content, express their thoughts and disseminate artistic endeavors instantly to anyone anywhere in the world. For it to continue to thrive and grow, it is crucial that we maintain net neutrality. The FCC needs to do it's job and protect this critical asset and medium for free thought. Do not allow these telecom companies to further consolidate and modify the rules and services available to all.
—Zach Daniek, Portland, OR

The Internet needs to remain open to all! The FCC's proposed rules are going to destroy what we all know and love about the internet. These rules are progress in the wrong direction!
—Chris Moore, Mesa, AZ

The US was founded on freedom and equal access for all. We pride ourselves on having those values. The open internet allows all firms to play equally and ensure consumers choose servies because of their quality instead of internet speed. I worry about the slippery slope of throttling the Internet based on firm influence- dont you!? What would the US say if N. Korea did this? Isnt it a form of censoring? I want net neutrality, please! Thank you for representing this
—Rachel Witalec, Stanford, CA

I believe in an equal playing field for the internet. That was how it was built and it should stay that way. Please use your better judgment and keep Net Equality.
—Adam Scott, Lindon, UT

Because if Net Neutrality is not preserved, that'll put multi-million dollar corporations at an unfair advantage over small, independently-owned businesses which in turn could negatively impact the already fragile economy. As an freelance artist, I depend on Net Neutrality for employment. This type of discrimination and absolute power granted to telecom giants is unacceptable.
—Angela Cheng, Bethesda, MD

By having a two tiered internet you are providing yet another way we as people will be discriminated against in terms of rich and poor more so than the way things are now. The lack of access to the information caused by an unfair division of people's earnings would also determine who would be educated and who could not afford it as the access to required information would be no less important for study; by that point you are taking away the rights to an education of all the people who cannot afford this ridiculous financial barrier and further cripple society as a result. Schooling would cost more because colleges and universities would still require a fast internet, less people would be able to work important jobs and the rate of educated peoples in Canada would plummet making us not much better than a third-world country.
—Danik Tomyn, ,

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service. The internet is, and has been from the beginning, an equal and global platform. It allows people to share information, learn and collaborate with each other in a way that humanity has not been able to do before. The outcome is rapid progress in every field of interest, widespread education that inspires curiosity and exploration, and invention as people from opposite ends of the world can find those with similar interests as themselves, or discover problems that have not been solved that they are capable of solving. Net Neutrality has created a generation of people that are exposed to global culture and education in ways that nobody has experienced before, and it has allowed entrepreneurs to support themselves through inventiveness and appeal to niches that would have otherwise never been discovered. The proposal to limit this open channel is outrageous. It is nobody's right to redirect an open channel capable of indiscriminate communication. Channel prioritization should be the choice of the individual, the viewer, the communicator, not the salesman, not the service provider, and certainly not the law. This would practically be the equivalent of censorship. In fact, it is a direct violation of freedom and an unforgivable attempt at halting human creativity and cooperation. It is the opposite of everything that your country stands for ideologically: equality, freedom of speech, and entrepreneurship. It would be the first step in creating a society wherein the rich stagnate in their own ignorance, and the poor are trapped within their own misfortune. Do not allow this to progress any further. The whole world is watching, and this will certainly not be able to be swept under a carpet. If America is no longer going to be the beacon of liberty that you have long claimed to stand for, then you will have lost the only culture you have managed to create for yourselves.
—Daoyi Liu, ,

I understand that you have probably heard this from a lot of people, but please, PLEASE don't take our equality on the net away from us. This is blatant discrimination against anyone who doesn't have the right connections or money to get involved with the big companies, and also means that we could be losing a lot of the amazing things that people create or do on the internet, from their own small businesses. Things like this are beginning to make our world seem scarily Orwellian - taking our freedom and equality away from us just so that big powers can cash in on our losses. It is not right, or fair in any way whatsoever, so DON'T let this go through. Please, listen to the people for once.
—Emma, ,

I have just heard the alarming news that independents (self employed people like myself) may suffer if the latest Net Neutrality rules come into effect. We need the internet to promote our work and enabling a two track system, fast and slow, would immediately put many on the backfoot. How can we little people compete against the big corporates? This seems very unfair, so I have taken the time out to let you know how I feel. How can you restrict a World Wide information highway. What you are doing is wrong. I urge you to please reconsider. Regards.
—Deborah Peacock, ,

Art is an area of our culture where dissent, offense, and boundaries are pushed which is why it is considered "speech" and therefore enshrined in the first amendment. By allowing net neutrality to be compromised to the highest bidder, the beating heart of culture, uncensored art, would be compromised. What makes our country unique and inspiring around the globe is our precedence in this area. What makes our country the disappointment around the globe is our continual cashing in on our "freedom, liberty, and justice for all." Kill the bill and let freedom ring!
—Michelle Dowdle, Ogden, UT

Fairness for everyone- not just those who can afford it.
—Cathy Poll, Manitou Beach, MI

Net Neutrality is everything to the freedom and power of the internet. Everything being equal and fair across the board offers creativity and innovation on a level that without it, would cripple the thousands of jobs the internet has created. It would set us back into a recession. I honestly believe that. It would cripple what has finally got rolling again. I also firmly believe that if Net Neutrality is damaged, there will be riots. The internet can't be taken away now, it can't and shouldn't be harmed by anyone. It is the one thing I honestly believe we've accomplished as a species that actually matters. All causes can be supported equally. The entire population can be made aware of wrongdoings and disasters. We, as a people can finally see and communicate in a means that defies the ancestral methods that came before it. No business. No company. No one force should have an influence over it. I honestly believe breaking Net Neutrality will lead to riots. All it takes is a small motion to make a cascading effect. The Internet, and the people that subscribe to it do not want it touched. SOPA and any other legislature was universally panned and with outright hated. I don't want to see anything harm the potential innovation that the Internet, and the collective power of our species compromised by the fiscal interests of the few. Unlike the United States, it is the one true Democracy. So long as it stays equal to everyone that subscribes to it. I want nothing less than real Net Neutrality. I want laws to protect this. I want the Internet to not be interfered with. I want it, and I am doing everything I can to make sure everyone I know is aware of this danger to the internet's freedom.
—Kory Tierson, Newark, NY

I follow freelance artists and indie start ups, I myself work in the Creative Arts and this would see a lot of unneeded bias that we aren't interested in being bombarded with.
—Rose, ,

Hello Mr Wheeler. I'm a freelancing artist from Sweden. If the FCC lets the companies take charge over the internet, it's likely most of my american clients won't be able to find my work, and Since US residents make up half of my client base, that would make it impossible for me to keep working. I sincerely ask that you reconsider and stop these discriminative and greedy rules from getting approved. Vilhelm Bergendal
—Vilhelm Bergendal, ,

No corporation or single company should have direct control over what the public sees and hears on the internet. Taking control and turning the internet in what is today's television would be global mind control.
—Michiel den van Heuvel, ,

Dear Mr Wheeler, As a small time freelance illustrator and artist who depends heavily on the internet to sell my art to clients, I strongly oppose the implementation of a two tiered system for internet data speeds. Strongly supported by the cable companies who have the worst reputation with the public and who have failed to use the tax incentives granted to them to improve their infrastructure, giving them this power is a recipe for disaster. The recent throttling of Netflix speeds until they agreed to pay extra is a blatant example of their misuse of power. The internet is not only a form of recreation but has become a necessity for most people who need to conduct even the simplest tasks of daily living. We pay more in the US for slower speeds than many foreign, less developed countries and supporting a two tiered data pricing system will only increase that discrepancy. Throttling the internet will be throttling freedom, something our founding fathers gave up their lives to protect. Please do not allow this to happen. Respectfully, Carl Kocich
—Carl Kocich, Fort White, FL

I am a small freelance artist whose whose whole business runs on word of mouth and internet chatter from my FANS. With these proposed implementations I will not be able to run my business or my comic book online anymore. Please don't allow the cable companies to become like Facebook and render the whole internet useless. I can't compete with the big guys yet and quite frankly I don't want too. Thanks for your time.
—Rich Molinelli, Denver, NC

You're mucking about with something that doesn't need mucking with. The internet as it is is great, it's REAL Neutrality, Everyone has the same chances to get their sites out there. Artists can find fans, fans can become artists, all the political parties have their websites as do other big businesses. Not everyone wants to SEE those sites though, there's nothing forcing someone to go to a site they don't want to go to just because 'it's faster'. I like the net the way it is, faults and all, because it's truly open. I can go to sites like National Novel Writing Moth and meet someone from Egypt, or France or Japan and not have to wait forever for the site to load cause it's a nonprofit and couldn't buy the 'fast lane' you people want to put into place on the Internet. Don't take my fellow writers and friends away from me, don't take anyone's creative groups away from them just cause there's a 'fast lane' the websites can't afford. Leave the Net alone, guys! Sure it's faulty but at least it's Equal, just the way it is right now.
—Storm, Grand Rapids, MI

In a word, freedom. The freedom to connect to whom I want, the freedom to research what I want, when I want and at the fastest possible speed I want. I already pay for interment access. Allowing big cable companies to control content and regulate who is allowed in the "fast lane" while exiling the rest of us to a "slow lane" is reprehensible. The cable companies did not invent the internet and have no right to regulate it or control any aspect of it.
—Allan Ruble, Mebane, NC

I'm an independent artist who makes my living in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet.
—Brittny Beauchamp, Fishers, IN

As a (wanne be) artist I deserve the same lane of opportunities everyone else has to branch out, to inspire and to be inspired and to be able to find people I want to converse with. Want to kill creativity of web comics, indie games and indie movies ?Because that's all this law is good for. UMURRIKA land of opportunities ... where the government employs people that have used the internet about as many times as they have fingers on one hand trying to regulate a global service. Disgusting.
—Nigel de Graaf, Hoevenen,

I am a small business owner and a working artist. I truly believe that small businesses are the key to recovering our economy, both nationally and globally. Without allowing creators, artists and entrepreneurs the chance to promote and distribute their work in a fair market they will never have a chance to survive. We will be an economy ruled by companies that are “too big to fail”. These companies will focus on the bottom line, cutting jobs where ever they can, and outsourcing to unregulated labour markets that allow terrible working conditions. Jobs will become a limited commodity. With more and more citizens out of work, denying us the chance to create new jobs through our own businesses is comparable to signing a death warrant. Without a fair chance at opportunities to grow, expand and even attempt to create new enterprises, we are at the mercy of the Government. More and more citizens will need to use social services. With fewer and fewer citizens able to pay into these services we are reaching the end of a very short pier. The cycle cannot continue this way. Removing the opportunity for small businesses and creators to promote themselves fairly means they have no chance of ever being self-sufficient. The survival of these small enterprises means more jobs over all, more citizens paying into social services and creating jobs for others. This is one of the most important issues the global population is facing right now. I urge you to stand up for our rights. Only with a fair opportunity at success can we truly bring up the standard of living for all people across the globe.
—Jessie Dawn Trubiano, ,

Dear Tom Wheeler, I work as a games artist as well as a freelance artist whose livelihood depends on the current equality (neutrality) of the internet. Like the majority of indie games companies and freelance artists living in South Africa, we get most of our work through overseas clients. If these proposed rules for the internet are implemented, at the very least it would be difficult for us artists to connect with overseas clients and at the most impossible. South Africa also suffers from a slower internet speed in comparison to other countries due mainly to its distance from them. That is a problem I as a South African have to deal with itself. If the rules for the internet are changed our internet would be slowed down all the more and a lot of South African companies and artists would not be able to afford the rates for a faster internet. The creative industry is small in South Africa, but thanks to the current state of the internet it is growing. I deeply fear that if the rules for the equality of the internet are changed it would crush our infant creative industry before it can leave the cradle. The games company I work for, the artists I know, the livelihoods that they've fought tooth and nail for would be swiftly and ruthlessly taken away. In conclusion, if the Federal Communications Commission allows for the rules for the internet to change it not only affects Americans but the whole globe. Millions of people the world over would have to close their business and find another means of income. It would be immoral to ruin the livelihoods of so many people all over the world. Regards, Gina Viglietti (Games Artist and Freelance Artist)
—Gina Viglietti, ,

Profiteering is unconscionable.
—TC Wheeler, Tucson, AZ

It is the only hope i have for my start up business ideas, and i am certain there millions like me that agree. Please leave internet neutrality alone. Thank you.
—Joseph, ,

Hello, Mr. Wheeler, please keep the flow of free information and expression available to all America's citizens. This is one of the major principles that gives America its incredible greatness.
—Nicolas Palmer, Roswell, GA

The internet is one of the only remaining outlets for free speech in this country. We are regulated in everything we do in our daily lives. On the internet I can say what I want, illustrate what I want, and express myself in any way which I see fit. I use the internet to find new interesting people and to make a living. I'm a freelance artist and 90% of my income comes from internet clients. Don't block access to my living and take away one of the only remaining freedoms we have in this country.
—William R. Palacio, Prescott, AZ

Freedom. Freedom of information, ideas and speech. There are many ways for large corporations to make large amounts of money; destroying net neutrality is NOT one of them. In the long run the backlash from American citizens would cost them ALL billions of dollars, because we will stop using their products and/or services, no matter the inconvenience. Please do the right thing, FOR the people!
—Mike Sprouse, Manassas, VA

I am a student of Illustration and my future business depends on net neutrality to give me the chance of promoting myself and to be able to create my own services. Therefore my life depends on Net Neutrality!!!
—Julian Illy, ,

I want freedom of information and equal opportunities, a level playing field for everyone that has access to the internet. It's crucial for small business America to be able to compete world wide. If this goes through the big telecom companies will kill America. Yes some will become wealthy and that's probably the ultimate goal. But America would not be free, and run by corporations.
—Jon Otterstedt, Corona, CA

The internet is the greatest learning and information tool of all time, without net neutrality the internet would just be more bad tv.
—Thomas Clemmons, Amarillo, TX

Net Neutrality is important to me because I am an independent freelance artist who relies on this neutrality to make a living. I'm an animator and it is unjust to put my website and animation streaming in the slow lane simply because I can't meet the costly criteria. Getting rid of Net Neutrality will destroy any improvement to the economy and any shut down many startup companies who rely on an even playing field. Don't bring down the economy just to further inflate the big wig internet providers.
—Chelsea Corson, San Francisco, CA

I'm an artist and author and I reach my audience through an equal internet. Also, an equal internet is needed for the progression and improvement of the world.
—Andrea Skyberg, Milwaukee, WI

I'm a digital artist. Any money and notoriety that I've been able to scrape together in this tough industry has been because of the free range net. Also almost all my sources of inspiration and drive can be found within it. Please keep my livelihood and creativity from being stifled.
—Andrea Danielson, Coronado, CA

Because I use it for family, friends, for health, for good cause, networking, nonprofit support. People can't afford it to be like cable. It will ruin it for poor, low income, lower middle class, struggling businesses etc.
—Karen Dean, Pinckney, MI

I don't want the big industries to run over the little guys with your super highways of information that we can NOT afford to access or compete with. Net Neutrality for all and freedom of speech not to be controlled by Comcast AT&T and Verizon etc
—Doug Wood, Ann Arbor, MI

I need the internet to make my living! As a freelance artist and graphic designer, using the internet is absolutely integral to finding new clients and promoting myself. Please, Please, Please do the right thing for the people. The level playing field of the internet is practically the last vestige of an actual democracy that this country has at this point. Everyone knows Washington is in the pocket of corporations -- if you take the internet away from the people we will have nothing left but to be slaves to the will of the richest of the rich. Please.
—Janna Coker, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality is crucial to distribute my products on the Internet.
—Mahin Sarwar Khan, ,

Net Neutrality is important to me for two main reasons; first, for my future as an artist interested in making a name for myself on the internet which comes with communication and production of my own works. Second, for the culture of the internet, which for me is not only a source of entertainment, but is a great source of variety as far as inspiration for my own work, and education from others on the internet of different backgrounds. If Net Neutrality is gone, huge chunks of what I do appreciate about the internet will go with it, and it is your responsibility to keep this new culture of the internet alive. I hope all parties involved work towards keeping net equality.
—Dako Yazawa, San Francisco, CA

It is important that we dont give businesses anymore control than they already have over us.
—Michael Johnson, Antioch, CA

As an independant artist, I depend on everyone having access to my portfolio to be able to see my work, not just people or corporations who pay more to do so. Please help me maintain my livelyhood and make all resources on the web accessable to all equally. In this day and age, the Internet is used for everything: communication, shopping, finding a job, and even communicating with our government as I am currently doing by writing this message to you. Internet usage should be treated as a basic necessity, a right, not a luxury only to be afforded by the rich. Thus, I urge you to reclassify broadband as a telecommunications service. Thank you.
—Michael Dashow, Oakland, CA

The internet was created for speedy communication. It evolved into an accessible, beautiful forum of free speech. It is the embodiment of human kind, a transcendent reprepresentation of our collective hopes goals and choices. Your proposed rules will remove a great tool from the hands of the mass populace. A tool that combats inhumane political agendas, exposes crime and brings humanity closer together. Your rules also remove a fundamental right to choose. This is an unthinkable crime against humanity. Regardless of your opinions or your bank role, people have a right to think and choose for themselves the type of conversations, entertainment and products they enjoy. Selling the internet to the highest bidder is a selfish act which affects millions, not just in your country but all over the world. Those of us whose businesses thrive in the environment of the internet as it is rely on its neutrality, across the globe. The fact that I can freely connect and engage with someone from India or Sri Lanka, is priceless to me. The fact that they can purchase my book as we speak, is my welfare. You simply have no right to me and the millions of people like me out of touch with our peers, or out of business. Acts such as this create poverty and large scale economic instability. They set humanity back. Don't let your greed get the better of you.
—Meghann Doyle, Qualicum Beach,

Start-up businesses should have the ability to access the internet and potential customers without discrimination to foster innovation and growth.
—Robert Z Tillitski, Boca Raton, FL

I would like for people to continue to be able to grow, and tap into potential that we haven't even imagined yet on the internet. If we are dialed back behind big business, growth and ideas that could be life changing may never get the chance to come to fruition.
—Linda Beebe, Pueblo, CO

Net Neutrality conserves and protects rights for all Internet users including major online companies and regular users, therefore why would I or anyone else want to rid our shield from the corruption that can come with Internet service providers. I believe that Chairman Tom Wheeler’s proposal is recognizably a way for Internet providers to extract money from companies that in different circumstances, (outside the internet), would have no right to without question. This is not fair for anyone, except profitable for the service providers. ISPs are becoming the troll under the Internet bridge. If net neutrality becomes extinct, that means consumers will only be able to go through websites that pays all the fees to ISPs in order for the customers to get quality access to these outside websites that haven’t paid the troll toll. The Internet will become a place we do not have the right to choose or to be heard which are two rights we have as consumers. It is unfair for companies such as Netflix and Amazon as well. It is as if these companies are the small, freshmen in a new school and the ISPs are seniors who will stuff these companies in trashcans or lockers if they don’t pay their lunch money. Netflix and Amazon used the Internet as an implement to showcase their product and chose the Internet because of the open market. It is not every online website the ISPs are attempting to charge fees to; it is exclusively the largest online corporations. No matter how ISPs phrase what they are doing, or try and turn it, it is still discrimination. At the end of the day, these bullies are only what the ISP stands for: Internet Service Providers. They do not have a right to control the Internet or what website succeeds and what website fails. The government needs to step in now while it is legal to make this illegal before these providers gain more power and allow no room for our Internet speed, protection, and overall progress.
—Amy Morrell, Auburn, AL

It's obvious that giving preference to large corporate interests will only have a negative effect on small businesses, non-profits, creative workers and all people who support the concept that control of mass communications should never favor those who's voice is already over represented in all media, on all platforms. It's inherently unfair, undemocratic and clearly unwarranted and unnecessary. More Americans are employed by small businesses than large enterprises so why would we want to impede small business in their outreach to markets in favor of large businesses that already dominate those markets? To see the effects of this type of policy, where having more money translates into being able to dominate the public airwaves please take note of the results of the Citizen's United decision on our political discourse. Instead of thinking the FCC knows what's best for our country, why not ask individual citizens if they think this is such a great idea- I'll wager if you ask a broad sampling of Americans whether they prefer the current system or your proposed rules giving overwhelming preference on the internet to large companies over individuals and small business, they'll tell you to maintain the current rules.
—Gene Gouss, Warwick, NY

I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Cecilia H Aiello, San Luis Obispo, CA

The idea of letting monopolistic companies such as Comcast or Time-Warner regulate internet speeds is ridiculous. They have no concern except their own bottom line. In the end they will gouge customers as much as they can by limiting internet speeds unless people pay through the nose.
—Keith Rupp, Derry, NH

It is an opportunity to have my work seen as an artist. It allows me a fair chance, same as everyone else, to be hired as a freelancer. It allows my work to be judged solely on its own merit and not because it is ahead of someone else's or on a different lane. Please do not take away net neutrality. Also, speaking as a citizen of a first world country, we are constantly bombarded by ads. They are on tv, on my way to work, at work, at cafes and diners, in the media and on the internet, everywhere. PLEASE do not make ads more important that people. Corporations have enough power as it is. PLEASE do not step on us little guys and girls. Thank you.
—Iuliana Niculescu, ,

Because everyone have the freedom to express his or herself, Internet didn't need to become an dictature.
—Julien MARIETTE, ,

I am an independent artist who works full time and lives my dream at night with my wife and child. I have a small company with friends. This loss of net neutrality will hurt our business. We don't make much, so all the help we can get helps us in the end.
—Matt Wright, Homewood, IL

Freedom of expression.
—Steve Sobocinski, Saint Louis, MO

Less government is good
—Lex White, O Fallon, IL

Opportunity. Its already hard enough to compete and not feel trapped in modern slavery. Net Neutrality is part of what little chance we have to keep creating new jobs for ourselves.
—Carlos Caro, Elmhurst, NY

I'm a digital artist, my entire livelihood depends on the equal opportunity provided by Real Net Neutrality. Please don't take away my chance for success, and my contribution as a functioning member of society.
—Yasmin Khudari, Lyall Bay, HI

Net Neutrality is key to my existence as a freelance artist. Please do not allow the internet to become crippled by a tiered system, jobs and lives are at stake. Our growth is at stake. Thank you, Clay
—Clay Osmus, San Jose, CA

I'm an artist, and this sums it up for me: http://chrisoatley.com/savethe internet/?awt_l=FvWmA&awt_m=3Z xDYrWRClUGLtM
—Karen Forkish, Portland, OR

As an aspiring student artist, the Internet is essential if I, and many other artists and content creators are to become successful after graduating from college. We depend on the internet to create an online presence so that we can make money off of our work. Needless to say, if telecom companies are allowed to create a tiered internet, it already makes it that much harder for me and others to survive in such a competitive field. Most people starting out won't be able to afford the extra money that it would cost to get in the "fast lane" that directs traffic to their site. The very idea of a tiered internet goes against the principles of meritocracy and only goes to show that no matter how hard you work, if you don't have money, it doesn't matter. At this rate, we'd be no better than China, except instead of the internet being controlled by the government, it would be controlled by the corporate giants.
—Caroline Chiou, Torrance, CA

Please do not allow FCC's new proposed rules to destroy Net Neutrality! Creating a two-tiered Internet will hinder innovation and learning. Remember that Facebook was a start-up not too long ago and look a how it has changed the way people communicate and in turn, how they go about their daily lives. Look at how many jobs it created, and how many other companies grew by creating content for Facebook alone. I am an artist and share my artwork through the Internet, and know of many others who do the same and have even built their livelihood by solely creating online content. These artists have inspired me and countless others to learn and improve our skills as well as provided the means for us to do so. The Internet does not only serve as a means of entertainment, it is also most accessible form of education for many people. Please do not crush the hopes and dreams of people who are relying on there being a free and fair Internet to create what could be the next Facebook.
—Karlen Tam, Staten Island, NY

Freedom of information.
—Russell, Roy, UT

Never before in human history has so much information been available so broadly. Anyone with an internet connection can improve their mind, connect with the world or escape reality. The internet should be for everyone. It is as close as the real world can get to a true democracy. Eliminating Net Neutrality disenfranchises us.
—Amy Janzen, Oakville,

It's already hard for me as a beginning artist to make it out here, please let me keep my freedom to run next to do the big boys and let my voice be heard and work be seen!
—Ron Bomhof, ,

I am a freelance artist and animator. net neutrality will inhibit the potential of new and growing businesses and only enable corporations even greater visibility that would eclipse any competition of any kind we don't need to give them more power we definetly don't need to squelch divergent avenues of information ideas and trade
—Timothy Bowden, Bemidji, MN

I am an independent game developer and illustrator living in St. Louis, Missouri. My livelihood depends on being able to use social media platforms and various websites to share my work with others as a way of promoting my business as an artist. Being an independent content creator in St. Louis is made possible by the fact that you can share the work you create with anyone across the world. Many indies like myself live in St. Louis because they grew up in the Midwest, but also because it's possible to be independent here with the cost of living so manageable. Removing Net Neutrality would be a killing blow to small businesses and independent game developers in cities like St. Louis because we are able to thrive because of our determination and the value of what we create, not because of our budgets. Losing Net Neutrality would put a stranglehold on small content creators by limiting their reach and stifle any growth of new innovators and creators that are trying to share their work. I urge you to reconsider and maintain true net neutrality so that America's independent content creators can continue to flourish and not be limited in their ability to share their content and create a livelihood for them and their families.
—Eric Hibbeler, Saint Charles, MO

Net Neutrality has allowed me to make a living as a freelance graphic designer. My website is the #1 way I bring in clients, both locally and internationally. By sending my clients a link to my portfolio website, I am able to secure jobs and make a living. Without my website, I would have no way of making a living. If my website were relegated to the slow lane of the internet, I would literally be unable to work and provide for myself. I would have no way to compete with big ad agencies that have multimillion dollar budgets. There would be no way I could pay to have my website in the fast lane. I need Net Neutrality in order to survive.
—Kitty Brown, Monarch Beach, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because I believe that free and unbiased internet, devoid of (indeterminable) vested interests is a right of every individual and must be safeguarded at any cost.
—Aishwarya, ,

I am a small business owner, in the online industry, i develop and sell websites to small business owners, this new law has basically killed my business, thank you for making me homeless.
—Shane Sandwith, ,

Without Net Neutrality we would be thrown back to the corporate lions that are driver by greed for money. We already pay high prices for the services ISP provides and their balance sheets show that there not hurting by providing these pipeline services. Keep the internet equally available to all and consider methods to make it affordable to all. Without Net Neutrality we would be no better than many Chinese villages where the government controls everything. In this case it would be the ISPs.
—Taft Navarro, Hanahan, SC

My kids.
—Austin Garrett, Bonne Terre, MO

My wife and I both have online businesses and rely on fast internet access for our businesses to succeed.
—David Pentecost, Mulberry, FL

I am just an amateur artist whose dream is to draw, write and animate cartoons for a living. It was tough to come to terms with, since my first thought about it is that the odds of me achieving this dream are rather slim. However, I can honestly say that if it wasn't for the incredible capabilities of the internet, I would have given up this dream. That's right; I'd have been too scared to even try and put myself out there. Net neutrality gives an anonymous nobody like me a voice in the world. A voice that people can choose to listen to or ignore, but at least it's out there. And that's just me. There are literally thousands of other people who have the same opportunity to let their voices be heard, no matter who or where they are. I personally believe that the most amazing and important benefit of the internet is its ability to let people connect with each other. Making it so that they can gather and start a business, work on a project, help those who are less fortunate, etc. And that whatever they work on can grow if other people find it and decide to join in. The internet gives everyone the same unbiased chance to either succeed or fail at their endeavors based directly on people's responses to them. And as just one of the people who's trying to use that chance to chase his dreams, I'd really appreciate if the internet remained completely neutral. For myself and for everyone else who depends on the neutrality. Thank you for your time.
—Cristian, Culver City, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me because I run an online webcomic that is free to read and I am one quarter of a new startup online.
—Kerrie Smith, ,

Mr.Wheeler, I'm an aspiring artist. Thanks to the neutrality of the internet, I have been able to connect with other artists, post my work for people to appreciate and be a part of the creative community in my own small way. If you take this away from us, the honest working men and women in the different creative industries, you'll be helping wipe out communities. They'll be replaced with corporations looking for a new profit and the precious link creators, fans and associated people have with each other will be severely compromised. If numbers count, There are 3 or 4 corporate voices right now against the word of millions. That's what net neutrality means for us. It's a simple choice between big money and real people with real lives and communities that have come up organically. It's a simple choice, but the FCC will have to live with what it brings and takes away. I hope you have the courage to chose wisely.
—Pronoy Dutta, ,

Net neutrality is important to everyone in the world. We have the right to judge for ourselves what is in our best interests, and not for what the big cable companies want us to know, almost exclusively. Besides, I as many other people, depend on net neutrality to support our families with our online jobs. If you take this away from us, how will all of us support our families? How will our potential clients find us? Breaking the rules of net neutrality and taking it away from the world would not be fair at all. Please help us keep our freedom of communication, our freedom of live. Thanks, Paola Amador
—Paola Amador, ,

Net Neutrality is meant to keep a monopoly from occurring within the internet. This is going to make that happen and I believe that this is taking away our rights and giving them to huge corporations to pick and choose what they want. I do not think this is good for the United States citizens and should be banned from happening. Please keep Net Neutrality real and "neutral" and do not reclassify to aid corporate giants in taking over the internet!!!
—Josh, Dayton, OH

As a tax paying user of the internet, it disturbs me to see large telecom companies lobby to create changes in the laws that negatively effect me, while providing them with major control and increased revenue streams. Allowing them to discriminate over access speaks should not be allowed. In the united states we pay more than most in not all other countries for internet and cell service, while our access speeds have fallen well below most other industrialized countries. Although I normally do not favor regulation, in htis case I do. although the telecom companies are not strictly a monopoly, they are acting as an oligopoly, and colluding against the better interests of the users.
—Greg Arundale, Marion, IA

This would effect my business
—Karen, Windsor, CA

Net neutrality is important to me so that I can protect my privacy, so that I can continue building my small NGO, so that human rights and right to speech is not encroached upon. Its important so that the digital divide doesn't continue to grow! For a million reasons we need our internet to be neutral and treated as a telecommunications service. We must protect our citizens from the grip of large companies who stand to monopolize not only our internet access but already strong arm the government for their financial benefit.
—Krystal C Atha, Norwalk, IA

Net Neutrality allows for open communciation and information sharing for everyone. By allowing the FCC to allow Comcast and other telecom giants to cost tier the services, school systems, which are already financially strapped will be further constrained when teaching our kids.
—Susan Schaer, Naperville, IL

Dear Chairman Wheeler, I am an independent artist, working to make my living almost entirely through the current internet equality. A "slow lane" would be unacceptable and unjust. It would only benefit the large communication companies, and hinder everyone else, making it nearly impossible to reach our clients in a fair, open, equal forum. Please do your part in stopping these rules from becoming reality. thank you, Kevin Page
—Kevin Page, Woodland Hills, CA

prevent monopolies and keep costs under some semblance of control
—Paul C Czarapata, Bolingbrook, IL

Because I pay for the service its mine, not yours
—Monte Brown, San Jacinto, CA

I have low income
—Danny Ruiz-Cruz, River Rouge, MI

Please Classify the internet and an internet provider as a telecommunications company so it is FAIR for everyone. say NO to lobbyists.
—Neal, Ogden, UT

Net Neutrality is the medium in which creative artists and people of expression can do what they do best and still make a living for themselves. Without this competitive free atmosphere, we and many others as a result will topple in our best efforts to express ourselves, be seen, and control our lives and destinies. With this "fast lane/slow lane" concept, everything will grind to a standstill, a monopoly will be placed on the internet by the companies whose fat wallets can afford it and the people who can afford that. This is a matter of companies an investors trying to control the goose that lays the golden eggs, to take those eggs for themselves, instead of leaving it equally distributed through anyone and everyone who wants one. Don't let this happen. Please, for the sake of the posterity of this nation, for creative artists and people, and everyone else besides, even the companies, don't let this happen. Save Net Neutrality.
—Brooke, Windsor, CA

I am a freelance artist and the majority of my work comes form my internet exposure. If people can't see my work because I am not a large, popular and wealthy company, then my means of income will disappear. I depend on the equality of the internet in its current state to reach out and be seen.
—Katya Bowser, Burbank, CA

Net neutrality is neutrality of information As a scientist, neutrality of information is paramount, the foundation of science itself As a small business entrepreneur, neutrality of information means fair business As a family member, neutrality of information means children can grow up in a democratic information system and be able to recognise and correct the mistakes of this generation
—K van D, ,

The equality of the internet is what I as an independent creative depend on to make a living following my dream in the field of freelance illustration and design. If that equality is taken away I see not only a lot of dreams and creative jobs being taken away from people, but also the death of what makes the Internet so powerful for media in general. Forcing advertising or "fast lanes" onto people will only irritate them and make them angry. It's the reason Netflix is more popular than television with commercials. People want freedom, and we as artists and people with things to say depend on that free platform that has changed media for the better. I sincerely hope that you will make the decision that is best for the people and their voice. Thank you.
—Jeremy Gordon, Sebastian, FL

Fight for Net Neutrality; not the oligarchy.
—Pieter H Wessels, Cary, NC

I want a level playing field for all businesses and ideas.
—Debra A Simmons, New York, NY

The proposed rules are immoral and unethical. All supposed representatives of these new rules should feel shame when attempting to sell them to any constituency and know that these people will not stand for such social injustices.
—Kelsey Reeves, Littleton, CO

Because no one should have control of the internet or what we choose to look at. This could potentially turn into a political thing, where some internet companies are strongly liberal or strongly conservative, such as much of the 24 hour news has become (fox news) and with out net neutrality depending on what internet w go with we can be influence by that.
—Jeff Lyons, Columbus, OH

Net Neutrality is important to me because it allows freedom of speech from anybody on the internet. It is also important for me as a film person to get my projects out into the world to be shared with people. I hope to one day make this a viable career and am currently producing content with out getting paid. I wouldn't be able to show case my work if capital gains took over my ability to communicate over the internet or be blocked because a corporate entity has a right to stop my communications because they don't agree with me or I don't fit their Brand message. I am happy to share the internet with those I don't agree because I too can be on it too. Sincerely Timothy Beebe
—Timothy Beebe, Pueblo, CO

Because I am a concept artist and I wish for my fans to have unfettered access to my work, rather than have it pushed into the background while favoured adverts and sites take up the majority of internet airtime.
—Colin Searle, ,

It's bad enough that theres a comcast monopoly in my area, I don't need them to up the cost for something as basic as this.
—Nyrax, Jacksonville, FL

It helps me as a student that majors in illustration at the university of Hartford to promote my artwork and get my name to the studios I wish to work for. Without net neutrality, people of all ages will be unable to find jobs, nor promote their own business. Net neutrality must remain for eternity so that it can no longer be in harms way like it is now for the benefit of all the people in the world. It is a valuable resource for people to find information. Without net neutrality, I wouldn't have been able to learn how to properly dress wounds.
—Ismael Reza, New Britain, CT

I am a website designer
—Melissa Collins, Ogden, UT

People everywhere understand that the Internet is a crucial driver of free speech, innovation, education, economic growth, creativity and so much more. They demand real Net Neutrality rules that protect Internet users from corporate abuse. The agency can preserve Net Neutrality only by reclassifying Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the only way to protect the open Internet. Anything else is an attack on our rights to connect and communicate.
—Rob Bird, Cabot, AR

I use the internet.
—James Saunders, Von Ormy, TX

Net neutrality is important to me because it has allowed me to build my business as an artist, if this is allowed to pass, a lot of people are going to lose their income and businesses.
—Martin Gill, ,

I am a creative artist with a following on many websites.
—Chander Lieve, ,

Because I am an artist and designer and the Internet allows me to make a living and to access any information, service, or person on a level(ish) playing field.
—Trey Jackson, Phoenix, AZ

Because next it'll be the UK.
—Matthew Meredith, ,

It is the democratic way of life. For all things to be judged by their own merits, regardless of the issues the creators support.
—Barathan Vidhyapathy, ,

I'm an up and coming freelance fantasy artist working out of South Africa. It's really difficult making a living like this at the best of times. Fortunately being able to reach out and chat to potential clients in America instantly has allowed me to turn around a profit for myself, my wife and soon to be born daughter. I cannot afford to lose the exposure, it would devastate my progress and impede doing what I love as a living. Please, please don't move forward.
—Mike W, ,

Good day I recently read about the Net Neutrality and what was being said about what it all entails. I think it is unfair and unjust to take such steps as a lot of artists, myself included, make our living by sharing and selling our art online. I feel that this should not be implemented and I feel that it is wrong to all the people who use the internet to make their living. Kind Regards Neal Strydom
—Neal Strydom, ,

We have a right to privacy, protection, and the same internet experience as everyone else. Keep America free for all!
—Traci Orwig, Tulsa, OK

I use the net for promotion and ti get clients. People can easily find out about my work with net neutrality.
—Martinho Correia, ,

Net neutrality is the primary reason most non-profit/indie comic organizations/webcomics exist. If net neutrality were revoked and the proposed two-tiered Internet plan were put into place, fans of mainstream media would be slightly more satisfied, but thousands of non-profit websites whose creators are struggling with enough already without the addition of government-slowed Internet would suffer, and so would the millions of fans of those websites. Some may even go out of business, the online equivalent of death. Is it really advisable to exterminate a vast online community in favor of the mild contentment of others?
—Rowan Turner, Trezevant, TN

Net Neutrality is way to us artists to express yourself and open our eyes to reality. A closed Internet is a locked door, keeping us all from being aware of what is actually happening around us. I was taught that the truth will set me free, but without the truth, we can never be free.
—Westley Nelson, Norfolk, CT

The FCC has proposed rules that would break the open Internet. This proposed path would open the door to widespread discrimination online. It would give Internet service providers the green light to implement a two-tiered Internet, with a fast lane for those who can afford it and a dirt road for the rest of us. This would be a disaster for startups, nonprofits and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls. I urge the FCC to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Zachary Wright, Clendenin, WV

Freedom of speech is needed in a free society
—Brien Zimmermann, Dover Plains, NY

Why wouldn't it be? Freedom of expression, communication and access are paramount. Is traffic prioritization really important, or are we just trying to build a larger capitalist machine?
—Ron Gicka, Windsor Mill, MD

Fairness and equality
—Julie Saugstad, Portland, OR

We are creators, designers, who need the internet to network, share, create and sell works and ideas.
—Andrey Kurnoskin, ,

Equality in sharing knowledge, building a level field, and keeping the internet fast for all.
—Ashwin George Jose, San Francisco, CA

Net Neutrality is CRITICAL to PRESERVING social and political EQUALITY on the internet AND in society as a whole!
—Robert Weatherly, Timmonsville, SC

The two tiered system would not only hurt many websites by restricting speeds but it would hurt the businesses who supply the connections to us. I'm not the only one who would drop an ISP because of slower connection speeds than what others are supplying for a similar price. Google has already said they would go into the ISP business and not use a two tier system, creating a monopoly or other businesses abandoning the two tier system entirely. Restricting speeds would also hurt all businesses who use the internet as a medium for income as now ISPs could restrict people from accessing websites due to inconsistently slower speeds. Please don't deal this damaging blow to the internet!
—Nathan Adams, Groveport, OH

We must preserve Net Neutrality to protect Free Speech, guard against corporate monopolies and prevent the stifling of future innovation!
—Mal Weatherly, Timmonsville, SC

A lot of entrepreneurial american artist are teaching me how o draw. This is only possible because I could fast and free, access their sites, which are small, compared to entertainment media, but for me for instance, extremely important. With the end of ne neutrality, not only I´ll less likely be able to have this access, but this and other important artistc enterprises will probably end. Please, do not let one of the most positive american cultural trait (entrepreneurship) be subject to big corporations. Let people decide, with their own free will, what deserves more attention and what not
—Rafael Ramires Ferreira, ,

The smallest voices should be just as accessible as the big and powerful
—Kevin Breugelmans, ,

I think it goes without saying that the internet has become a vital tool in the lives of just about everyone in the developed countries of the world. Not only is it vital to society as a way to share information, but it is now vital to many of our livelihoods. If these new rules are put in place there will be an absolute destruction of freedom of information as well as entrepreneurial freedom. Please do not mess up a good thing. The internet is thriving just fine thank you.
—Brendan Draney, Durham, NC

I want to be able to access all sites at equally fast speeds and not be limited access to information on the web.
—Samantha Cao, Marietta, GA

Net Neutrality is essential for the cooperation between creative types to create, develop and achieve new works of art, design and engineering that would be more or less impossible to achieve without the collaboration and/or influence of other creative types. For the sake of our future, please reconsider and permanently support net neutrality.
—Jose L. Alfaro, Stockton, CA

Equality on the internet.
—Joe Campbell, Antioch, CA

most of my work comes from the internet, with much of my work already being outsourced, I need to have a fast internet just to survive.
—Lyn Martin, Chattanooga, TN

I am an independent artist who is working to make a living through the usage of the current net neutrality of the Internet. It is because the Internet is the way it is today that I have access to millions of stock photography pieces to practice drawing and painting with, along with the many free tutorial websites on drawing and painting. The current Internets Net Neutrality also gives me the option to take art classes online from reputable people who are art teachers and art creators themselves and who make professional use of the internet to reach out to people like me who want to learn more about art. If the Internet wasn't the way it is now I wouldn't have been able to come across amazing and inspiring artists whose work they post helps to motivate me to improve and post my own work as well. Please, I urge you to remember that your responsibility to the future of humanity is to protect REAL Net Neutrality. The idea of an “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Rebecca Weis, Patterson, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me because both my fiance and I use the internet to promote our art and sell online. If these new rules go through, my fiance and I will not be able to make a living off our art anymore because it is hard enough to get seen and known on the internet already without the new rules. Please scrap these proposed rules and restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Jessica Salehi, Buena Park, CA

It is YOUR responsibility to the future of humanity that you protect REAL Net Neutrality. The Idea of making an “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust, unacceptable, and quite despicable of you to be in favor of making such a thing.
—Brett Ciacco, Kansas City, MO

I'm a small town artist, it is important that I have the same opportunities as though with excess money.
—Candice Landsberg, Temecula, CA

All people should have access to all information and the freedom to consume the vast resources of the internet. It is already possible to create paywalls around premium services, and corporations are welcome to do that, but keep the pipes clear. Also - allowing yourself and the agency for which you work to be co-opted by these large, monopolistic corporations belies a strategy of greed rather than protectin of the American public from these behaviors. Please work to restore the good name of the FCC. I know there must be an honorable person in there. Thank you.
—Robert West, Seattle, WA

I don't think a tiered system is a good direction for the future of the internet.
—Nathan Rico, Anaheim, CA

The Internet is important to me because it is one of the quickest and most reliable ways to access information about the world I live in. I use it as a valuable learning tool and as a platform to promote myself via social media.
—Jordan Blossey, Clermont, FL

The Internet as it exists is open to everyone providing so much information and so many opportunities to everyone, despite their financial position to learn, grow, communicate, discuss, ideate. It encourages enterprenureship, necessary knowlege helping people to take care of their health and that of their families. To learn and see how other people live all over the earth, even when one can't travel. The most incredible wonderful invention. Please, for once don't let our or anyone elses government special interests RUIN this amazing rhing.
—Croll Carolyn, Philadelphia, PA

I am a professional illustrator who does nearly all of my work online; putting these kinds of restrictions on internet traffic will completely destroy all thousands of brilliant companies and projects that are being funded through means of the internet. Creating internet fast lanes for large corporations will serve no purpose other than to greatly weaken the best marketing tool that small business owners have ever had.
—Jon Neimeister, San Diego, CA

I own a business.
—Toni Greene, Bernville, PA

I am a freelancer who finds work on the internet, it's an amazing opportunity that never would be able to happen without an equal internet. Please protect small businesses and creatives. And please continue to promote the freedom of speech that we have online, where everyone's voice can be heard.
—Hanna Sandvig, ,

Net Neutrality is what makes the internet great and the single greatest invention of all time.
—Davin Hylton, Longs, SC

I have been using the internet for 19 years, and to be honest, I didnt know much about net neutrality tell about a month ago, but I have come to realize this is one of the most important issues of the 21st century. ISP's cannot be allowed to monopolize the world and I won't sit in my house and let that happen.
—Kyle L Bland, Daphne, AL

The Internet should not be ruled by a select few it is a creation by many. Why should we allow several dumb monopolies to have the right to control what we see and how we get information. We already have enough of that with the news on TV. Stop trying to butt your head into things that don't need fixing. Throw out your proposed rules and reclassify! We the PEOPLE want Net Neutrality. If you don't want to give it to us then you have failed this country.
—Matthew Houston, Fort Worth, TX

I am a future entrepreneur, and a artist. The internet is my best outlet to reach my audience with the resources I have now. Furthermore I feel this can easily lead into Censorship and the crumbling of the 1 st amendment.
—Stephen Rickman, Addison, IL

I am an independent artist who is working on making a living in whole or in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet.
—Andrew Del Valle, Sunderland, MA

I live in a rural area that already is handicapped because of limited internet providers. The proposed new rules further empower a few large companies who show no real interest in serving the needs of rural America. Net neutrality is critical to maintaining access, spawning new innovation and keeping the internet highway open to everyone.
—Lesli k. Johnson, Athens, OH

I am a freelancer and I make my living online. I need an equal chance with the big companies. I want my merits and nothing else to determine my place online.
—Jesse Minckler, San Diego, CA

Net neutrality is important to our freedom as Americans. the free exchange of ideas is vital to our democratic for of government. Please act to keep the Internet the way it is now. Reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. Telecom companies should not be able to control our access to the Internet.
—Heather Wilkinson, Dacula, GA

The internet is a living, breathing entity that should belong to the people by whom it's content is made.
—Raychle, Buford, GA

Its important because of the culture we are creating. We want a new Dali, a new Mozart, a new Michelangelo... there is a lot of people who, if its wasnt for the internet, never be discover. But, if this restrictions are apply, its a huge step back for us as a creative species. Thanks for taking the time to read my concerns. Have a great day.
—Francisco Hidalgo, ,

I work for a startup - without a neutral network we would be at a massive disadvantage
—Bill Tribble, ,

I do not want to see internet access and thoroughfare determined by big business interests. Keep the playing field even.
—Richard Taylor, Atascadero, CA

the internet is a vital source of information for so many people and the largest database of information in the world. limiting people's access to a free internet is limiting access to equal education and inhibiting people's ability to practice free speech.
—Morgan MacRae, Pittsford, NY

We need net neutrality. The internet is a good thing, its a healthy tool for the growth of the lesser significant man. Don't turn it into a tool for those who already have enough power. Spare something for the man at the bottom. Please I appeal to the righteousness in you.
—Dalton Pietersen, ,

I am an artist who makes my living in part by the current equality (neutrality) of the Internet. I believe that it is your responsibility as representatives, to protect REAL Net Neutrality and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Marlene OConnor, Brattleboro, VT

Fairness and open access for all!
—Solveig Spjeldnes, Athens, OH

I pay for it every month. It's mine. I don't want nor need anyone telling me what I can do with my internet service or charging me and arm and a leg for a small handful of websites the FCC deems worthy for my viewing. This is an OUTRAGE!!!
—Chad Benoit, Iowa, LA

With the current economy leaving few options for work and means of taking care of oneself, being able to using your skills to build a business is vital to survival. People are starting small businesses to feel in the gap from lack of jobs. If they are prevented from gaining customers right out the gate, well then our fragile economy will crumble. What's the point of making the internet a money business if few people will have any money to spend on it? I am asking to maintain Net Neutrality because it is a big part of what is keeping us going as a country. People are using the internet in all kinds of creative ways, making money and becoming customers. It keeps our struggling nation afloat, please don't poke holes in our life raft. Now, to get more personal, me and my mom, both collage grads with good grades, plenty of skills, and friendly natures, have been struggling to find any kind of work for the past two years. What has helped us survive is the fact that I can draw, sew, make jewelry and all kinds of crafts. I use the internet to gain customers and keep them informed of new creations. Still, we are not even making ends meet. Without this help from an open internet, well I don't know what will happen to us. We sacrifice many things to keep the internet on because it is our only means of survival right now. We're good people and don't expect much out of life, but if you work hard shouldn't you be able to at least live? Shouldn't you be able to buy food and have heat in the winter? I work very hard, so hard I developed sciatica and it's hard to walk sometimes, but I can take the pain if I know I'll be able to provide for my family. Help us live, please. Keep the internet a level playing field in a world where it is so very heard to find work otherwise. Thank you for your time and thoughtful consideration. May your decision be made wisely.
—Crystal Williams-Brown, Cliffwood, NJ

My freedom depends upon free speech, the same free speech that companies/corporations have, not anything less.
—Kenneth J. Kazmerski, Cocoa Beach, FL

Learn from the past or be condemned to repeat it. Please look at history. Law makers fought to keep big business from doing similar things in the past.
—Chris McKnight, Runnemede, NJ

Comcast is a monopoly--it is the only option I have for internet in my home. They must not be allowed to restrict my access, and I need more choice in internet providers as a consumer.
—Stephanie Cook, Arlington, VA

It is what will allow for the future of American innovation which will otherwise fall behind to other nations who have already approved net neutrality.
—Patrick Burns, Winter Park, FL

Keeping the Internet open is essential to keeping information accessible to everyone. Cable companies are just looking for new ways to charge customers more money. None of this supports anyone else. It's only going to support mega-corporations like Comcast and Verizon and no one else.
—Rosemarie Taylor, Hollywood, FL

The level of connectivity the internet provides makes the collective unconscious of the human race a physical reality. We are all united spiritually by this wonderful network where we're all allowed to express ourselves freely and in ways we couldn't possibly have dreamed of just a few decades ago.
—Eduardo Urena, Winston Salem, NC

Data must remain free to flow without impediment of ANY type and no person or entity should have the right to throttle or limit data transmission in ANY way.
—Bob Johnson, Erie, PA

To keep cost down.
—, Hilliard, OH

The fact that people who have access to certain providers would have a fast lane vrs people in rural areas where comcast or time warner have no foothold is criminal. Its a monopoly an we are against that in this country.
—Justin Kimbrell, White Hall, AR

Dear Chairman, You keep telling us that you are a champion for the open internet. Now, some people may believe you and some may be sceptical of your good intentions. But in 10-15 years there won't be any ambiguity and everyone will know what your true intentions were. When you choose your position now try not to listen to your old "friends" from lobbying days. Think about your legacy. Think about how you will be remembered in history. Do you really want the name Wheeler to become a shorthand for a sell-out who killed inventive, creative, entrepreneurial, fun, free side of the Internet? There is still time to be a hero of the people. But for that you've got to sever some old ties. It may sound scarry but it is going to be worth it. People will remember your choice for generations to come. Best regards, Oleg Volkov.
—Oleg Volkov, Dallas, TX

The big internet service providers are already too big and too powerful. Customer service is TERRIBLE - worse than any other industry I've dealt with. We have too few choices of companies to deal with, and any rules on the internet should cater to giving consumers better choices, rather than more power to these big companies. There should be no fast lanes, there should be open and equal internet for everyone.
—Casey Roe, Durham, NC

The internet is a conduit for free speech, education and other civil liberties that are my rights as a citizen of this country. Corporate involvement will impede my basic human rights and should be seen as a red flag. The two tiered system is divisive and will have a negative impact on the future of the internet. As a parent, I want my daughter to the have the ability to express and source information that is important to her freely and fairly.
—Christina Wisboro, Brooklyn, NY

I am a family man, entrepreneur and general technical enthusiast. Net Neutrality is essential to our rights and technical growth. we need this to stay neutral.
—Alex Wade, Columbia, SC

The internet should be a place where everyone can participate, innovate and create opportunity. These large businesses see an opportunity to loot and pillage unchecked and it's not okay!
—Myrica von Haselberg, Milwaukee, WI

I am an independent artist working on making a living on the internet. These laws could effectively prevent me from doing so.
—Ashley Dadoun, ,

I have built my career off of Net Neutrality and I feel that giving the power to large corporations will only create more division between the upper crust and the average person. This division has never worked to the benefit of society as a whole in the long run. Please don't do this.
—Jesse Smith, Chesterfield, VA

It is important to keep the internet free and fair, free of corruption.
—Joaquin barreto, San Jose, CA

The Internet is a place of opportunity for many individuals and small businesses. It is a universal resource available to a wide array of people that collectively improve its structure. Modifying this concept in any way is a violation of users rights that have evolved over the years.
—Sean Doyce, Chicago, IL

Hello. I've been using the Internet since 1995 and making a living on it since 1996. The work I've been able to have thanks to the web hasn't only supported my family ever since, but also has allowed me to gather knowledge and know people and places around the world I couldn't have known otherwise. I am currently out of a job but I'm working hard to fulfill a long cherished dream: create my own agency focused on character design and stories for kids. These days, you are not limited to your immediate surroundings to get customers and financial success. They can come from all corners of the world - you never know. Without the Internet, it would be virtually impossible for a single person like me to achieve this single-handed. Pretending to impose differentiated Internet access categories destroys the level playing field that has allowed me and countless other professionals to flourish and prosper, regardless of nationality, origin or wealth. Millions of jobs, specially in third world countries, will be lost. Many customers won't be able to find professionals like us, and we won't be able to find them either. And innovation, being the Internet a virtual synonym of it, will definitely stagnate. Everybody loses. The blind, oblivious greed of some big shot American executives should not impose itself over the jobs, interests and passions of millions of people all over the world. Going back to "the way things were" is not an option. Please reconsider the devastating worldwide effects such a rules placement may have. Thanks.
—Alberto Gonzalez, Miami, FL

Because it is my right, don't ask someone why he asks for his right...
—George Drone, ,

I need the internet to run my small business. My business runs on the cloud and speed and access are vital to our ability to run our business.
—Leo Daprile, Youngstown, OH

It is not important to me right now, but soon to be. I follow up on artists and have friends that are artists, who use the Internet as a very accessible way to promote and share their work. It seems that without Net Neutrality, this accessibility will be lost, and it would be very hard for them for their work to get the recognition it deserves. The main idea, I would think, that revolves around people's complaints about the impending loss of net neutrality is accessibility. Many artists found on the Internet have used this way of promotion because it doesn't require a large amount of money to be invested; noting that many artists are either freelancers or aspiring artists who don't have the money to promote their work in other, more expensive ways. The Internet, with Net Neutrality, also enables artists to share their work with an online community that is more likely to recognise it, whereas in many societies, art is not widely recognised. This Net Neutrality, I believe, would not only impact artists aspiring, or working in visual art. It may also affect any creative works, such as videos and music. Just like before, Net Neutrality enables them to easily promote their content without paying large sums of money to do it through other, less accessible means. So why is it important to me? I would like to think that as an aspiring artist, in the years to come where I would like to use the Internet as a means of promotion of my work, without Net Neutrality, it may make this attempt near impossible. In relation to this very moment, the absence of Net Neutrality may mean that further works of artists, as well as other creative content developers, will only come through to their fans and viewers with great difficulty, if it comes through at all. I really hope that this impending loss of Net Neutrality is halted, for the rights of those who work hard to make themselves and their content known via the Internet, which in itself is still not an easy process, even though it is extremely accessible.
—John, ,

It's my freedom and constitutional right as an American. What I do online is my choice I do not need, nor want a dictator or intrusive spy watching me.
—Sonia medina, Mesa, AZ

WE can barely make ends meet, don't have tv, don't go anywhere and the only joy we have is on the internet. If they do this I just wish we could all go without technology and live like the caveman, forget government forget it all....
—Tina Hesskew, Blanco, TX

It's hard enough to get your voice heard on the internet as it is, when you have something to say but no resources, but it is possible. This would make it impossible.
—Andrew Wright, North Hollywood, CA

Keep it FAIR!
—Christopher J Rohrbach, Nashville, TN

So I can choose what is important and not the internet.
—Jenine Wright, Portland, OR

I think all people, should be treated the same, rich or poor. I am now a senior and an everyday internet user, If I was charged for using something like surfing the internet for social security or other related things it would be a burden to me.
—Judy Woody, Lineville, AL

I use the internet every day and I don't want the way I use it to change to satisfy corporate greed. There has been limited access to the internet for low income and rural populations all along which keeps them from staying as connected as other people who have access. Enough with the "haves" and the "have nots". The internet belongs to everyone.
—Dian Rogers, Quincy, MA

The internet should be free. Period. I am so SICK of our society's profit over people mentality.
—Brittany Williams, Chicago, IL

Journalistic freedom, Free speech, Creativity, fair pricing for consumers, and truly fair competition in a truly free market economy.
—Jon Russell, Nebo, KY

I Demand nothing less than real Net Neutrality
—Tami, Montgomery, TX

Broadband is a communication medium, which should be equally accessible and for all.
—Charles Watson, Lancaster, CA

I'm appalled at the idea of losing Net Neutrality. As a consumer, I don't want my internet service provider dictating the priority of my internet content. I want the websites of my favorite authors and artists, my local paper, and my friend's blog - all of whom have limited budgets - to load just as fast as Netflix. If the big box stores start paying for the fast lane, we'll become accustomed to faster internet. And then everybody else's sites will feel incredibly slow. Ever try to use a dial-up connection after a year of enjoying broadband? It's painful! And if we're reluctant to visit the sites of small businesses, many small sites will eventually die off. Imagine how our cities would look if we ONLY had big box stores like Wal-Mart and Best Buy. Imagine independent bookstores, art galleries, clothing boutiques, and all the other little wonderful shops that give a town character disappearing. That's what will happen on the Internet if Net Neutrality dies. We will lose the wonderful innovation and idiosyncracies that has made the internet so incredible. What's more, we will lose the platform that enables startups and small business and entrepreneurs to succeed and become bigger businesses. A website is a vital part of a business's marketing plan, and hundreds of thousands of businesses would not exist if the internet wasn't a level playing field. Do away with Net Neutrality, and you do away with business, jobs, and a good chunk of the economy. As a web designer who works with small businesses almost exclusively, the thought of my clients being unable to sustain their enterprises because they can't pay for the fast lane is unacceptable. Much as I would wish it otherwise, there already is a limited type of "Internet fast lane" in place. Companies like Amazon and Target can afford beefier, dedicated servers that deliver their content faster that someone on a basic level shared hosting plan. So doing away with Net Neutrality is, in fact, unnecessary if the goal is to enable certain sites to load faster. If a customer (who is, let me remind you, always right) is dissatisfied, he or she can usually take their business elsewhere. Except not with internet services providers. In almost all neighborhoods, there's only one ISP to choose from. You can have internet, or not have it. You can't shop around unless you sell your house! And if ISPs have the ability to make more money by charging for fast lanes, they all will. We customers won't have a choice. A handful of cable company execs want to end Net Neutrality. They are not your customers. The government's customers are the American people, and we want an open, equal Internet where anyone can start a business in the basement and watch it become successful. Listen to your customers.
—Kira Woodmansee, Boulder, CO

The internet is simply, one of the most important inventions in human history. It is a true open forum for ideas and opinions to be expressed openly. To put the ability to control access to this information in the hands of businesses is wrong.
—Andrew Mickelson, Hyde Park, UT

It is important because freedom is the right of all sentient beings and the internet is my freedom.
—AJ York, Cincinnati, OH

Its giving the companies too much power. They will do anything to make more money.
—Aaron Jeffers, San Antonio, TX

The freedom of the internet has let to an almost unimaginable diversity of information and choice. We must preserve and expand this medium of free exchange, not relinquish it to be monetized by corporations with no regard for democracy. Please do the right thing.
—William Feetham, Eagle Point, OR

As an artist, as well as one who simply enjoys the online works of other dedicated visual storytellers, it pains me to hear of discrimination being in play in regards to the fast lane/slow lane proposition. Please, reconsider this proposition. Restore nondiscrimination.
—Kellie Robinson, Thousand Oaks, CA

The information superhighway should be an equal playing field that welcomes true democracy and competition. Why is there a need to provide different levels of internet speed for different companies? Let's not create a "Colored" and "White" water fountain situation for the internet please. Stop trying to suck $$$$$ out of everything that you do.
—Matthew Midon, Philadelphia, PA

This country started with freedom of speech, etc. I want to keep it that way.
—Debbie Zimmermann, Flagler Beach, FL

Internet access should be equal for all just as telephone service was, faster speeds and availability should not be up for sale as this is disparate treatment for certain classes of our society and access to reliable internet is vital for all.
—Candice Carden-Chambers, Canton, GA

The internet needs to remain open. A two-tiered system could enable exclusive deals such as having to subscribe to Comcast in order to watch Netflix or view certain popular websites such as Google.
—Jason Conner, Mobile, AL

If net neutrality were to disappear, small businesses and startups would continue to become extinct as bigger companies and websites will be a few steps closer to becoming a monopoly.
—Daniel Delgado, Chicago, IL

I support Net Neutrality. leave the internet alone please. Open, free.
—Charles C., Phoenix, AZ

freedom of information !!!!!!!!!!!!!!
—Gert Caspritz, Belmont, MA

As an IT student and online entrepreneur net neutrality has always allowed my customers to use my websites as quick and easy as the big companies. Without this, I fear my customers will go to the companies who can afford "fast Lane" internet because this day and age of people have no patience, especially when it comes to internet speeds. Changing the internet speeds will essentially cause an even more gross monopoly in this country.
—Andrew Scott, Waltham, MA

Im an advocate for democratization of everything.
—Emily Funk, Ames, IA

The ability to search whatever I need to is a freedom I can't live without!!!
—Julie Thayer, Caseyville, IL

Internet nondiscrimination is essential to our constitutional rights. Controlling the internet is controlling information.
—Erin Funkhouser, Rochester, PA

IT IS NECESSARY FOR OUR FREEDOM!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
—Keith Soto, North Hollywood, CA

The internet must be equal and free through and through, it is our source of information and has become a huge part of everyday life.
—Josh Perez, New York, NY

it's just wrong. taking the internet and using it to create more and more big corporations that take from the poor. the internet should be for anyone you use in private. period!
—Lisa Mezick, Ocean Springs, MS

Because the Net is the best avenue to truth for the citizen.
—Gary M. Griffin, Hyde Park, MA

Where does it stop? If you take away my free speech on the internet we are no better than we were before 1776. We are a country of laws and rules that are defined by the Constitution. By passing such a law you are destroying the foundation of the country. Do you really want to be responsible for the degradation of the greatest country? Crime will always happen and the internet may make it easier but think of it as job security for those that monitor the criminals out there. I strongly urge you to take into consideration for what you are trying to do and I hope you make the right decision in this matter.
—Matthew Bowen, Gilroy, CA

I don't want there being restrictions or additional costs to innovation or freedom.
—Sam Hawkins, Arlington, VA

I am already paying over $200 per month for TV access, by allowing the same companies to control my Internet access I can see it will soon be priced beyond what any reasonable user can afford.
—ben Berry, los gatos, CA

Everyone has right to be treated equally regardless what web content is provided. It is each individual's right to decide which web content to see.
—C H, Fremont, CA

It's important to anyone who wants to keep the internet alive, thriving and free from corporate manipulation.
—Brian R Wingrove, Streetsboro, OH

Thank you for your time. Keeping the internet available for all is just essential. Imagine the world during the 20th Century without, say, public libraries or schools - imagine the loss in basic human potential without those two simple things that we take for granted. The internet is that and more in this digital era. It's the way people of all ages learn, communicate, engage in entrepreneurship, share ideas and innovate at a rate and speed unheard of in recorded history. Putting these ideals and concepts in the hands of mega corporations is simply wrong - even for the corporations! An open internet is one of the only things that guarantees their future business - cutting your numbers by more than half to offer a smaller percentage of folks a quality experience? If you understand where "content" comes from, the stuff that populates the web, and keeps even the biggest sites, like Facebook, relevant and generating huge sums of money,you would understand how these new laws could destroy all of that - human and profit potential.
—Mal Little, Staten Island, NY

It allows the free spread of information and opinions of the American people to be spread without being filtered through major corporations and businesses.
—Ben Skelley, California, MD

I believe that the freedom to express views and consume content from a variety of un-screened sources is crucial to becoming an informed and engaged citizen. I believe that allowing ISPs to "gatekeep" and monitor or influence information flow will skew the wealth and power distribution farther towards large corporations and political parties.
—Jordan Fonseca, Albuquerque, NM

The downfall of true net neutrality will lead to even further polarization among our great nation. Ultimately this would give way too much power to large corporations, where those people with money will be able to continue to divide our nation into the have's and have not. Removing true net neutrality will have catastrophically negative effects on our society in the future. Please do not move forward with the currently proposed rule changes. We cannot even fathom the future implications this will have on our nation and society.
—Andy Pecora, Boston, MA

As a person who is a content creator, these new rules would extremely damage my way of making a living. "Net Neutrality" has come up again and again, and it's never been a good idea, and it still isn't a good idea. No company should be given this much power over our lives.
—Aja Moore-Young, Hagerstown, MD

I have been a comic artist hobbyist for 7 years now; I've dedicated a great portion of my best years to building an empire; I have not made waves like some comic artists and perhaps will never 'break into' the comic scene. Despite the internet being global, I've found that physical location reduces the chance of successfully networking and meeting with others in the scene (which holds most sway in the US). I've reached out nonetheless to the big-leagues for advice, exposure etc... but I've never been able to engage as a peer. The independent scene is the last bastion of those artists dreaming of having their stories heard and appreciated and has allowed people like myself to at least be a part of some sort of community without having to pay for the privilege to join. I happen to think I'm only ever one comic away from recognition; sure, just like every garage-band out there but I can't compete against this; this would be like america's got talent surely? In which there is only one winner and a great deal of losers. seems a sure-fire way to remain in obscurity. My experience has shown that comic artists (me in particular) use it as an expression since I suffer from social anxiety and depression; when I'm creating though (and feeling like this one picture will potentially reach anyone anywhere) I can feel for a short while, connected. I don't want to lose that; I'm not sure I'd know what I'd do if the internet went all hunger-games. this would activley limit young (and old artists); if this had happened in literature, would we be happy to allow only the wealthy and connected to write? This is one step from revisionism. please think on this and please, I would be more than happy to discuss this further (and a whole lot more eloquently) at your convenience
—David Mutton, ,

If we do not preserve Net Neutrality then we are telling the current and future generations that if you can dream it then you can do it...provided you dream it at one of the larger companies with the deep pockets. That is just plain wrong! If Net Neutrality had not been present when Google, Facebook, and Netflix where started then we wouldn't know their names today. Please, scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Shawn Peters, New Braunfels, TX

As a Republican and a Christian, free Internet is important to me. Being able to express my views on the Internet how I choose should be a fundamental right of Americans. Government should prevent a monopoly if the company has been exposed abusing customers with deceit, lies, and harmful practices. As a Conservative, I will make an exception to my belief on free trade on the basis that Comcast/Time Warner/Cox will ONLY get worse from here.
—Timothy Lanning, Cibolo, TX

This proposed bill goes against almost every bit of knowledge and common sense I have. Improve infrastructure and capabilities of our nation's Internet connectivity instead of giving another industry regulation that reverses innovation and growth.
—Joseph Goldstein, Purchase, NY

I'm an avid gamer and the idea that me and my wife need to pay extra just to enjoy ourselves is like charging you more for reading different kinds of books against your will
—Vassily aliseyko, ,

The internet is the greatest tool for open communication and information that has ever been created. It is a wonder of the modern world and should be protected as a medium for businesses, communities, and learning. Also, anything that contributes to the ever increasing gaps between the haves and have nots in America is counter productive to the well being of the country.
—Charles Dickerson, Aberdeen, NC

While I'm sure your former employers would love to abolish net neutrality, without it our economy will suffer worse. What the ISPs want is to line their own pockets and to hell with anyone else. For amny people, the internet is a source for job hunting and de-stressing from either working three jobs to keep afloat or to distract themselves from having no income and being dependent on friends or family while they look for jobs that pay less and less in the hopes of finding something. The bread is already getting too pricey, do not cause the circuses to be only for the wealthy too. About now, those are the only things keeping the modern Rome from burning.
—Pamela Harris, Bayonne, NJ

The internet is and should always be a free collective of information. No one owns the internet, big business included.
—Kaitlyn Hix, Torrance, CA

please keep the democratization of the internet alive and scrap our proposed rules.
—Benjamin Orphan Eksouzian, San Leandro, CA

We are not a society anymore. It's now take as much as you can as often as you can.
—Uyless Muse, Clinton, LA

The Internet was developed with public funds. It be regulated like a public utility. Net Neutrality insures equal access for freedom of speech, information and the ability for small independent business to compete with corporations. Keep the playing field free and fair.
—Ross Adam Smith, Fairfax, CA

It interferes with freedom of speech when my isp can determine what i have access to
—Sarah B, The Colony, TX

I believe in the right to an open internet, and I am opposed to regulating what information can be seen due to its origin.
—Elle Siegmund, Tampa, FL

Because the internet, arguably the greatest invention in human history, should remain an equal playing field for all parties involved.
—Andy Mool, Pittsburgh, PA

Fair trade and fair opportunities for all businesses and everyone who uses the internet.
—Nicole Brown, Ossining, NY

Internet = knowledge = power
—Josh Kucharski, Pittsburgh, PA

Net Neutrality is a key proponent to everyone. It is the one place where everyone can be on even ground, it doesn't matter age, gender, race, anything, we are all the same. The minute you allow "the man" to take control of what we see and what we do, and allow them to throw their political agendas in our faces, we lose all sense of that freedom. This would be unjust to Americans, and would give other countries free reign to continue to advance further than we allow ourselves. Please, keep the internet neutral with free access for everyone!
—Aaron Pratt, Clearfield, UT

I demand real Net Neutrality rules that protect Internet users from corporate abuse. The concept of fast lanes for those who can afford it and dirt roads for the rest of us is un-American.
—James Pleasants, Austin, TX

Where we live the best internet available is very slow.If this goes thought our internet would be unusable.
—Wesley Rogers, Portland, TN

Net Neutrality just seems like a given. The internet is a free, vast source of knowledge and resources, as well as exposure for creatives such as myself. Trying to limit that solely for profit will only serve to hurt the audience you're trying to control. The internet should remain open and accessible by everyone for the sake of small businesses, independents, and the general populous.
—Josh G., Kansas City, MO

The internet is not broken as stands. It is the voice of a generation and should be kept at the level playing field for all people. Please dont let your greed get the better of your morals and make a decision that we obviously dont want.
—Corvin Pryor, Minneapolis, MN

Keep freedom of speech free!
—Kevin Scicluna, Astoria, NY

I am one of hundreds of millions of "little guys (and gals)" in America. Net neutrality is the only way we get to have a level playing field with the "big guys" on the Internet.
—Kofi Opantiri, Los Angeles, CA

It affects too many aspects of our day-to-day lives and interactions with others. I would feel my rights would be violated in that, "Who are they to decide how I interact online and what I can see if I am paying for the service of accessing the WHOLE internet?!"
—Cristine Roby, Roanoke, VA

In order to safe guard our freedom
—Paul T. Allen, Livonia, MI

I am a small business owner & 99% of my clients come from online marketing.
—Tara Cope, Claremore, OK

As an artist I need a level playing field for my work
—Neil Kapit, Los Angeles, CA

Why is the ability to access all the information available equally important?
—Ryan Anderson, Miami, FL

Fairness to ALL!
—Denise Kline, Colorado Springs, CO

It is important to me because those who can barely pay the fee already would have to stop having internet
—Elizabeth, Madison, NJ

I was born in the USA in1946. I grew up respecting our government and believing this country was the greatest country in the world. I served in the USMC in Vietnam and believed in what we were doing there. I was wrong. I also believed that America was a free country and that we all had a say in our government through the political process. I now know that this is no longer true. Large private interests decide who will run for office through their monetary support. No matter which party wins the election, the candidates support these interests in return for the money to run their campaign. We no longer have any substantial value systems that we support as a government. We are no longer one nation under God. We have been involved in unjust wars that have bankrupted our country of its finances and its moral authority and taken the lives thousands of young men, while destabilizing the areas involved to a degree that ensures continuing blood shed. These proposed rules are yet another step to reduce the rights and freedoms of the average citizen while enabling the rich to become even more wealthy at the expense of the rest of us. This message will, I am sure, have no impact whatsoever on your decision because the America I grew up in has been destroyed, as President Eisenhower so presciently predicted, by the military industrial complex. I miss America and am deeply saddened that my grandchildren will never know the great country I once knew.
—Joe Schrader, Paso Robles, CA

From what I have read, I believe that net neutrality is the only way to keep the internet freely accessible for all users. I understand that the proposed new rules will allow telecom giants to control the internet and the costs to consumers, be they corporations or an individual like myself. Maintain the policy of net neutrality.
—, Milwaukee, WI

It gives the freedom to communicate to whom I want, as I do in my real life. No one can say to me to whom I can speak, or how to speak, where to go, etc. Seems like ISP's are trying to introduce a new way of Dictatorship? No one can take my right of free communication.
—Nikola Ivanov, ,

I have friends and family with business that depend on a FREE AND UNBIASED version of the internet... I and millions more now have a life that has been built upon this form of communication. Do not let a few "people" rule over us. This is digital imperialism and it stops now.
—Olivia Angell, Calistoga, CA

Duh! I'm a consumer who benefits from fair access to a wider variety of online content. Inhibiting my ease of access to products/services based on those entities ability to pay extra fees is ridiculous. There are plenty of other services that telecommunications companies can use to make more money, but anything that puts smaller companies, and the consumers at a disadvantage is seems like tampering with a free market.
—Rachel Hall, Mooresville, NC

Net net neutrality stands between freedom and a brutal totalitarian governance by an evil and cowardly elite.
—Roy Archer, Lanett, AL

A free and open Internet ensures fair pricing, promotes innovation, and creates competition between ISPs.
—John Delaney, Antioch, TN

Government over-regulation is the basis of everything that is wrong with the world - don't start it here and now. The Internet in and of itself is a Laissez-Faire entity, run of the people, by the people, and for the people. Any regulation of how the masses communicate and express themselves is a travesty and has no place in the United States of America.
—Brian Jones, New Hyde Park, NY

Please keep the internet free! That is what it was designed for!!!!!!!!!!!!
—Maura Wesen, Rosemount, MN

Painfully obvious that it stifle's innnovation
—Gavin N Lipscomb, Lawrenceville, GA

Net Neutrality is important to me because Internet is my main path of communication with the world.
—Diana Logreira, Washington, DC

Net Neutrality is important to the world. It allows everyone the same chance to start a company and be successful. Please do not create rules that allows billion dollar companies to unjustly enrich themselves at the expense of innovation and progress. Sincerely, Clark Kent
—Clark Kent, Englewood, NJ

ending net neutrality is a horrible idea.
—Nick, Maryville, MO

It needs to stay open
—Kathy Viers, Johnson City, TN

Freedom of speech is a basic human right not just in the US declared in the Declaration and the Constitution but for every human being. Also this goes against a free market system it is like communism or extreme socialism on the internet. Lastly, the internet has almost become a necessity for the world especially in the developed world, and with the cost of living rising this will have to be forfeited threatening many opportunities.
—Dylan Pasco, Forked River, NJ

Since its inception, the worldwide web has enabled a platform to exercise free speech in an exciting and expansive way. Net Neutrality ensures that this expression of the 1st ammendment continue as is and without interruption. It is my plea that the FCC reclassify broadband as a telecommunications service.
—Barry Longhauser, Chicago, IL

Net Neutrality is a democratic right for all citizens for a desire to access information equally.
—Steven, Brimfield, IL

The ones that would suffer under these changes are not the big corporations who can afford to either pay these fees or pass the fees onto it's costumers, it is the people who make up the backbone of our country. Small business owners, the middle class, the poor and everyone who is not a supplier of internet of in the pockets of the internet supplier. The laws we live under should not be formed to make money for those who have enough but to protect and serve the people. I don't care if "corporations are people." They will never be more important that a living, breathing, feeling human being.
—Heather Bell, Colorado Springs, CO

because as a student I need an open internet for proper research for my assignments.
—Caleb Villegas, Kansas City, KS

As an internet user I understand the needs of a neutral internet for all those who use it for communication, education, business and recreational reasons. Keeping the internet open to all without restrictions is important for all the constructive uses we as people have found to be convenient and helpful.
—Winona Young, Albuquerque, NM

I think free speech will be curtailed and the great media lobby will get what they desire if this bill gets passed.
—Jason Cooper, Miami Beach, FL

Doesn't this nation have a core belief that we can build our dreams from the bottom up?
—Brittany J Du Pont, Chillicothe, IL

Not everyone can afford high priced things. It isn't fair
—James Santillanes, Albuquerque, NM

because it allows access to everyone not based on wealth, well, almost.
—Suzanna Kaplan, Van Nuys, CA

Once again it looks like big money and lobbyist will have a greater influence on your decision than the betterment of the common good.
—Jeffrey Seborowski, Lake Orion, MI

As a small time blogger, I've just dicovered putting up my own flash video's and watching you tube to learn new things. Net neutrality allows me to speak up in a crowded place where taking this away will stifle me for the big dollar players. Once again if you take away net neutrality we will have pay for play and loss of free expression.
—Michael Vasko, West Chester, PA

I care about equal access for everyone. It's a civil right.
—Janine Gardner, Middleboro, MA

I support Net Neutrality because the internet is a service that is heavily depended upon by a vast majority of the united states, and should be considered a utility like telephone and electricity. Tiered internet would hamper users and creators who cannot afford to pay the extra fees and overall negatively impact the useability and value of such a vital resource. Internet is not a luxury, and everyone should be granted equal access.
—Zach Rubenstein, Saint Paul, MN

Because I'm use the internet for school and leisure and don't want a two tier system that would make speedy connection impossible for me to afford
—Hannah Holcomb, Hollywood, FL

getting rid of net neutrality will crush smaller sites and only help giants like youtube and facebook
—Ian Baker, ,

Freedom of speech.
—Cas, Lexington, VA

I am an independent artist who makes my living off of the internet. Net Neutrality is vital for me to take care of my family and my career. Please, for countless creatives and future creatives, throw out the proposed rules and reclassify. Keep the Big Money away from those of us who have a level playing field that is so vital for our survival. Thank you.
—Garth Bruner, Sandy, UT

It preserves my right to freely communicate and receive communications without discrimination and insures that content will not be blocked by a common carrier.
—Milana Tomec, Granger, IN

No one should have the right to discriminate.....bananas
—Georgette Collins, Dallas, TX

FCC Mr. Chairman you promised us and now you are just like the rest! The Internet should remain free and open!
—Steven Sanders, Parker, CO

it should be fast and affordable for all people
—Chuck Schwaben, Woodsfield, OH

I use the internet everyday! I already pay for internet connection I certainly don't want to pay more on top of that for decent service. The internet is the only place where you can express yourself freely regardless of anyone else's opinion or views. And think of all the personal information companies will lose! If people are restricted to certain websites or certain opinions how will you get accurate information on the most popular products? The most well agreed opinions? The internet needs to stay free! Support real net neutrality!
—Jodi Campbell, Lake Havasu City, AZ

Without net neutrality, ISPs WILL charge even more money without actually improving the internet. ISPs would also be able to legally “sensor” content they disagreed with. Losing net neutrality would be devastating to small businesses and/or startups that depend on internet sales to grow their business. It would also create modern, legalized segregation because poor communities who couldn’t pay higher prices to their ISP would no longer be able to use the internet.
—Gayle Bresnahan, San Diego, CA

Net Neutrality is important for this nation to strive, to learn, and to be the adventurous people we are. This adventurous behavior, such as an entrepreneur looking up something on the open internet so that he can better build his business will intern help our GDP in the long run and also help our nation. Restricting the use of the internet is not advantageous to our kids future, or education. Also, these companies that are trying to regulate the traffic on the open internet May own rights to data space, but have no right to monopolize one of our most glorious and most used freedoms.
—Slade Buell, Fort Worth, TX

Net Neutrality is important in my life because it allows me the right to do what I want on the internet, and not be forced in strict corridors. I don't want ISP's telling me what I can and can't do, and I don't want to be forced to be charged extra fees when my family is already poor. Please let us have our REAL Net Neutrality.
—James Matthews, Saint Johns, FL

It is important because we cannot let capitalism take control of the internet. Without a doubt, the internet is one of the most leading and prosperous industries in the nation. We cannot keep letting ISP Competitive Monopolies "take our lunch money and stuff us in lockers", by them enforcing that companies pay for fast lanes. The problem is that some of the websites are unable to pay the ISPs for the fast lane, leaving those who can pay for it more likely to succeed in terms of website performance. Free websites may have to get their users to pay for certain things within their website. We shall not let this issue be swept under the rug like we did in the 1800s with slavery and ended up having to fight a war to solve the problem. Now I am not saying that this will start a Civil War, but It will nonetheless cause a crisis upon the internet that may be catastrophic. I say we not only fix the Internet, but we must fix government agencies and branches. We shall also enact laws in which disallow the appointment in government officials that and or somewhat are affiliated with lobbyists or major companies. If we fix the FCC where only members have no affiliation with ISPs in any way, we can prevent this from happening again. Another possibility is to leave the decision of Net Neutrality up to "popular sovereignty", where the people vote for it on a national scale and give all decisions regarding the internet up to the people themselves. If our representative and senator leaders cant take action, then let the people represent themselves. The internet is created by the people, for the people, and in that it shall be equal.
—Matthew Dickens, Friendswood, TX

Because the internet helps with education and entertainment in a very big way.
—William Harrell, Reidsville, NC

I don't have to explain my reasoning, for as a free American of the United States, I demand to have the freedom to look at what I please whenever I please on whatever device I please AND paid for.
—Olivia Simonetti, Gaithersburg, MD

Would you do this with Roads? Water? Air? Only the rich can breathe high quality air and drink clean water? Unless we pay a huge fee, we drink putrid muddy water and breathe foul sooty air? If we are going to trust a Machiavellian private economy with our most precious resources the government must regulate them properly. (1)Those of us not lucky enough to be born into wealth have only the internet for quality education. Beyond that, knowledge is a fundamentally public good contributed to by those of all socioeconomic classes. The lottery of birth has already enslaved our bodies, our minds are the only freedom most Americans have. I was able to teach myself graduate level Quantum Field Theory with the Cambridge online video archives. MIT, Yale, Cal Tech, and plenty of other educational institutions offer free sublime quality educational materials online including actual lecture videos, notes, and homework assignments. Imagine a society in which anyone can learn advanced math and physics with the click of a mouse. Would we trust ISPs not to ruthlessly profiteer off of such services? If you understood the time and work educators put in, and the meaning, beauty, and enrichment that learners got out, you would protect such services like our national park system. (2) The internet has streamlined patenting, legal procedures, marketing, entrepreneurship, research and development, and invented entirely new economic activities to boost. Net neutrality will harm the economy irreparably cutting any type of competition against large-cap companies. These companies will become complacent, prices will skyrocket, and quality of goods and services will plummet. The internet was a great equalizer for the small business owner, now they could finally compete with established giants. Patents were easier than ever to secure so brilliant minds could prosper uninhibited by a dependence on venture capitalists. Again, don't trust an unregulated market system designed to harness human greed as a motor with playing fair.
—Kyle Bomeisl, Hawthorne, NJ

As a aspiring illustrator, animator, I feel the internet, as presently constituted, has enabled numerous creative individuals, partnerships and teams, from the U.S. and around the World, as small start ups, to compete with established incumbents and multinational corporations. This bottom up, diverse, pluralism, in creative content, will be threatened by a tiered internet which will reward the well capitalized businesses at the expense of international small businesses and start ups.
—Dennis R. Dix, Pinole, CA

It is vital since people use the Internet on their daily lives and with a proposal that gives benefit only to the companies, is wrong. The consequences are disastrous and a sequence of corruption will permeate. Why make the Internet service more complex? People deserve the right to use the Internet and making them pay more screams corruption.
—, Los Angeles, CA

The internet is how i learn things out of school because the education system is basically training us to be mindless factory workers.
—Becky Gonzalez, McAllen, TX

I don't want telecom companies dictating which internet company is going to succeed and which one it wants to fail.
—Renato HIdalgo, Oxnard, CA

We need our freedom even with internet.
—Caleb Conwell, Tulsa, OK

This threatens our constitutional rights. It gives unfair advantage to companies that are already ahead and dissolves innovation in it's initial stages. It hurts communication and diversity on the internet. It's oppressive and greedy!
—Abigail O'Sullivan, Clinton, PA

The Internet is one place where true freedom of speech and EQUAL access to information is available to all. Please, let us not corrupt that.
—Linda Lee Rathbun, Naples, FL

I'm a Professor of Medicine at Johns Hopkins University. I use the Internet to publish my widely-read column at Forbes and, more importantly, to distribute my research results and free software to thousands of scientists around the world.
—Steven Salzberg, Baltimore, MD

I am an independent artist who needs fair & equal representation on the internet in order to survive. I am only one in a very large community that would suffer should net neutrality be squashed. Our world deserves independent creativity, freedom of expression and access to information - not a corporate sponsored web that tells us what we should like.
—Miss Diana Roberts, Costa Mesa, CA

I already pay for my internet connection, I should be able to use that connection however I want.
—Jesse Shaver, San Francisco, CA

The internet is the world's stage. To allow unequal footing on the world's stage is Un-American.
—Caroline Kutschera, Ronkonkoma, NY

Net Neutrality benefitts small business, i'm working for.
—Mark Bröcker, ,

The internet has become possibly the most important way for people to communicate and make themselves be heard. Moreover, much of the content on the internet is made by volunteers, free of charge. What is happening is that the FCC will allow internet providers to effectively charge toll access for content made freely by others.
—Lars Juhl Jensen, ,

It keeps America on equal terms with most of the rest of the developed world.
—William Hofman, Fort Wayne, IN

It is absolutely necessary for an open, free society and for a strong, globally competitive economy.
—Andrew F. Seila, Bogart, GA

An internet that does not have a toll gate around it is important for the continued growth of the us
—Jerry Broughton, Harrisburg, PA

The Internet should be treated like any other utility, NOT by private providers.
—John Paul English, Austin, TX

I can't afford internet
—Charles T Miles, Philadelphia, PA

This goes against the Constitution
—Richard Moussignac, Brighton, MA

...are you kidding me??? this is supposed to be a free country "... with liberty and justice for all". I demand REAL Net Neutrality; anything less is an attack on my rights to connect and communicate!
—Bernadette Levesque, brooklyn park, MN

The internet as we know it has been one of the greatest engines of economic growth and open exchange of ideas this country has ever seen. It is a fundamental national and international communication resource, not a content delivery tool to be controlled by a small handful of for-profit companies. It is arguably as important, or more, than traditional phone lines for modern communication.
—Joseph Miska, TARPON SPRINGS, FL

We cannot have corporations monopolizing the internet and causing us to have to pay more on our already expensive services. This country was built on destroying monopolies. The passing of this would be allowing such activity to occur. STOP NET NEUTRALITY.
—Johnathon Zawadzki, Staten Island, NY

Allowing any near monopolistic company unregulated operational polices means POOR consumer choices and overbearing pricing.
—Tommy Reid, Baytown, TX

Because the Internet, as it currently exists, is how it should be. Monopolies like Comcast, Time Warner, etc., cannot be trusted to operate the internet fairly, as proven by the fact that year in and year out, they've either won or were in contention for the title of Worst Company in America.
—Angel Rodriguez, Elizabeth, NJ

Because without it, my business or furthering education with minimal cost would be, impossible.
—Bill Haley, Reno, NV

I am concerned about the potential for content censorship as well as monopoly control over such an important resource allowing cable companies to charge exorbitant fees to access certain content.
—Kimball Ward, Murray, UT

Without net neutrality, ISPs have too much control over content, and power corrupts. I don't trust these companies to not exploit this power, and think the potential gains are far outweighed by these costs.
—Ye Li, Riverside, CA

The telephone bill is complex enough; Let's not duplicate it!
—Stephen Wimberly, Atlanta, GA

Because I care about free speech
—Lina Faller, New York, NY

I don't think it's right to try and control Internet capabilities and retard the growth of the middle and lower class and their ability to innovate and improve by limiting what they can access based on what they can afford. Also access to information is so important in today's society and limiting that based on income is also ridiculous.
—Ashton Clawson, Aurora, CO

The internet is a resource, a tool, and a way to communicate with other people quickly and easily. Keep it that way!!!
—Lynn Kupfer, Scott, LA

As a citizen of the United States, I object to the proposed rules which would restrict my access to the internet.
—Ron Rosenthal, La Palma, CA

What is free speech if you are not allowed to communicate it.
—Sam Imigin, Knoxville, TN

The Internet is a crucial driver of free speech, innovation, education, economic growth, creativity and so much more. I demand real Net Neutrality rules that protect Internet users from corporate abuse.
—Peter Murakami, Baltimore, MD

I am an independent artist. My livelihood depends on the current equality / neutrality of the Internet. Respectfully, I urge you to remember your responsibility to the future of humanity and protect authentic Net Neutrality. The “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—David Gardner, Santa Fe, NM

These proposed changes will stifle innovation and create economic gain for few and close the door on hundreds of thousands of others.
—Paul Joachim, Oviedo, FL

Cable companies keep pushing for ways to grow/manage/profit and absolutely will not self regulate themselves. That is like asking a wolf to not eat meat. The FCC has rightfully taken analogue voice off the table which means all voice traffic will be on the Internet. The FCC needs to step up and protect Net Neutrality by declaring it as telecommunications now.
—Claude Hayn, Frederick, MD

This is where freedom really does matter. Our livelihood would be in danger of non-existence by censorship. Please do the honorable thing.
—Eric Schiszler, Fresno, CA

The internet is where I get all of my news and information it's also where I watch Hockey. I'm a shut in disabled person. Don't do this to the people. It's bad enough people have been stopped all over the country from creating their own broadband. Stop this from happening.
—Cynthia Brown Klangos, Pittsfield, MA

I access multiple websites and already pay premium prices for access (cable and mobile)
—Damascus Harris, Chicago, IL

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—Giaxmfku, East Homer, NY

Inernet access needs to remain open and not under ISP control. We the people have almost no way to openly discuss and access different views. If my cable company gets ahold of control to my internet choices and starts to charge more for their services then they had better start providing better, more reliable service. The cable company monopoly is outrageous now and will soon be even worse as they start working to take over the cell company providers. The GOVERNMENT needs to quit aiding and abetting the monopolies and start working to support the competion of providers. Big money seems to be the bottom line and the common person soon will no longer be able to support the big money.
—Timothy Boughner, Dodge City, KS

Just like having power and heat for my home, easy access to internet is key for my entire household. It is used by each member every day for varying purposes and we cannot go without it in this day and age.
—Mels Slem, Binghamton, NY

I am not a freeloader. I work for a living and make it. But I am not well off. I pay for internet service that I enjoy and if this action comes to pass I will have to pay more. This is what will happen: Try out “Basic Internet” package! For only $49.99/month, we’ll set you up for super-fast Internet, with 100’s of websites available – but wait, there’s more! Do you like Gmail? Get Gmail service for just $8.99 per month extra! Want to watch Netflix movies? Just $29.99/month for speeds almost as fast as you enjoy now! And try our “News Xtra” package featuring CNN for another $29.99! Sports? Of course! Our Active package, including ESPN, is just $49.99! But wait! Our special SuperNet package gives you all these websites and more for just $129.99/month!* Please do not let this happen. Please. -Garrey Adams London, KY
—Mr. Garrey Adams, London, KY

It's democratic, egalitarian, and it works.
—Amanda Mejia, Washington, DC

It is the new telephone and as such should be treated that way
—John archer, Long branch, NJ

Because it opens a world for people who would not have access otherwise.
—Katie Anderson, Lewisville, TX

I am a small biz entrepreneur
—Keith Conner, Newton, NJ

To keep the internet open and free will no large corporate control telling the consumer what they can see or read. The same way the government is telling me what is best.
—Scott Frater, Inver Grove Heights, MN

Because cable companies make enough money without the internet
—Ben Bicaj, Bronx, NY

This would suppress startups and hugely change business models for the worse.
—Dennis Ellert, ,

Protecting Americans' rights to access all information equally is of the utmost importance in continuing democracy.
—Valerie Comeaux, Prairieville, LA

I'm a content creator trying to build my brand from the ground up, and I need net neutrality to build my business.
—Justin Majornuffski, New Berlin, WI

Because they don't charge extra for a particular section of the library, now do they? A free and open net will continue to foster free thinking and a flow of fresh ideas into the cultural conversation. We are not sheep that buy things...
—Justin Proctor, Lakeland, FL

Equal access to information is a key component of maintaining a free society. Re-classify broadband Internet service as a “telecommunications service," which is precisely what it is, and maintain total net neutrality.
—Dana Laventure, Brooklyn, NY

For the betterment of America people and the country.
—Tom Hartke, Navarre, FL

Equal access to the internet is a critical part of economic development today. New businesses succeed or fail on very narrow margins; a website is often the tipping point. Allowing service providers to charge a fee for access on a site by site basis discriminates against businesses without the power to intimidate or buy off service providers. End users are harmed by restricting access to content outside the mainstream. Avoid the murky realms of free speech interference and economic drag and make real net neutrality happen.
—Chris Wolfe, Ogallala, NE

Many can't afford high-speed Internet. Giving priority to some carriers (who can afford to pay/charge for the service) over others only makes the "Golden Rule" a little closer to reality (those who have the gold make the rules). We're already seeing our Supreme Court make disastrous decisions in favor of corporations and against employees. Makes me wonder about the future.
—Bonnie C, Baltimore, MD

It's important to keep the internet and the information we get from it easily accessible to all. By increasing rates and allowing certain companies to pick and choose what websites are available to us you are crippling the public's education and knowledge.
—Rachel Gonzales, Keller, TX

As a freelance artist, the internet plays a large role in connecting me with new fans, new clients, and new opportunities for my art. If a "two-tiered Internet" were put into place, I would no longer stand a chance of being found. The very framework of my business would suffer from such an action. Please consider keeping the internet a neutral, level place for independent business people like myself. It is very important to us.
—Veronica Kosowski, San Diego, CA

I am an artist, a creator, a student. Net Neutrality is crucial for me as I find other artists and creators to share with, to build communities with, to express creativity with. You will be stifling creative freedom of the individual and collaboration of communities if you implement these rules.
—Sylvia Kosowski, San Diego, CA

As a writer and artist, I want a certain degree of visibility online. I want people to be able to find me online or even stumble upon my work just by browsing. I don't want to be buried under a pile of advertising for big name companies just because I and other individuals like myself can't afford to pay big bucks for priority advertising.
—Marysia Kosowski, San Diego, CA

The FCC should not be "in bed with" or lobbied by the cable companies to create rules that destroy net neutrality only to make the cable companies more money and give companies the opportunity to effectively censor web sites by charging more for them. If these cable companies are "people" with constitutional rights, then they could argue that certain internet sites are "against their religion" and they are not going to allow access to them. This cannot happen.
—Carla H Kruger, Montgomery, AL

Without net neutraility, beginning artists like us won't have a chance to express and create content that will be seen by a large audience. Small companies that started out like the creators of bioshock and bastion won't be discovered if net neutrality was not implemented.
—Ian, ,

The Internet is an essential tool for modern living, like electricity and water. It is truly a utility and should be classified as one. It enables market-driven innovation to thrive. Any effort to slow any part of the Internet will harm our economy.
—Jane Brown, Durham, NC

As an aspiring artist who plans to make at least part of his living through the internet, net neutrality is of the utmost importance to me, as I, and many other independent content creators would not be able to keep pace with the telecom companies, and would see our opportunities needlessly limited. I urge you to act in the interests of the people you represent, and to keep the internet an open utility for all to use and enjoy.
—Eric Rauvola, Duluth, MN

I am a mural painter and illustrator. My clients predominantly come from viewing my website and blog online. It would affect my visibility, client base and potential income if larger companies gain all the speed on the internet. I am a very "small fry" that's trying to grow. Net Neutrality has kept an open field for me and others like me so we can compete with the larger creative companies. Please don't take that opportunity for growth away. Thank you, Allyn
—Allyn Howard, Brooklyn, NY

Small companies, artists, artisans etc should have the same access to the market as the biggest corporations
—Millree Hughes, Brooklyn, NY

Because I´m independent artist who is working to live, the way I can do that is in equality (neutrality) of the Internet. According to FCC they have the responsibility to the future of humanity and need to protect REAL Net Neutrality, and the “Internet Slow Lane” is unjust and unacceptable.
—Alan Dukardt, ,

My job, my livelihood, my customers all depend on Net Neutrality.
—Margaret Carspecken, Fair Grove, MO

Because as an creator, i think that there must be a non-localized un-biased equal but different act to the internet. the independent must not be limited by the corporations, no matter how well meaning, to express themselves. Those who are not able to afford the higher way, should not be limited, and the internet should not be turned into a business in this way. the businesses should not own the internet, but should continue to do these things on a privatized level.
—Steven A. White, Whiteville, NC

A free and open internet breeds innovation which is what has made America a great country down through time. Are we about to give this up so corporations can increase their profits in the short term? I say no and I hope you agree.
—Charles Green, Mesa, AZ

I'm an artist and part of being one is being free to paint, draw, model, and create my passion with freedom. Me and my fellow artists need the net to stay neutral because that's how we share our passion on the web. If the government takes control of the internet, our freedom to express ourselves could be very limited! I'm sure many people have cited Chris Oakley in these e-mails (his post http://chrisoatley.com/savethe internet/) and I agree 110%. Take Machinima.com for example. It's a website dedicated to sharing content users have made with video games or so that's what most people think. Years ago, anyone could make a video game related movie and it could be seen by everyone and generally the content was pretty good quality. Now let's fast forward a couple years to 2012. Now Machinima regulates would videos show up on the front page. Whether it's a badly voiced game walkthrough (let's play), or it's some misleading title, Machinima will sponsor it and they will go out of their way to promote it and essentially cut out the little guys. The ones who built Machinima in the first place. Basically this is what you're doing if you give the government control. The government's only going to promote sites, people, etc that fit its interests. The quality of the internet will be gone and those that made the internet the way it is today including artists like me won't be heard. Keep the internet neutral. Let's also take a look at China's government related internet. Now China's government goes out of its way to block content it doesn't find favorable. Now I know you may think our government could never get that extreme, but as history has proven, if you give someone enough power, anything can happen. I beg of you Mr. Wheeler, without the neutrality of the internet, artists won't be able to express themselves and we'll only be able to ever see the government's favored interests on the internet. If that doesn't convince you, let me present with a quite plausible future in a world without net neutrality. So, one fine day, you decide to hop on the 'ol computer and you recall a certain youtube video so of course you hop on youtube. Turns out, the government's really into the next Jersey Shore reality show, well guess what? Front page of nothing but Snooki and your cat video? Gone. The only thing Youtube has now are videos purely about the Jersey Shore. Ok, so maybe it won't be that extreme but I can guarantee that any video on YouTube the government doesn't favor will most definitely take a longer time to load because if it ain't Jersey Shore, it's not in the fast lane. Thank you for taking the time to read this, Mr. Wheeler and I hope you keep the internet as great as it is. Neutral and for the little guys like us artists. From Chris Froehlich
—Chris Froehlich, Spring Lake, NJ

Dear Mr. Wheeler It is with a great deal of concern I'm sending this message to you, regarding the possible end of internet neutrality. I want to be as straightforward as I can, and I'm ready to speak if you find it needed. To make my point, I want to consider the human nature as it is. Why do I approach it that way? We all know that humans are basically concerned about themselves and their own survival as main priority in a way that, on a scale, creates a foodchain. If we think of a market as an echo-system of professionals, it has the same basic behavior. This foodchain isn't necessarily a bad thing. It keeps good work flowing and makes people really thrive based on their necessity and goals. And that, I believe is a fair way of making people grow. That is a way of seeing neutrality. I believe that the break of neutrality is gonna limit this environment, not for the fittest, but for people who not necessarily earned their places, creating a weaker and, on a long term, inhospitable environment. Take Facebook for example. I used to follow my favorite artists and also put my artwork out there. Now, I can't see the posts of artists I like and what I receive are only advertisements. Facebook only allows the people who pay to get a main vision of content. Comes to a point where not only I have no point of using facebook, advertisements on your "personal space" are the most annoying thing in the world. Not only that, if you google the name of any artwork I did, it's gonna show up on every site I posted them... Except facebook. Facebook created a small example of what the end of neutrality can be, and right now there are, surely, a lot of people using it, but for HOW LONG? I've seen it before, and I believe I'll see it again. This is gonna last for a LIMITED period of time, until people get tired of seeing the same things over and over, and not getting anything in return. Even if you recicle what they see in a period, mass culture changes with generations and eventually they'll move on. Happened with MTV. Right now, a lot of artists, such as I, have the opportunity to share their work, and bring a fair competition to the market. If FCC makes Net Neutrality go away, all we're gonna have is a priority to a limited trend, which will have to be reinvented at a larger cost, not only of money, but of talent. If you limit the variations, you limit your reach, and consequently, you become, as the metaphor I was bringing earlier, a lazy and unreliable creature. Artists are not gonna be inspired people on the long term, because they're not receiving information that inspires, and therefore, maintaining the quality of the limited resources will be harder. It's like trying to cultivate a soil where you only planted corn on the last 20 years. The quality is gonna change dramatically and nobody in charge will clearly notice until you start starving. People eventually accept it, until a new kind of exit is created, leaving the main environment unattended, and not really profitable. We have the deepweb as a bad place now, but this comes, how is it gonna turn out? On the other hand, we don't have security nor laws for industries affected by internet, such as the music industry. A lot of people could be earning good and deserved money out of educational videos, records, various services, and that's not what's happening. Countless artists are not getting what they deserve, because a lot of people find ways of releasing pirate content all around and people download it with no problem. Also, contests disguised as "cultural" or for "publicity" are released daily only to make artists work for free in exchange for empty promises. I believe that as freedom of speech exists, there is a fair way of dealing with it, that will help more talent to emerge, and not only that, they'll be ready to fight to keep your institution up, if this institution makes them thrive. I know I would. So, what I came here to say is that there are several ways of dealing with problems and opportunities. Faster and slower, more or less profitable, but Human nature has a way of coming back on a long term, and it is directly related to what you and anybody else who's running things, bring to it. We all have a symbiotic relationship, wether we see it or not. I really hope I made a good point here. Please keep internet neutral for the sake not only for art and jobs, but for the sake of freedom and opportunity. For BOTH of us. Art feeds the world with culture. Thank you for your kind attention. Yours sincerely, André Meister
—André Meister, ,

I am a visual artist who relies on the internet as my medium for distributing my content. An internet that makes it difficult for me to connect with my audience is an internet that denies me my career. If America is a country where all are equal, then our livelihoods and voices are as well. This proposal is discrimination and apartheid, based upon the all-powerful dollar. This will not encourage business except for those who already enjoy juggernaut-status in the economy. Without internet neutrality and equality, how will there be a free market, let alone freedom of speech? Please, do not approve of this proposal. Internet is a vital telecommunications tool. Do not take it away its efficiency from the citizens you serve. Sincerely, S.D. Weikel
—SD Weikel, Palestine, TX

The internet should be an even playing ground as far as content delivery and viewership is concerned. Without Net Neutrality, the worst can and will happen -- and many people, like me, already don't have much of a choice as to who their ISP is. The end of NN could also damage indie creators strongly based in the internet, struggling to get their content viewed by a wider audience, who are hosted by throttled providers.
—Jessica Cantlope, Nashville, TN

Why should i loose my freedom ? Do you dare to ask the question why freedom is important to you ??
—Sateesh, Gaithersburg, MD

Please throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Kathryn Lynn burke, Rochester, IL

The Net is for everyone-equally!!
—Shane L. McCune, Manhattan, KS

Net Neutrality is essential for the survival of democracy in the 21st Century.
—Devin Nordson, Boulder, CO

I do not want someone else deciding what Internet content I should and should not see, or what Internet content I should see for free and what for cheap and what for expensive.
—Elizabeth Hartung, Magnolia, DE

I believe that without protection for Net Neutrality, several of my friends who small, online businesses will be destroyed by larger companies with more money.
—Katherine Buffington, San Diego, CA

Are you crazy!! Not having net neutrality will charge the foundation of what the internet stands for: innovation!
—James Fishback, Burbank, CA

Why should we be giving the Telco's the monopoly? Serve the people, not the corporations.
—Marshall Neill, Maysville, OK

There is only one way if we want to keep being a democracy: the Internet must be reclassify as a public utility. Anything short of that is a sell-out to wealthy companies and will hurt the American people. Which one will you choose: a plutocracy or a democracy?
—Claude Guillemard, Lutherville Timonium, MD

No two-tiered internet! Reclassify ISPs as common carriers, if that's what it takes.
—Lorna the internet open. This is not Holmes, Hillsdale, MI

Please keep the internet on even ground for everyone. As an owner of an online e-commerce store and a partner in a company that focuses on small to medium size business websites it is essential to our profitability! Thanks again!
—Matt McClard, Dallas, TX

The Internet is a utility that people use like any other utility. It should NOT be sold to the highest bidder so that consumers are fleeced by powerful corporations, with the blessing of those whose job is to PROTECT CONSUMERS, not rip them off!
—Robert Starr, Sacramento, CA

Stop playing games with the internet! Seriously, no industry ON EARTH is self-policing, the large carriers will abuse your ruling and limit free human speech! Do we have to fire you in order to make you understand! KEEP THE NET NEUTRAL! Do the bidding of the American public! YOU WORK FOR US
—Dustin Blair, Denver, CO

Lick My Fuckin Pussy?
—Professor PoopyPants, Nevada City, CA

Equal access to information is a fundamental part of a free society.
—Barbara Bibel, Berkeley, CA

You represent the People, not Corporations!
—Alan Gibbons, Atlanta, GA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Ignacio Melo, ,

We need a free neutral net to contact others.
—Jack Robins, Iowa City, IA

Come ON!!!
—Jason Reed, Coos Bay, OR

Net Neutrality promotes the formation and growth of new businesses.
—Andrea Polli, New York, NY

It is fair and will stimulate global economies.
—Frank Paul Sabatini, Exeter, PA

I depend on Net Neutrality for daily business.
—Allen Rapatz, Minneapolis, MN

Because I want a fair, free and neutral Internet. ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers. The Internet is a public utility. Or should be.
—Marcia Hutchinson, Sherborn, MA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Also, as a librarian, I firmly believe in the necessity for being able to provide good internet service to all users. Society is becoming increasingly integrated with and dependent upon online services. For example: many employers only accept online applications, and while this is convenient in many ways, it is difficult to apply for jobs without online access. I have seen many poor people trying to apply for jobs and they are dependent upon the library for internet access. The public library in town has terrible internet speeds and an ever shrinking budget, and this has a negative impact on the ability for people to apply for jobs. That is only one example of an already an existing digital divide, DO NOT MAKE IT WORSE BY ALLOWING ISP'S TO CHARGE A HIGHER RATE FOR FASTER SPEEDS. THIS IS NOT BENEFICIAL TO THE VAST MAJORITY OF PEOPLE. I DEMAND NET NEUTRALITY.
—Ellen Davis, Anchorage, AK

The only legitimate classification for ISP's is as common carriers.
—stephanie K, Jefferson, CO

All Americans deserve a fair and open internet
—Barbara King, Los Angeles, CA

Net neutrality is the only way to protect the economic potential and social value of the internet. Please don't let these big companies essentially tax our access to information.
—Holly C Holloway, Palo Alto, CA

STOP SUPPORTING YOUR FORMER BIG TELECOM/WIRELESS BOSSES and START SUPPORTING THE AMERICAN PEOPLE WHO PAY YOUR SALARY Mr. Wheeler.
—Ril'riia Kil'urden, Lewiston, ME

Stop the Cable monopoly - All companies need to offer services that customer wants not bundles they put together
—Robert Nieves, Nashville, TN

For Christ's sake, let's leave a little something for the little guy !!!
—Richard Burrows, Bonney Lake, WA

We have the slowest and most expensive internet service in the industrialized world, the new rules would make it even worse.
—Herman Rhein, South Padre Island, TX

Tom— don't be a wholly-owned subsidiary of the telecom giants!
—Glen Kohler, Berkeley, CA

it's not fair to allow corporations to dictate the rules of the game. one person, one vote. no matter what the supreme court says corporations are not people.
—Bob Segal, Tucson, AZ

The internet is a utility, and must be shared equally by all.
—Bernice Meyer, Saint Louis, MO

Without net neutrality, the Internet cannot continue to thrive.
—Steve Olson, Aptos, CA

I am on a fixed income. It is not fair that I am restricted from accessing some things on the internet just because I can not afford ro pay big businesses to do so!
—Donna Walsh, Las Vegas, NV

For the good of the public everyone needs to be equal on the net!
—Mr. Whitt Jackie, Greensboro, NC

Net Neutral is the only sensible choice.
—Laurence Hotchkiss, Riverside, CA

Net neutrality is essential for freedom to speak in our democracy and I will defend it to my death. Beware! You are outnumbered.
—Nelson L Johnson, Guerneville, CA

We have the right to use the internet since 1996. FCC it, and YOU'LL BE SORRY!
—Navin Bharadwaj, Fremont, CA

You've made a huge mistake.
—Omar Jasso, Rockford, IL

We, the people. Remember us? Does anyone in our government remember us?
—Robert Goldberg, Casselberry, FL

This is one more example of where the rich corporations get preferential treatment over the ordinary citizen. Do not let this happen!
—Tom Reed, Bryan, OH

I need to be able to keep my small affiliate website that earns income.
—Susan Weschler, Boston, MA

I use the internet every day at work, and we cannot afford to pay more for faster internet speeds, as we are a community college.
—Edward T. Hills, Westland, MI

Stop the corporate take over of the net.
—Lj Lombardo, Beaumont, TX

Fairness for All
—I Engle, Village 0f Tularosa, NM

Democracy online is key to the vital dissemination of information and the education of our nation.
—Mark Stock, Portland, OR

The Internet is a utility service that everyone needs full access to. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers, because that's what they really are.
—Martin Frost, Half Moon Bay, CA

I work for a small non-profit tech start-up. Our success, and the success of tens or thousands of other ventures like ours depends on the internet as a fair and level playing field.
—Benjamin Kamm, Brookline, MA

As a programmer at a small studio, it's important to me that consumers get equal access to our products as well as those of larger companies.
—Justin Miller, Seattle, WA

Don't let greedy corporations take over the Internet
—Rick Henry, carlsbad, CA

I need net neutrality in order to compete on a level playing field.
—John MacPhee, Ottawa, NY

The Internet should be open and available for everyone. No corporation should be able to control it.
—Melissa Pappas, Saint Paul, MN

Without net neutrality, citizens will have only 19th century means of affecting their government
—Mr. Edward Costello, Santa Monica, CA

How much are they paying you??? ISPs are common carriers!!! I am an IT professional and I rely on a fast connection. I can't afford to pay more for it, maybe you can but I can't! Please reconsider your rules and classify ISPs as they should be; Common Carriers!
—Jesse Riggan, Durham, NC

Net Neutrality's important to me because it's like my Amendment rights to the Constitution, if that's changed, then nothing will be the same again. Do not take away my freedo to the Internet.
—Gabriella Brown, Chicago, IL

Net neutrality is one of the most important factors in a free Internet.
—Timothy Day, ,

Net Neutrality is very American and should be left alone at all costs. Please don't destroy it like other nation's have. We are NOT China or North Korea, and American internet users do not deserve more ill treatment due to corporate greed and bureaucratic lunacy.
—William D. Prystauk, Easton, PA

We need REAL net neutrality now! The chairman's plans will destroy the internet.
—Ben Rheault, Toronto, ON

FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality. DO IT!!!
—Jahnavi Stenflo, Boulder, CO

Please toss out the FCC proposed rules and, instead, reclassify ISP's as common carriers. Thank you.
—Patrice Pop, Providence, RI

Open Internet which is what Tom Wheeler claims to support means no discrimination, equal access for all and for all websites and access for all. FCC's new plan doesn't reflect these values. Do the right thing; reclassify the internet as a telecommunications service!!
—Carolyn Knoll, Kailua, HI

Can't believe that the FCC is a traitor to the people, selling us to the highest bidder. US Government... the best government corporations can buy!
—Bruce Johnson, Carson City, NV

A public highway has one speed for everyone. The net is a public highway. No one has a right to manipulate access.
—Ms. Amy Martin, Nashville, TN

I agree with this letter. I do NOT like the FCC's proposal which gives monopolistic companies ever greater power & control & stomps on individuals & new growth of new companies.
—e Johnson, Oakland, CA

This will devastate the economy of this country. All these rules will do is allow the corporate monster to remain on top, and small business to not be able to compete what so ever.
—Joseph Mixen, Lebanon, IL

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—Luis pineda, valrico, FL

Net neutrality ensures equal access to information and resources. Without it, you are expanding the gap between socioeconomic levels, which is not a fair way of doing business.
—Ashley Williams, Saint Louis, MO

We need the FCC to protect democracy by keeping the internet egalitarian and not caving to corporate profits
—Marc DiPaolo, Weatherford, OK

I may end use of internet if neutrality is lost.
—Kevin B Vaught, Antioch, TN

The internet is the last commons, the last stand for democracy. It is also the collective brain of the human race and to turn it over to monopolists and profiteers would be highway robbery and a waste, since history has demonstrated repeatedly that it would lead to stagnation and the death of innovation. You would only be cutting off our nose to spite our face. It's clearly an act of both stupidity and cupidity.
—Catherine Curtis, Santa Monica, CA

An open internet is crucial to a free and fair America. DO THE RIGHT THING!
—Joe McAneny, Vallejo, CA

The Internet needs to be a neutral transit system. It should not care what App I'm using or what site I am trying to get to. It should just get data from point A to point B, no strings attached.
—Corey Anderson, Big Lake, MN

Seriously, stop this. It's not going to happen, you're going to have the entire World population at your throats.
—Rafael Turgeon, ,

I do business with a lot of small companies over the internet and I want to be able to contact them in a speedy manner.
—Ms. Sue von Theiss, La Verne, CA

Don't let big money buy the Internet too. Whatever happened to freedom in America?
—Liz Lambregtse, Lebanon, NH

I need net neutrality as I use the internet to keep up with my family that lives far away. Also, companies should not be allowed to discriminate and determine who gets fast speeds and those who don't!
—Nicole Look-Christensen, New Brighton, MN

If we don't keep the internet neutral it can and will become a tool for censorship. Keeping net neutrality is so crucial! Please do not take it away!
—Kristen Barry, Brooklyn, NY

As someone who has worked on the internet for nearly two decades, I find it appalling that you would sell this taxpayer funded utility's services to the highest bidder.
—Nate Marino, bellingham, WA

Other than God, the internet is the real glue holding our world together. Please classify it as a common carrier.
—Linda Yow, GlenAllen, MO

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Equal Internet Access for ALL! Thank you.
—William Shaw, Santa Cruz, CA

so that the content I want (not from major corporations) doesn't take a back seat to big business
—Janet Childress, Helena, MT

the kyoto protocol???
—Dimitar Dolnooryahov, village of strelets, IA

Here is a novel idea, how about make rules that the PEOPLE want, instead of what your corporate buddies want.
—Corbin Stack, ,

I teach distance education courses in a state university. I am really worried that we will not get the bandwidth we need for the multi-media instructional resources we utilize. I am also worried that non-profit organizations on the web will have a hard time getting out their message.
—Rebecca Scheckler, Draper, VA

each website is equal in value to a seeker on the web
—Michael Gomel, San Diego, CA

The Corporate Media has become America's Pravda. the only source of real information is the internet. Your Corporate Masters want to destroy it and you seem to want it destroyed, also! RE-CLASSIFY ISP'S AS COMMON CARRIERS! Do you have any idea HOW ANGRY THE AMERICAN PEOPLE ARE ABOUT THIS??
—Jeff Crane, Lincoln, NE

It's a matter of rights -- equal rights!
—Shireen Parsons, Washington, DC

Please, PLEASE don't let a twi-tiered internet come into being. Please instead encourage telecom companies to invest in and improve infrastructure to make the internet better for everyone. Two Tiered Internet will kill neutrality and cost consumers extra for already inferior services.
—Erin Hall Lewis, Pasco, WA

Why not really defend the free market on the internet? Defend the same opportunities for everyone and dont a handful of corporations make the rules.
—Joaquin Revilla, ,

Net neutrality is CRITICAL to American global competitiveness.
—Eric Singer, Pittsburgh, PA

Equal access to all start ups, bloggers and others looking to make it online.
—Jason Nelms, Hermitage, TN

Please allow equal freedom and access for all. Not everyone can pay their way to the top- I know I can't.
—Caitlin Hoffman, ,

We have terribly poor internet compared with other countries because of the control these companies already have. Why make it worse?
—Peter Shaw, Portland, OR

Any tiered structure is contrary to basic principles of Net Neutrality. If the FCC is serious about preserving an open internet, it must reclassify. Please honor your mission to safeguard open and democratic internet communication. Chair Wheeler's rules are 100% unacceptable. Do the right thing. The American people are watching.
—Ruth E. Kastner, Gloversville, NY

Allowing the creation of fast lanes is the same thing as allowing the creation of slow lanes. No thanks.
—Mr. Eric Gramond, Culver City, CA

America is still the land of the people, not the land of Corporate Greed.
—Brandon Christopher Williams, Houston, TX

I want a free and open internet WITHOUT having to pay for it. I'm on the low totem pole here and couldn't afford to pay for the internet. Please keep it as it is now; free and open to ALL.
—Gayle B. Rosenberry, Baltimore, MD

Please stop the greedy corporations and join the rest of the world in providing better service cheaper.
—Lawrence Cohen, la, CA

Really, we know what you are trying to do. Back off and leave the Internet free. Capitalism is really just about creating monopolies and the biggest corp wins, right? We don't want to play that game any longer. THe jig is up!
—Diana Skill, Kansas City, MO

Abolish the FCC for complete failure to work for The People over the greedy corporations!!!!
—Harold Nemecheck, Battle Creek, MI

Because information should be equally available to all. The internet is a tool, not a toy for the rich elite.
—Ian Cannon, Oakland, CA

I don't want my speedy internet to be available only when some large user allows it. The internet should be free and fair and available to all users in the same manner. No favorites. No buying into better service at my expense.
—Wayne Foote, Smithtown, NY

I am retired and use the internet for pleasure and education. To slow my access would be a hindrance to me and decrease my quality of life. If carriers are allowed to charge extra, they should be taxed accordingly.
—Hank Shiver, SNELLVILLE, GA

We already have slow and expensive internet access in America. We should be working to alleviate these problems, strive to give affordable access to more Americans, and not make access more difficult and expensive while denying equal access for all Americans.
—Kathleen Ryan, Sacramento, CA

There must be a level playing field.
—ALVERA99@bellsouthnet Pritchard, MIAMI BEACH, FL

Strong regulation is needed to keep the ISPs from strangling the Internet. The current course will lead to them short-sightedly doing exactly that.
—Jeremy Brown-Hayes, Bloomington, IN

ISPs are no different than telephone companies.
—Tom Dewille, Owens Cross Roads, AL

The Internet grew to be the robust entity of today precisely because of the "first come, first served" aspect where all content and all users are treated equally. Allowing ISPs to implement a "paid-for" "fastlane" is the very antithesis of the internet. We have far too many years of broken promises by telcos and big businesses to actually believe any promises that a Verizon/Comcast/AT&T can make - unless you are suspending your skepticism and are being willfully obtuse (and in the pocket, paid of otherwise, of the telcos and cable providers.
—Richard Taylor, Lexington, KY

There can be no fast lanes on the Internet -- no paid prioritization. I know the chairman says his proposal doesn't allow this but it's not true. Paying for faster service should not be allowed, period -- we need a competitive marketplace and ISPs must be regulated like utilities to provide it.
—Jason Rosenbaum, Washington, DC

Net Neutrality is very important and should continue to be a key component of the Internet. Creating "fast lanes" on the Internet is effectively creating "slow lanes" for startups, small business, and anyone not able to pay ISPs for this, proposed, segmented Internet.
—Kurt Zenisek, Cedar Rapids, IA

Because net neutrality is what we need.
—Aaron Cordero, Weslaco, CA

Net neutrality is so important for democracy. If you continue this road it a kill switch for the entire human race and all for corporate profits. It's wrong!
—Michael Bankare, ,

Allowing these ISP giants to charge extra for unbiased service would just continue to set the US behind other top nations.
—Daniel Chang, Concord, NH

We need to keep slow and fast lanes out if the internet. Especially with such heavily profit motivated corporations setting the rates.
—Kevin M. Dufresne, Bangor, ME

To kill Internet neitrality would put research adn academic groups in the Unites States at an even greated disadvantage compared to the rest of th world. We're already falling behind, why are you tyring to kill us off completely? Research and academic organizations absolutely depend on the Internet. They will not be able to afford the fast lanes. FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler claimed that he supports Net Nutrality. So far his actions by supporting ISPs like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon had proven him to be a liar. He can take actions to disprove that and keep his word.
—Jim Bodie, W. Henrietta, NY

At age 84 I depend on the internet with its net neutrality for information, social contacts and just plain fun surfing.
—Jim Glass, Redmond, WA

I don't understand how ISPs can not be classified as common carriers. Every citizen relies on internet access as part of their everyday life. We cannot trust ISPs to fairly govern themselves. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Jennifer Fiorito, Quincy, MA

This is ridiculous -- why are you allowing ISPs to bully internet users, their customers and non-customers alike? You need to protect the open internet.
—Tiffany M. Rapplean, Westminster, CO

I grew up with a free Internet! Equality for everyone! It is our right to have that freedom! You can shove Verizon and the major carriers up your ass! I for one will protect a free Internet.
—Sabrina Williams, Washingtonville, NY

The internet should be open and move at the same speed for everyone. If only the people with large amounts of money would be allowed to send and receive with speed, it would stifle innovation. It would ruin the one thing that openly connects the world.
—Logan Davis, Pittsboro, NC

We cannot afford to allow corporate giants to dominate the Internet for their own marketing and propaganda purposes. The Internet is a public utility created with public funds and as a mainstay of democracy the FCC must regulate the Internet as a common carrier.
—Jeff Labovitz, Bolinas, CA

I feelthe internet should be used by every one without any fast lanes or slowing down of services.
—Brian Runyon, Cincinnati, OH

This gives to much power to big business and will ultimately cost consumers much more money. It will INDEED stifle innovation as newer companies with great idea will not be able to compete with large corporations' deep pockets. To that end -- recent government tactics have tried to convince the world that "corporations are people" -- if this is the case, then this decision is no different the discrimination or racism in that preferential treatment will be given to first class citizens of the net... Lastly, the majority of the public isn't technical enough to understand that a given service is being slowed down by an ISP and will therefore blame the service itself as being "sub par" when in reality superior products may be less performant if their companies can't afford to pay for preferential treatment. This is wrong in so many ways...and on so many levels....
—Ryan Headley, Mc Farland, WI

The Internet is meant to be free!
—William Oeseburg, San Diego, CA

As a teenager who plans to find a career in technology, the open internet is vital for preserving my possible career paths.
—Ryan Seffinger, Wyckoff, NJ

I cannot find one person who thinks this would be a good thing
—Mrs. Karen Raccio, Maple Grove, MN

ISPs really ARE common carriers, and act as such. There are no 'fast lanes' allowed in telephony or CATV. there should be no such thing online either. The FCC needs to act on behalf of the people and their best interests, not the communications industry. STOP SELLING OUT!
—Arthur Alenik, Capo. Beach, CA

I run a small business (sole proprietorship). I cannot compete with large corporations nor can I survive when companies pay big bucks for better Internet access leaving me with their leftovers! Remember the countless small businesses who rely on the Internet to compete with the big businesses. We need a neutral Internet.
—Peg Kelley, Watertown, MA

I work for an internet based tech company, we do a lot of work in the USA and hope to expand out market share in the US. If these rules change then we could see our ability to talk too our clients and give them data hurt very badly. These rules for us to be held hostage to our own data, this would mean the end of the US investment for the company and the people we employ in the US.
—Richard J Laing, ,

No one entity should ever have complete control over the internet.
—Andrew Costigan, Norwood, MA

Innovation and technological advancement are integral to our survival as a species. These rules you're proposing seriously impede innovation and networking. This is SO SO important. Far more important than the money Comcast is giving you to support them on this distruction of the open Internet.
—Alex Richards, Hayward, CA

The neutrality of the internet is so much more important that 99.99% of people realize. It is perhaps the last source of actual freedom that we have. Letting the corporations take it over is such a terrible, terrible idea, and it underscores exactly what is wrong with our governing forces. Listen to what Woz says.
—Adam Bellinson, Detroit, MI

The Internet should be free and available to all, not a benefit to those big companies with big cash. This is wrong, equal for all!
—Steve Stevenson, Chilliwack,

Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. This will cause stagnation in our economy as other countries innovation will not be stifled and instead continue to flourish. Net Neutrality will make everyone more money in the future, and ending it is as short-sided as burdening students with the amount of loans they currently have. The bubbles will pop. Don't make a new one.
—Chris Nicolaisen, Seattle, WA

Once again, money decides our future! Keep the internet free.
—Laura Collins, NY, NY

I would like to know what assholes on the FCC voted against net neutrality and who bribed them for their vote!!!
—Robert Parker Stellato, REDWOOD CITY, CA

This is my personal take on these rules: Welcome to the USSA, check your rights at the border becuase we brunt the constitution. I.T jobs, they are canned becuase every last cent of growth money is spent on the ISPs and the Dictatorship of America. Just anotrher push of the "People" to launch a civil war. Are you willing to make that move? As it is 80% of America believes we need a goverment reset, and this is one of many reasons why...
—Robert Emminger, Covington, TN

Corporate control of government has to stop. The connection between Mr. Wheeler and the cable companies is a prime example. Do what is right and work for the people.
—Jayant M. Thomas, Toledo, OH

Really, why not just let corporations bid on the rights to oxygen or education.
—Homer Turgeon, New York, NY

Please reclassify ISP as a common carrier. What were you people thinking????
—William Shepherd, Cedar Falls, IA

Chairman Wheeler's plan would let ISPs like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees — and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Daniel Yost, Philadelphia, PA

The internet is the last "free" place on earth. An ISP is the same as a phone provider, they should both be common carriers and follow the same rules. Yes ISPs are more complex but their service is the same. Do not sell out to corporations and hinder the internet for humanity just so you can get a bonus check.
—Rob Brock, Englewood, CO

This is a public utility and must be a common carrier.
—Edward Tharp, Riverside, CA

Net neutrality is extremely important to new entrepreneurs, to students, to people in rural locations and most of all to every American who depends on reasonable access to make decisions in democratic processes such as elections!
—Dr. Norman Howden, Dallas, TX

Equal access for all content. Stop taking it up your rear from some telecom providers Tom. Stand up for citizens and the big picture, not corporate profits.
—TJ Firebrook, Raleigh, NC

Because these ISP's effectively have monopolies and duopolies (I have a choice of 2 at my home, and 1 where I'm moving to), we don't have a choice to get better service. This plan will put some websites in the fast lane, and everyone else in the slow lane! First, we should require that in the USA, there is no place where an ISP has more than 50% of the market share, and then we might have a competitive enough situation to fix this problem. In the rest of the world, internet service is 3-5x faster and half the price, even throughout Europe and Asia.
—Haydn Huntley, Makawao, HI

ONLY net neutrality protects Free Speech and Free Press!
—Elaine Becker, Roanoke, VA

It is all about America's future - without net neutrality, we will be a divided nation with only the wealthy having access to substantial technology - the poor will be left with servitude - low wages and little future... America will become a second rate nation - whoops, the conservative direction since Reagan have pretty much taken us there - 30th in education, 37th in healthcare... even worse in infrastructure - you have the ability to turn this trend around!!!!
—Randy Johnson, Bend, OR

Get real -- this is the 21st century, and the Internet is a utility, not a "product." Classify ISPs as common carriers immediately.
—Elizabeth Bell, San Francisco, CA

As an academic researcher, I often need to access performances and informational videos that are never going to be able to pay for the use of a "fast lane". Moving towards such a model is guaranteed to stifle the free flow of information in favor of a model based on corporate profits.
—Marshall Tuttle, Troutdale, OR

As a web developer for the past decade, it's important to me that the work that I do is visible to the widest audience possible, not simply limited to those with the means to afford a better connection. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers, and regulate them as the utilities they really should be. My livelihood, and the success of countless future startups depend on a level playing field. Thank you.
—Jesse Ross, Minneapolis, MN

The web is the last, truly democratic arena. Let's not squash it for the deep pockets of corporations who are only out for their interests. The internet is for everybody. Big companies and especially media/internet providers are doing just fine with out this discrimination.
—John Stislow, Brooklyn, NY

There is no benefit to this proposal except for financial gain and power giving to companies that are undeserving. The world relies on net neutrality. Please do not be greedy.
—Joseph Paul Schwind, Walton Hills, OH

Businesses put profits above all else, that is their "function," and they will create those profits at the expense of this country and her people. The "Public Trust" is put into the care of those in government to act in OUR best interest, which is less and less the same than the interests of businesses. They will abuse any control of the Internet they are given, especially the all-important "last mile." They should be designated as "common carriers" because they can't be trusted to regulate themselves.
—Andy Ritter, Fenton, MO

I'm a freelance writer and Net Neutrality is the single most important thing in today's world, as it's increasing reliant on Internet as a major media and news carrier. There is no way we will allow anybody to tak that away from us.
—Filip Galeković, ,

The ONLY true Net Neutrality rule is the reclassification of ISPs as a common carriers. Anything else is a pandora's box of discrimination and should be rejected outright.
—Steve van Damme, Brighton, MI

Stop bowing down to big business and do what is best for the American people.
—Johnny Wilson, Gainesville, FL

Getting access to Internet is hard enough to some people, we don't need anymore of our money getting sucked into it. The government makes us pay enough money for normal things as it is, don't make it hard for is to have to dish out more money.
—Solen Williams, Lawrenceville, GA

The Internet needs to be open for everybody not only big companies
—Diego Teran, Santa Ana, CA

I depend on certain online news sites. They do not have deep pockets. They will be so slowed down without Net Neutrality they will no longer be competitive enough to stay alive. Do not let this happen. You can prevent this from happening.
—Janis Dolnick, Sebastopol, CA

Internet discrimination is unfair, plain and simple !!
—Patrick Carey, Toronto,

This rule is a cave to powerful interests; it will stifle what is left of free speech and democracy and close the internet to all but those who can afford it.
—Max Barack, Glenview, IL

Net Neutrality has allowed for so many things that have benefited the American people. Improved communications, innovation on several technologies, and the free flow and exchange of ideas. The rules proposed would ultimately destroy net neutrality and harm millions, if not billions of people in the process. To avoid this, the FCC should throw out it's proposed rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers/Title II telecommunications service.
—Matt Ringquist, Redwood Falls, MN

The internet is not a commodity for the rich, it's a utility for the people!
—Eric Andres, Shoreline, WA

Being a small business owner, ending Net Neutrality would absolutely kill my business.
—Linda M, Cranston, RI

Without an open internet, innovation is stifled. Under these proposed rules, startups with new ideas will reach a smaller audience under less favorable terms than before. We would not have most of our popular social media and entertainment sites today if they had been developed under these rules. The internet has virtually unlimited possibilities, but not if the power and control is taken from its users and given to profit-driven corporations.
—Jennifer Brill, Brooklyn, NY

I'm a web developer who does not want his work squelched.
—Michael Monroe, Brookline, MA

Without an open internet, the free exchange of information that creates tomorrow's tech pioneers and scientists and doctors is jeopardized. This is absolutely detrimental to the future of our country.
—Daniel J Cox, Framingham, MA

Net neutrality is essential for the distribution of the rights of the american people, life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. If you constrict the free speech of the american people the people will speak up to break free.
—Ward Kuentzel, Carthage, MO

Creating financial impediments to the free and open use of the Internet is absolutely critical to the social, economic and political vitality of our nation, as well as all of our global neighbors. The FCC was not created to benefit those individuals and enterprises that are well-funded; particularly in terms of unfettered access for all!
—Kenneth Koerner, Miranda, CA

I urge the FFC to leave no loopholes that would allow the big guys to discriminate against users, companies, groups, ethnicities, governments, etc online. Do not offer them any way to ruin a free and open internet, where beautiful and great things happen ever day, including job creation and economic stimulus.
—Jason Oeltjen, Wylie, TX

Okay, so you're blatantly disregarding what the public wants to push your own agenda. Nobody wants a fast lane, unless the whole internet speeds up and everyone has equal access without monetary incentive. In a nutshell, please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and pave the road for more competition and new companies. Not doing so will inhibit the flow of communication, knowledge, and insight on the internet until it is throttled. In South Korea the speed is 100mb/s, prices are around $25 a month, and there are a MULTITUDE of companies competing. You take away competition, part of what the FCC should be protecting, then prices go up and quality or service goes down.
—Ms. Danielle Witte, Minneapolis, MN

Keep the net free> I stand for net neutrality>
—Raymond Perry, Hurricane, WV

Why should ISPs make more money?!? They provide expensive crappy service as monopolies or duopolies!!! Internet service in just about ANY other relatively advanced country is faster and cheaper! You should PUNISH them, not conspire to make them richer!!!
—Garry M. Doll, Williamsport, PA

Net neutrality is fundamental to vigorous commerce, technological innovation, free speech and a healthy republic
—Mitchell B Stargrove, Hillsboro, OR

The internet should be free for everyone!
—Aidan Soubry, ,

Please do not proceed with your current proposal for new Internet rules. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and keep the Internet open for all.
—G Flores, SPOKANE, WA

Save net neutrality! Save true expressions of freedom and liberty for all! Not only the elite.
—Emily Kincanon, Riverside, IL

THE INTERNET IS MY NEWSPAPER....DO NOT SCREW IT UP. LET IT BE FREE.
—Anthony Marchione, Welaka, FL

We already pay over $ 50 a month for turtle slow service with all kinds of problems ! Trust me, this will only make it much worst !!!!
—Mrs & Dennis Roderigues, Pinellas Park, FL

Net neutrality is the single most important thing that we should be fighting for. If we were to lose net neutrality we would lose a large majority of our constitutional rights and with that some of our human rights. This cannot be allowed.
—Riley Benson, McKeesport, PA

Letting corporations pay for better service destroys any chances for start-ups to gain traction, and is ridiculously unfair for average citizens.
—Margaret E Esaak, Central Lake, MI

Monopoly means death to creativity and innovation.
—Shawn Sarwar, Washington, DC

Neutrality supports Democracy which we as Americans are sworn to uphold.
—Ken Box, Austin, TX

Unfettered access to information is an essential element of democracy. Any two-tiered system under corporate control will amount to defacto content discrimination (censorship) by entities that have no public-interest mandate.
—Keith Berner, Takoma Park, MD

These proposed rules are clearly in favor of a select few corporations, and they will severely stifle the internet economy that so many Americans, like myself, rely on.
—Eric Iffland, Riverbank, CA

Bribery of FCC officials is the issue. PAY OFF by BIG COMM Cons to FCC Whores.
—Malcolm Moore, Portola, CA

Placing any rules, regulations, or allowances regarding the Internet, regardless of who they benefit, would completely destroy the openness of the Internet.
—Adam Balchunas, Weehawken, NJ

don't take this profound opportunity to gain vast wonderful information, follow the world and communicate with everyone away from all of us. that would be simply evil.
—Gwendolyn L. Waring, Flagstaff, AZ

I've been a Web developer for 17 years. My livelihood, the livelihood of all my peers, and the health of my company all depend on Net Neutrality.
—Ron Cox, Alexandria, VA

As a consumer, I am tired of the trend in communications in general. What was once "free" and "open" (for example, radio and tv) is increasingly becoming a "what can you afford" proposition, and too many people will be alienated and pushed aside because of it. Each and every one of us should demand Net Neutrality - our last resort for free, open communication for all!! Thank you.
—Henry Mastroberardino, Harrison, NY

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The internet was created to be open. The FCCs actions will put the future of the internet in the hands of a small handful of corporations. America is already behind when it comes to internet and broadband communication speeds. This will just put us even farther behind.
—Mike Brown, Charlotte, NC

Don't do this.
—Frank Garrett, LONG BEACH, CA

My small business relies on the Internet. I can't possibly compete with the giant corporations who want to buy a permanent advantage and roll over the rest of us. I know many people just like me who scratch out a living through e-commerce. How will we make a living when our internet marketing efforts are erased with cash by the largest corporations in the field? The Internet is an essential utility now, as fundamental as the highway system. Please don't make it into a tollway system.
—Ms. Peggy Ross, Decorah, IA

Internet access is crucial for businesses and consumers alike. Allowing someone to pay for an edge is going to have a terrible effect on competition and on the economy and on innovation! We need more small businesses and less *big* business advantage to have a healthy innovative economy. We need to know that ordinary people can be heard and not throttled. We need a truly neutral internet with equal access to the backbone for all traffic.
—Vicki Fletcher, ,

The internet is abut the free trade of thoughts and ideas. If you implement fast lanes and slow lanes, you give power to companies that do not care about the thoughts and ideas of people. All they care about is how all this extra cash will look as it lines the pockets of their respective CEOs. Give us back our internet as it was
—Alexander Stults, houston, TX

This isn't the Corporate United States of America. Net Neutrality provides for all.
—Tina Noland, Saint Louis, MO

Allowing service providers to take control of the internet and make us pay to use it would be dirty and underhanded, only creating problems in the long run. Discrimination does not belong in the 21st Century, and it should stay that way. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers, for the good of normal people.
—Rebecca Smithson, Clayton-le-moors,

There is no reason to get rid of net neutrality except to allow ISPs to make huge profits by having large corporations pay for premium access to the detriment of small businesses and non-profit organizations. This change does not benefit the public good, only shareholders. You should be ashamed.
—Christopher Parman, Palm Springs, CA

Broadband is as essential as water, electricity and other utilities. It should not be able to be manipulated by big business.
—Nick Lavely, Saint Paul, MN

As a paying customer, I feel Comcast will start collecting on BOTH ends. Myself as the customer and companies like Netflix as a content provider. Reclassify ISPs as a utility!!!
—Salvatore Mete, Lake in the Hills, IL

Don't ruin the internet for future generations. Consider the long term effects of your decisions today.
—Ryan Bates, Fairport, NY

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Toma Popov, ,

Enough with the greed. The internet is the ONLY free speech platform left to the citizens of this country and you do NOT have the right to give this platform away to big cable interests. We, the people. DEMAND Net Neutrality!
—Michael Simonet, piscataway, NJ

Having 2 tiers of service is inconsistent with historic American values. We should not favour those with lots of money over regular people in managing what is, in effect, a public utility. It's unfair, and therefore not right. Please reclassify ISPs as the common carriers they are.
—Susaan Straus, Newton, MA

I'm sick and tired of being treated as a 2nd class citizen. Stop representing the interests of big business, and start representing the interests of us, the people!
—Mr. Jonathan Gatarz, Hayward, CA

The ISP wants to bill like a utility, make them a utility. It is the only way to start bridging the 'digital divide', and prevent further degradation to the benefits the internet provides
—Richard Nelson, Louisville, KY

Entrepreneurship and the free, unimpeded exchange of ideas are critical to the health of the United States, if not democracy itself. Without net neutrality, both will be severely curtailed as those who can pay are the only ones who will have unrestricted ability to disseminate ideas and use the Internet for their financial gain. The open, neutral Internet has been a tremendous driver of democracy around the world, of scientific achievement here in the US, and of the burgeoning ranks of entrepreneurs. Failing to truly safeguard net neutrality will risk all of this and will only benefit the large ISPs. Any restriction on net neutrality is an absolutely horrible idea, and it will severely impact the economic and scientific health of the US. Please re-think your approach!
—Roy Turner, Hampden, ME

Keeping the internet open is good for business. The next Microsoft or Apple could find their efforts stumped if they sign on to the wrong firm.
—Alex Greene, Wrexham,

You clearly know the difference in the public interest and special interests. Your mission is to protect the public interest. Surprise everyone, and do your job!
—James Kellett, Springfield, MO

The internet must stay absolutely neutral to keep the world free!!!
—Phillip Mullen, Stephenville, TX

We depend on a free and neutral internet.
—F Robert Wesley, Ithaca, NY

Our democracy requires Net Neutrality; no other plan -- or compromise -- will work.
—Ned Flaherty, Boston, MA

Only the rich and powerful will dominate the net without Net Neutrality!!
—James Sheley, Tucson, AZ

In the age of unlimited political contributions and corporate spending on elections, indeed.. money is speech? The last bastion of equality is the internet. Any two tiered system will demand
—Wood Souders, Feasterville Trevose, PA

Just stop it already! Do you want to continue making the public angry at you?
—Kyle Krause, Miami, FL

Neutrality insures open access for all,the more minds using an open system the greater the productivity.
—Scott Kallio, Albuqerque, NM

We in the U.S. already pay more for slower broadband speeds than other developed countries. Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers would go a long way toward remedying the competitive disadvantages resulting from lack of competition in many areas of the country where one major provider controls the market.
—Craig Fausnacht, Uniontown, PA

Please reclassify broadband. If not, consider yourself responsible for the death of the open internet.
—Matt Weidman, Ames, IA

This is the last free public forum. Don't destroy it.
—Patti Ford, Brookdale, CA

Stand up for Net Neutrality, Mr. Wheeler, or you will be instrumental in the downfall of this country’s competitiveness in the global economy. Is that really the legacy you want to pass on to your children? Is that the kind of damage you want to do to the Wheeler name?
—Peter Crosby, foster city, CA

This proposal harms the very idea of net neutrality, allowing larger companies to afford "fast lanes" while stagnating innovation from smaller players (like YouTube in 2005). This would be a huge disservice to the internet and is not needed. The internet should be treated as a public utility, as it's an essential part of life nowadays, just like water or electricity. Please throw out this proposal and reclassify ISP's as common carriers!
—Miguel Asse, New York, NY

I strongly believe the internet should be considered a public utility and regulated for fair access to everyone. Real net neutrality is more democratic. It's more equitable. And it creates a more dynamic, fast-moving economy.
—Donald Harrison, Ann Arbor, MI

Too much control by the "Big Boys"
—Kathy Oliver, Santa Barbara, CA

I'm a software engineer specializing in start ups. I feel this proposal will severely inhibit my ability to do my job and grow within my career. This proposal will also put a stranglehold on innovation by drastically limiting the reach of new companies (who might not have money to compete with bigger, established players) as well as limit communication around and the development of emerging technologies (which almost all rely on an open, neutral, accessible Internet for progress, information dissemination, etc.). Essentially, you'll be putting our economy and our citizens back in the (technical) dark ages.
—David Long, Playa Vista, CA

My career depends on having an open and uncorrupted internet connection. Why, Tom Wheeler, do you insist on doing your best to ruin this for everyone? Reclassify this as a common carrier and stop catering to whoever is bribing you. You work for the United States people now, not cable companies.
—Patrick F Collins, Austin, TX

Net Neutrality would kill what the internet has created; a sphere for the little man to become big beyond their means in a public forum, a situation not seen elsewhere
—Taylor Poole, Reno, NV

All people should have equal access to the Internet. It must not be placed in the hands of giant, for-profit corporations.
—Shawn Gustafson, Broomfield, CO

This is the land of the people and for the people! Please don't allow the degradation of the U.S.A. and turn us into the land of the corporations for the corporations! Protect our free internet!
—Jessika Ojea, Wonder Lake, IL

I helped build the internet... don' t mess things up!
—Paul Geuzebroek, Costa Mesa, CA

We will vote out anyone who votes to approve Tom Wheelers rules on the internet. I call for Tom Wheeler's resignation.
—Steve Peterson, moorhead, MN

Small startups should not be at a disadvantage! Scrapping NN will stifle innovation.
—Jonathan Crosby, San Francisco, CA

The internet was, on every level of development, TAXPAYER-FUNDED and created by, for, and of the people, NOT CORPORATIONS or private interests, and should NEVER nor in ANY WAY be controlled, throttled, discriminated, or profiteered by such interests. The internet, in its incarnation, definition, maintenance, and usage, is a COMMON CARRIER PUBLIC UTILITY.
—A Ward, Eugene, OR

DO NOT BUY ANYTHING OFF THE INTERNET IF THEY CANT KEEP IT NEUTRAL. USE SNAIL MAIL. CB RADIOS.
—David Marinsik, Santa Rosa, CA

share nicely and please don't be greedy
—Nicholas C Baylis, Bristol,

Billion dollar corporations and people who rely on the internet at their local library and everyone in between all deserve the same access to online content. Do what is right for all Americans and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jon Bassinger-Flores, Pacoima, CA

Net Neutrality is so important to freedom of speech. The system we have now works and is fair. To restructure how the internet works so big business can take advantage of it, for absolutely no reason aside from big business using this to push out competitors and small business, is so wrong.
—Megan Butler, Port Orchard, WA

A level playing field is critical to creativity, new enterprise, and communication. PLEASE keep the Internet open to all!
—Mary Hager, Leverett, MA

Anything less than this could not be otherwise take than evidence that public officials at the FCC have not only contempt for the public interest, but clearly bow to the deep pocketed interests of mega corporations with profit motives at stake. If that is not corruption, what is? Reclassify. Defend the public interest.
—Francis Hittinger, montclair, NJ

Why must something that encapsulates the very essence of democracy be exploited by greedy corporations? Can there not be one sacred place that says no to their encroachment?
—Carol A. Longhenry, Rockford, IL

Net Neutrality is important to me, because the internet is the last place in the world where a common person (i.e. non-monied person) has any ability to obtain info that is useful to them, and to express themselves. Otherwise, it's whoever has the most money wins, and that's a SHITTY SOCIETY. If corporations spent more resources trying to build up humanity, and help create more emotional and mental and nutritional intelligence, rather than trying to strip every last resource from others to make a profit, we might have a chance at building a sustainable world. The internet allows common folks to get access, and if you are going to allow rules so that monied interests can reach others at greater speeds, you're going to crowd out valuable online content contributors unfairly. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers, Tom. Stop being a corporate lobby pawn. How do you and people like you sleep at night? Thanks for listening, Dave
—David Hayes, Deerfield, MA

I believe that the internet should be equal speed and access for all. It should be treated like a common carrier that gives NOBODY greater priority over other users or providers of information. Doing anything else will squeeze out those who are not paying the priority fees to put their outfit at the top of the list. This is already happening with certain search engines which put the paying company at the top of the list , irregardless of the relevance of that company. I find it a problem and a irritant.
—R Ackermann, Oswego, IL

I am for an open internet that is free from discrimination. This cash grab by certain ISPs and their lobbyists will mean the end of an internet that promotes innovation. Please do not let this happen. I make a living from the web, and it is important to me that the internet stays a viable option for small businesses and startups to make their dreams a reality. Drew Blumberg
—Drew Blumberg, Nashville, TN

freedom of internet is important for ecomonic
—Justin A Winnicki, moreno vally, CA

fixed income senior, presently, net access is too expensive.
—Christopher Lunn, Genoa, NV

The Internet should be for all not a few who can afford it.
—A Andaloro, St louis Park, MN

Surely it's become readily apparent how everyone feels at this stage of the game. Please make the right decision.
—Steve Sturgill, Louisville, KY

Equal access to the means of communication is a fundamental requirement to effective democracy. To protect this equal access, it is essential that you reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Most of the communications that used to happen by phone or letter are now happening over internet connections through e-mail, social media, and skype. You should list ISPs as common carriers because that's what they are.
—Leith McCombs, Renton, WA

I use the internet all the time and am on sites that would get slowed down!
—D P, Madison, WI

Because the government should work for all people even the poor people who will not be able to afford the higher end and faster services and rather, be stuck with their children in a slow moving train getting nowhere and wasting time.
—Ron Grande, RUTLAND, VT

Being able to do my job depends on free and open access to resources on the internet: please don't create a two-tiered internet. That's classist baloney.
—Mara Karapetian, Brockton, MA

Because it works for everyone
—Deborah Remy, Carmel Valley, CA

ISPs MUST be reclassified as Title II common carriers. Any other action -- or inaction -- is completely unacceptable.
—Remington Jones, Sylva, NC

Do not limit the infrastructure that so many of us rely upon for creating and building a better future. Please protect net neutrality and do not privatize one of America's greatest resource.
—Keenan May, San Francisco, CA

I seriously cannot believe that we actually have to tell people like Wheeler how to do their job because they're not smart enough to realize what a ludicrous idea this is. Then again, I'm not surprised that people like Wheeler cannot take a moral stand and do what is in the best interests of the people rather than the best interests of the telecoms. These FCC lackey's are so out of touch that they actually believe these rules and mergers like the Comcast / Time Warner deal are actually good for everyone... It blows my mind how much our society has shifted over the last several decades because of lack of character and morals in our society and elected officials.
—Jose Paradis, Peabody, MA

Otherwise the internet becomes a commodity to be exploited by corporate America at the expense of consumers
—Ruth Pennoyer, Wet Orange, NJ

Our democracy depends on an open Internet.
—Richard Selleseth, Lodi, CA

Currently the U.S.A is already behind most other countries in terms of network bandwidth preformance. Allowing for a "two-tiered" system would put us even more on a back foot in the innovative technologies of the World Wide Web.
—Evan Hisey, Tuscaloosa, AL

Our access to the open and unrestricted internet, regardless of 'tiers', is a hugely important part of our freedom. Information access, communications, the ability to spread important news... these should NEVER be throttled.
—Alex Perea, Basking Ridge, NJ

Because Freedom of Speech was important enough to remain in the Constitution.
—Amy Hanson, Chelsea, MA

All internet should be free and equal
—Fred Lavy, Harrisonburg, VA

I depend on Net neutrality for education, communication, music and shopping. Please keep the Internet open to all.
—MM M. Healey, Santa Fe, NM

I need net neutrality. I'm a student who does 95% of my schooling and work online via the internet. I am in no position to pay extra fees to be able to use all of the resources I need for both work and school. I need net neutrality.
—Jessica Harker, Lisle, IL

Government should exercise great care in establishing precedents which might infringe upon the rights of citizens. Excessive deference to corporate interests rarely serves individual liberty.
—Robert W. Haynes, Laredo, TX

ISPs must be regulated as common carriers! Represent US (https://represent.us/)
—Manor Askenazi, Arlington, MA

Without Net Neutrality, my family won't be able to run their business, nor will we be able to stay in touch with loved ones who lived in other parts of the world.
—Carling Kirby, N/A,

Just do the right thing. And the right way here is to make them into common carriers, ending discrimination altogether. Why is this so hard?
—Peter Park, Fairfax, VA

Net Neutrality is all the people have left of trust busting. No monopolies on Communication.
—Frances Goff, Valley Village, CA

the internet is not broken. Stop trying to fix it
—Dallas Moore, Middle Island, NY

Our small business depends on a free and open internet. Your rules will hurt us and millions of others. The best idea is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Deborah Byron, Fayetteville, AR

Information must be free and accessible to all, not only those who have the means to pay for it, for the good of the human race.
—Du Hoang, Brooklyn, NY

This is a public good and should be protected as such. Everything is neither for sale, nor should profits take precedence over PUBLIC good.
—Stephanie Zappa, Oakland, CA

Because NOBODY wants to pay exorbitant prices for crappy serivce. In a recent article posted online, a trend of horrible customer service and overtly high prices leads to a steady decline in Cable and ISP providers. Do you want people to pay out their butts for something they can't use?
—Adam, Hudson, NH

Freedom to choose is one of the great freedoms of living in the USA. I want to keep the freedom of watching what I want, where I want, without a large corporation dictating what I can and can't see by how fat my wallet is.
—Lauren Henry, West Chester, PA

It keeps rich fascists from controlling the flow of information.
—William Randolph Pearce, Beaverdam, VA

YOur responses to my previous emails all claim you stand in favor of Net Neutrality, yet your plan for a two-tiered system is anything but. PLEASE reclassify ISPs as common carriers and SAVE that which you claim to favor. Most of us have almost no voice left. Do not sell what remains to the highest bidders.
—Lawrence D. Snyder, Davis, CA

If you really believe in the Open Internet as you say, then prove it. Reject rampant discrimination online!
—Deborah Cate, Philadelphia, PA

In today's world, Internet access and access to many sources through the Internet represents the most important element of the freedom of the press for Americans. You have an opportunity to stand up for these fundamental freedoms, and an obligation to do so. Serve the American people, not the corporations.
—Nathan Wittmaier, Warrensburg, MO

Please leave the Internet fee and discrimination free. Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers, for the people.
—James D Winders, Ridgeway, SC

I want to be able to start my own online business and not be encumbered by infrastructure costs others have already paid for.
—Chris Adams, San Francisco, CA

This IS the last vestige of Free Speech that we will ever see. Please don't destroy it!
—Steve Helms, Monroe, NC

Radio, television, and telephone are all classified as common carriers. And yet, at this point in time all three now primarily flow through the Internet. Not reclassifying the Internet as a common carrier thus essentially removes the historical protections on every form of communications now employed by society. Classifying the Internet as a common carrier needs to happen. Anything short of this threatens to alter and even cripple the future of all communications in our society.
—Julia Allis, Syracuse, NY

ISP Giants "reimagining" ways to carve up the same resources we already have, but for more money is not acceptable. These are the most hated companies in America according to surveys and they should not be rewarded for their mediocre performance and high prices (compared to other countries). Reclassify the ISPs as common carriers to rectify this horrible situation.
—Stephen Lucas, Salinas, CA

Remember when the people that had all the money were the Porno web sites? The internet was nearly unusable for a few years. Just imagine what will happen when money from special interests (such as big communication) can legally collude to fix their fast lanes to give priority over innovative startups, and non-profits and the lowly individual. Legitimate uses for abusable technology like bittorrent will immediately be terminated completely by comm carriers under the excuse that they are "managing their network". They've done it before and lied about it. With this new set of rules they won't even have to hide it. They don't have to be USING the bandwidth that they're paying for. They only have to occupy space to keep it away from their competitors. This is a huge tool for monopolistic practices among big communication providers. That's not an improvement to the internet. It's unquestioningly detrimental to our national communications infrastructure and must not be permitted.
—Phil Gilmore, West Valley, UT

Data discrimination is one step removed from despotic censorship. It cannot be allowed in a democratic society.
—Jay Treat, King of Prussia, PA

We do not need government of the corporations, by the corporations and for the corporations.
—Bill Gallagher, Scottsdale, AZ

I worry that the voice of the affluent will stifle the voice of the destitute if internet service providers are not classified as common carriers. Please keep the internet a level playing field for people from all walks of life.
—Kurt Lehnardt, salt lake city, UT

net neutrality favors the consumer and will keep access to internet content equal, enabling a truly free market. Do the right thing and favor REAL net neutrality
—Richard Dahlstrom, Seattle, WA

please consider seniors on fixed incomes
—Frank G Christian, arlington, TX

I am opposed to the proposed rules that allow for certain entities to pay for faster internet service. I believe that *any* policy that allows for discrimination among customers and internet service will eventually lead to inequities that favor richer customers and hinder poorer customers. Such effects will stifle the creativity and entrepreneurship that has made the internet such a boon to the United States. Please preserve net neutrality! If this requires reclassifying ISPs as common carries, by all means do this!
—Jeffrey J. Derby, Bloomington, MN

The people depend on non-discriminatory ISP's. Don't disappoint us.
—Alejandro Bupara, Walnut Grove, CA

The internet is the one of the very few places where everyone is on an even playing field. Do not take that away.
—Kacy Trujillo, Torrance, CA

Startups and individuals should not be disadvantaged by having their content transferred slowly compared to big, established companies (or business partners of the cable companies).
—Jeremy Monat, Fairfax, VA

Because I work for a small tech company. We will never be able to compete with large companies on a level playing field.
—Nick McNeill, Johns Island, SC

The new rules threaten the next new big thing (such as the next Google, Facebook, Apple etc.) not coming out of the United States. The new rules are communist and unamerican as they unable incumbents to stifle competition by getting preferred services. The FCC chairman should be ashamed of his high treason against future entrepreneurs.
—Christian Geib, Glasgow,

The the only right and fair thing to do, but I know why you are doing it and it's to restrict and censure those who have discenting opinions and that is just plain wrong. It's your country and freedoms too that you are helping to erode.
—Elissa Mericle-Gray, Berwick, ME

Keep the internet open to all. It's the one place that is open to all Americans.
—Jonathan Perry, Camarillo, CA

The ability to access the internet should not be based on how much I can pay. I shouldn't have to pay more for what should be a public service. We collectively created the internet; it shouldn't be privatized, which is what these rules effectively do.
—Heath Eddy, Exton, PA

There must be unfettered communication between people if we are to progress as a globalized society.
—Paul Mazzella, New York, NY

Our legislators have been bought off by large cable lobbys....there is NO good reason not to have Net Neutrality!
—Michael Aazarian, West Hollywood, CA

It boggles the mind that the United States, the mastermind behind so much great innovation, could possibly be on the verge of destroying one of the greatest inventions in modern times by handing it over to a few monopolistic companies at the expense of information sharing, all sorts of organizing and advocacy, and innovation. Chairman Wheeler, what on earth are you thinking? I cannot tell you how terrible it feels to now live in a country where it seems that those with money and the ability to buy policies they like to protect their interests will always seem to triumph over the needs of the broader public. And this is from an FCC appointed by a Democratic administration. Please do your job and protect he public interest by reclassifying the internet as a public utility and finally demonstrate to the American people that our government still works for us and not only those with deep pockets.
—Kristina Aiello, Arlington, VA

Anything less than open access to information results in retarding innovation. Innovation is what has given our country a competitive advantage for decades. We are losing that advantage because of awful regulation such as this one.
—Freddie Rosario, Oviedo, FL

So essentially you are creating a pay-to-play situation where the companies that have money will have access to the "fast lanes" that you are helping to create. This will kill innovation as start ups won't have the resources to compete. Please keep the internet open, and don't take these steps any further than you have.
—Sean Lavin, Cleveland, OH

It's not fair to exclude working class people from accessing the internet that provides them with information and contact with friends and family. We rely on the internet a source of medical information, a resource for kids to study, as well as a way to access distance learning and to telecommute to work.
—Ellen Tracy, Ellsworth, ME

The entire structure of how we regulate the internet needs to be looked at. Its important to keep the internet neutral so big companies can't take control. Whats more is that the whole industry needs to be changed so that there is competition, this is the only way to bring down the pricing while driving up the speed of what consumers need.
—Kevin Callahan, fenton, MO

The free exchange of information was considered so vital to the Founding Fathers that they provided for a post office to guarantee the delivery of newspapers to the citizenry. We cannot forsake this cornerstone of democracy for the expedience and the greed of the Internet carriers today. ISPs need to be reclassified as common carriers in the name of democracy and the Constitution. You will do it or we'll find somebody who will. Your choice.
—Peter Rogan, Royal Oak, MI

Open internet for all not chosen few
—Richard Exley, San Tan Valley, AZ

The Internet has become a "utility", something on which everyone depends, like clean water, sanitary sewers, or reliable electricity. It is NOT appropriate to let the big corporations discriminate between who they want to have a fast-lane and who they don't care about. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers NOW!
—Robert Slaven, Goodyear, AZ

You're job is to protect people not corporations.
—Anne Wayman, National City, CA

Destroying net neutrality is vital to tech development in the US. If we are to remain a world leader in innovation we must ensure that the net remains neutral. Binding new companies with fees and costs will stifle advancement. Don't sacrifice our economic future for a quick buck now.
—Tyler Mason, Seattle, WA

No pay for play. That will stifle innovation. Preserve net neutrality. Stop catering to big money and listen to the citizens. Time to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Erich Vieth, Saint Louis, MO

You've proven yourself to be nothing but a prostitute for the big money interests--what a surprise !! (not)
—R Rykart, Saint Louis, MO

This is a public utility and we want a level playing field that's fair to ALL of us
—J Talbot, austin, TX

I build mobile applications for the nations nonprofit organizations to be able to facilitate their life changing services. I demand net neutrality so that our nations nonprofit orgs can do their tremendously important work without fear of carriers limiting their ability for a profit.
—Chris brereton, Santa Monica, CA

Net Neutrality is critical to entrepreneurship on the internet and must be protected.
—Ken Johnson, Lincoln, NE

reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Bruce Eggum, Gresham, WI

Net Neutrality has become a basic consumer right, and an essential tool for small businesses as well as large ones. If nothing else, the economic impact would be terrible.
—Anna M., Allston, MA

The internet is the greatest invention since the printing press for the spread of information and education.
—Dr. Fred T. Ponder Ph.D., Houston, TX

I work with the internet on a daily basis. Some clients that I have are strictly internet based. If the proposed rules are put in place this could not only severely hamper future innovation but also put many small internet based companies in a bad place. Please reconsider and think of the general public and let there be an open internet!
—Bryon Kuehn, New Ulm, MN

The Internet is central to our daily lives, in matters of personal interest as well as business. Free and equal access to it will be essential to maintain anything like an Economic engine for America in the 21st century.
—Matthew Miyares, Lorton, VA

COMMON CARRIER AND NOTHING ELSE.
—Sharon Roark, Canton, OH

I don't feel that special interests with deep pockets should corrupt the open internet we currently enjoy.
—Bill Gussman, Southampton, PA

Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Dont be a trashy person.
—Andrew Ciaravino, vestal, NY

Killing Net Neutrality will affect the entire world and for what? Greed and Money, please be reasonable and don't give in to this silly law.
—William House, Cocoa, FL

Important for the safety and preservation of the internet
—Bennett A Carson, Red Wing, MN

Allowing bigger corporations to choose who gets to push ahead of the others will only discourage the multitude of small businesses online from moving forward and providing useful products and services that help inspire new ideas and stimulate business and the economy. It can also be easily abused to ensure only select groups and content get the premiere focus over others, limiting free speech and creativity. Please do not allow this plan to pass. Keep the Internet open for everyone, not just people with the most money who can push the system into favoring them and dooming everyone else.
—Matt Willard, Jacksonville, FL

I disagree with creating further monopoly of the internet than verizon and comcast already have. Money does not equal free speech it is pretty plain to see who has lobbied to end net neutrality.
—Jonathan Hagarty, ,

Net Neutrality is important to me as a web developer because it protects my livelihood!
—Mr. Alex Miramontes, Chicago, IL

A free and open internet where all bytes are created equal is the last hope WE THE PEOPLE have to save our democracy. AT&T, Comcast and Verizon are doing just fine in an open internet. Why on earth would you stack the deck even further in their favor!?!?!
—Kathy Condor, LaVale, MD

My work as an aircraft accident investigator relies on net neutrality to document accident information as soon as possible. I can not be impeded by a Corporation looking for more money! Mr. Wheeler has been apparently bought by these Corporations! He must step down as soon as possible!!
—Ron Maynard, Melbourne, FL

I have published online news for 12 years for my community...everything is free as it's a volunteer news site...we are small and yet important to my readers...it's bad enough that communications are becoming more and more a monopoly by mergers, etc. Why don't "they" just leave us alone...so sick and tired of the "big boys" taking everything! Please, just stop it now! I suspect "they" don't read these petitions or if anyone does they just ignore us. But, at the very least we can still comment, so far.
—Dixie Walter, Eatonville, WA

The internet is one of the last truly democratic spaces that the American people have left. Please keep the internet free!
—Christine Lafferty, Cleveland, OH

Life and Death
—Carlo Fiore, Chalmette, LA

Few things in life are as important as a free internet! We gain knowledge from it, and it should neither be viewed as the playgrounds of the rich and famous, nor the greedy sociopaths! Equal access for all!
—Jack Spallino, Anaheim, CA

Internet providers need to be reclassified as common carriers in order to give the FCC greater regulatory power over an essential resource - so we won't be put over a barrel by the very companies the FCC is supposed to oversee.
—Philip A. Cherry, Mandeville, LA

Innovation will be hampered without real network neutrality. Evolution of technology and health of economy depends on implementation of real Net Neutrality.
—Bulat Filin, Brooklyn, NY

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Michael Davis, Anchorage, AK

This is shameful that the the FCC is proposing such rules. We the People - remember?
—Joe Volpe, Malvern, PA

People like myself actively rely on the vast resources made available by a free and open internet to keep informed on the issues that really matter. With the loss of neutrality, this grand resource is threatened and I cannot imagine a world where big media has its hooks in the distribution of all of this information. Please reconsider your stances - a free and open internet benefits us all!
—Casey Jones, Sumner, GA

You want to shut people up by censoring internet. Whatever you call it. Stop that. Keep internet free.
—Pierre Halfquiz, ,

I'm a retired person on Social Security and I depend on Net Neutrality to keep in touch with those friends who are still alive. Why in the bloody blue blazes should I be given second and third-rate service simply because I'm NOT a rich corporation? Answer me that!
—Rose Marie Ash, Buffalo, NY

Net neutrality is what makes the internet a unique and extremely valuable communications tool. To do anything other than maintain net neutrality and treat internet service providers as common carriers would be a disservice to US citizens, the world, and our future.
—James Ford, Southport, CT

My work requires open access.
—Wendy Paff, Pittsburgh, PA

The internet is a tool that all should have equal access to. It drives innovation and should be available to as many people as possible, not just those who can pay more for faster speeds.
—Patrick, Morral, OH

Net Neutrality IS internet.
—Ozgur Zeren, Cercedilla, NC

Pres. Obama promised to keep the net neutral. Try to follow his lead.
—Roger Walker, East Lansing, MI

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protest the open Internet by reclassifying ISP'S common carriers.
—Ricardo Castro, Sacaramento, CA

I work in a business that would be very negatively affected if broadband is not classed as a common carrier.
—Kelsea Moore, Woonsocket, RI

Without net neutrality, hundreds of companies would never have been able to start up. By killing net neutrality, you stagnate the system, allowing for less and less competition, all controlled by a system which quite clearly cares little about what develops.
—Riley King, Satsuma, AL

It is appalling how the FCC as under minded the American public in this way. Destroying liberty and access to information to Americans. It is just wrong and yur actions are contributing to a harshly controlled, communist style country. May god have mercy on your souls and may u har the foresight to correct the error of ways
—Vanessa lasko, Va beach, VA

Mr. Wheeler, please take a step back and take a holisitic, OBJECTIVE view of the situation. I cannot say much more than that because it is difficult to conclude anything but you are a marionette for your prior employer and the industry lobbyists.
—Sean Halverson, Omaha, NE

The Internet would lose most of its true value if it is yet another big-business controlled revenue generator. Please don't let this happen.
—Mark Schmidt, Harrisburg, PA

I ask that you protect all of us equally. My wife and I don't have a lot of money. Please don't let us become second class citizens on the Internet.
—Douglas Long, Rio Rancho, NM

Thanks to net neutrality, anyone with some programming knowledge and a good idea can create something that will eventually be seen by millions. Without net neutrality, the internet will no longer be full of innovative new ideas because good ideas will never be able to become successful!
—Will Guy, Leicestershire,

Even if you don't care about having a free and open internet that gives the same access to the little guy as it does to the big guys, there are reasons to oppose your new rules. These proposed new rules may make sense if there were more options for broadband internet providers in this country because the market would decide which company survived. A person could choose between getting their internet access from different companies, whether it be the one who charges for a content "fast lane" or the one who doesn't. We could decide with our dollars. But since Comcast, Time Warner, and Verizon have all agreed not to compete with each other in huge geographic areas, there is no true competition for broadband internet access. To this end, I implore you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers and enforce net neutrality on the way they handle our data. So as not to give them yet another pat on the back for being non-competitive and abhorrently money hungry.
—Pat Williams, Hopkins, MN

ATT and Comcast are already the worst companies on the planet, they don't need to get any worse or greedier. An open and free internet is the key to improving the quality of life for everyone on earth. Don't screw that up. Don't turn us into China.
—Scott Hillson, West Linn, OR

I demand that you represent MY interests and the interests of the common person by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. I heard that Chairman Wheeler said that if these rules are passed, and the few monopoly companies begin unfair practices which would limit net neutrality, that those companies will then be regulated to somehow to stop the behavior. What a bunch of nonsense! Once they start ending net neutrality, it will be over. They will win the courts because they have the money and they will win at the FCC because they have the money. I do not have their money to swing this thing. All I have is Chairman Wheeler who is supposed to be representing me and the millions like me who do not have the money to influence politics. We need him to take a strong stand for regulation now and RECLASSIFY ISPs as COMMON CARRIERS. These proposed rules are a disaster and go against what Chairman Wheeler and President Obama have declared should be net neutrality. Stephanie Roche 6405 Phinney Ave N Apt L Seattle, WA 98103 jumpforjoy2day@hotmail.com
—Stephanie Roche, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality equals Freedom of Speech, the constitutional right.
—Margaret Hasan, El Cerrito, CA

Communications is Communications regardless of the form it takes you must treat ISP's exactly the same as common carriers. Period.
—Rich Fuller, Longmont, CO

Seriously, stop fucking with us before we start fucking back.
—Erik Kelly, Lincoln university, PA

I am a long term, academic computer center management type. I was here when the internet was invented. This is precisely the big fear we all had when this started, that it would end up like Cable TV. YOU are the ones who can ameliorate this.
—David Barnhill, Lawrence, KS

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—Daniele Dohring, Los Angeles, CA

The internet is not owned by one or two companies. It's a collective ownership by everyone. But, by passing these rules your are destroying this idea and giving power to giant corporations!
—Michael Schatte, Burleson, TX

If you don't ensure continued net neutrality, the internet will cease to be a force of democracy and become merely another advertising platform.
—Rowan Everard, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality matters to me because I work in the IT industry. The internet was founded to share information. If we destroy it by allowing for a "fast" and "slow" lane many issues will arise. In addition the tax payers have already subsidized hundreds of billions of dollars to have these fiber backbones built, so Mr Wheeler you as essentially allowing big ISP to triple dip for the same service.
—Darren Holmblad, Fairfax, VA

Please keep the internet equally available to everyone!!!
—Lane B Adams, Louisvile, KY

The internet has become a necessity in today's modern world. Everyone needs the ability to access that necessity equally to encourage growth and innovation.
—Matt Ludwig, Brooklyn, NY

My business depends on equal access to the internet. After being laid off in 2011, I built my own company from the ground up. If Net Neutrality is destroyed, my business could go with it.
—Jen Luckwaldt, Brooklyn, NY

I don't want to pay higher rates or have slower service.
—Noreen Stevenson, Chester, NY

As a freelance media technician, it is vital that I have optimal internet speed. To create two classes of internet speed, the faster of which would be more expensive would cut into my already limited profit margin. and quite honestly the service providers which are owned by large corporations do not need more profit for the same service.
—Tyler Bennett, vestal, NY

Net Neutrality is important beacuase it is FAIR. Does justice really matter in America?
—Elias Bastos, South Lake Tahoe, CA

Imagine that one day we will return to a democracy and your kids and grandchildren won't think ill of you.
—Mr. Jacob Stilabower, indianapolis, IN

I work in education, arts and journalism. Activities in these fields are crucial to well-rounded, well-informed American citizenry, and should not take a back seat to raw, unadulterated commercial activity that benefits only the already-wealthiest in our society. It is well, well past time to classify Internet service providers as the common carriers they actually function as.
—Kenneth Zahnle, Macomb, IL

Internet access is an essential form of communication and expression for me. Dump your proposed rules and reclassify internet service providers as common carriers.
—Anthony R Parent, Las Vegas, NV

It's important for all thoughts, commerce and online communications to have the same access. Anything less tilts the internet to the favor of large corporations. The internet is a public commodity.
—Richard Cervi, St Petersburg, FL

It's going to be very interesting in the future when someone ferrets out how Mr. Wheeler is going to profit financially from his plan, and who it is that is paying him off.
—Terry Fisher, Dallas, TX

Our country can't be the one to stop freedom of speech and freedom of information. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Rebecca Sears, New York, NY

A corporations profits should NEVER override the needs or the people. Classify ISPs at Common Carriers and force them to treat all net traffic equally.
—Frank Boisvert, Ridgecrest, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me because the Internet didn't get to where it is today with paid prioritization. Tom Wheeler you piss me off.
—Mitch Stehlin, Cincinnati, OH

Without real Net Neutrality the Internet will be governed by the other Golden Rule -- he who has the gold makes the rules! That will leave the American consumer with high costs, poor service, and little or no competition!
—Duane Baker, Powell, OH

Tom Wheeler, I am angry that you emailed me and basically lied to me when you advised that you would push for what you termed "open internet" and then turn around and push a two-tiered internet with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. As FCC Chair, you should be looking out for the interests of US citizens and not the interests of wealthy, greedy corporations like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon.
—Elizabeth L Audas, Des Moines, IA

Corporate monopoly does not belong in a free USA or on a free internet. Back off, Ma Bell.
—Tyler Whitesides, Hillsboro, OR

The internet is the most important tool in today's modern society. Equality in internet access is as important in equality amongst people. Do not take away this most vital communication tool and set society on the wrong path.
—Samantha Turetsky, Ormond Beach, FL

The web was developed and paid for, and maintained/policed, by taxpayer funds. No corporation should own or control it in any way just because they provide point-of-use access. Throttling or other speed control is discrimination based on use and therefore based on speech, and we have plenty of Supreme Court decision saying that NO SPEECH CAN BE DISCRIMINATED AGAINST!!!!
—E Fredric, Eugene, OR

The net needs to be freely available for all - with no discrimination. Allowing for a possible two-tier system is morally wrong - and will cause problems for many!
—Les Reed, London,

The internet expanded exponentially and companies were founded and grew well under the equality imposed by the Net Neutrality that has ruled the internet until now. Ending Net Neutrality is bad for new companies trying to enter a market and it is bad for consumers as fair competition for their patronage dies in a monopoly of large companies that can afford to pay higher fees for better delivery speeds. Why mess with success? Let Net Neutrality continue to be the rule of the road for the information superhighway.
—Monica Sanchez, New York, NY

Please do not hurt the little guys. Big business should not be allowed to regulate the internet. We have seen time and time again that when big business is left to make moral and ethical decisions, they fail. You must regulate for them. The internet is exactly the same as the telephone. It is used to transfer communications between people over wires. This should make internet regulated just like telephone.
—Robert Motter, Ardmore, TN

I strongly urge the FCC to NOT make the change currently proposed. Net Neutrality is critical if we are going to continue to have free speech in the country. Robert L. Tripp Reston, VA
—Robert Tripp, Reston, VA

The internet was designed as an open medium, with content accessible to everyone without discrimination. To go ahead with a 'fast lane' type of plan would severely impede individuals who cannot afford the higher tiered plan, stifling innovation, education, and communication. An untold number of people require and rely on the internet for their livelihood, and this proposed tiered plan does nothing but threaten that livelihood in the name of ill-gotten profit.
—Samantha Davis, Scranton, PA

I feel that the net must be equally accessible to all people. Many people benefit every day from the wealth of information available on the internet!
—Lori Melton, Pittsburgh, PA

I am a licensed private investigator. Internet searches make up a bulk of my work. Do not make them more difficult.
—James Spell, Valdosta, GA

Net Neutrality is vital and must be kept. If Isps are not reclassified as common carriers, then this could create an Internet monopolies and bottleneck any information disapproved by an older and richer generation of the populace.
—Ariel Salas, Passaic, NJ

I work in the tech industry building websites and other online services. If net the net becomes divided, my job and everyone in my industry, will suffer because our products will be more difficult and painful to find and to use. Do not make our lives and our jobs more difficult. Do not divide the internet.
—Brandon Schlueter, Jackson Heights, NY

Let's not let the democratic nature of the internet be destroyed by corporate dollars, as is sadly the case with our current democracy.
—Jude, Lehi, UT

These proposed rules are short-sighted and have the potential to affect the commercial nature of the open Internet in very negative ways. The FCC should change this and support an open Internet that is good for everyone -- businesses, users, customers -- and not just for the large commercial players.
—Tim Lapetino, Chicago, IL

As a small content producer (videos and music) I don't want my offerings to be completely drowned out by Big Business. The US Govt and the FCC need to represent the human people of this nation, not the corporations, and that needs to start now!
—Jeffrey G Thomas, Minneapolis, MN

I work online. I need the internet to give me all the information that I need. With all of this information, why would you as a country, hold it from citizens in a society that is supposed to be capitalist? It's a rather socialist move, and I demand you leave our internet alone!
—Rusty Hoyle, SEDRO WOOLLEY, WA

The internet is a public utility. We all must have access to it. Please consider changing these rules to move towards net neutrality. Our future depends on it!
—Matt Osmundsen, Kirkwood, MO

I believe in net neutrality and taking it away would ruin the opportunity the internet provides individuals to speak freely and do business on the internet. I would like to start a business in the future and by imposing these rules ISPs like Comcast won't let that happen.
—Joseph Z, Boca Raton, FL

Net neutrality ensures an even playing field.
—Cynthia Stewart, Nashua, NH

Not only will the proposed changed stifle business, but will cause the US to lag behind Europe and Asia. High Speed internet should be a right and this goes against the entire idea of the internet in the first place.
—Sam Rutherford, New York, NY

Net neutrality is important for the livelihood and well being of small businesses, entrepreneurs, start ups, and anyone with an idea and dream they want to get out into the world. Don't cripple those of us who don't have the means otherwise. The Internet is one if the last places the American Dream is feasible. Don't take that away.
—Myriam Bloom, Lawrence, KS

This country is already too divided between the people with lots of money and the people without. Allowing big companies to buy "fast lanes" would just encourage this divide, and further reduce opportunities for small business and entrepreneurs. Don't throttle innovation in America! Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and keep the internet available to EVERYONE. Thank you.
—Janice, Duluth, GA

Equal access to the various resources on the internet is a necessity! Don't sacrifice net neutrality for the sake of profit.
—Claire DeWilde, Huntington Beach, CA

If there is would be no net neutrality that would be a huge backlash to the small companies. The big companies would profit alot and rule the market wich would be bad for the consumer.
—Rasmus Driving, ,

Net neutrality is super important. Its just as important as social discrimination, but this time it can be used to extort money from people. We need to prevent this horrendous decision! Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Austin Hed, Portland, OR

What you are doing is the same as if you allowed landline phone service to select which customers get better service.
—Alan Lambert, Los Altos, CA

The end of an open Internet would mean the end of opportunity for small businesses, and would harm American students' ability to be competitive against their global peers. The end of the open Internet will be disastrous for the United States, both economically and educationally, while aiding already-massive telecom companies.
—Dan Royles, East Elmhurst, NY

I internet is an ever expanding world of opportunities and ending net neutrality would kill that by giving big businesses control.
—Walter, Astoria, NY

I truthfully believe that the internet is the next major advancement to writing in human civilization. It enables us to expand our knowledge beyond generations to be archived beyond physical means. The internet should not be discriminatory, owned, or controlled. It started as an open idea, and should continue to be - simple as that. It certainly should not have imposed laws due to corporate interest. FCC, please do not allow ISPs to be anything other than common carriers without discriminatory rights, and if Tom Wheeler thinks this is a good thing - we the people need a new chairman to represent us better, because we've been saying for years that it is not; Again, and again, and again.
—Mr. Derek Keith, Denver, CO

Net neutrality is the only way to ensure the Internet stays open to innovation and small business, doing anything else ensures monopolies and worse outcomes for consumers.
—Sean Bennett, Saint Paul, MN

We just simply cannot commence with a new way of doing things based on monetary agreements, this is something that will affect pretty much everyone and we need to have everything stay the way it is. Simply put it is just not fair and everyone deserves to have the choice to do what they do online and utilize things such as Netflix and internet and all things related.
—Sky, Hampton Bays, NY

Please reclassify. Creation of fast lanes = arbitrary slow lanes.
—Gerardo Talavera, Brookline, MA

The FCC protects consumers' right to have access to reliable phone service and to provide airwaves that support the common good, so it boggles my mind that protecting a free and open internet (which is quickly replacing TV, radio & phone) wouldn't have those same protections. The handful of media conglomerates that control the content and the access to the content have way too much power as it is. A fair and open internet is the last glimmer of hope for free speech and innovation in our online world. I can't overstate the importance of protecting internet neutrality. Protect consumers. Protect freedom of speech. Protect internet neutrality.
—Tom Gale, Wilmington, NC

im tired of the man raping me of my freedom
—Kimberly Moore, Purcell, OK

Do not make the internet a limited resource.
—Grant S Dalgliesh, Blaine, WA

Please take action to ensure complete net neutrality - without exception or waffling.
—Robert Buzzard, Chesapeake, VA

Please do all you can to protect net neutrality.
—Thomas Scott, Fairfax, CA

Please exercise your authority to regulate Internet Service Providers as common carriers. This is the only way to ensure the Internet remains the true two-way, open system of communication we cherish.
—Robert Gehl PhD, Salt Lake City, UT

The Internet was designed to be a free and un encumbered. Do not let private interests control the Internet. They will destroy open communication.
—George Zinn, Newaygo, MI

Please classify Internet providers as common carriers to protect net neutrality.
—David C. Berkshire, Houston, TX

As an informed American, I would like to be able to receive my news in a timely fashion from multiple online news sources, for the large cable companies like Comcast to give priority to large news corporations (who can pay their fees) severely impacts my ability to stay informed. Independent and varied points of view should not be bottlenecked, because they can't afford to pay "high speed fees"
—Eric Kwok, Baltimore, MD

As a small business owner I need REAL net neutrality so I can compete fairly with large corporations. Your proposal has already been responsible for losing my business money and loans to expand. Your proposal will put me out of business.
—Brett Ellis, Watsontown, PA

The current openness of the internet is what allows the internet to function on a useable and unrestricted level and as these current rules are proposed, I cannot consciously allow them to be made into law or as any sort of enforceable merit or any legal or binding policy. Current laws and regulations that have been operating as Net Neutrality are sufficient and should continue to operate as is without any changes. I have also heard and am incredibly concerned about Chairman Wheeler's intentions with his proposed internet rules and believe that they would be a detriment to all who do not have any sort of political or financial interest in them being implemented.
—Brian Westermann, Trenton, MI

Because Net Neutrality means freedom and prosperity. I'm tired of being a slave to corporatism, I'm tired of democracy crumbling, and I'm tired of government lobbyists getting their hands into everything while politicians like Wheeler bend over.
—Mike Doane, Jarrettsville, MD

Our country is already falling behind others and in large part due to our archaic treatment of the internet. It is not a luxury, it is a UTILITY. People today need it just as much as they need electricity, and it needs to be unfettered, and it needs to just work. Please don't cripple it. Our abilities as a nation and our wellbeing as citizens depend on it.
—Justin Long, Los Angeles, CA

These new rules would help billionaires and hurt the public interest. I urge the FCC to scrap them.
—Winfield Carson, Poway, CA

I've been doing business online since 1994, and to see everything I've come to expect from the Internet as I know it being endangered makes me nauseated. If we don't protect net neutrality, the Internet we see in 10 years will be a shadow of its former self. Let's not make a terrible mistake — one that out grandchildren will resent us for having made.
—Adam Chadwick, Orlando, FL

Obama appointed Wheeler to head the FCC knowing full well that Wheeler is an unabashed supporter of corporate profit over all else. So, of course Wheeler is acting in the interest of COMCAST, VERIZON, ETC. This is blatantly unfair, and wrong on so many levels. We, the people, insist on reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Wheeler has no shame and he will not listen to our pleas. This is just a ploy to quiet the crowd and then he will proceed with what he intended to do from day one. Just look at the ugly Michael Powell, he is now making money hand over fist helping the corporations. There should be punishment for this not rewards. the people have no voice. horribly UNDEMOCRATIC.
—Patsy Lowe, Simi Valley, CA

I am sick of large corporations running our country. The internet should remain an open playing field for all. I want all ISPs reclassified as common carriers. Allow the little guy an opportunity, as that is what allowed us to get here today.
—Laura, Dallas, TX

Innovation comes from smaller companies. It has been proven many times that when big companies dominate a sector, innovation suffers. The result is users suffer from stale technology and high costs.
—Tom Helm, Santa Rosa, CA

We should not have upper vs. lower classes on the internet.
—Janis McCabe, Port Chester, NY

The internet is not for sale. Any attempt to do so will gravely damage our democracy, and must be stopped as much as any terrorist attack. If Barack Obama is true to his word, Tom Wheeler should be fired immediately.
—Erik Roth, Minneapolis, MN

I am a user of the internet and I have my own website. I resent having to wait in line or have my users wait in line while the monied, corporate interests cut in front. No one likes to have someone cut in front of them in line. It's unfair and they are bullies.
—Ms. Kay Rosen, gary, IN

Equal opportunity for all content creators!
—Justin Lamb, Brooklyn, NY

people like myself that are lucky enough to work from home will suffer because we depend on the internet for content delivery (I'm a video Editor). If my internet connection slows down, I will not be able to meet deadlines.
—Damian D, Spotswood, NJ

Without Net Neutrality, the internet would become a simple monopoly.
—Tatiyana Lee, Vineland, NJ

Without Net Neutrality, ISPs could be able to throttle government Internet use as a way to increase revenue from federal agencies.
—Ryan Rardin, Charleston, IL

An open and free internet is a much a part of our first amendment rights as any other form of comunication. No corperation should be given the power to filter or monitor what the individual can acsess or how.
—Anthony Ievoli, Newark, DE

REALLY?? Let's keep our net available for all.
—Tracy and Dieter Bury, Bellevue, WA

Because people I know and some I have befriended rely on the internet for their work, both for online only jobs and for partially online jobs. It is also a source to pay for other utilities and check account balances. By making the internet further unfair (as regions, companies, and base fees vary as it is), you are essentially telling people that if they do not have enough wealth, (as an analogy) they might as well not have the right to a car and should only walk simply because they cannot afford the prettier model.
—Michelle Hobbs, Elkton, MD

The idea that ISPs should be given the chance to decide which content people can access it just wrong. Stop this madness now.
—Ross Pendleton, ,

Removing Net Neutrality is anti-competitive. It is a transparent power grab on the part of the companies that are lobbying to end it. Please protect the People from CEOs by defending Net Neutrality.
—Nick Cron-DeVico, Los Angeles, CA

This system would destroy startup companies, for one (among many) issues. Small businesses deserve a chance.
—Karen Tiegren, Atlanta, GA

I feel that we do not have a choice when it comes to broadband internet access, and it has become a necessity. Therefore, Comcast, et al, should be regulated as providers of a public utility, and net neutrality is an important part of that. Thank you.
—David Erie, Lawrenceville, GA

Because it is freedom of speech
—John Bidleman, SEBASTOPOL, CA

Net Neutrality is important to make sure online surfing can be free and fair for everyone.
—Lotus White, ,

we need the net just like it's always been. please make no changes. can we the people have anything? thank you
—Lynwood K Fields, Glenside, PA

Millions of Americans will revolt if you allow Net Neutrality to die.
—Dean Terrell, Glassboro, NJ

The internet is not for sale to corporate America. It belongs to EVERYONE!
—Jim Yeaman, Montgomery, AL

Access and quality of the internet should be equal for every citizen on our planet who wants it, regardless of income or net worth. Keep the net open and free and out of corporations' hands.
—J Z, Pittsburgh, PA

The internet must remain free and open! Has our whole government been bought and paid for?
—Mr Edward Armm, Lake Hopatcong, NJ

Net Neutrality needs to be protected. If there is no Net Neutrality then the big companies will ruin internet speed.
—Hunter Farley, Prospect, PA

Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers is the only way to protect real Net Neutrality. I hope you keep this in mind and repeal the proposed rules. Thanks, Tom
—Tom Wright, Austin, TX

Why should those with money get preferencial treatment? The internet id for EVERYONE EQUALLY!
—Bob Miller, Aliso Viejo, CA

No free press, no open internet = no democracy.
—Judy Landress, Corpus Christi, TX

is no other way
—Rocio Lario, Naples, FL

Keep the Internet free for all of us so we all have the same opportunities!!!
—Nancy Viraldo, Muskegon, MI

We need to maintain a fair and open internet.
—Dr. Kenneth Adler, Sylvania, OH

Hindering creativity will destroy culture.
—Eric Heavin, Boise, ID

An truly open internet is necessary for innovation
—Ryan J Gaillard, Miami, FL

The small business I do work for - uBloom.com - would never be able to afford fast lanes and therefore become hindered in its effort to grow its audience and grow as a business.
—Kelly James Blank, Comstock Park, MI

I believe in a free state, deregulated commercial America. My dreams can never be realized, because while I believe in ideals like freedom of action, rational thought, and practical living ... corporations have other ideals: bottom lines, overhead reduction, and profit margins. Net Neutrality is important to be not because it frees me... but because it protects the freedoms that I already enjoy. Please reconsider.
—Daniel Neeley, Gwynn Oaks, MD

Please resist such corrupt corporate lobbying and keep the internet open and free for all!!!
—C Margitan, ,

Letting corporate interests charge extra fees or pay to be priority traffic is NOT what the internet is about. One needs to only look at the press and TV news to see that corporate control damages the content with the lack of reporting to the masses. Please reclassify ISPs as a common carrier and stop this nonsense. Also, PLEASE stop the discussion about using phones on airplanes! It has been discussed repeatedly, people don't want it, now let it rest. Regards, Van Welborn
—Van Welborn, Phoenix, AZ

We are moving into an era in which the internet is the primary mode of communication and information gathering. Net Neutrality is critical for the development and spread of human knowledge in both adults and children. Please protect Net Neutrality!
—Chelsea Marsh, Rochester, NY

Without Net Neutrality the internets' viability and practical and entertainment usage alike will likely fade into oblivion.
—Ben Standard, Longview, TX

Real Net Neutrality is critical, vital, and fair. Profiteering is generally not. Simply reclassifying ISPs as the common carriers is SMART, SIMPLE, and FAIR.
—Don Van Duren, Grand Rapids, MI

The internet has become a utility in our lives, and it's time to make our regulations reflect that. It's not fair to let companies who have more money have better access to the market.
—Johnny Furman, Elmwood Park, IL

Keep the internet open!!! Do not change the laws! The American people will not stand for it!
—Luis Villarreal, Northridge, CA

Everything revolves around the internet. You better keep it fair and neutral. Capiche?
—Iggy Makarevich, Cos Cob, CT

Bogus internet lanes, Bogus ISP terminology, everyone knows that the ISP's are currently holding back internet speed for users for extra money. Money they got from the government to build the net highway yet never delivered, and now they are trying to get us to pay for an internet that WE the people built, we made to grow! what a load of nonsense!
—Zackary, Crosby, TX

The internet is like the highway system. Yes, we have toll roads (a nasty idea), but generally our roads for everyone free of charge. Let's make the internet that way.
—greg nichols, lawrence, KS

This is our public airways and should be protected for ALL!! BIGGER(consolidations) are a joke! REGULATE as a utility.
—Sharalynn Rocha, Denver, CO

Your plan will allow the monopolistic large internet providers control the content and speed of what they want us to see. It will also allow them to gouge us on IP pricing and pay more and more to see the internet we really want. This proposal would basically turn the IP industry into a cartel, much like the cable TV industry is now.
—Michael Eagleson, Marietta, GA

We will never be ok with this no matter how big the companies , that are influencing the FCC, keep the internet Neutral. This will have a big back lash and some of you in the FCC will be fired and it will be overturned even if it passes.
—Nizar Sibai johnston, Austin, TX

No other form of expression is as free as the internet is, don't take that away.
—Andrew Bahnken, Goleta, CA

Please don't do this, If you do most of us won't be able to afford the internet any more. How do you think this will affect people who need it for school and work and just to keep in touch with family and friends around the world?
—Katherine Schwirzinski, Toledo, OH

As a newspaper journalist, I can't believe that the American right to free and equal speech is at risk. Please think of what this country stands for and keep the Internet free for all.
—Nancy Sharp, Manlius, NY

In the modern world, democracy, creativity, the development of new commercial ideas, all depend on free, open, and EQUAL access to the Internet.
—Carol Fox, ,

enforce REAL net neutrality!
—Kelly, Carbondale, CO

This is the worst idea that has hit the Internet since 4chan!
—Harry "Licenseplate" Mitchell, ,

The more we give in to the needs of the few (wealthy internet providers), the more we limit the ability of everyone else to climb up the ladder of success. I should be the one deciding what I can and can't easily view online, not companies with agendas. The internet should be a level playing field for all, not something that more or less gets dominated by only a few voices. Why are you creating these different lanes of access? Who's interest is this most in? Not mine.
—Paul DeNola, Arlington, VA

Mr. Wheeler keeps responding to me that "I'm a strong supporter of the Open Internet, and I will fight to keep the internet open. Thanks again for sharing your views with me." Faster access and streaming if you pay for them, isn't a free and open internet!
—Barry Southwood, Jenison, MI

Given that increasingly, most Americans receive their news and information from the internet, Net Neutrality is essential to maintaining a truly democratic, representative society. Please do not cave into the big-money interests, and have the courage and foresight to protect the rights of all American citizens, not just the few who can afford to pay what promises to be ever increasing fees, in the event you fail to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you for your very serious consideration of the views of the majority of U.S. citizens.
—Cynthia J Kimball, Sparks, NV

You will aid in the killing of small businesses.
—Tony A Testerman, Abingdon, MD

Net Neutrality is pretty much the only thing that allows us to express ourselves at any meaningful level nowadays. Without it, freedom as a concept may as well not exist anymore.
—Roy Fisher, Monroe, WI

Keep the internet the way it is!
—Benny Wijatno, San Francisco, CA

Everyone should have equal service regardless of wealth
—Dan Brown, Bluefield, WV

I rely on the internet for important communications and information from a variety of sources. Television has more and more offerings and grows ever more expensive while its quality continues to plummet. Back in the 1960s, one of your predecessors derided television as a "vast wasteland". It still is, especially the news.
—Jerald Vinikoff, Mechanicville, NY

The FCC is supposed to be working for and representing the people not the corporate, monied interests. This needs to be reflected in your dealings.
—Vincent J. Patti, Long Beach, CA

Pay to Play provides an unfair advantage to the establishment. The economy of the United States has benefitted tremendously from the expansion of internet businesses. In just a few years a startup can go from a website hosted in your garage to a multi-billion dollar industry. The establishment is trying to create barriers to entry to protect (and charge a large fee to do so) established internet business interests. This will curb innovation, lead to corporate censorship of the internet, and in general do great damage to our collective economic and political future. I urge you PLEASE protect the open internet by reclassifying ISP's as common carriers. There is no communication link more important in the world today that the internet. If the old rules for net neutrality cannot be enforced, internet service must be reclassified so that rules protecting neutrality can be permanently put in place. Look at these companies histories. Look at the fines Verizon has had to pay over the years. They will no protect our interests. They do not refrain from breaking the law if they think it will benefit their bottom line (the massive fines they have paid are proof of that). They will exploit us and squeeze every last penny from the internet at the cost of innovation and economic growth. They are not to be trusted, and the only way to protect us from them is to put strong rules in place to enforce net neutrality.
—Mr. Thomas Bottom, Rochester, NY

Startups and small non profits rely on a level playing field.
—Stephen Andruski, Clifton Park, NY

I am now 70 years old and have watched as the Internet has leveled the playing field for hundreds of thousands of people, poor and rich alike. It has provided a platform for creative sharing beyond all expectations. I am asking you on behalf of my extended family of seven children and sixteen grandchildren, as well as my many senior-friends on fixed budgets, to KEEP TRUE Net Neutrality for the internet!!!!!!
—Madelynne Engle, Fallbrook, CA

An open, honest Internet is the only way this country will survive! Getting the truth out is just important today as it was 240 years ago. You allow this to happen and you'll be classified accurately in history as worse then Benedict Arnold!!
—John Kuca, Little Rock, AR

Do you want porn gone? Because it will go away after this
—Joshua Ortiz, Poughkeepsie, NY

Your recent ruling is further proof that this country is a fucking oligarchy and not a democracy. Good job working for the 1% Tom Wheeler! Hope their money assuages your guilt. Not.
—Jaime Becker, Berkeley, CA

As a senior citizen email is a very important way for me to keep in touch with friends and family and Net neutrality is very important to me.
—Christeen Stone, St Paul, MN

At the moment, the United States already has the SLOWEST internet at the highest prices available in the world. If the carriers/ISPs are capable of faster speeds, force them to make them available to everyone, and keep net neutrality in the USA.
—Robert Waldbauer, Wind Gap, PA

ISPs are nothing but utility providers. And their services need to be treated as such.
—Vlatko Salaj, ,

Everyone who has access to the open internet like now, would ultimately lose out to the more affluent who can afford the fast lanes, as proposed and be left out totally ! Please reclassify the internet as a utility NOW!
—Anthony G Franklin, BEDFORD, OH

The Internet has become one of the most, if not the most, important source of information for the modern era. By classifying it as a common carrier, it would ensure neutral, unbiased access to news and information, unfettered by second interests or corporate biases.
—Emily Teng, Bellevue, WA

The US is way below other countries concerning Net speed.Everyone who hosts a website should be able to get their message/ services onto the web under a multiple tier plan big companies (Disney) will pay huge bucks to develop their content but small sites (non-profit, NGOs) will be harmed as their operating expenses won't allow them access.
—Larry Day, Danville, CA

Without net neutrality, innovation will be stifled and the U.S. would likely lose its technological edge. Interfering with an open Internet is short-sighted and self-destructive, a terrible idea that must be stopped. Please ensure future growth by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Geary Yelton, Asheville, NC

Separating the internet into different tiers of traffic is against the most basic of our civil liberties. We have a freedom of expression in this country, and the internet is our most used means by which we invoke this freedom. Arbitrarily limiting the means by which the internet can be used limits and even threatens our freedom of expression thereupon. It is therefore an assault on our basic civil liberties, and must be stopped.
—Patrick Sauter, Palatine, IL

I do not want the biggest commercial entities on this planet to dominate the flow of data and information through financial leverage. Please assure that the internet is treated as a common carrier.
—Dan Watson, Easton, MD

Internet service providers should be reclassified and therefore regulated as a telecommunications services. That is what they are.
—S J Munson, Winston Salem, NC

We need a free an open Internet not a two teir Internet with the rich taking the fast lane and leaving young entrepreneurs in the dust. A thriving financial market needs to replenish its energy supply and have full access without corporate interference. The FCC needs to trash it's rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you, Antonia Herbstreit.
—Antonia Herbstreit, Champaign, IL

Net Neutrality is a fundamental right of every citizen in our nation. It is the explicit charge of the FCC to provide fair and equal communications. Stand up for the fundamental right of net neutrality for the people of our nation.
—Daniel Zachs, Dorchester, MA

If my company cannot reach the max amount of customers because I can't pay for the fast-lane internet, it will be the end of Capitalism as a whole.
—Jason Marshall, Harrison Township, MI

It is important because the Internet is suppose to be an open platform where we can all meet on an even leveless. The Internet is a place where all can collaborate and grow together, there are so many benifts to an open Internet. The internet is important to me the way it is.
—Josephine Erin Payment, ,

Please do not turn the internet over to a few companies!!!
—Clare N. Shumway M.D., Mechanicsburg, PA

US "broadband" is slow enough to barely be worth the name as it is. Even in major US cities; I can't imagine what it's like to be in rural US. The last thing we need is one more way to get nickel and dimed for our already astoundingly poor service. Plus, I don't even have landline phone service any more. I have the Internet and mobile phones, and I use the phone less and less. ISPs and cellular providers should be treated as public utilities with a responsibility to schlep data to and fro without distinguishing what that data is or charging based on it. It's time they realize their common role as Fat Dumb Pipes, the same as the electric pushed down my power lines and the water and sewer that flows in and out through pipes.
—Jeremy W. Sherman, Atlanta, GA

My career since 1992 has been involved in Internet and systems security. If the provisions for allowing services to fill the bandwidth of users are implemented, security services WILL NOT be able to contact and use the servers that house these services. Everybody's security online will be at risk. These are poorly thought-out proposals that do not enhance the users experience.
—David Lawson, Phoenixville, PA

I'm for a democratized internet that does not filter out people based on socioeconomic status. Access to information and media on the web is too important to risk censorship fueled by a corporation's bottom line. Net neutrality is a must!
—Jason Mabry, Dallas, TX

The American people paid for the internet and they benefit greatly from this (rightly so). The people's benefit should not be "privatized".
—Michael Sullivan, Marshfield Hills, MA

Protect the open internet and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Cindy Sharp, Scottsdale, AZ

Throw out the rules and reclassify internet service providers as common carriers! The future of our society and information sharing as a whole is hinged on this decision. Do the right thing, protect net neutrality.
—Lisa Roscoe, Raleigh, NC

Because I read comics from many smaller sites, and it wouldn't be fair to the writers of said comics if ther sites would load slowly, all because Netflix and other bigger sites can pay more.
—Maddie Lininger, West Des Moines, IA

This would hurt small businesses, competing larger businesses, and most of all, consumers. Please uphold net neutrality.
—Karen Wickert, Medford, MA

I am not able to go do things like I used to so I depend on my internet a lot. Also on a fixed income so don't want to have to pay more for it than I do right. now.
—Gracie winters, Newkirk, OK

As an 86 year old teacher I cannot afford paying more for the Net so please continue to provide good service at no rate increase. If rich users want faster service let them pay for it.Thanks.
—Edward C. Martin Jr., Black Mountain, NC

I want to keep the freedom of speech alive and you companies are just trying to multiply all your money it's disgusting. Someone up there must be thinking "oh! I can earn another million on top of my hundrets of millions, by pissing off everyone else on the planet! Great idea!" think twice rich man! We've come to stop you.
—Stefan Harich, ,

I am astounded how you are ignoring the needs and wishes of the common man. I actually got responses from yourself and two other members to previous comments I had made wherein all three of you indicated that you supported Net Neutrality. How then is it that the FCC is not taking steps to ensure total Net Neutrality for all. Reclassify broadband and be done with this. Keep the internet a place for ALL, not just the 2%.
—David Moyer, Waukegan, IL

The Internet has had a profound impact on the human experience and should be open, accessible and performant for any and all who choose to use it. In order to protect and promote this wonderful situation, ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers.
—Ron Turner, North Vancouver,

Right to information
—Eric Hendershot, West Des Moines, IA

Please find something else to regulate and leave the Internet alone. It is working just fine now.
—Mike Watrous, Blue Springs, MO

My internet connection is just as important, if not more so, than my telephone, TV, or newspaper for getting the information I need as a citizen in a democracy of, by, and for the people. Net Neutrality is critical in a free and open democracy. Period!
—Dana Allen, Corvallis, OR

I'm a designer that has benefitted from knowledge that is easy to access. Do this and you kill that spirit of free sharing of thoughts and ideas and you make a difficult economic recovery even worse by giving more power to the terrible corporations that you were once a part of. Your legacy is already in danger. Why not make the right call on behalf of the American people rather than those corporations.
—Rob Sauer, Severn, MD

It is detrimental to our progression as a society if our primary source of communication can be manipulated by a monopoly with an agenda.
—Bronwyn Burns, Los Angeles, CA

We cannot allow the internet to be controlled by the entity with the most money. We've already seen the negative effects a system of 'bought influence' has on our press, politics and environment. An open internet is the last egalitarian institution available in our society. It needs to be kept that way.
—Matthew Barbato, South Pasadena, CA

The internet is the most important technological revolution we have seen in centuries. This proposal would fundamentally undermine precisely what makes it so revolutionary.
—Bruno Torquato, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Fairness is very important to me. The internet is a magnificent resource for practically everything and creating a two-tiered internet will definitely be detrimental to that no matter how you spin it or word it.
—Joseph Lanigan, Harrisburg, PA

This country has been brought to its knees by profiteering and unregulated capitalism! I would hope you'd be realizing that by now. Don't let another good thing be exploited by unfettered greed and tell us it'll be "good for everyone ".
—Loren Lewandowski, Grand Island, NE

The Internet is a utility. Giving the ISPs a "hydraulic empire" to exploit free enterprise and the public is unacceptable governance. Frankly, you should be ashamed.
—Colin Brady, San Jose, CA

As an adult I have no wish for corporate interests to dictate the content I receive or the speed which it will be delivered.
—James Minion, Federal Way, WA

Reclassifying will prevent ISP's from inserting themselves between American citizens and the content they are already paying for. A non neutral Internet is one controlled entirely by the service providers including all Internet commerce. Do not pave the way for the death of a free and open Internet. They must be reclassified.
—Dustin leale, Davis, CA

Please keep net neutrality in place! The internet is a well of knowledge, and everyone should have access!
—Stacy Rempel, Glendale, AZ

This is the only way the net can be truly neutral. Without this neutrality corporations will have control of content and the people who rely on the net will be subjected to the whim of their decisions. This simply cannot happen.
—Mr. Craig Byrd, Los Angeles, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Efrayim Ben-Avraham, Ridgeland, SC

The proposed rules would put everyone but rich corporations at a potentially insurmountable disadvantage. That is not how America should work. Keep the playing field level.
—Ms. Jan Kimbrough, Valley Village, CA

As a student in computer science, I feel these regulations will seriously affect my ability to develop and add content to the internet.
—Mitchell Robert Vollger, Eureka, CA

As I understand the new proposal, it would let some companies pay more to get better access. But apparently they want access to me, the net user. As a net user, I don't want some companies to have specially good access to me. If the FCC can't give all content providers the same fair access (I think it can and should do that), then at least it should require companies that have paid extra to include a warning notice on all messages and sites: "This company has paid extra to get extra access to you."
—E W. Browne, Ithaca, NY

Net neutrality is an absolute must for the free flow of information. The net should be free, not a plaything for the rich.
—Daniel Gutierrez, Dublin, OH

There is no middle ground for the Open Internet. There is no "reasonable" amount of discrimination. These proposed rules will help no one but the ISPs, and will, in fact, hurt consumers and content providers. Broadband internet should be a Title II Telecommunications service. It should have been a long time ago.
—Russell W Brooks, Providence, RI

Broadband is a basic utility these days. The FCC should be ashamed of itself, it is clearly changing the law to serve big corporations rather than every day Americans.
—Tirzah Blanche, Chicago, IL

Why ist always about money ,and not about the social benefit for all citizens?
—Judith Foote, Indianapolis, IN

This is the digital divide! The phone companies got HUGE BREAKS from the govt to lay fiber optic cable for ALL AMERICANS. already rural americans get lousy service, and now we will also penalize low income folks who use the internet to go to School! What is the matter with you!
—Jennifer Sheetz, North Richland Hills, TX

We the internet users will not tolerate anything less then net neutrality. I am a war veteran and I demand that you stop trying to destroy net neutrality.
—Allen Albright, allentown, PA

The internet is no longer a fun toy or a convenient service. It's a culture of it's own! For some people their friends are on it, for others it's where they like to hang out, and for many their entire career is on the internet! But now some want to use this to make a fortune because they know the internet is so deeply ingrained in so many peoples lives that they'll have no choice but to accept any extra charges or rules made. The internet is more than just a service that people can control. It's become a way of life in a sense.
—Nathan Compher, North East, MD

they MUST be classified as COMMON CARRIERS , they CANNOT BE TRUSTED to NOT ABUSE the system
—Pat Williamson, Huntington, WV

Internet is a UTILITY and NECESSITY, not a luxury.
—Amanda DuPriest, Portland, OR

The only way to ensure innovation and competitiveness is to classify ISPs as common carriers and not the arbiters of a tiered internet.
—Owen Freeman, Oakland, CA

I am the senior software engineer at a software company. We enable our customers to transfer data and documents across the Internet, and proposed Net Neutrality rules would compromise our ability to deliver a good product and therefore also compromise the viability of our business. To maintain our livelihood, please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Ben Artin, Malden, MA

Stop this crime. Leave the Internet alone. Stand up for what's right for a change.
—Lester Fowler, Suisun City, CA

I use mainly websites that would download slowly under the new rule. If more bandwidth is needed, I'll be happy to pay more taxes to expand the Internet infrastructure.
—Patti Batchelder, Georgetown, MA

I am no fan of the big companies being able to choke their competition by preventing start-ups from getting anywhere.
—Max Norstrom, ,

It is much like the electric utility, it is used for just about everything, it is truly a necessity.
—Napoleon Salvail, Titusville, FL

For the future not executive pocket books
—Andrew Morgan, newport,

Pay-for-play Internet is inherently contrary to the net's position as a level playing field.
—Marc Maloney, Sacramento, CA

Get real people. We want net neutrality. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Cathy Goodrich, Verdugo City, CA

It's not the job of ISPs to censor and restrict content. Their job is to transport bits from one point to another. Nothing more, and nothing less. There is already a huge problem (conflict of interest) with "bundled services", and this is just the latest symptom. The first step to fixing the problem is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. After that, make sure they aren't allowed to produce content or bundle other services. Transport bits, that's it.
—Aaron Ten Clay, Hillsboro, OR

The Koch brothers shouldn't be able to pay to drive traffic to Tea Party sites or away from the truth. Internet access needs to be a basic service in this modern age.
—Subrata Sircar, Sunnyvale, CA

Net Neutrality is important because it allows all of us, whether we are rich or poor, the same accessability to information and so it is important for all the people of the country.
—John J Nunes, Milton, MA

The Internet was created by the government for all the people. It is maintained by our taxes. It should be, therefore, freely and equally open to all citizens. Corporations should not be given any preference over the people!
—Stuart Russell, Concord, NH

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. America is a nation built on standards of equality and freedom. Preserve the integrity of the internet.
—Benjamin Hansen, New Orleans, LA

Net neutrality is important because freedom of speech is important in a democracy. It's not only important; It's imperative. Surely not everything in our country is to be put up for sale; Surely freedom of speech should not be on the auction block.
—Helen Taylor Crisp, Denver, CO

True Net Neutrality needs to continue so that everyone has fair, and equal access to the Internet, if it were to go away a huge portion of people would be essentially blocked from the freedom of browsing and speed of Internet which they currently have. To take away these things would destroy the Internet, this cannot happen.
—Robert Dowhy, Bar Bar,

Please keep our Internet free and open, the way is was designed to be.
—Jon Talbot, Niles, IL

ISPs ARE common carriers. Period. Stop this nonsense and classify them as such.
—Bret Van Horn, Washougal, WA

I am one of the kind that can't just afford the best services for internet use. I can't sink in a bucket load of cash to be able to get a stable, fast-connecting, reliable internet connection, though the one I do have now is quite enough for what I want to do. Not only does this go against everything the internet is supposed to be, a neutral place for freedom of speech and dissemination of information, but this is just an abusive decision that only benefits those who are already benefit in the world we live in and the huge corporations that already are guaranteed their fair amount as the internet is something people need to use to be able to live nowadays. This is only a lose-lose situation as it'll just turn around to be something where people wll start to be uncontent with the services provided to them and will end their contracts with whatever provider they have. That all beggining with the consumer, the main focus of market, being completely hurt during the process.
—João Lucas Michel Brum, ,

An open, fast, cheap internet is necessary for US business and democracy. The internet is a communications service and utility.
—Tom Fitzgibbon, New York, NY

This is the World Wide Web, not the Corporate Wide Web.
—Dennis Cox, williamstown, PA

For the future of journalism and freedom of expression we must have an open Internet.
—Joshua Stearns, Easthampton, MA

Don't allow the BIG Companies to screw us - net neutrality must be secured. What will history say about you and your decision, what legacy will you leave your children?
—Aurora Insurriaga, CHICAGO, IL

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Casey Scott, Odessa, TX

I work for a small ecommerce company. We're already struggling to survive given the horrible state that the economy is in. Without net neutrality, we would be forced to pay extra fees just to be able to show our goods to potential customers. We can't afford to pay for a fast lane just to be able to compete with all the big businesses out there. The FCC is taking the ability of business owners to present themselves to the masses away and replacing it with a tax that will do nothing but inflate the ISP giants' pocketbooks. Think about the real cost of hurting the backbone of this country's economy, small businesses, before you decide that fattening your friends' wallets is a great idea.
—Michael, Mc Cordsville, IN

With Net Neutrality, everyone has their opportunities to speak out freely about all sorts of topics. These range from being highly controversial, to simplistic materials and ideas, to whatever else he or she wants to discuss without any repercussions. But if you, Mr. Wheeler, push through with these pathetic excuse of rules- then expect the wrath of the world to fall on you.
—Spencer Blais, Greenvile, RI

If Net Neutrality is destroyed, a primary means of communication will no longer be open and will instead be subject to the whims of those in power or with the most money. You might as well ask China about their government policies, 'cause that's where we're headed if Net Neutrality dies.
—Daniel DeSantis, Williamsburg, VA

Tom, are you not able to see the impending problems of your plan for the internet? Why are you knowingly going to impede the progress of technological advancement and the improvement to the quality of life? This is ridiculous. Please do not go down in history as the person who single-handedly destroyed one of mankind's greatest treasures.
—Dillon Cao, San Diego, CA

The longterm economic viability of the United States depends on common access to Internet resources.
—Andrew McConachie, Albany, CA

A fast lane for large service providers will be disastrous for small business owners like me! Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Diana Hrabowecki, Culver City, CA

Without Net Neutrality, the 2012 elections could have been stolen by partisan ISP owners blocking emails, web sites, and donation transactions for the side they opposed, and no one would have known that it wasn't just "bad luck" that those emails kept getting lost and the web sites kept crashing, until after the votes were counted. And unfortunately, in politics, unlike sports, a win by cheating is still a win, with no consequences for the cheaters. DO YOU WANT OUR COUNTRY TO BE HIJACKED IN A FUTURE ELECTION?
—Allan Richardson, Marietta, GA

We all have a right to an open and neutral internet. We are responsible for the content of the internet, not cable companies. Restricting access is criminal and unconstitutional. This is our internet, leave it alone.
—Helal Touryalai, Astoria, NY

I use the internet to connect with people around the globe. I refuse to let my relationships with them take a hit because some big-wigs want to stuff their pockets.
—Erin Howett, Cincinnati, OH

The Internet is for and should always be for all opportunities and all equal levels and starts of business
—Mark, Philadelphia, PA

The internet should be treated as a public utility and new rules for 21st century life should be written by the FCC. The current rules are rediculous and cater to the rich and corporations.
—Everette L Rice, Portland, OR

Dear FCC, How ending network neutrality in any way shape or form seems like a good idea to you is beyond my comprehension. I've read one article on the benefits and frankly it came across as corporate paid shills trying to send disinformation. I would propose that all websites specifically throttle all traffic coming from the FCC to any website. Furthermore, I would promote that anyone in favor of this wretched idea of killing net neutrality be slowed down to dial up speeds for every website they visit. Maybe a taste of your own medicine is what you need to help stop the corporate greed from ruining the freedom and interconnectedness the internet offers. Sincerely, Jeff Mays
—Jeff Mays, Streamwood, IL

Net Neutrality is important to me because I rely on many free services and small websites/companies for my daily work and enjoyment. These services would suffer without Net Neutrality and so would I, and many many others as a result. The internet was meant the be open and free, and it's shameful to propose something which would allow the internet to be something else.
—Ian Maines, Orono, ME

The net is a common currier akin to the US Postal Service. Treat it as such. Don't sell us out to the giant telecoms!
—Bill Weston, Hudsonville, MI

Internet Service Providers must be deemed a public utility because they are. They are an instrument of democracy. You can't sell the internet to the highest bidder without great harm to our freedom and democracy. Monopolies and trusts are anti-American. You would take all fairness out of public communication if you bow to these greedy corporations.
—Mary Rocco, Los Angeles, CA

The Internet is about speech. Its about what I say (regardless of how this is encoded) being treated equally with what others say. If you hand the Internet to monied interests you destroy the greatest tool for democracy ever created, and for what? Hollywood?. Don't do this. Hollywood is last century, they just don't know it. Don't get stuck backing last century's horse. Have a backbone, frankly, and be a statesman. Please note that I have been a software developer for over 20 years and have been privileged to see the Internet grow from nothing to what it is. It did so all by itself and it flourished with our current rules. So is it about the money or the people? Make a decision and be prepared to defend it ad infinitum...
—Scott Keefe, Pawtucket, RI

Paying for priority content delivery isn't "making a fast lane". It's giving existing infrastructure to the big companies who have money. The remaining leftover bandwidth will fall like crumbs to the rest of us. Imagine how the phone network would have been 30 years ago if wealthy folks got a dial tone, and the rest of America might or might not get a dial tone. That's where we're headed if the internet doesn't remain even for all users.
—David Peale, San Diego, CA

Reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. We the people created the internet and we have the right to access it free from barriers to entry.
—Jonathan Morisi, Park City, UT

Please reclassify all ISP's as common carriers. The mass majority of thos country is poor. We give our taxes to the law makers and now they want to take the little bit of money we get! No, we will stand up and reject this.
—Valerie Alvarenga, Winnetka, CA

Modern democracy is meaningless with a skewed internet.
—Clancy Hood, ,

The entire economy of the United States is dependent on free and open access to the internet. Allowing a few companies to establish a monopoly on access to that internet and charge both ends (receiver and provider of a web service) allows them to place a stranglehold on the internet and would cause irreparable harm to the future of the United States. You might as well take us back to the days of America Online.
—Keith Knudsen, Ann Arbor, MI

Internet is an utility, it should be treated as such.
—Miguel Hernandez, San Francisco, CA

The internet is a utility. Allowing companies to arbitrarily and unreasonable hike rates based on competing corporate interests will only serve to harm Americans and move us back in time.
—Matt Thompson, Antioch, TN

Net neutrality matters to me because it´s a place where we can meet and interact with other people from all over the world without having to think about big corporations always trying to sell us something (At least not in the same way as with television f.eks) Making it so people can "own" the internet is the worst idea i have ever heard in my life and making this happend will litteraly mean the end of free spech. Also i want to add that you americans do not have any right to take ownership over the internet as it is not yours it everyones. Even us wierdoes up in the north.
—Espen Thorkildsen, ,

Pay for Play bears a striking resemblance to Payola. It is discrimination at its worst and the antithesis of the Open Internet that Chairman Wheeler says he espouses. Setting up a Pay to Play system would put us at a significant technological disadvantage in relation to the rest of the industrial world and stifle development and growth. It would be a surefire way to tank our economy.
—Mary Ashcliffe, Henniker, NH

A neutral net is important to me! Kick starter companies are already backing out of start up companies that are designed to stream media. The proposal is not even in effect, yet it's already hurting business.
—Trevor, Fairfax, VA

This gives us the freedom to view and look at what we want, without giving ISP's the ability to control our content!
—Jasper Lynn, Arcadia, CA

The internet sources have to have equal access without any disruptions of speed access/ availability controlled by the cable companies and others seeking profit. Internet should equal to freedom of speech, it should not be choked nor controlled and made only available to those who can / are willing to pay the bill. It's unacceptable that any of the contents and end users get discriminated against and violates our constitutional rights.
—Svetlana Zakharov, Arlington, MA

At the age of 88, it is hard enough to pay for the limited service I now receive. I dread to think of what will inevitably follow the end of the open Internet. No two-tiered arrangement could possibly be fair, equitable or justified. THINK AGAIN!!
—Joan Prum, Watertown, MA

Keep the net free and available to everyone and don't sell it to the highest bidder (or the company that lines your pocket!)
—Harish Rao, Hershey, PA

I don't want an internet where I have to wait extended time periods for a site to load in order for me to read something or look something up. I don't spend my day looking at adds and looking at huge corporate or shopping sites. I use it for my classes. I'm sure the sites I will need to look at for reading articles, or looking up information will be the slow ones.
—Janet Yasenchak-Votta, Eastpointe, MI

Communication should be affordable and easily accessible for everyone. This rule would only increase more discrimination into the world. Go for common good, not money.
—Kristen, Corvallis, OR

This is a very important issue that I urge you to reconsider with your constituents -- THE AMERICAN PEOPLE -- in mind rather than the corporations whom this affects.
—Andre Goree, Oviedo, FL

I'm paying my ISP to provide me access to the internet, they shouldn't be able to discriminate against data providers, charge them extra or charge me extra based on the kind of data I'm receiving. Make ISPs common carriers!
—Gordon Williams, Fairbanks, AK

This country is founded on freedom and access for all citizens. It's what makes us great.
—Layna Berman, Camp Meeker, CA

This must be available on and equal footing, equality for all,special preference , no.
—Becky Thatcher, Glen Arbor, MI

As a web designer my livelihood largely depends on my ability to quickly access a wide variety of online resources. Over half of the tools of my profession are web-based in some shape or form. Allowing my ISP to decide which websites load quickly and which load slowly could potentially destroy half of my tools. Ending net neutrality could not only destroy competition between online businesses, but could also destroy the ability of small businesses like my own to even operate.
—Stig Greve, Aliso Viejo, CA

The Internet is more than a pubic resource; it is interwoven into the fabric of our daily work and personal lives. Please move to protect its usage and viability for the common citizen!
—Amanda Hafner, Snowflake, AZ

Promote the general welfare of citizens: reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jay Dugger, Plano, TX

If I don't get net neutrality, I'll hold my breath until I pass out! But really, I believe that one of the basic freedoms that we should/do have is the freedom of privacy. U guys suk ;(
—Billy, Cleveland, OH

The internet needs to remain a free, open, accessible utility available to all, and not become a premium "service" for big bucks players. Preserve Net Neutrality.
—Mary Haywood, Golden Valley, MN

An environment where the one with the most money wins is a detriment to us all. Take a stand and keep the net free for everyone.
—Justin Musclow, ,

Don't make the internet as two sided as reality. Keep everyone equal.
—Michael Gilmore, Edmond, OK

The internet is the best platform for people of all backgrounds to gain knowledge, not just become cogs in a corporate system.
—Chris Ward, Salt Lake City, UT

The internet is communication, and must be protected by the first amendment. No organization, ISP, or otherwise should have there right or power to control, impede, redirect, delay or snoop communication conducted on the internet. The internet should remain neutral for all parties.
—Keith, Katy, TX

This country was built by small businesses being able to build itself up ad sell it's products to the people. Without net neutrality, you will be killing these businesses.
—Joseph Cha, Las Vegas, NV

I believe that fair competition, on a level playing field, is required in order for companies to not get complacent and charge more for inferior products and services.
—Eric Kwan, Arcadia, CA

Net Neutrality is what guarantees our First Amendment rights on the internet. We are born with these rights and need them more, than AT&T, Comcast, ect need extra money in their pockets.
—Caitlin Savino, Ithaca, NY

...And to the plutocracy for which you stand...
—Mitchell Diamond, Sunnyvale, CA

The only people who benefit from the new FCC plan are that small group who can afford a few hundred thousand dollars in lobbying. Most small businesses suffer without Net Neutrality, and all consumers as well. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Danielle Charles, Sunnyside, NY

I don't buy electrical appliances from the power company; I don't buy a stove or water heater from the gas company; I don't buy glassware from the water company. All I want from my ISP is a data pipeline. I'll decide what to do with it. I neither need nor want more "services," and I certainly don't need my ISP deciding the priorities of my data needs.
—Henry Velick, Ann Arbor, MI

All voices deserve to be heard.
—Lee Garvey, San Francisco, CA

Keeping the Internet affordable.
—Ronald O. Watson, Capitol Heights, MD

The internet should not be for sale to Comcast, AT&T and Verizon! KEEP the INTERNET OPEN.
—Ms. C Allegrezza, HYDE PARK, MA

If you can't see why it is inherently wrong for CORPORATIONS or anyone to control the flow of information, then the FCC needs to be disbanded. Less focus on Janet Jackson's boob and more focus on keeping the ISP quasi-monopoly from stomping on the rights of citizens. OK?
—Ada Rubin, San Jose, CA

As a scientist, the free exchange of ideas and information is absolutely critical to the advancement of knowledge. The net neutral Internet has transformed the way science is done and has dramatically accelerate the rate of human progress. Net Neutrality is crucial in ensuring the free and open exchange of ideas necessary for scientific advancement.
—Brad Rosenberg, New York, NY

Net Neutrality is an essential part of today's free market system. Allow ISPs to create this tiered Internet and you're killing any chance of a truly free market on the Internet. You'll kill all chances of upstarts being able to support themselves and rise to the heights of these same companies who want this plan to pass because they won't be big enough to afford the higher tier access. The Internet is not something you can put a price tag on and hand it over to big corporations to sell to the masses. The Internet is a place of collaboration, cooperation and ingenuity. It's a piece of public property and we need to keep it that way.
—Amanda Castillo, Laredo, TX

We have the right to have free fast Internet to contact our family and friends around the world. If those that can't afford to pay the network package, then what will happen?
—Christiaan W., ,

Don't let big corporations stifle our country and our freedom. The internet belongs to all of us.
—Judith H. Bell, jamestown, RI

Dear Chairman Wheeler, When the Circuit Court of Appeals decided to rule in favor of Comcast in 2010's Comcast v. FCC ruling, its intended message was not to say that some providers are more equal than others. The comments from the bench clearly indicated that the FCC was wrong in its interpretation of the Telecommunications Act, particularly by classifying internet service providers as a Title I "information" service under the Telecommunications Act. Many American citizens, myself included, agree with the court that Title I is an inappropriate classification for the companies that, in many cases, are the sole provider (or one of only a small handful of government-mandated monopoly providers) of Internet access. This early classification mistake has led us into a brave new era of payola, "bundled service fees," preferential content prioritizing, and other behavior that would not be out of place in a robber baron's company town in the 19th century. I strongly urge you to draft new rules that would re-classify Internet Service Providers as Common Carriers under Title II of the Telecommunications Act. This would send a clear and unambiguous message that Internet traffic must not be tampered with in any way or form. With regards, Adam Rose
—Adam Rose, Montoursville, PA

My wife is bedridden. The internet is her main "window to the outside world." If that window is shrunk down so that only the top, most wealthy corporations are given access while the smaller companies/websites she uses regularly cannot afford the high bandwidth fees (video chat with support groups, family, etc; information websites with educational videos to help us learn about her condition), it will be her getting trapped all over again - only this time, it won't be her disease, it will be the mega-corporations and corrupt politicians preying upon her!
—Shawn Williams, Lancaster, PA

Please regulate Internet Service Providers as utilities. Anything else with consolidate power, innovation and choice to the richest and to the media providers. The internet is a valuable resource; please do not allow it to be ruined.
—John Montgomery, Branford, CT

In small, rural states like Kansas, it is difficult to find more than one cable provider, so the provider can charge and do as they wish. If we do not continue net neutraliy we are doomed.
—Rex Romeiser, Salina, KS

Net Neutrality is important and should be important to EVERYONE OF YOU as it is the free...emphasis on FREE - way to exchange information. It is the future and ending Net Neutrality will give control to ISPs who will then dictate what information we can and cannot get. Is this the United States or China??!
—Brent Burbidge, San Diego, CA

As someone who telecommutes to work every day, having a fast, smooth connection to my clients and my co-workers is incredibly important to me. The possibility that an ISP could throttle internet access to my clients' webpages or my company's servers or, indeed, my own connection is horrendous. This means it's possible for me to lose clients based on something totally out of my hands. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers so people like me can keep their jobs and their clients.
—Adam Day, Williamsport, PA

In a democratic society the neutrality of the internet is central, for the proper preservation of the democratic process.
—Francois Perez, ,

I have spoken before about my lack of financial resources and a two tiered internet system would not help me at all in my chosen career or in my studies as a college student. This is more about financial resources however, this is about making the internet open to anyone regardless of financial resources. Arguably of course a two tiered system would still provide access to the internet, but it starts there. Soon corporations are going to want to control what we can and cannot access on the internet, limiting freedom of speech and social movements that have begun online. I urge you to choose net neutrality, do not give the one percent what they want.
—Alinda Lawrence, Honeoye Falls, NY

Taking away Net Neutrality would turn the internet in to everything that is there to keep us from. It allows us our freedoms, it allows us to voice our opinions, it allows everything that is supposed to be protected under the constitution.
—Grant Sadlowski, Denver, CO

Please, we beg you not to do this. If anything, the FCC should be declaring the internet a public service. If you move forward with this plan, you threaten economic growth and America's technological strength in the world.
—Chris Lamb, Charlotte, NC

We need fairness and protection from ISP's. Classify ISP's as common carriers and protect net neutrality.
—Bryant Cochran, Alexandria, VA

With our society so reliant on the Internet for commerce, education, and entertainment, it would a deathblow to the exchange of ideas to allow internet service providers to control access to websites via "fast" and "slow" lanes. Thanks to other poor decisions made in recent years by the FCC, we as a nation are seeing our media under the control of fewer and fewer "voices," which is in stark contrast to the charter of the FCC. If the internet is allowed to be "tiered" like cable TV services, there will be less people able to connect their ideas with the rest of the world without paying a premium to ISPs, both locally and abroad. Our free society shouldn't need to rely on those with power granting those without any a chance to be heard. We aren't living in a Dickens' novel, and we shouldn't need to ask if we may have some more. Please listen to the people of the United States, and not just those with money and influence. I know it is foolish to appeal to anyone's sense of decorum or decency, but think not of the fat paycheck you and you alone will receive and as unofficial thank you for ruling in favor of ISPs and think instead of the legacy you will leave, and the fate of those citizens who will gain nothing and potential lose everything.
—Terence Dollard, Laurinburg, NC

I am a semi-retired person who is forced to stay at home most of the time to care for my wife, who has Alzheimer's Disease. The small amount of income I am able to generate with my home business is completely dependent on free access to the Internet.
—Leslie Gerber, Woodstock, NY

I am a Web Designer, small business owner, and Entrepreneur. Net Neutrality is critical to the betterment of our society. It allows the freedom of access to information regardless of wealth, social standing, or political power. My livelihood, creativity, ability to educate myself, and ability to help others would be severely diminished by removing Net Neutrality. The only benefits of removing Net Neutrality are for ISP's and their profit margins. The negative impact, however, upon our future and our own people will be tremendous. Do NOT let money and politics dictate our ability to work, communicate, and build a better world. Leave the Internet open - It is one of our greatest achievements as a species, and our most powerful tool. Thank you. Jay W. LogicDT.com
—Jay Wright, Phoenix, AZ

Ending net neutrality would be like privatizing highways and only allowing certain companies to use them. It would be terrible for consumers and business. If you oppose net neutrality, fuck you
—Joel Raposo, Arlington, VA

Everybody knows who you work really for, and it ain't us! Prove me wrong.
—jack miles, Albuquerque, NM

Keep the internet neutral. That is the way it was, is and should be. No need to change anything. For once give the people their freedom!
—Christopher mcgean, Phoenix, AZ

Net Neutrality is important to everyone! It means freedom.
—Martha R Bartels, Chicago, IL

As free speech is withering into oblivion and our rights get chipped away day after day, this plan is like tossing a truckload of coal right onto the edge of an already burning wildfire. Don't encourage restriction of the internet! Stand up for free speech and open internet, Mr. Wheeler! Don't be a part of the stifling of society!
—Afton Jones, Blanco, TX

Tiered speeds are unfair to small startups. Allowing big business to choose who can do business is completely opposed to the idea of a free market! Classify internet service providers as common carriers to keep information open and keep the market fair!
—Kyle Keine, Lakeland, FL

Keep the Internet FREE!!
—Hannah Stanton, Dallas, TX

Needs to be fair. For all. Not those with most money.
—William Teixiera, Sacramento, CA

"...and crowned thy good with brotherhood..." NOT corporatehood.
—Dahlia Wasfi MD, Dover, DE

Our democracy depends on everyone having equal access to the internet. We do not need an internet where you have to pay to play.
—Naomi Cohen, Gap Mills, WV

I've come to depend on the internet just as much as I depend on electricity, water and heating or cooling. If it came down to paying for heat or wearing an extra sweater, I'd be bundling up while I use the web. The internet is how I learn, how I communicate with family and friends far away and how I relax. Some people use a hot bath, others use a hot laptop.
—Tor Nichols, Las Cruces, NM

I'm a graduate student and depend upon net neutrality to access articles and other research materials online. Without net neutrality, I may not be able to afford faster speeds which might be necessary to download archival documents and I could have limited access to archival material online if the archive cannot afford or chooses not to pay for certain internet services. We should follow Europe's lead, which treats the internet as a public utility, administered by private companies. It costs consumers less and protects freedom of speech and access online.
—Mollie Madden, Minneapolis, MN

Equality for all
—Bill Rivera Jr, Dunnellon, FL

With out Net Neutrality the internet is fucking pointless! Big businesses only care about them selves, not the consumers. The internet belongs to everyone and everyone should have free and open access to it! The disillusioned idea of a fast lane online is fucking pathetic and the fact the Wheeler would follow this means he's nothing but a worthless puppet! I demand representation for the free people! And if the FCC follows through with killing Net Neutrality then we won't have that! Fuck the companies, and fuck everything they stand for! If you fucks don't do your jobs then I will personally go to every voter's door and tell them that the FCC needs better leadership and tell them that they should never vote for pathetic fucks like you ever again! Not only that but I will continue to fight for a free and open internet until the day I day! ISPs are nothing but pipe lines and to call them anything else is nothing but pure dumbassity. Stop shitting ont he voters and DO THE RIGHT FUCKING THING YOU WORTHLESS CUNTS!!!!!!! NERD POWER!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
—Colin McMahon, Kansas City, MO

Please don't quash innovation by making a fast internet available only to those who are already established enough to have the money to afford it. Everyone should have access to the internet. Don't create a two-tiered system equivalent to allowing electricity or running water at only certain times of the day for the "plebs," while the aristocrats have unlimited access! Thanks, Maggie Frank-Hsu
—Margaret Hsu, New York, NY

The internet was designed to be a place where information was exchanged FREELY, not so service providers could make a quick buck!!
—Ian Cameron, Richmond Hill,

Please do not implement these new rules. I beg you to reclassify ISP's as common carriers. The web is a precious thing to millions and we would ask you to not end Net Neutrality.
—Kevin Ted Hayman, Jackson, MS

Consult your conscience and do the right thing: protect democracy and REJECT FASCISM!!!
—Amy Irene Anderson, Kingston, NY

It's pretty simple: without net neutrality, there is little possibility of the next Google, the next Facebook, the next Big Thing from the little guy. Any type of fast lane means slow lanes; you cannot have one without the other. Fast lanes would incentivize forcing companies to pay to use them by degrading the slow lanes or not keeping up with increasing speed requirements. In short: a bad experience for everyone but cable companies, whose incompetence and malfeasance are already on record. Do the right thing and recognize the internet as the public utility and necessity it has become for a modern democracy.
—David Fuchs, Arlington, VA

neutrality is about creating a neutral internet. The basic principle driving net neutrality is that the internet should be a free and open platform, almost like any other utility we use in our home (like electricity). Users should be able to use their bandwidth however they want (as long as it's legal), and internet service providers should not be able to provide priority service to any corner of the internet. Every web site (whether it's Google, Netflix, Amazon, or UnknownStartup.com) should all be treated the same when it comes to giving users the bandwidth to reach the internet-connected services they prefer. Your electric company has no say over how you use your electricity—they only get to charge you for providing the electricity. I don't want the ISPs to be given too much power because it could easily be abused. Imagine that Verizon or AT&T don't like the idea of Google Voice, because it allows you to send text messages for free using your data connection. Your cellphone carrier could block access to Google Voice from your smartphone so you're forced to pay for a texting plan from them. Or, they see that a lot of people are using Facebook on their smartphone, so even if they have the bandwidth to carry that traffic, they decide to charge you extra to access Facebook, just because they know it's in high demand and that they can make a profit.
—Mara Crim, Newport News, VA

Net Neutrality is so important if we are to maintain an open and fair internet. Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Paul Richeson, Dallas, TX

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Rhoda Keprta, Arlington, TX

The Internet is one of the few democratic things left. There shouldn't be a privileging of those who can afford to pay more.
—M Lara Hoke, WORCESTER, MA

Net Neutrality is a subject very important to me. I feel we all deserve a free exchange of information, without discrimination from big corporations and government. Please re-evaluate your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers
—Marshall Hubert, San Antonio, TX

Dear Mr. Wheeler, Please preserve Net Neutrality. Your plan is unconscionable and serves to protect the interests of only the large companies who are going to hire and reward you later. Please don't do this. Regards, Alex N.
—alex N., ann arbor, MI

The internet now offers a level playing field for all participants from all socio-economic levels around the world allowing access to important educational sites, health information, social justice causes, vital international and local news, social media, etc. It bridges gaps and brings much needed information to many isolated communities. We witnessed the value of a neutral internet during the “Spring Uprisings” in the Middle East. We’ve seen the incredible money raised through the internet after disasters around the world and the immediate ability to respond because of this money. When you allow cable companies control over content based on greed and their own political and vindictive agenda, once again "We The People" lose! We already pay exorbitant amounts for cable and internet access in our homes, to add surcharges for websites, blocked content, etc. means a further gauging of the American people. No one should own content except those that produce that content and noone should be able to have exclusive service. Preserve strict Net Neutrality by reclassifying service providers. Net neutrality is the corner stone of the democratic promise of the Internet to deliver information all over the world. Don't we all get up in arms when we hear China and many other countries block websites, limits access and controls content on the internet. Stop the double standard; this is exactly what's going to happen if you reject net neutrality!
—Coleen Scherf-Ghara, Newport Beach, CA

This is a First Amendment issue of Free Speech. Please consider the importance of this forum as a dynamic arena for growth of our Nation.
—William Ferguson, Los Angeles, CA

Internet access is today even more fundamental basic service than the classic phone service, as more and more of business, public services, and private life activities depend on it. Therefore it is definitely a common carrier service. Sufficient access and performance must therefore be available to everybody, and no ISP should be able to favor one customer more than another.
—Teuvo Telaranta, Houston, TX

internet is not for you it's for the people
—Mina Matta, ,

first amendment
—Myrna S. Freeman, North Fork, CA

The willful fascist/corporatist move to gut Net Neutrality puts this country and, indeed, the world directly on the path of George Orwell's "Ministry of Truth" described in his novel 1984. Soon the only "truth" will be what the oligarchs that own the government allow to circulate on the web.
—Sulyen Mason, Atlanta, GA

Why do you have to mess with something that isn't broken? An internet with a "fast lane" and "slow lane" will stifle the economy, and don't let some money-grubbing CEO tell you otherwise.
—Jennifer Svitko, Ithaca, NY

The Internet is the driving force of innovation in the world today. Allowing a few companies to control the Internet and discriminate against new services cannot be allowed. The future of our economy depends on an open Internet. As there is no significant competition, all providers should be treated like the utility monopoly they are and regulated accordingly. The tool for that is Title II Common Carrier classification. This should apply for all types of broadband, wired and wireless. All of the Internet should be free and open, regardless of how one connects.
—Travis Tabbal, Herriman, UT

Please do not let big business step all over the little guy by eliminating net neutrality. I do not want an internet where there are two tiers of service. We need ISPs classified as common carriers. I will not support online discrimination.
—Pete Myers, Memphis, TN

There seems to be few things Americans can agree on in large numbers, but the utter failing of their ISP/Cable providers as businesses who care to deliver a fairly priced product to their customers, and to treat their customers with respect, is about as close to an objective fact as one can get. Giving them leeway to control the rate at which ostensibly neutral packets of data will travel to their computing devices is only inviting that decision to be based solely on profit. While I don't begrudge their right to pursue profit, the issue at hand is whether the most important development in human history will be compromised significantly. I believe it will be simply based on the sociopathic personality demonstrated by so many ISPs. They will never make a decision that will not short or long term benefit them financially, even if the alternative is the integrity of the very infrastructure they rely on as a business.
—Jason Woerner, Ambler, PA

Net neutrality is important because it is one of those few things left that hasn't been privatized. The privatization of the internet would be awful and completely unfair.
—Murron Paeth, Liberty, MO

Media conglomerates own neither the air waves, nor the internet. Yet they've prevented both from being open to local news and public affairs, educational programming and fair coverage of news. They've used their control of the air waves and the internet to close access to a free and open press and media. These rules will consolidate their denial of fair and open media to US citizens. Please adopt rules that benefit, not impoverish access to free and open media. Robert Robinson Washington, DC 20010
—Robert Robinson, Washington, DC

Don't follow the money, like every one else is in politics. It's even worse now thanks to the Supreme Court, which has a couple of judges who are clearly bought off (see Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas). Bottom line, we will be watching.
—Robert Fox, Hudson, FL

Network neutrality is simply a bad idea that has run its course.
—John M Powell, Salt Lake City, UT

If not for Net Neutrality we might not have some great companies that we now have no eBay no netflix no hulu no facebook ect These companys could now pay for the fast lane but what about the next upstart Facebook might not have made it if myspace was the only one to afford the fast lane
—David Gallager, Nacogdoches, TX

We consider democracy important, so we must keep it in our internet.
—Pamela Parris, Exeter, NH

I have several small online businesses and I want to make sure my customers can still access my online shops. Also, I don't like the idea that I may have a harder time staying connected to the political and non-profit organizations I interact with online: I'm concerned my views might be censored (or at least hindered) without net neutrality. That would be un-American and also might be a Freedom of Speech issue!
—Sally Small, Clarington, OH

Stop protecting and favoring corporations over people; stand up to big money; have some backbone and do what's right. Tell your children you did the right thing instead of the easy thing; the right thing instead of the profitable thing.
—James Rolle, Bronx, NY

Before that horrible court case (by a bought and paid for judge?), it took me 15-20 min in the morning to check my finances and emails. Immediately after that, it started to take me 1 to 2 hours. (And my Internet service isn't particularly cheap, either.) I consider this a huge theft of my time.
—Stan Benton, Von Ormy, TX

entities with more money already have to much power. don't give them more our Internet equality promoting system
—Sandy Diaz, barstow, CA

Dear Chairman Wheeler, I am 25 years old and have worked in startups throughout my career. Net neutrality is about more than my principles. Ensuring that small firms have the bandwidth to innovate is part of my livelihood. Please reconsider creating fast lanes for companies with deep pockets. Thank you, Alan Satkin
—Alan Satkin, Santa Ana, CA

My name is Aaron Nestor. I'm a freelance designer who's online presence is absolutely necessary in obtaining, and maintaining clientele. Yet, it is just me. I have no large lobbying arm. I have no friends in congress. I do not know the Google guys. By opening the Internet to a tiered "pay-to-play" structure, you are stacking the deck in favor of the big guys. Perhaps you need a more theological analogy. Let's say that I'm David. And the ISPs and their various cohorts are all sorts of Goliaths. The thing is, I know longer have a sling. I only have part of the sling. And now the giant is smashing my skull. And now I'm bleeding out on the floor and now.... Do you understand that the people do not want what you're selling? Deaf ears must be removed, one way or another. Please keep the Internet free and open. It is my lifeblood.
—Aaron Micah Nestor, Phoenix, AZ

The Internet needs to be a free and open environment everyone to allow for the propagation of legitimate news from oppressed nations and for the education of the next generations.
—Devan Snow, Russell Springs, KY

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What's next? Water?
—Sharon Malinowski, Redford, MI

The United States is already behind the rest of the world in broadband availability. Please do not create rules that give ISPs the power to prioritize the "fast lane" only for those who can afford it.
—Rebecca Stuurwold, KALAMAZOO, MI

I depend on an open internet as a consumer, as an employee of a small business, and as a citizen. Undermining net neutrality means undermining innovation and entrepreneurship. This means undermining our economy, and the future of our country.
—Donald Merand, Dorchester, MA

It is important because it lets everyone be happy for no neutrality is chaos and war shall be let on to you. It will not be pretty and we deserve our rights !
—Kyra Torres, Colorado Springs, CO

The internet was made to share knowledge equally, what the FCC is trying to do will kill that.
—Mr. Ezequiel Davidovich Caballero, Buenos Aires,

As long as big money is involved, no progress will be made, only a regression. You are giving big money a chance to mess up the internet further by letting them pay you to have their way !
—Michael K. Bonner, Cleveland, OH

The internet was built on our hard work and creativity, the infrastructure providers are just the middleman. This new proposal is good for large companies and bad for everyone else. Source: I am a software developer, IT professional, and internet entrepreneur.
—David Muir, Gainesville, FL

The Internet is NOT a commodity. Don't commodify it.
—Frieda A. Stahl, Pasadena, CA

The internet is based on sharing access to computers bandwidth. All servers must route information equally regardless of who owns it. Breaking the internet traffic flow will cause great damage to how information is shared.
—Jed Miner, Brooklyn, NY

Communication in this century as important as running water, electricity and gas, and sewage service in previous centuries. It is now a utility and as such internet providers should be reclassified as common carriers. This is important because equal access to information is the bedrock of a free, open and democratic society. Take away equal access and you've got corruption and the rise of the oligarchy.
—Loreli Fister, Corvallis, OR

My small business nor those of my clients will not be able to survive without true Net Neutrality. Chairman Wheeler DO YOUR JOB for the PEOPLE or step down and let someone who can do the right thing!
—Derek Durivage, Baltimore, MD

Your proposed ruling does not serve the people, only big businesses. Please remember that people are the ones who vote - even when business has the money - and you should support initiatives that serve the people who voted you into office instead of corporations trying to bribe their way into getting what they want.
—Frances Jessop, Santa Fe, NM

Obama could stop it,he's paying back AT&T, Comcast and Verizon for helping the NSA.
—Ed Poder, Johnstown, PA

Keep the playing field even!!!
—Kathy Loeb, Lexington, KY

By rejecting Net Neutrality, you are handing the keys over to big business. Once again, the 1% win out and the little guy on the street pays the bill. SHAME ON YOU
—Deborah Baker, Brighton, MA

Come on! Pay attention to the citizens! Not the big names! Keep the net neutral!!
—Lynn Mcclure, Snellville, GA

Allowing the big media companies to decide what companies get fast access is the wrong decision. Please don't vote for this proposal
—John Daly, Sunset Beach, NC

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers
—Talea Cornelius, Vernon Rockville, CT

The government should not be providing rules for the internet. We need an open Internet. This is another step toward Communism or Nazism.
—Charlene Knop, Charlotte, NC

The internet needs to remain unmonopolized, especially for those who don't even have access to the monopolized companies.
—Marshall, ,

no good reason except money and that is discrimination
—John Anderson, LaPorte, CO

As an open source software developer/integrator I depend on internet access, please consider classifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Robert Hedges, Saint Louis, MO

Please tell us the price for Tom Wheeler so we can start a fund "by the people" and eventually outbid the companies he's working for. That seems to be the only way to put some sense into the FCC.
—Fahad Zafar, Catonsville, MD

Please stop denying the obvious fact that the Internet was misclassified on purpose in the first place, and that it is a "bi-directional" common carrier telecommunications service!
—Todd Johnston, Oxford, MI

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Ms. Elaine Smitha, Olympia, WA

Simple, it's freedom is our precious.
—Shannon Callahan, San Diego, CA

The beauty of the internet is that it's open and easily accessible by anyone with a connectable device. The current proposal would be a boon to large cable and phone providers at the expense of consumers. Please don't let this pass.
—Matt Lewis, Jersey City, NJ

.. this proposal is all about the bottom line .. and further separates the have's from the have-nots .. re: % inequality.
—Anthony Vincent, Seattle, WA

I am truly disappointed in Mr. Wheeler's decision to move forward with his plan that would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Jacob Bartlett, Tallahassee, FL

The internet should be treated as a utility. Citizens are already being charged huge fees just for a high speed connection. To allow a two-tiered Internet is financial racism. You make enough money - do your job!!!!
—Kay Levin, Hockley, TX

The internet is a vital and necessary resource that promotes education, connectivity, and has become necessary to exist and thrive in our society. Allowing ISPs to discriminate between website speeds and give preferential treatment to the highest bidder further widens the gap between those who have large pockets and those who do not. I want the country I call home to not operate under the premise that having more money entitles you to a different set of rules. To truly protect the common citizens, you must classify ISPs as common carriers. The concerns of the majority of citizens must be put well ahead of the concerns of companies recording record profits, while being given resoundinglt negative feedback from their customers.
—Eric Braband, Chicago, IL

Keep the internet free!
—Mike C, Camarillo, CA

Stop this attck on the middle class!
—Paul Adrien, Eustis, FL

This is the right thing to do for our country!
—Karen Bowman, Westminster, CO

Net neutrality is the key to freedom of speech and to democracy. Please do not kill net neutrality.
—Boris Katan, Fairhaven, MA

It's a disaster whenever Big Businesses of Any Stripe are allowed to run roughshod over the competition, especially smaller companies. Equality is tough to handle, but nothing works better than that.
—Dale Reynolds, Glendale, CA

Open internet is vital to small business owners and start-up entrepreneurship.
—Madeline Carpenter, San Juan Capistrano, CA

Real business must be based on equal flat playing fields, not on who can cheat with the most money, !
—Rich Adams, Dayton, OH

Please classify the isp's as the common carriers they actually are.
—Andrew Brodie, Holliston, MA

I'm tired of being gouged by ISPs.
—Joshua Spain, Watervliet, NY

The internet is the ultimate democratic communication channel in human history. Allowing ISPs to divide it into fast and slow lanes would be a huge blow to the ideal of what the internet is and should be.
—Michael Wilson, Brooklyn, NY

Everyone, no matter their economic circumstances deserve unfettered access to the internet. Creating anything other than complete net neutrality is unacceptable. The President endorsed net neutrality and I expect his appointees to deliver on that promise.
—Randy White, Washington, DC

There should be equal accessibility for everything and everyone on the internet.
—Joe Vita, Plainville, CT

Leave the internet alone!!!!! This is something that we use and do not need FCC slanting the net to favor big corporations over American Citizens who deserve better. Government has already screwed up the vote process by allowing big corporations to buy seats for their favored representatives who favor them and not the American Citizens. Don't be part of this trend to screw the majority in favor of the rich few. Internet must stay as it is for the good of all!!!!!
—John L Grand, Green Valley, AZ

The proposed regulations are a thinly veiled attempt to restrict economic and social freedoms. It is being done under the guise of investment and quality regulation, but at it's core restricts access for individuals to access content and services. It limits new business opportuniy and provides an unfair advantage to an elite few, allowing the providers to ultimately have the final say in what I as a consumer or as a business owner can do. It's straight up crap and everyone but the FCC and their cable buddies seem to know it.
—Keith, Studio City, CA

Open access to Internet speed has allowed small business to compete on a nearly level playing field, the arts to showcase itself no matter whether a small theater company or a city metropolitan opera, and individuals communicate in open forums. Internet infrastructure such as ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers, much like telephone and radio in a previous age.
—Jacqueline Read, Louisville, KY

PLEASE do not increase our nation's already awful inequality with this 'toll road' approach
—Dolores Cellier, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

Open internet is one of the only ways that small voices can be heard and where those with minority viewpoints can easily connect. Free speech and association should not have to be paid for. Please don't let the government treat the internet like cable. It is fundamentally different because the it is a two-way street.
—Jenny Zhang, New York, NY

I am just an ordinary person, not a very wealthy person by the 1% standard, who uses the internet for shopping, vacations and work. If the internet is not reclassified as a common carrier and Mr Wheeler goes ahead to make it in effect "a pay to play", my use of the internet will be greatly diminished. Everything in this country is based on wealth, lets NOT make the internet part of the inequality that has hurt this country and our democracy. Lets keep it a REAL net neutrality and classify it as a "commons" as it really is.
—Patricia Szot, Auburn, WA

Tell the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality. I'm really disappointed in all of you. You're supposed to represent the people, not the oligarchy. Please reconsider your decision. Keep net neutrality.
—Kayvon J Ghaffari, SEATTLE, WA

It is vital that the FCC maintain real net neutrality. I work in online education, and believe that both content providers and content consumers are entitled to their material being treated equally by ISPs. The ISPs also have far too many hands in the pie - they cannot be trusted to fairly treat content providers (especially those with which they directly compete). This is just another example of an industry attempting to use regulations to stifle innovation and competition. I say NO to your proposed rules. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and protect and ensure true net neutrality that will protect both American citizens and business, and keep the internet a place where diversity and innovation can flourish.
—Benjamin George, Logan, UT

The "Free Market" needs to be maintained. Mergers of this kind destroys this. Stop it now!!
—Arlyn Erdman, Pacheco, CA

If the FCC starts deciding what we can see on the internet you might as well tell us how to think. A perfect example of this is how Facebook decides who's posts show up in the news feed, in actuality they are deciding who we interact with and when. Mental slavery if we are not allowed find the information we are looking for we are essentially as closed minded as public media. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Philip Schneider, Denver, CO

As a free country, with free speech guaranteed, I find it reprehensible that you would allow corporations to dictate the level of service I receive from other corporations based on the depth of their pocket book.
—Ben Casner, Denver, CO

Small rural areas like the one I live in would be adversely effected by this ruling. People in our community heavily depend on the local library to access the internet. This puts unfair burdens on those that do not have the deep pockets to afford the new fees. We are already under served in cell phone service and now we will have a two tiered plan for internet? Our community depends on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open internet. Reclassify IPS's as common carriers. Respectfully Janis Pielech Bayfield Colorado
—Mrs. Janis Pielech, bayfield, CO

An equally available Internet has been one of the most positive cultural, intellectual, and commercial innovations in history. Net neutrality must be preserved!
—Carl Cole, Charleston, SC

The Internet is something that should available to all, not just the people who can afford to pay a toll for the fast lanes.
—Lauren Avren, Phoenix, AZ

By forcing a feudal-era class system on the entirety of the nation, small and medium sized businesses who depend on the net to function will not have a chance in a discriminatory environment that Chairman Wheeler would create. This proposed plan is abhorrent to liberty and should be immediately aborted.
—Ryan Wallace, Canton, MS

Communication can't be held by corporations in a REAL democracy.
—Kevin Kelly, Portage, WI

Please don't let the internet be compromised for people like this. It is the biggest and most important organ for freedom of speech and much more, and should not be put into bondage with a two-tiered system for the haves and the have-nots. Please!
—david Webster, San Francisco, CA

What is more important to me even than Net Neutrality is the active FCC bias that favors corporate wants above what is best for the vast majority of American citizens.
—Lewis Redding, Arcadia, CA

Please throw out the FCC internet rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Nicholas Woodbury, San Francisco, CA

One reason that the net is so successful a phenomenon is because it has been equally available to EVERYBODY! Changing this will undermine much of what makes the internet tick. Please reconsider and make the net neutral.
—Ms. Wanda Metcalf, North Andover, MA

If you are approved these rules would mean the end of Net Neutrality, then deaf community would struggle to care their billings because of million deaf low incomes over this country. We are depending on videophones to avoid communication barriers.
—Jan Struhar, Prince Frederick, MD

Why aren't ISPs considered common carriers? They provide very similar functions to phone companies. In some cases ISPs ARE phone companies. This seems like a no-brainer to me. Corporations should never have the level of control proposed in the FCC's current plans. The current plans only allow them to take advantage of consumers, and to pick and choose which businesses they want to be successful. Ultimately this will discourage innovation and reward only established corporations. That is completely unacceptable. This isn't rocket science. Common carriers for the Internet make sense. Fast and Slow lanes do not.
—Jason Carlin, Hamilton, OH

Seriously, this is ridiculous. This is exactly like saying people who have more money can get more heat, or electricity. You can't even get a JOB without being able to connect to the internet. The entire concept was created to ensure equality to anyone that wanted to participate. I'm not paying providers to decide, for me, who gets better bandwidth. I'm offended that you would even consider this course of action. FIX THIS. Do not kill the open Internet. Maintain Net Neutrality. Don't go down in history as a sell out to big business.
—Julia Nowels, Littleton, CO

Those who support Tom Wheeler's corporate instigated plan really don't give a crap about the public. As long as more corporate profit is at stake we know exactly how they will vote. Maybe they should go back to lapping more directly and openly at the trough, Arriana Huffington described it as pigs at the trough and I can't think of a more apt description of the majority of politicians, lobbyists and nefarious others. Pathetic.
—Robert Rucker, Santa Fe, NM

I do not want to pay for higher internet. What you are proposing will bring this to light. Do not follow through with 2-tiered internet.
—Anthony Chen, Rockville, MD

Internet is already broken into bandwidth classes why do we need to break it down again? The FCC needs to classify isp's as common carriers and enforce the people's rights instead of the corporations.
—Lucas Mcmillen, Fulton, MS

The internet has become an essential utility, just like electricity. It must be regulated as such.
—Carolyn Jordan, Arlington, MA

The internet is for everyone, not just large companies
—Kim Adams, Columbus, NC

Is there any aspect of our daily life that big corporations can not buy and hold ransom? Would you allow companies to charge folks differently to access public streets? Physical freedom of movement and online freedom of access is functionally the same. Do NOT put control of access to the internet at the whims of major corporations!
—Peter Willett, Oakland, CA

As a senior on SSA, I don't have the money to pay for internet usage. If this goes though, you will be cutting seniors like myself off from a lifeline to the outside world. You will force us to stop our internet use comepletely, and will cut income to internet providers.
—Sheila Dillon, Willmar, MN

ISPs need to be classified as common carriers & net neutrality preserved! Otherwise we'll have a fast lane for big corporations & the rich, and a slow shitty internet for the rest of us. This is unacceptable!!
—Gary Henderson, Apache Junction, AZ

We beed net neutrality to ensure we are all on the same playing ground! Are we truly free if we can't voice out opinions or are monitored every second of every day? Do you know any one person on this planet that hasn't made a mistake in their lives, or better yet, make mistakes or manipulate a situation to help themselves out? Do you think ever person from Big Brother is truly their to help the people and not just themselves? Do you think people should be ruled by governments or governments should be there help unify the world on an equal playing field?
—Kyle R., North hollywood, CA

Please make the ISP common carrier
—Casey, alpheretta, GA

The internet needs to be simply classified as a common carrier to make sure it remains available to all people. This is very important.
—Dianne Stromberg, Santa Fe, NM

The internet was created as free and open and should remain as such. Our society is already far too divided between the 'haves' and the 'have-nots' and we should not allow an opportunity for business to further divide us. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Ronald Sebben, Bloomington, IN

"The Internet is a global system of interconnected computer networks that use the standard Internet protocol suite (TCP/IP) to link several billion devices worldwide. It is a network of networks that consists of millions of private, public, academic, business, and government networks, of local to global scope, that are linked by a broad array of electronic, wireless, and optical networking technologies. The Internet carries an extensive range of information resources and services, such as the inter-linked hypertext documents and applications of the World Wide Web (WWW), the infrastructure to support email, and peer-to-peer networks for file sharing." This is what it was created for, not for profit of specific providers. A free and open internet will continue collaboration and foster continued growth of private as well as public domains.
—Robert Andersen, Thornton, CO

I hate that tech infrastructure in the US is falling further and further behind. The most sickening part is that its due to greedy individuals like Tom Wheeler who directly profit off of crippling our infrastructure. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers before you completely destroy internet access in the US.
—Alex Crawford, San Francisco, CA

Don't get ahead on the backs of the working poor and keep your back scratching cronies out of our pockets.
—Dean Rocissono, Wolcott, VT

It is absurd to think that you can divide the internet like a cake and give more to those willing to pay. The internet has, and always should be, a collaboration of every human on this planet - and every human should have the right to access it, free from restrictions. It is the single greatest achievement of our time and to even think that access to it should be limited so someone can get rich is asinine. For the love all that is holy realize that absolutely NO NORMAL CITIZEN wants to have to pay more to get access to the same internet as everyone else. Keep it free. Keep it cheap. Keep it neutral.
—Andrew Lydiard, Reno, NV

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Kris Tennant, ,

We are sick of the pay to play in every facet of our political lives. A two tiered internet allows better service for people with money. The internet needs to be fast and free to allow for the free exchange of ideas in a democratic society. Cheryl Geyerman
—Ms. Cheryl Geyerman, San Diego, CA

To the FCC, Your rules that condone the creation of multi-tiered internet threatens the very foundation of what makes the internet great. By allowing this, you pave the way for ISPs like Verizon and Comcast to destroy startup companies before they even begin. What startup can attract investors when their services will require this premium internet speed that you have allowed to come into play? Sites that dominate the internet-- Youtube, Netflix, Pandora. These are new and exciting sources of income for a young world and your rules-- the rules that counter rules put in place to prevent monopolies and similar market-breaking objects-- will see the death of new innovation on our front. Not only will we kill innovation based in the US -- the largest online presence to date -- but we will be FORCING new companies to come to places like China, Russia, and nations all-throughout Europe. These are nations that will steal from us what makes America great, and what's more, stunt us in the next 20 years as the internet becomes an even more important source of income for our shrinking world. Please don't let short-sighted decisions be the end of our long-term superiority. Thank You.
—Jeff Warner, Pittsburgh, PA

As WE THE PEOPLE sit back and watch our country get sold off to the highest, sometimes only, bidder. The internet is the last bastion of hope. Communication with anyone at any time. The fact that the ISPs have to pay more because of heavy traffic is a burden they will just have to bear. What happened to all the money we gave them for infrastructure that they never fixed? Classify the ISPs as common carriers. Don't let them nickel and dime consumers to death with high rates, slow speeds and shitty service(ComCast and Time Warner Cable have been voted the worst companies year after year and yet you want to let them merge)
—Jonathan Thomm, Milwaukee, WI

Net Neutrality is critical to a properly functioning internet. Doing away with it is essentially class discrimination, and it is unacceptable. The internet needs to be open to everyone equally, so please, throw out these rules, reclassify ISPs as common carriers, and save Net Neutrality!
—Steven Muniz, New York, NY

for those like me who depend on using public internet terminals at our local libraries, slow streaming rates would further cut into our assigned session time, which is even more frustrating than on a personal device. again,please preserve the one tier level of net neutrality by re- assigning the internet as a common carrier. and don't try any watered down approach. to this issue.
—Jordan Francis, phoenix, AZ

Toss your rules and reclassify service providers as common carriers. We the people want net neutrality! Your current stance is not fair to the little guy or gal!
—Dawn O'Donnell, Greenfield, NY

THERE IS NO FAST LANE. We cannot possibly expect companies with shareholders to please to properly maintain a public asset, when there's money to be made. Why would the FCC ever consider this a good idea? Is the FCC bought and paid for? Is there NOBODY in the government looking out for the citizens anymore? I am appalled and outraged by this blatant insult. I DEMAND Net Neutrality! There are too many problems to be solved, without crippling one of our greatest tools for solving them.
—Skaught Bowden, Lexington, KY

As someone who uses the Internet for both work and play, preventing a two-tiered (or more) Internet would be reprehensible. While the ISPs may say all day that they have no plans to do so, anyone who has even a modicum of intelligence knows that is the way that they want to head. End it now, and classify them the same as telephone service.
—Dale Moore, Starkville, MS

The proposed rules will have a severe impact on the exercise of First Amendment rights as well as adversely affect the political process. By allowing those with more money or the "preferred politics" of the gatekeepers to influence the speed of content delivery, not only can Free Speech be restricted, but it will even interfere with critical underpinnings of the American political system. Smaller, independent political candidates will find themselves unable to provide campaign information via the Internet, which has become a valuable media for the political process. Instead, only those with multimillionaire backers will be able to reliably promote their campaigns. Certainly, that these rules are being pushed, promoted, and proposed indicates that the end-goal is to use them as a political tool for strangling opposing political factions.
—Jessica Schlenker, Houston, TX

Please just make ISPs common carriers. It is the right and just thing to do.
—Jonathan Morgan, Evanston, IL

Everyone and every business should have the same access to the internet.
—Kate Kerr, Portland, OR

The same monied interests that deregulated banking and brought our economy to a halt, now want to regulate the Internet for their benefit. The Internet is like a public utility and everyone should have equal access, not just the ones that can use their money to lobby.
—William Gieseke, Northfield, IL

This is unacceptable. We MUST have ALL traffic be treated the same. If we do not, we instantly obsolete the entire idea of the internet, and within 5 years no one will use it anymore. It will be replaced with a new system not developed or controlled by the USA. I am a Network Engineer by trade, no one knows better than I exactly how badly this would screw us all.
—Avery Lewis, Las Vegas, NV

In the end the average man will be priced out of everything or go broke paying for telephone, tv and computer services. In my life time tv was free, and a telephone was $4.95 plus long distance. Wages are going down instead of up.
—Glenda Van Slyke, Crossville, TN

The internet is no different these days than phone server, and is just as important. If we were discussing whether or not you were forced to pay your phone provider more for acceptable audio quality on your phone calls, this would be a no-brainer. The internet should be the same, and charges for tiered access should be unacceptable now and for the future. I work as a web developer by trade, and I fear the impact that tiered access might have on job security for individuals in my line of work. Higher fees would have to be passed on somehow, and if it makes sense to someone that "since we've got to cut costs, perhaps we don't need that web guy anymore since we have to pay more to our ISP for people to get to our site anyways." When those additional costs get passed on, someone always has to pay the price. By simply reclassifying ISPs as common carriers, the FCC will reassure everyone that they have the interests of common people like myself in mind rather than catering to big business types who only care about their bottom line. This also runs the risk of setting a precedent that could then be extended to phone service as well. I urge you to exercise some common sense and reclassify ISPs as common carriers and thereby preserve an open Internet and Net Neutrality. Thank you for your time.
—Stephen Leavitt, Dickson, TN

It is vitally important that the internet remains free, open, and equally accessible for the good of us and our posterity.
—Brett Porcelli, Bayport, NY

I rely on equal opportunity internet service. It will really disturb me to find that some of my services are slowed or interrupted because non-profits and others cannot buy the fastest delivery service.
—Toddy Perryman, Corvallis, MT

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Simon Lord, Astoria, NY

The internet has become an unexpected tool for social change and transparency. It works because it is open and organic. It is so much more than a delivery system for media content. Please do not compromise it's potential by putting business interests in charge. We had no idea that the internet would become what it is. We have no idea what it may yet become. Let us not continue to make the same mistakes.
—James Jentile, portland, OR

Anything but strict net neutrality, like the currently proposed rules, betrays the essential foundation of the internet as the most democratically accessible communication path ever existing in human history. ISPs, no matter how large, knew that was what they were getting into when they entered this business. They should innovate their way into a successful business model under that understood and accepted baseline policy. The FCC should not cooperate in the distortion of the Net Neutrality policy to make BIG ISPd more profitable.
—Douglas Benedict, Santa Monica, CA

I am on fixed income and a senior. I spend a lot of time on research and this would hinder me greatly
—Sharon Craig, Normal, IL

Without net neutrality, I, a student hoping to work on networks as a job, cannot have any hope of taking off due to the required bribe that the ISPs will demand. I will be forced to move my servers and money out of the US economy, something I don't want to do.
—Jacob Slater, Santa Rosa, CA

I want the internet to remain true to the principles of the USA, the FCC, and the original founders fathers: a telecomm common carrier that supports and enhances the local and national marketplace of ideas.
—N Burns, salt lake city, UT

Net neutrality is important to the capatistic society that we have developed and dreamed of. WIthout it, then new businesses won't have equal access to all possible consumers. Especially if you are just starting out, you can't handle the extra costs of having to pay providers more, just to deliver your content. We are already paying for the infrastruture through internet fees, what extra is this suppose to do, except put more money in the pockets of the ISPs. We already pay more for internet access that most other civilazied people across the world, and we have slower speeds than most. So, we continue to have sub-standard access and pay more for it, and then they want to charge extra to those that want to use that bandwidth, it seems inappropriate and nothing more than a money grab. And furthermore, say it was determined that only those above a certain bandwidth per second would have to pay these extra fees, then who is to draw the line and what assures that that line won't be progressively lowered. ANd then what prevents people from saying that you have to pay, even if you are not-for-profit, or a at-home business with minimal income. That is just my thoughts, and feel that net neutrality should be maintained.
—KEelan Tuel, Loma Linda, CA

I want to make it very clear that I am with the large majority of U.S. citizens that wants to protect TRUE Net Neutrality. ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers and the rules proposed by FFC Chairman Tom Wheeler are not acceptable. Thank you for your time and consideration.
—Joseph Manietta, Longmont, CO

An open internet is critical to an equal starting point for future generations to step beyond the geographic and financial barriers. This will allow people to achieve and communicate and learn in ways that they may not be able to do without equal access.
—Michael Blake, Washington, DC

Net Neutrality is important because the internet is important. I wonder how much the ISP's are paying you, Tom....
—Arran F Clarke, Machynlleth,

The Internet *IS* the communications service of the modern age. The pipes to users must be "common carriers" to prevent oligolopy distortion of traffic. Content providers *MUST NOT* be able to discriminate based on others' content.
—Paul McQuesten, Leander, TX

It's not fair that people get better access to the Internet than others because of money.
—Lourdes Best, East Palo Alto, CA

The internet is a vital conduit for information, business, and communication. It is imperative this unique framework be preserved for the common good and classified as a common carrier.
—Powder, Minneapolis, MN

The internet is our way of sharing information. We cannot allow it to be throttled or bought.
—Victoria Husson, Smyrna, TN

The government's role should be protecting us from corporations and little else. You are failing.
—Josh Raab, Santa Monica, CA

The internet is my main means of communication as well as a means to supplementing my income. Marginalizing the speed at which people can access my site could easily put me on government assistance for food and medical care, which right now I don't need. The internet is both a computer and mobile device communications tool which allows fast response - I won't be able to compete for the 'fast lanes'. The capacity to find ways to limit who can access the internet is deeply disturbing, the worst of privacy violation. These rules would enable companies to do pretty much what they please with what is now an essential public communications service.
—Janice Gipson, Falls City, OR

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—Ale Abdo, New York, NY

Two-tiered internet service would be a disaster for our economy and our democracy. It would turn the Internet from a vibrant incubator of commerce and collectivity into a wasteland of schlock dominated by a few giant corporations, as commercial television has become.
—Nita Sembrowich, Cambridge, MA

protecting net neutrality is essential to moving forward in a modern information age. without it, corporations will replace governments representing the people as the powers that rule the world.
—Zachary Fleischman, Fort Collins, CO

We need an open and economically viable internet. Citizens, small businesses and non-profits will suffer if your allow corporations to control the cost of access. We have seen the impact of these increasing costs in cable and wireless firms. Honor freedom of speech and freedom of access to speech. Classify ISPs ad the common carriers they are. Honor the infrastructure of the 21st century.
—Constance Bevitt, Silver Spring, MD

Please don't let the "big guys" run the show. I like having the internet as it is.
—Harold Wilson, Nampa, ID

I am shocked that the FCC would hand over such power to the big ISPs. The internet need to stay neutral and equally available to everyone. I beg you not to move forward with these new rules.
—Chris, Redondo Beach, CA

Net Neutrality will mean the difference between an open future, and one that belongs only to the wealthy. Keep the internet open for all.
—Paul Batteiger, Tulsa, OK

The whole world depends on the internet being a free and open exchange of ideas and information. The broadband providers did not build the internet or it's audience, the people did. These companies deserve to be paid for they're services but they cannot be allowed to cherry pick information and media. Please, for the future of the human race, reconsider this proposal.
—Michael Mohr, Austin, TX

Mr. Chmn. Please stand for the PEOPLE you represent, the technology, innovation and creators that will shape the future. Not with your corporate benefactors, whose only goal is to profit from both sides of the internet equation. Protect REAL net Neutrality. Regards, Stephen Rosen
—Stephen Rosen, New York, NY

The current proposed path would open the door to widespread discrimination online. It would give Internet service providers the green light to implement pay-for-priority schemes that would be a disaster for startups, nonprofits and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls. The ISPs were only to be conduits that carried data to and fro as quickly and efficiently as possible, without considering its source. It maintained a “neutral” stance, thus, “net neutrality.” But Wheeler’s new proposal kills this. I urge you to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service. Please, stand for people and not the business models of large ISPs. People not profits.
—Lindsey, Washington, DC

This whole idea about killing Net Neutrality and discrimination is just too absurd to take lightly! Tom Wheeler's plan is just way too stupid! Internet's always been open to everyone and that is the way IT SHALL STAY! Just because you idea letting actual PEOPLE to suffer and companies and whatnot taking over is WRONG. DEADLY WRONG!!! TOM WHEELER AND EVERYONE WHO SUPPORTS THIS STUPID PLAN SHOULD BE PUT OUT OF THEIR LIFE'S!!! STOP THIS INSANITY NOW! LET US HAVE THE OPEN INTERNET AND STOP MEDDLING AROUND!! EVERYONE WHO ACTUALLY SUPPORTS THIS OUTRAGEOUS PLAN; YOU ALL ARE PATHETIC!!! STOP SCREWING UP THINGS!!
—Jani Valtavirta, ,

Serve the public interest, like you're supposed to do. Not do what corporations want.
—Edgar Arce, Ocala, FL

The freedom and level playing field that fair, open internet creates is it's greatest attribute. Surely you wouldn't want to take that away from tax paying Americans in favor of special interest groups.
—Heath Holbert, Gillett, AR

The internet is as important to the way our society works as our roads are. It facilitates our entertainment and academics, lets us connect with people all over the country and all over the world. If we truly live in a democracy, where the voice of the people matters more than the ability of a corporation to manipulate a government, then the FCC will protect the open Internet and preserve Net Neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Michelle Anjirbag, Madison, CT

Without Net Neutrality, Internet Service Providers can slow service discriminately, using their clout to force other companies to pay, essentially killing the open Internet as we know it. It gives ISP's too much power. Say the ISP is in dispute with another company... they can simply slow them down to a crawl killing their business. ISP's could illegally slow another company to kill their business while owning stock in another... insider trading? Yeah, this is going to be a nightmare to regulate. Please open the Net back up and make everyone neutral as it should be to allow creativity to flow. Look at what has been done in just the last 10 years in terms of computing, look what is possible from our PHONES... taking away Net Neutrality will slow this process significantly. Do what's right!
—Sarah C. Shechner, Canoga Park, CA

I do not use much band width. But some people who do not work for big complanies really need it for their work. Changing the rules will destroy a lot of people´s livelihood.
—Deborah Black, Sonoma, CA

The INTERNET SHOULD BE EQUAL for all; not just those who could afford the fees charged. The two-tiered internet proposal kill chances for many of improving not only their education, their lives, but their future.
—Jennifer Dayton, Bensalem, PA

So, once again, as we've seen so many times of late, those with the money get to move faster, farther, and higher than the rest of us. Chairman Wheeler, you've contributed, sadly, to the trend in inequality that seems to be running rampant presently in the U.S.
—Howard W. McCoy, Centreville, MD

This is an anti-democratic proposal
—Raven Deerwater, Mendocino, CA

When are corporate profits enough? When we no longer maintain any semblence of common sense?
—Chris Dashke, Saint Paul, MN

If the ISP insist that they not be treated like a common service, what is it that they fear? I've been places in the world were the internet is metered and controlled by the providers, and it leads to nothing but narrow mindedness and limited information. If this is truly the land of the Free, let the words we say and the information we share flow freely as well. Stop worrying about your wallet and start worrying about the MILLIONS of people you work for who you are making very mad. Keep free speech free, I'm not going to pay $0.99 per gig to read news Comcast or version disagrees with.
—Joshua baratta, Loveland, CO

I am a Retired Senior Citizen and use the internet daily to manage online banking, online shopping, email for personal and business correspondence and active participation in the political process to contact legislators and to sign petitions on important issues. In addition I follow local, national and international news. I need an open Internet with good speed and no special speed nets with higher rates. I am familiar with the work of the FCC as I was involved in Public Safety communications. I hope that the FCC remains focused on the communications needs of all citizens as I experienced it during my professional career.
—Joseph Friend, Columbia, MD

Stop the corporate prostitution
—Chris Matera, Northampton, MA

The internet needs to be open and accessible to all, large and small, rich and poor. Any priority access to the rich will end up blocking the poor, and would be the end of the internet.
—Robert Harley, Cottonwood, AZ

I pay for high speed internet access for ALL the content I chose to look at. Why should the provider be able to limit me by slowing down what I chose to do on the internet. If they want me to watch their content, they have to make it appeal to me. I am already limited by who I can get internet access from, now I will be forced to pay higher rates because I am not favoring the ISP's content.
—Dennis ST.Pierre, Venom, CT

Free and open Internet allows for equal access by everyone.
—Jonathan Butler, Bellingham, WA

Please do not allow large corporations have so much control of the internet. It is not in the interest of free speech. It is not unlike the Supreme Court's decision on equating money and speech in reference to voting. We all know that money influences voting results. I hope you will decide in favor of the consumer.
—Nancy R. Neilsen, Louisville, TN

net neutrality fosters competition.
—Jason Bogosian, Arcadia, CA

Is the Oligarchy that rules this country big and powerful enough without taking away the voice of the people over the internet? Strengthen Net Neutrality, don't sell out and destroy it!
—Eugene Fetherman, Milwaukee, WI

The current rules codify the increasingly criminal behavior of Comcast. Stop support cyber crime!
—Jesse Ledbetter, New Wilmington, PA

Net Neutrality matters. It matters because our democracy demands it. When you introduce "fast pass" or preferential treatment, you end up degrading the experience of everyone else. What starts as speeding up netflix, ends with throttling bandwidth towards sites that are "controversial". Finally we arrive in a world where only those willing to pay a toll can gain access to the World Wide Web. The ISPs control monopolies. The "burden" of additional bandwidth is not much of a burden for them. Rather the end of net neutrality signals the end of the "burden" of regulation. Unless these providers are regulated, their total lack of competition will lead to price gauging on their part. For the love of all that is good and holy, stop this insanity and stand for net neutrality.
—Andrew Dobbyn, Durham, NC

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. It is the only fair way to run the internet.
—Lauren Flahive, West Covina, CA

The internet has changed the way the world communicates and facilitates commerce. It has spawned countless innovations and of course we are seeing big media companies with lots of infrastructure attempt to control as much of it as they can. There is a growing perception in the public that big business lobbyists and government regulators have a nice little synergy, and will regularly scratch each other's backs. This needs to stop. Allowing fast lanes basically renders moot the idea that a new start-up could turn into the next big company. Rather, that same start-up will now basically come up with something innovative which will be purchased by a media conglomerate and either get set aside or further developed depending on the company's agenda. The internet is the most important thing for creating a true global economy and culture. Please do not tamper with it.
—Riley Schiefelbein, Coon Rapids, MN

A level playing field for customers and content developers is crucial to fostering the best in innovation for the US. Providers who wish to infringe upon an open internet in order to boost their own profits are doing so at too great an expense to the innovators and citizens who greatly outnumber them.
—Robert A. Smielecki, Buffalo, NY

1) I'm already paying my ISP a hefty sum to deliver the packets I want in a timely manner. 2) Small companies (the backbone of our country) will never be able to afford paying "high priority" packet handling. Without Net Neutrality companies like YouTube could never have succeeded if large ISPs had a competing product. Please abandon this approach and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Look at how many broadband providers are available in European cities compared to our own country. Time to take the lead on this!
—Jeff Blaisdell, Colchester, VT

There are other ways to compensate ISPs commensurate with bandwidth usage. The FCC already has an extensive set of regulations set up for Common Carriers, ensuring that network access is neutral, and that small and large businesses both can rely on the network services at a fair price. Reclassifying ISPs as Common Carriers allows those rules to prevent market abuses specific to the oligopolistic nature of the Internet access business. Then you can focus on how they may be compensated commensurate with usage of their networks.
—Paula Gordon, denver, CO

Net neutrality is the ONLY way to keep the internet accessible. The internet needs to survive without "toll roads" that discriminate against small business owners and entrepreneurs as well as those of us trying to utilize their services. Honestly: How many people do you know who don't need regular access to the internet? It's a utility; no longer a luxury service.
—Beth Stanberry, Asheville, NC

Living in America should promise everyone the same chance to succeed as your neighbor. Now if my neighbor and I have identical internet business plans but his wife happens to be the daughter of a Comcast CEO, his business will get preferential internet speeds. Can we just open our eyes and use some common sense here? The internet should be a right. Everyone should have the same access available to it. There should be no preferential treatment. Think about it.
—Justin Simunek, Richmond, VA

Because I shouldn't have to pay extra because certain sites may threaten a company's profits.
—Chelsea B., fayetteville, NC

Net Neutrality is needed to promote innovation.
—Ron Munden, Scottsville, TX

This is a terrible idea. Having heard you on C-SPAN, I was not impressed. For me, I know that the likes of AT&T, COMCAST and Verizon are only thinking about themselves. I can recall when Cable TV was first talked about. How it would be commercial free. How it would be great for the public to be able to watch commerical free TV. Yet what do we have today? I do not for one minute feel that letting them go to this two tier system will have anything good happen for the American consumer. But it will greatly improve the profits of these corporations "on the Backs of the public"!
—Randy Juras, Homer Glen, IL

The Internet is clearly a public utility, created with public tax money and given away when its utility as a military and security agency protocol had expired. It's OURS. Just admit that it's a "common carrier", i.e. a public utility, and stop selling off pieces of it to big telecoms as a step-wise "back door" privatization of what BELONGS TO US.
—Steve Ditore, Seattle, WA

I want to be able to choose my providers and my services independent of each other without losing quality of the services.
—Lisa DiPippo, North Kingstown, RI

The internet is a place in which is equal, the only truly equal place in this world, and to limit it like this, even for the better, is not something that should be done.
—Jason Tu, Paoli, PA

Anything that allows Corporations who make mega-bucks providing uneven service already, in my opinion, to make more money providing even more uneven service is an economically idiotic idea and perhaps less than Constitutional.
—p turner, kennett sq, PA

The Internet has become such an important component of American life that to treat it as a luxury would be to degrade the quality of life for many who use it for communication, education, and commerce. The Internet must be treated as a utility. ISPs must be reclassified a common carriers
—Abigail Farrell, Charlotte, NC

Access to and content-neutral operation of the Internet is crucial to all aspects our society. Education, politics, entertainment, research, communication, etc. Any world where the default legal requirement does not insist that all data be given equal treatment is one where ideas, businesses, individuals, and freedoms will be marginalized.
—Wesley Miaw, San Jose, CA

Because I believe in the American dream and I think this rule can put a hold to it!
—Danny Soto, Kansas City, MO

I need it free to use in my business life. I paid for it by taxes so why give it away to US corporations.
—Gary Thomsen, Newport Beach, CA

Classifying ISPs as common carriers is the only way to retain our democracy. What you propose will inevitably and continually feed the oligarchic movement that is increasingly eating away at our democracy. I'm going to assume you support democracy, so please just do the right thing, and well within your regulatory authority, and classify ISPs as common carriers.
—Edward Berge, Albuquerque, NM

Put greed and money to the side for once
—Patrick Mitchell, ,

Net Neutrality is important because the internet is not something that ISPs should own. The very essence of the internet is the free exchange of information, ideas, and innovations with anyone on the planet. ISPs are meant to be providers of the infrastructure to access this wonder of the world, not the overseers of who gets to send what at what speed. It goes against everything the internet represents, as a forum for free speech, as the archive of human knowledge, and as the engine behind the biggest economic growth since the industrial revolution.
—Juan Gutierrez, Glendale, CA

It is discriminatory and just another way to contribute to the economic disparity in our nation which is already embarrassingly high
—Catherinemn007@gmailcom, Washington, DC

Please keep the net COMPLETELY NEUTRAL. Fast lanes will only benefit the massive ISPs; small business and consumers will suffer immediately with numerous unknown consequences down the road (lack of funding for technology start-ups, etc.). Fast lanes are not necessary. If I, as a consumer, need more bandwidth at my home to watch Netflix without issue, I will order the appropriate bandwidth package from my provider. These "bandwidth hog" services are already priced into the market via the bandwidth profile I purchase from my ISP. The internet should be treated as a utility, plain and simple. Regards, Tyler Chester Ridgefield, WA
—Tyler Chester, Ridgefield, WA

The FUTURE! To maximize the creative capabilities of our culture, the accidentially open internet must remain open.Had the internet been as restrictive as the early bulletin boards and networks(AOL, Compuserve etc.), many of the wonders of our modern life would ,very likely, still be in the future. These new rules regarding parsing of internet traffic into slow and fast 'lanes' are the 'thin edge of the wedge', and though this may be dismissed by some as a slippery slope argument, the World Wide Wonder will soon be divided into haves and have nots. Net Neutrality is not unlike Free Air. If we had to pay for air, how long would we last?
—Cliff Martinez, DALLAS, TX

I am forced to live on social insecurity, and do most of my financial business, and purchases on line to save gas (it is fifty miles to town). If Net Neutrality is compromised this will put an even bigger burden on me trying to make ends meet. Please keep an Open Internet.
—David Blakeman, Dolan Springs, AZ

The proposed changes are contrary to sense and, by implication, freedom of speech.
—Greg Cameron, ,

We can't rely on companies to go by their word when they say they won't treat certain companies differently when charging for access (higher speeds) to the internet. We need laws in place to ensure this doesn't happen. The internet is the great equalizer in this day of age as it gives us all the equal right to information. With a limited amount of competition in ISPs, we need to ensure they keep the access equal.
—Jacob Miller, Santa Barbara, CA

I want an open internet free of discrimination and control from a handful of service providers! Keep the internet neutral!
—Francisco Madrid, ,

we ALL need to be winners - not losers!
—james Nessheim, San Diego, CA

Net neutrality is vital for a healthy internet. It was how the internet developed to become the crucial public utility that it is today. Google, Amazon, and all the other major internet players would not be here today if not for net neutrality. It is time to stop favoring corporate interests over private citizens.
—Mike Hood-Douda, Lebanon, OR

To take away Net Neutrality is to remove all sociality and worldwide communication. Killing it is just something the world can't bare to afford, let alone the united states.
—Nicholas Lee, Montgomery, AL

For shame, Chairman Wheeler. I'd hoped better of you. I'm a small business owner on the edge of bankruptcy. I live and die by internet access: 2014 could be the year I finally thrive, or the year I go out of business. Your new rules for a tiered Internet pretty much insure that I cannot compete with the unfettered access that big business and their lobbyists have wrought. A slow Internet is a dead zone, for those of us who will not be able to pay higher fees for higher access. If we want America to truly get out of this recession, we need to foster Net Neutrality - not sell it off to the highest bidder.
—Marian Crane, Phoenix, AZ

Internet is a necessity and a utility, not a luxury.
—Tessa Dick, Crestline, CA

The internet now is as important to commerce and communication as phones, TV and radio. Reclassify now as a common carrier. Do the Right thing for us, not for the big telecoms.
—Howard Mittleman, Schenectady, NY

Reclassify ISPs as the common carriers they are and stop lying about the fact that your ruling as currently proposed will be the end of net neutrality. Really, how ever do you propose to actually monitor and rein in ISPs that discriminate if you allow them to put in 'fast & slow lanes?' The agency is doing precious little to curb big media as it is. Classify ISPs as common carriers, please.
—Lyn Lowry, Takoma Park, MD

Tom Wheeler you have done what the majority of people told you not to do. At this point you are nothing more than a sock puppet for the lobbyists of big telecom. Hopefully history rightfully identifies you as the person who ruined the open internet and turned it into the 21st century version of broadcast TV . nice going sellout.
—Houmehr Aghabozorgi, Falls Church, VA

The Internet belongs as much to me as it does to any of the mega-corps. I pay my bill to access it, there is no need to debate anything else. Don't be a lackey for corporate pressure, do the right thing by the people who actually pay the bills (tax-payers) instead of by the people that don't contribute to our economy.
—W B, Littlerock, CA

It is scandalous that Government Regulatory Agencies like the FCC cater to Corporatist and Bankster's interests, rather than defend the common people.
—Paul Barbara, London,

A free and open internet for all is what allows companies to start with nothing and expand. This would be like carving out a section of our interstates and charging the shipping company for the fast lane. These companies have many sources of revenue already lets not put all the power in their hands. Lets leave the greatest tool for communication invented alone. Let it govern it's self. I already pay to subscribe to their network I should not have to pay to choose the delivery.
—Nate Dailey, Platteville, WI

I think that these new regulations serve the interests of large corporations only, the service providers need to be regulated as common carriers. That is the strongest way forward.
—Trace Harris, Portland, OR

As an innovator on a small project, allowing fast lanes on the Internet will prevent me from competing with well-established, large companies by preventing me from delivering my content to my users if I can't 'pay up'. These rules will kill small businesses as we know it on the Internet, will stifle innovation, will force people in these small businesses to lose their jobs and slow down our economy.
—Peter C Warrintton, cambridge, MA

This country should be all about free markets and everyone having equal opportunities and a fair shot. These rules won't allow that. Please reconsider and restore net neutrality to the way it was.
—Aram Hacobian, Burbank, CA

Let's be adults about this. The internet is now a completely necessary utility for US citizens. Letting monopolies take control over a basic service for all purposes, not just commercial is a travesty of proper government. We should regulate the internet as a common carrier. W. Sterner
—William H Sterner, Chicago, IL

I am a senior citizen on a fixed income. I cannot afford the increased rates for Internet service your proposal will cause. With no TV, if I have to drop my Internet service, I will lose my connection with the news and my family and friends.
—D Bell, Veradale, WA

The only way the little guy can get ahead is if there is a level playing field. Net Neutrality helps to level the playing field.
—David Klinke, Airmont, NY

Net neutrality is essential to our 21st century democracy. We must not allow the internet providers to charge extra for fast lanes because many people will not be able to afford them and will lose out. The internet and airwaves belong to the people. They are not the property of companies.
—Jack Keyes, Portland, OR

Equal access matters to most of us, the ones who aren't millionaires. I spend every day, all day publishing a political blog. Without net neutrality, I'll have to find something else to do, because readership will inevitably drop. So much for "free speech."
—Peggy Albrecht, Westlake Village, CA

Net Neutrality is what the internet is all about. If we lose that, we lose what makes it all worth while. Large corporations control too much of our lives as it is. A 2-tiered internet would destroy competition, as well as confine our choices, not to mention jack up prices. If I do a search, I want to see everything that's out there, not just what the big guys have to offer.
—Donna Profeta, Ballston Lake, NY

The Net should be open and free to ALL! No exceptions and No $$ being tied to that freedom!!
—Maggie Shields, Worcester, MA

Mr. Wheeler, I believe that the proposed changes to Net Neutrality would be absolutely terrible on multiple accounts. Allowing large corporate interests to force websites to pay for fast tracking would be absolutely terrible. It would further discourage competition on the internet itself, allowing big websites to acquire unfair advantage at the expense of smaller, low budget websites. Furthermore, it would grant even more power to the Internet Service Providers in the United States. They already virtually monopolies that practice market predation, provide a lower quality product than much of the developed world, and are the least popular companies amongst American consumers. Do not allow them to become any worse. Allowing fast tracking of particular websites would harm competition and make these companies even more capable of providing terrible products at unreasonable prices. The internet should be classified as a public utility in this day in age. It is clearly necessary in order to succeed in any field in the modern economy of the United States. Allowing Internet Service Providers like Comcast to continue to rule the lives of the American people is unacceptable. It is the equivalent of water not being a public utility. Internet access is necessary. I do not expect the FCC to reclassify the internet as it should be. That sort of drastic step, while the obviously correct decision, is a little bit too much to expect from a group of people so clearly bought out by corporate interests. But please, if only this once, do the right thing. Protect net neutrality in this most basic of ways. Do not go forward with your plan to allow fast tracking and to ruin the businesses of smaller websites around the internet and the country. Do not allow Internet Service Providers to get away with yet another abuse. Stand up! Take action! Do the right thing, for all of us!
—James Billard, Henrico, VA

Destroying Net Neutrality is an enormous offense to free peoples everywhere. You are prioritizing corporations over citizens, which is a morally corrupt and soulless option.
—Alexander Sexton, Philomath, OR

Preserve a level playing field!
—Dan Owen, Carbondale, IL

I am a head and neck cancer survivor and my computer is my voice... please don't make it any more difficult for me to communicate.
—Toni Caldwell-Clark, Kansas City, KS

Reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers. That is the only way to ensure genuine net neutrality. Don't knuckle under to the ISP's lobbyists' demands. Don't listen to the big media companies who don't want competition to overthrow them. Net neutrality over net discrimination!
—Jordan, Bloomington, MN

I refuse to allow the internet to become what you have proposed. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Just because one major mistake has been made does not excuse going forward with another; two wrongs certainly do not make a right.
—P Roberts, Knoxville, TN

My small Internet Marketing business depends on equal treatment.
—Jerry Nokes, Newman Lake, WA

Net Neutrality prevents the entire country of Internet users from being bullied by corporations into paying money for something that has always been free: having a voice. This is a sickening reminder that our government officials are either completely out of touch with the current decade or are greedy slaves suckling at the teats of billionaires, no different than prostitutes with more official sounding job titles and a better salaries. So which are you?
—Jake Parker, Burbank, CA

The Internet is for EVERYONE and should not be controlled by cable companies out for profit.
—Kate Babb, Kailua Kona, HI

Since the American taxpayer funded the development of the Internet, it is therefore part of the commons and a public utility, and should be classified as such.
—Frank A. Brincka, Sussex, NJ

Keep the internet free from Billionaire manipulation. Keep the internet EQUAL for ALL.
—Stan VVantech, Rancho Dominguez, CA

Two tiered internet presents and unfair financial burden orn those who can afford and denies access to free speech to those who cannot. It further unfairly enriches the ISP's and the consumers users expense.
—Jeffrey Brooks, San Jose, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Matthew Beckwith, henderson, NV

The internet has become an essential public utility. It is essential to commerce, to civic engagement, to expression, to emergency response, and increasingly, to health. It is time it officially be designated as such. Much has been made of how innovation in broadband delivery will cease with regulation. But where is the innovation now? The US lags behind all other developed countries in the speed and availability of high speed broadband. The internet is crucial to our society; open access cannot be risked. Chairmam Wheeler's plan tries to eat its cake and have it too. We can't take the chance.
—Jonathan Horton, Ventura, CA

If we're ever going to have equal opportunities in the physical world we need equality on the web as well. With Citizens United and McCutcheon, money can buy speech. That means that speech is not free anymore. Mega corporations and the mega-wealthy have already taken over the networks. The internet is the only place the inquisitive citizen can find information not colored by the corporations that own the networks. A society run by corporations is not a democracy. It's called fascism and it's already here. A free and even internet is our last hope for democracy.
—Dave Easley, Covington, LA

The internet is the last vestige of open communication that we have in the world. It gives everyone a chance to make their voice heard. Whether that voice be of a single person, small buisness or giant corporation everyone can and should be given an equal chance at providing their content on the internet. Without net neutrality we will lose one of the greatest aspects of the worlds most valuable communication tool.
—Barclay G Iversen, Redwood City, CA

We already have enough of a class divide, let's not make it even harder for people, okay?
—Savannah Haider, Astoria, OR

The United States has recently been classified as an oligarchy. The government, researches have proven by studies of vote patterns, pays exactly zero attention to the constituents for whom they are supposed to be working. Instead, the only people they pay attention to are corporations, wealthy people with enough money to make major campaign contributions... or groups of people, coordinated enough together as to be able to offer sums of money or influence equivalent to that of a corporation. What does this have to do with Net Neutrality? Simple: the internet is the one place where it is possible to find others of similar political opinions to oneself, and form a group. If citizens are diligent enough and dedicated enough, they can form a group with sufficient power and money to get the attention of the members of Congress, the president, etc. This means that the internet makes possible the last remaining shred of democratic action possible to United States citizens. Without it, our country will be pure tyranny, with no trace left of the great self-government experiment of the eighteenth century. Lincoln prayed, in the Gettysburg Address, that government "of the people, by the people, and for the people" not be allowed to "perish from the earth." If you do not take action to protect the free and open internet, it will have done so. Please don't allow that to happen. Classify the Internet as the public utility it should be, and protect the tattered remains of democracy until a brighter dawn.
—Naomi G Rivkis, Seattle, WA

The internet was meant to be used by everyone and not intended to be controlled by a select group of parasites, skimming from the public commonwealth.
—Thomas E Shaw, Reno, NV

Net Neutrality is a question of freedom for the people by the people. don't allow the constitution to be altered by the big corporations and interest built by lobbyist to affect the future of us in the present and our children s in the future. Thank you
—Marco franceschi, Miami, FL

I have no choice of ISP where I live. If the ISPs are allowed to discriminate between different pieces of Internet traffic, I will have no choice but to tolerate whatever horrid policies my particular ISP plans to implement. I refuse to pay for sub-standard service, but I also cannot choose to live without access to the Internet. I make my living as a result of a free and open Internet; your proposed changes to net neutrality law can truly cripple my livelihood.
—Ryan Brenner, Hamburg, NJ

ISPs should be classified as common carriers. This is the only way to ensure my freedom of speech rights.
—Rev Dan, Atglen, PA

I remind you that you serve the People of the United States and not moneyed interests. Do what's right for the people.
—Gil Young, Columbia, SC

The Internet is such an integral part of society in this day and age and to have it hindered by big business would be terrible. I believe ISPs should be classified as common carriers.
—Josh Sempier, Parsippany, NJ

Without Net Neutrality there will be no source of news, censorship will prevail and the business's the chairman really represent will make even more money by stealing from the people. The chairman, nothing but a shill for the industry should resign or be fired ASAP.
—Robert Beverly, Orange, TX

Our democracy hangs in the balance. We can not give the power over our free speech yo a handful of powerful corporations.
—Kort Jackson, Belmont, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Elvin Martinez, New York, NY

This is a sacrifice of personal rights for something that does not benefit the consumers or the citizens.
—Ryan Witmer Keating, Frederick, MD

Another gift to the corporations--leaving out the individual and the rest of us. This is plain wrong. It must not happen.
—Liane C Casten, Evanston, IL

I already pay for a tiered internet plan - with varying prices for varying amounts of available bandwidth. If the proposed rules go into effect, the ISPs will be able to charge both the content receiver, and the content provider. This is the equivalent of Comcast charging me for cable TV service, and charging the content providers to provide me cable service. Additionally, small companies that rely on the internet, such as VOIP companies, will no longer be able to compete in an open market, and everyone will be forced to use the big providers if they expect any kind of reasonable quality of service. Given the major ISPs track record of terrible customer service, especially when given a monopoly (calling Verizon's telephone customer support should be one of the levels of Dante's Hell). The American people will lose big if this goes through.
—Daniel Lawson, Weehawken, NJ

In a democracy, it is really unfair to see rules put into place that only benefit a couple of huge corporations that are already essentially monopolies. The FCC should be doing all it can to ensure access to high-speed internet service to any citizen who wants it, not giving huge corporations leeway to restrict access.
—Paul Rappaport, Atlanta, GA

The Internet is supposed to be an open and indiscriminate place, what you are doing in immoral and wrong and you are ruining your reputation and what the Internet stands for
—Kartik Sareen, ,

Fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us is unfair. Please save the internet from a two-tiered system.
—Craig Hollander, Los Angeles, CA

I want small websites to have the same load time as the big ones.
—Stacey Dunleavy, Upper Montclair, NJ

This rule change is not needed. Keep an even playing field and classify ISPs as common carriers. It's the Democratic way.
—Mary Ryan, Pottstown, PA

How dare you?
—Joseph Clark, Chapel Hill, NC

We do not want corporate america controlling the internet. If you don't keep the internet neutral, then you will see millions of americans with drawing from the internet. Keep this nonsense up and it will happen.
—Barbara Campbell, Vidor, TX

Please reclassify ISPs as common carries. Net Neutrality is important to our current way of life and a disruption of that guarantee would cause critical harm to the future development of the internet as a fair medium for commerce.
—Patrick Burns, Lexington, KY

Please represent the interests of the people and not the corporations. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Jeffrey Rix, asheville, NC

Dear FCC, fuck you
—Jeremy Markel, Athens, GA

I'm not a billionaire or a large corporation, but I need a free and open internet to have some tiny bit of a voice in this oligarchy we live in.
—Thomas Wilson, Colorado Springs, CO

Rampant discrimination is not acceptable! Do not allow this to happen.
—Kathie Daviau, Billings, MT

one of the last freedoms!
—Grazia Bittner, Batavia, IL

My livelihood is wrapped up in innovation on the internet. Allowing ISPs to charge for so-called priority access would harm many jobs, including mine. Allowing them to charge me for what their customers are ALREADY paying for is absurd!
—Caleb McCombs, Bothell, WA

It's very disheartening to have to keep fighting for a free and open internet. It's very disheartening to feel the the Chairman of the FCC is not paying attention to the strong message from the public that we demand equal access for all users of the Internet. The Internet belongs to the public, it is a public good and it must serve the public, not Comcast, Verizon, or AT&T's monopolistic self-interests. The consumer has been screwed quite enough already by the major telecoms, and by the FCC quite frankly. We are locked into long-term contracts, forced to pay for cable channels we have no interest in in order to access the few we do wish to watch. We endure horrible customer service, unfulfilled service guarantees, "bundles" that force us to purchase services we don't want or need, and an overwhelming lack of choice in our telecommunications options already. Do not limit our options further.
—Alix Rabin, Philadelphia, PA

Killing Net Neutrality will stop all the innovation that has made the internet we have all became to love and depend on. The internet needs to remain as market place with an even playing field. Last thing we need is for a few monopolies to control the marketplace.
—Claudio Carmona, Winchester, MA

From the beginning the "net" has belonged to the people. Do not let bussiness hijack it for all of our sakes.
—Chester Kendra, BRANTFORD,,

I'm not convinced that this ruling would not end in a "have and have-not" situation for many people online. The internet must remain open on all levels to ensure fairness. NO slow-lanes!
—Phillip Schneider, Bow, WA

Because I'm sick and tired of corporate fascism deciding the fate of free Americans .
—Michael Smith, Yakima, WA

Net Neutrality is the essence of an open university, where almost anything can be learned and communicated. This is the end-result of Gutenberg's great invention. Don't take us back to the stone age.
—DC Leslie-Pringle, Santa Monica, CA

The internet belongs to everyone. We should all be able to use an open internet.
—Laura Feeney, Austin, TX

Net neutrality is essential because it allows everyone equal access to this network of people. Behind every website is a person or group of people with aspirations and dreams just like you and me. By eliminating net neutrality, you're limiting (even eliminating) creativity and community. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and protect net neutrality.
—Travis Yates, Ontario, CA

Does your phone call slow down if you aren't paying extra? NO, of course it doesn't, so why should my internet?
—Kerry Kuhn, Schaumburg, IL

The internet is a vital means of communication and education. The FCC has a responsibility to protect open access to the internet for everyone, not just those wealthy enough to afford special services and speeds. The FCC has a responsibility to American society, not to corporate shareholders and industry friends.
—Frank Rhoden, Tampa, FL

Low income individuals, small businesses and entrepreneurs will be pushed out of the Internet because the 3 big companies are all about income streams and making more millions. The Internet should be free and equal.
—Thelma Walker, Evanston, IL

Might does not equal Right. More money needs to stop meaning more power.
—Brian Furby, Lincoln, NE

USA tends to set the trends of Internet policies worldwide, so the rest of the world is just as concerned about the fate of net neutrality in the US as your own citizens. Please, spare a thought for the rest of us!
—Juho Paijula, ,

The internet is not a luxury - it is something that we all use every day! Children use it at school, employees use it at work, researchers share their findings, news is delivered... To split the internet into multiple lanes creates complication, segregation, and an environment ripe for abuse. Look out for all of us please, and protect the freedom and accessibility of the internet.
—Tiffany Jansen, Latonia, KY

The FCC needs to protect the rights of people.
—Alicia Donnelly Kessler, Gloucester, MA

Net Neutrality is vital to an equitable and operational modern society. I teach at an inner-city school and get paid very little for my hard work. Still, I feel that my work is important, so don't mind the pay gap between my amount of work and my actual salary. That said, I receive such a small amount of money because I believe in serving my community. I shouldn't be punished by this by receiving inferior Internet just because of my income. Access to the Internet is one of society's great equalizers. Those who live in poverty can still access the same resources as the wealthiest members of our society when they log on to a computer. I need the Internet for the important work I do, and, without net neutrality, will struggle to be an effective teacher.
—Jennifer Leavey, Jamaica Plain, MA

The Free and unfettered exchange of information is the foundation of the internet: A tool which has helped break down the boundaries of knowledge, ignorance, and communication for years. Without this concept, the internet will no longer be the ultimate resource what it was created to be.
—Otto W. Mayes IV, Hillsborough, NC

Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet should not dominate high-speed internet. If they want more fast lane Internet, let them build it, not steal it.
—Robert Wical, Culpeper, VA

We Who Can Afford It Should Not Get Better Service Than Those Who Cannot.
—Gregg Oelker, Altadena, CA

Big business already controls enough of our country, please don't allow this...
—Sean Winter, Denver, CO

The internet should be treated as a public utility and maintained free for the use of the people.
—Quilla Miralia, Tallahassee, FL

It's really important to me because I think it's really ridiculous to even think that such a rule would be put into place by the same government's and officials who propose freedom to the society on other fronts. This rule does not make sense also for the fact that the world is not an equal place, with so many middle-class or average-income families who would not be able to afford such costs. But why charge people for the internet in the first place when we are already paying up for it through mobile carriers, operators and electronic gadget manufacturers. When the whole world is talking about free press in other countries, it's ironical that the USA wants to impose dictatorship-style rules on the "internet". The creator of Internet, Mr. Tim-Berners Lee, did so to "share" information with everyone and to provide "everyone" with access to information. What's the point of limiting it to the very few people who can afford to pay up? This will give rise to more inequality and segregation in the society as well as leading to a mass imbalance in education and innovations in science and technology.
—Sudhir Sivakumaran, Cambridge, MA

The United States is already the laughing stock of the global community when it comes to broadband connectivity and network neutrality. We need to step up as the 'leaders of the free world' and do things the right way, not the money way.
—Allen Adams, Austin, TX

Equal access for all!
—Ms. Helen Colby, Miami, FL

I want free access for everyone, regardless if they can afford or not higher access fees. keep it free and open for all.
—Mr. Kurt R. Schwarz, Ellicott City, MD

I am a small business that streams broadcast tv channels over the public internet. To have my traffic prioritized lower, and/or have to pay more for the fast lane is ridiculous. On top of that these ISP need to take their billions in earnings and build out their infrastructures to support their customers. If i pay $75 for 50Mb down/5 Mb i should get that speed 24/7. These data limits are crazy. If an isp cant support 50Mb down then they need to not offer it, and only offer what they can support. Its simply math.
—Joe Winston, Davenport, IA

The Internet creates enormous business potential for startups. If it is tiered so the big bucks get the bandwidth, entrepreneurs across the country will suffer a huge setback.
—Tana Moore, Southfield, MI

Defend net neutrality as a true net neutrality.. Internet service as it currently is, is already behind many first world countries. There should be no reason to degrade it more than it already is. It's been shown that infrastructure is not an issue, just the ability to get away with giving customers subpar internet is.
—Kevin Huynh, Santa Ana, CA

Mr. Wheeler take the high road! Remember who you work for; the people of United States of America not the Corporations of America. I am one of the "People" who made your job possible and pays your salary (today). Think about what is good and right for me; not what is right for the corporations that are likely to offer you a job once you leave the FCC. It doesn't and shouldn't matter if this would be good for business even if it would create new jobs (which it won't) or lower the cost of broadband content (which is won't). If only once person is harmed by this proposed policy shift; you have not done your job.
—Eric James, Elgin, IL

I cannt believe this is happening. Many other countries have faster, cheaper internet.... Yet another thing greedy U.S. Corporations screw American citizens on! Net neutrality NOW! Thank You!!!!
—Barry Evans, Dayton, TX

The public owns the airwaves not the corporations that will profit from the end of net neutrality.
—Joseph Pratl, Spring Hill, FL

We need net neutrality! It is the equivalent of the free-market for the internet. The US balks at anything close to socialism that would be in the way of free-market commerce, why would we allow this for the internet? We are not sheep. We are people. And we are watching. America is already far behind on broadband speeds when compared to other top countries around the world. China has twice as fast internet speeds at half of what we as Americans pay. Do you really want to put the US behind a communist country? History and the fierce patriotism that I see tells me no. We need net neutrality. The internet is a necessity now to business, finance, and the personal affairs of all Americans. Don't you dare end net neutrality.
—Sara Gross, Rapid City, SD

please
—C B M, hoechst,

This is the first step of Corporate America and OUR Government controlling the Internet and will lead to the stifling of the free trade of information.
—Sean Murphy, Vero Beach, FL

I want all folks on the internet to have the same opportunity with out being able to by speedier access for the few with the money.
—Rob Hilbun, Paia, HI

There are enough fees and taxes imposed on the middle and lower classes as well as small businesses who can not afford any more. We have to protect the balance between classes as best as possible. Real Net neutrality helps that balance.
—Veronica ODonnell, The Plains, VA

It is absolutely clear that Internet access is a public utility and should be regulated as a public utility. The only persons to whom this is not absolutely clear are persons whose financial interests cloud their vision.
—Richard H. Ebright, North Brunswick, NJ

The internet and wireless communications are now the new telecommunications' utilities. They need to be protected and regulated just as we came to regulate the old telecommunications and broadcast industries..
—Donald Gangloff, Derwood, MD

It seems clear to me that internet access is fast becoming a basic necessity, just like access to electricity or clean water. Therefore, it is only logical that the FCC must reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Net neutrality is essential in a democratic society.
—Jan Cheah, Gainesville, FL

We need the internet for job applications, research, filling out forms for doctors' offices, you name it. We don't need greedy companies obstructing our access to various sites based on their whims.
—Miranda Guy, Durham, NC

Are you for the people or for the corporate entities who claim they are people?
—Elanne T Palcich, Chisholm, MN

Net Neutrality is critical to open and equal access to the internet. I strongly support full Net Neutrality.
—Michael Grossman, Saint Louis, MO

I'm pretty much done with the internet if you don't reclassify ISP's as common carriers. The do the exact same thing as Telephones. Many companies drive you to the internet for all contact. This isn't about information and entertainment purposes only. Critical communication takes place over the internet. I know you really don't care what I or millions of others think and you aren't really there to protect our interests. Just letting you know that there are plenty of us out there who will just quit subscribing to the internet if Net Neutrality is not sustained. It has become un-affordable ALREADY. Fair notice to ISP's we will unplug.
—Sharon Kurash, Howell, MI

Net Neutrality is essential for equal opportunity.
—Yiman Liu, Mountain View, CA

I have been running a consulting practice for 25 years and all of my clients world wide find me for the first time through the internet. I do extensive internet marketing and my income depends on a high speed connection and making sure that we all have equal access to the internet. In Japan and other countries the internet speed is much faster than in America and this is due to Comcast ATT & T and Verizon controlling the speed. Everything they do is for their own profit and now they want to make more profit by providing a faster internet with higher fees to those who can afford it and the rest of America has a slower speed. This directly affects what our nation was founded upon. We are all created equal. The internet is for everyone not just for a select few. The FCC needs to protect the Open internet by reclassifying ISP's as common carriers. Sandra McKnight, Santa Fe, NM
—Ms. Sandra McKnight, Santa Fe, NM

More and more of what people are doing is online--we (society) can't afford for some things not to work because individuals and startups don't have the deep pockets that some established companies do.
—Derek Meyer, Alexandria, VA

The internet is a utility and should be treated as such. Without net neutrality, ordinary people like myself will be subjected to the whims of huge corporations whose only interest is THEIR bottom line. While the bottom line is of singular interest to big corporations as it rightfully must and should be, it has nothing to do with my interests as an ordinary person. Are my interests not at least as important as those of large corporations? Who, mind you, are not even people at all? Money will always find a way to be made, and it is your responsibility to ensure that, even in times of great economic crisis, that the pursuit of making money by large corporations is conducted in a manner that DOES NOT VIOLATE the interests of the common person. If you can honestly tell yourself that doing away with net neutrality benefits the common person more than corporations, then by all means, pass the proposal. I depend on an open and free internet every day, every hour of my life. It is like accessibility to clean drinking water. Please respect my needs of an open internet and don't fall victim to corporate pressure and greed. You serve the people -- not the corporations.
—William B Barsan, Astoria, NY

Keeping the internet free of any type of blocks is key to innovation, creativity and growth - economically and intellectually as a nation. Allowing for a two tiered system will not be helpful for our national progress.
—Evan Conn, Alpharetta, GA

The ISP's are distributing data to everyone, they are a public service and need to distribute evenly to all, not just the few.
—Larry Goodwin, Gaithersburg, MD

I use the internet daily for both business and personal use. Relegating ordinary citizens like me to a slow lane would seriously hamper the usefulness of my internet experience.
—John Hendrie, Sacramento, CA

Depending on a case by case basis of what is reasonable allows for cronyism run rampant. Maybe more bureaucracy isn't the absolute best, but may be the best solution for the people of this country.
—Mary Bennett, Seattle, WA

The internet is how I keep in touch with what's going on in the world. It's the only way I have to take action on causes I believe in. The open internet is vital for information and innovation. Don't hand it over to corporate greed.
—Varick Thompson, Kissimmee, FL

The Internet is no longer an option for life, it is a major necessity for life. Please do NOT implement the new rules as outlined by Chairman Wheeler. They are counter to the public good.
—Albert Lopez, Blue Bell, PA

As a web developer, Net Neutrality is vital for my business and trade. Creating a two-tiered Internet will not only affect my ability to get companies up and running quickly with their new website or application but it will really hurt the small business customers looking to increase their revenue on the Internet. If they cannot afford to be on the fast lane, they will lose customers.
—Charles Julian Jr, BROOKLYN, NY

This new rule would destroy the internet as we know it. Big corporations already control the government through special interest groups. We cant afford to give away this last bit of freedom.
—Adam Sivakoff, Denver, CO

I can't afford to pay a middleman for access to my friends who live across the country. I can't afford to pay a middleman for access to my school records or my health records online. I can't afford to see the free software I use to supplement my education start to cost money that I don't have.
—Jane Doe, San Mateo, CA

This brings forth a whole wave of issues. Is this not an oppression of the opportunities of the impoverished? Does this not allow more opportunities for the rich?
—Jared Smith, Thousand Oaka, CA

It is critical that you classify ISPs as common carriers and enshrine net neutrality. If you do not, ISPs will foster access to the big content providers, such as Netflix and Amazon, at the expense of others, such as the Gutenberg project (free eBooks of classic out-of-copyright works), Library of Congress, and 100's of startup sites that will be coming into existence. You say that ISPs will be required to maintain the minimum throughput that a customer has contracted for, but once you have opened the door to the idea of pay-for-access, it won't be hard for AT&T and Comcast to manipulate this so that web hosts ante up or become inaccessible. When this happens, Instead of the web being a springboard for innovation, it becomes cable TV, with all of its content controlled by a small number of providers. Which hurts us all. John Cleave
—John Cleave, Evanston, IL

Freedom. We don't need middle men or gatekeepers. The internet is for everyone. It is open for all.
—Brian McCracken, portland, OR

This all sounds like a variation on a Communist theme! Instead of a central government controlling the dispensation of goods and services, it's corporations who parcel out the quality to the elite, and the mediocre for the masses. I'm already paying Comcast and AT&T too much money and getting mediocre service in return! The U.S. government should stop catering to corporate interests over the interests of the 99% percent who pay their taxes! Keep the internet free flowing and open to all without further restriction.
—Kenneth Glidden, Olympia, WA

The open Internet has allowed small companies to turn into big companies. If the ISPs, notorious as monopolies, get to pick the winners and losers, we will all lose.
—Michael Rothrock, San Francisco, CA

The Internet was created in the same principle of this great country, by the people, for the people. The loss of Net Neutrality would be a loss to what we value most, Freedom.
—Luis Gonzalez, Fort Greely, AK

Our ISP had no data caps ,the ISP did switch and bait , if you done protect people we all will loose even more smaller data caps then fast lane if you don't pay more Then all out emails everything will be like dial up days please help I'm old now fixed income .all I have is Internet to read news and keep in contact with my grand children ! I can not afford Internet like others I go with out some medication and food , so I have some connection with outside world . What free TV is limited out west where I live in country .
—Ed Cibor, Bend, OR

Only guarantee of ADA compliance for persons with disabilities
—J Angell, Rescue, CA

The Internet fosters creativity and inginuity. Don't let greedy assholes take advantage of it.
—Dan Falconer, Bismarck, ND

Big business and wealthy corporations already get all the breaks. How about some level ground for small businesses and the public?
—Jeanne Sipahigil, Liberty, IN

It's paramount that the FCC reclassify internet service as a utility.
—David J Smith, Denver, CO

Classify ISPs as common carriers, it's important and it's what the American people want!
—Jack Schlesinger, Baltimore, MD

The internet should stay as it always has been. Free and clear of corporate influence.
—Mr. Sean Cain, North Hollywood, CA

I depend on an open and unencumbered internet for my career and livelihood. Entrenched players want to hamper competition because the internet is the largest equalizer society has known to date. Allowing it to be crippled would stifle innovation and set back progress indefinitely. Please don't kowtow to monied interests when the job of the FCC is to provide communications mediums for all.
—Matt, Fort Mill, SC

From its inception the Internet has provided neutral service. If it now has to be classified it should be considered a common carrier, which it already is. To cave in to corporate interests would be a grave dereliction of duty on the part of the FCC.
—Wheeler Thackston, Cambridge, MA

Come on now. It's a no brainer. Please don't break the Internet. Thank you.
—Noah Roberts, Lacey, WA

I want free internet. If this proposal goes through, then this will be a dictatorship controlled by the ISPs. Which would be the worst thing that could happen to the internet. Please bring back net neutrality.
—Nick guillen, Clovis, CA

These rules will stifle innovation and choke the developement American of on of the most successful sectors of our economy
—Jake Huffman, Oakland, CA

Net neutrality isn't your to take away. You don't control the internet. The internet is everybody's, not the corrupt governments! Without net neutrality, there is no equality among anyone and millions of people will be affected. If you take away net neutrality, I will have certainly lost faith in this shitty countries government to do what's right, and to do what the people who make this a country (and make your wallets fat when in reality you don't really do anything) want you to do! Keep net neutrality or I will certainly never pay another dime to make your wallet fatter ever again! - Nathanial Lance
—Nathanial Lance, Laveen, AZ

We are all citizens of the internet... No one should be discriminated against. Furthermore, the opportunity for discrimination should not be granted to anyone. Reclassify these rules!
—Carlin Scuderi, ,

Your job is to protect the rights of US citizens, not to line the pockets of the major ISPs and cable companies. DO YOUR JOB!
—Howard Bornstein, Lake Oswego, OR

Please throw out your proposed new rules on ISP's and instead stand up for what is right. Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Mimi Iversen, Belmont, CA

I appreciate your agency's attempt to improve a citizen's access to the Internet. However, the latest set of proposed rules does the opposite, in my opinion. Living in a rural area for a portion of the year, I don't have access to broadband Internet via a cable company or a phone company. So I am dependent on cell-phone service for my Internet. I am concerned that your proposed rules will make it even less likely that my family will get to be fully a part of the information superhighway -- and continue to be an under-served part of the population. The Internet should be as central to an American's life as electricity and clean water. Your proposal seems to do the opposite -- creating an HOV lane for certain businesses and only a service road, not even the rest of the highway, for a lot of the rest of us. Your own analysts should be able to inform you regarding the current Internet's impact on GNP. Why would you want to create a split-level Internet favoring a select few firms and penalizing the rest of the American citizenry. The BEST action you could take for me is to reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers. Henry Prince
—Henry Prince, Sarasota, FL

I own a small business as a record producer. As these days people send me records to work on via the internet, my business depends on being able to upload and download massive amounts of data quickly.
—Jamie Hill, South Pasadena, CA

Providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon are creating a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Chad Preslar, Garland, TX

I am a small business owner and the web traffic to my site matters to me. I can't afford to pay Amazon prices to get traffic to my site at a decent speed.
—Garrett Dangerfield, Palm Springs, CA

The Internet is an amazing technology that has changed the we we work, play, and communicate all across the world. The way it became so ubiquitous in our everyday lives was due to the open, neutral conduit that everyone makes use of today. If the FCC approves the new proposed rules against net neutrality, then the Internet will cease to function in the way in which we've all grown accustomed. Please take my comments and opinion into consideration, along with the many, many other voices of dissent when placing your final vote. Thank you, sincerely, Scott Young.
—Scott Young, Katy, TX

The internet's role as the backbone of the 21st century is dependent on equality of access. This is so easy. Don't destroy it.
—Juliet deButts, New York, NY

The internet SHOULD be regulated just like the electricity that comes into your home! Your neighbor should NOT be allowed to pay more for higher broadband speeds just because he or she can afford it. The welfare of our democracy should not be put at risk just for the benefit of some companies. NOTHING LESS THAN 100% NET NEUTRALITY IS ACCEPTABLE!!!!!!!!!!!!!
—Geoffrey Quinsey, Chico, CA

An equally accessible, democratic internet is a key check in place against powerful interests. In a two-tiered internet world, if one of the huge corporations does something bad, bloggers and independent news sites reporting on this could have a much harder time getting the news out. Really, this comes down to the free-flow of ideas. I believe this free-flow is vitally important. Please, keep the internet a level playing field for all -- regulate the providers like a utility.
—Randy Childers, Merriam, KS

if you implement a 2 tier system how will the next twitter come about ? a packet is a packet and it should be treated as such. please do not implement a 2 tier system.
—Keith A Westgate, andover, MA

I want more options for getting video online....not just my cable provider. Youtube and Netflix are a good start, but I want to see a lot more start-ups join in.
—Thomas Kent, Saint Louis, MO

Represent the people rather than Corporate America for a change.....Unlikely.
—Robert Obeid, Bakersville, NC

Net Neutrality is good for the citizens of the US. These are the people you should be working to help, not the ISPs trying to make more profits that they haven't earned.
—Nathan Falat, Cedar Rapids, IA

What's wrong with the internet as it is now ? Please maintain Net Neutrality.
—Gerald Lysne, Encinitas, CA

please keep the net neutral
—EDGAR WONG, Tampa, FL

The current plan in effect creating another 1% slap in a common man's face is not acceptable. Equal access to the internet was somewhere where one of the 90% could feel good about himself. Now we are getting knocked down to size once again? No, this is not acceptable. Why must the little guy always be on the losing side?
—Peter A Joannidis, astoria, NY

The internet must not be "owned" or "regulated" by anyone but (in the USA) the federal government. NO CORPORATION should be allowed to decide anything about the internet. Neither should any corporation be able to puwsh the government around, as it appears they are trying to push FCC around. The corporate interest is NOT the national interest.
—Mr. Peter Belmont, Brooklyn, NY

Everyone should have fair and open access to the same internet. There is no viable future for technological advancement if a portion of the population who cannot afford it are hindered.
—Ryan Hoe, urbana, IL

Getting rid of Net Neutrality is a horrible step backwards. So many people depend on the internet to do research, share ideas, and keep in contact with friends. Please don't take this away from us.
—Michelle Pacheco, Atwater, CA

Please stop the BS with Our Internet!
—Thomas Libbey, Seattle, WA

Everyone needs access to the Internet equally!
—Karen Johnson, Peterborough, NH

RECLASSIFY!!!!!! Don't sell the internet out to corporate interests!
—Mr. Anthony Chun, Los Angeles, CA

Speed for fees that are unearned profit penalizes those who can not afford the charge. That is, most of the people using the net.
—Barbara Hughes, Sanford, FL

The price. They want to charge us for something we already have. Their profits are already obscene. Leave us alone, stop milking the little people.
—Diana Day, Monterey, CA

I'm only one individual, but...I should have the same opportunity to reach web users as any large corporation. The internet should be treated as a common carrier. Please don't let ISPs play favorites!
—Charles M Northrip, Seattle, WA

Keep the playing field level. We don't want money determining what we can see on the internet. The internet should be for everyone.
—Ellen Delahanty, White Plains, NY

I do not think it is at all desirable to have a two-tiered Internet, with lower speeds for those who have providers who aren't the big companies. I also think it would increase the digital divide and put those who are in the lower middle class and below in the worst bind. Throw out your proposed rules that only benefit wealthy companies and those who can pay their ridiculous rates! Reclassify all ISPs (Internet Service Providers) as common carriers. Protect Net Neutrality. Do the right thing! As part of the U.S. Government, you are there to serve the public, not Big Business! As a professional journalist who also holds a M.P.A. degree, I am disgusted with your attempts to end net neutrality. Anne Seebaldt, M.P.A. 1993, Central Michigan University
—Anne Seebaldt, Milford, MI

A free press means net neutrality. The people of this country demand an end to corporate control of information. We do not want a caste system which is proposed by your recent action.
—Portia Weisfeld, miami, FL

The current proposal presented to the FCC is a lot of empty promises to the public with everything ISPs want. The FCC should recognize reality and classify ISPs as common carriers.
—Joey Baker, San Francisco, CA

This is a form form of censorship that is morally wrong and very dangerous. You know this as well as I do.
—Michael Smith, Winchester, MA

The internet was developed for everyones use not as a cash cow for some lucky corporations. Please stand up for the 99%.
—David Jenkins, Hillsboro, OR

Allowing AT& T , Comcast and Verizon to control the internet is the equivalent of allowing them to control who and when any company or individual receives electricity. Justifying support for this approach can only be seen as a demonstration of special interest in the matter.
—E Miranda, Oakland, CA

Please do not turn the internet into a business playground.
—London Reid, Orem, UT

To hand over control of internet content and access to a few corporations infringes on basic human rights, including the right to free speech, which is crucial to maintaining a free country.
—Maret Gable, Mashpee, MA

Justice should be our first consideration. Justice includes equal access to the society's sources of information and use of the 'commons' for each individual's benefit. The use of the internet for the ability to apply for jobs has now become a prerequisite for getting many of those jobs. The average citizen is so stimied by mounting costs of everything, adding more cost to get access to the internet may shut many more people out putting them at a disadvantage. Same with entrepreneurs who use the internet. Free access to full-speed internet is now an absolute requirement of living, therefore it must be an element of the commons and kept as a 'common carrier' for purposes of FCC regulation. All states should be required to fund free internet access in all parts of their state, urban and rural.
—Christine Besozzi, Perrysburg, OH

Net Neutrality needs to stay because it helps so many people connect with each other and do the things they need to do. With this proposed plan, it will make everything harder, and nothing easier. Speaking as someone who *can* have fast internet, I know many who struggle to pay for it, and this will make many revert to having slow connections and nothing to do about it.
—Paul M. Swiers, Saratoga Springs, NY

I feel this decision benefits corporations and not people. Who are you doing this for? Why would you do this if you truly represent the people and not special interests?
—Angela rhoten, Albuquerque, NM

Ending Net Neutrality is fascism.
—Zach Cosgrove, Schererville, IN

The internet is a public utility. No discrimination!
—Peter Burkard, Sarasota, FL

Without Neutrality, basically everyone who isn't rich will be blocked off the internet. This is just absolutely terrible for anyone starting a small business, as the big corporations will take control over everything and small business will never appear as an option. I do a lot of my shopping online and I would flat out refuse to pay an extra fee for a "premium" service that allows me to get access to the shopping websites I go to. This is NOT what the internet was intended to be. I am so disappointed that we the users have to go through so much trouble to get this Net Neutrality campaign to be successful. Money really does talk and it's pathetic that money that a couple of rich corporations are throwing around is even considered a viable excuse to end the internet for millions of people when everyone knows it is unethical and shady. You can be assured that if these companies kill off Net Neutrality, I WILL NEVER support them again.
—Kelly Ortega, New Providence, NJ

I have blogs that I enjoy, and I am so tired of big business making thing more expense for the little person. The internet is working just fine the way it is, there a lot of people who use it to communicate don't take their 1st amendment right away.
—Sandra Goettling, Logandale, NV

It is vital to keep the Internet as a level playing field.
—Robert Lovejoy, Sylva, NC

Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Eboun Sing, Minneapolis, MN

Don't give away the internet to big corporations like we did with the air waves
—Don Fritz, West Hartford, CT

Net Neutrality is huge. There is already enough of the corporate environment dictating to people what they should look like, how they should dress, and, really, who they should be. Throwing away net neutrality is a continuation down that path. I don't want Comcast or Verizon deciding that I no longer like to read my friend's baseball blog because it's 10x faster to just head to ESPN, or to steer basically the entirety of our internet into these specific lanes. All it will do is slowly strip away all of the vibrant creativity that is out there for people to appreciate. The telecommunications companies already have enough of a say in how we live our lives and manage our time, they don't need any more. Additionally, has anyone bothered to take a look at the headlines? $45B for AT&T and DirecTV merger, billions of dollars for the Comcast / Time Warner merger. These companies are stating that they need to be able to set special pricing and that they're taken advantage of, (see encrypting all cable signals and requiring a box for every TV), but at the end of the day, their bottom line is greater than 99% of the businesses out there. I am all for working hard for what you get and keeping what you earn. 100%. But that doesn't mean we should put down laws that just force millions of people that actively oppose the idea and tens of millions more that are ignorant to the whole situation to just lay down and shell it out for them.
—Aaron Raulin, Sun Prairie, WI

The free market is stifled due to ISPs having strict control over regional areas, usually with a monopoly. Competition in telephone communcations in the past thrived when the FCC classified those companies as common carriers, so why not ISPs? We depend on fair and neutral access to the Internet for future progress. Passing rules for Internet fast lanes would be highly unadvisable to many companies, big and small. It limits content creators from distributing their services via competitive markets (e.g., Level 3, Akamai) to the ones that control the networks, the ISPs, and further solidifies their roles as monopolies in an increasingly unfavorable, homogenized Internet.
—Bryant Lam, Gainesville, FL

All are equal. Some are more equal if they have the money. Is this any way to run the internet?
—Martin Konrad, Bridgewater, NJ

I am SCREAMING MAD! What the heck are you people doing at the FCC? The internet is not yours to decide what to do with it. The internet is the domain of the people, it is a public resource. Restore Net Neutrality at once. This is absolutely a disaster for our society, for our democracy. Screw your heads on right!
—Stephen Dvorak, Mountain View, CA

Maintain Net Neutrality to enhance competitions. Let the innovators innovate without being stopped by the larger companies.
—Gregory Dellner, Columbus, OH

The internet needs to be in the same category of utilities, a regulated entity for the public good. Net neutrality would be than the net which was created with TAXES would not be handed over to the Big corporations for their profit at the taxpayers expense. Our service would be not only curtailed but the incentive for these service providers to improve their plant would be negated. Net Neutrality would continue to help the fundamental principles embodied in the Constitution to be maintained.
—Derek Ruell, Fresno, CA

The FCC’s proposed Internet rules are out — and they’re terrible. As we feared, FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler is pushing a plan that would allow rampant discrimination online. If approved, these rules would mean the end of Net Neutrality. Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Bubba Jones, Marietta, GA

I depend on the internet, as I am disabled and it is my connection to the world. I am also low income and can't afford the price increases these companies will eventually put on their services. My ISP: CenturyLink DSL, has no plans on improving their service in my area, and they are the only choice that we have where we live.
—EJ Todd, Floral City, FL

Differentiated Internet service is nothing other than an attempt to end competition and freedom of speech in America. Anyone who thinks that is acceptable should go live in Russia or China if that is the way they hate the freedom our forefathers fought and died for.
—G Wilcken, Lawrence, KS

with corporations already having enormous influence in our everyday lives, we the people need a platform that is truly universal, democratic and objective.
—Fabian Palencia, Brooklyn, NY

As a student I rely on the internet to access vital information for research papers, and other uses. I ask for your help to keep Net Neurality so I can continue my hard work at getting a quality education. Please consider all those people who rely on Net Neutrality everyday for their jobs, school, and to bring close loved ones who are separated by distance. I have family members who are deaf. They depend on services like Skype and FaceTime to communicate. Think of all of those idividuals and families who have disabilities that will suffer if Net Neutrality ends. I am trusting you to make the best decision.
—Richard Willoughby Jr, Jacksonville, FL

If you even remotely care about Net Neutrality ensure you make rules which will keep it alive and functioning for the internet to grow and prosper and Americans to prosper
—Alan Broiges, Staten Island, NY

Due to the lack of competition in internet providers for consumers, net neutrality is paramount. I have only one quality option for high speed internet in my area (DSL is not a real competitor to cable or fiber), so the forces of competition will not pressure them to provide quality service at a commercially reasonable rate. Please ensure they are not charging providers to deliver the content I am already paying them to deliver to me.
—Max Gabreski, Pensacola, FL

Why is this even an issue? Don't fucking do this for fuck's sake. Fix this, now.
—Ashley Robillard, Norton, MA

Tom, the internet needs to be protected as a utility, it is used by all, just like electricity and water. Do not create a two-tiered internet, leave it the way it is. Do you want to go down in history as the person that killed the internet?
—Ed Hendrickson Jr, Ames, IA

Far from allowing "pay to play", ISPs should be governed under Title II Common Carrier regulation, as they should have been from the very beginning. Nothing else is sufficient. Period. End of story.
—Lonny Eachus, Spokane, WA

The principles and strengths of capitalism apply best to competitive markets, and this market will be a monopoly or oligopoly. To date, we have only seen collaboration, price gauging, and poor service by ISPs, it cannot be assumed these problems will be addressed. Giving such companies the right to censor and extort content creators is catastrophically stupid. It seems to me as an outsider that the only reason it is happening is the lobbying efforts of interested parties.
—Daniel Dranove, Highland Park, IL

The internet is an integral part of people's lives. It is not a niche service, it is not a fad that is going away. Users run the spectrum: From hobbyists and fans to business professionals and the news media, it is used everywhere, every day, and the new rules proposed and the "fast lane" tactics are nothing short of absolutely disgusting. You are not representing the interests of the American people or aiding our country's economy by putting rules like this in place, only lining the pockets of an oligopoly that has done little to further innovation in communications and broadband penetration and infrastructure across our country.
—Jordan Renz, Gilboa, NY

I certainly understand why you are open to censoring the Internet. But, we have to draw the line somewhere.
—Tyson Gustus, San Diego, CA

I use the Internet for a living...as do all of my clients. Keep the Internet free for all of us...not just big companies!
—Alton Duderstadt, Dundee, IL

FCC, Chairman Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. I implore you, throw out Tom Wheeler's plan and rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you, Neil R
—Neil R, Jamestown, TN

A truly free market can't be segmented into the 'haves' and 'have nots'. And that is exactly why a fair and level playing field is essential. That means that the small business shouldn't be getting less bandwidth or speed just because they are a small business. Your proposed changes will destroy the Internet. Please leave it as it currently is!
—Stepheni Wilson, Louisville, KY

The internet is a public domain that should be regulated by the FCC as a common carrier, as all telecommunications should be. The idea that a government agency such as the FCC, that is supposed to be acting in the interests of the public, and not the corporations, would consider having two types of internets, one for people who have money, and one for people who do not is outrageous. ISP's are common carriers that should be regulated as such!
—Robert Rizzuto, Bronx, NY

Throw out these proposed rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Vincent Giuliano, Schaumburg, IL

Hello, I'm a simple home owner, retired Senior Citizen, who has enjoyed the many benefits of having full access to the Internet, without limitations. I have also lived long enough to see what "Big Business" has done to this country, and from where I sit, they have not done us, the ordinary citizen, any good at all. And now they want to take control of the Internet, and expecting you to sit back and let them. Please, for me and all those other regular citizens, that use the Internet every day, do not give them free reign to take over the Internet and control it to their advantage, and to our disadvantage. Net Neutrality must be maintained, and if it requires reclissibying ISP's as common carriers, then please do just that. I sincerely beg of you, do NOT turn the Internet over to Corporate America, denying the average citizen of the access we now have. Cordially, Sandra Knapp
—Sandra Knapp, Lake Como, PA

Chairman Wheeler's plan would make the current digital divide even worse. Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers.to preserve fair access to the Internet..
—Scott Russell, Minneapolis, MN

I have a small online business, which depends on customers having free and equal access to the internet to find my shop and use it. The end of Net Neutrality will mean the end of my business!!!
—Cynthia Fix, Jasper, GA

I was raised on an open and neutral Internet, and it benefitted me beyond measurement. That's the Internet I want young Americans now to grow up with.
—Paul Oliver, San Marcos, CA

Without net neutrality we will be allowing giant corporations to push out small businesses from the internet arena. This is not how the internet was meant to be. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Judd Iversen, Belmont, CA

We already have a lot of things being monopolized to begin with. The internet should not be among them.
—Abram Lenten, Westerville, OH

Corporations work for the service of and at the pleasure of people, not the other way around you fucking greedy fascist pigs!!! You think you're so smart taking advantage of every situation!!! Here's hoping your death grip on the world's throat loosens a little!!!!!
—Evan smith, Olympic valley, CA

The beauty of the internet is that it equalizes everyone, rich and poor - we all have access to everything. Please maintain this system by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Ruth Horowitz, ,

The FCC has NO BUSINESS. In MY business via Internet ... Or anywhere/place/time.
—Dale Alan Zurbrick, Brooklyn, NY

As I've said before, the mass of the population cannot afford to pay once again for what used to be free. Remember free TV? Remember free carry-on luggage and before that 1 free suitcase plus a free carry on for airlines? When is it ENOUGH??? When do we say the king is wearing no clothes? THIS IS ENOUGH! Keep the internet neutral. It's right and it's fair.
—Barbara Haener, Chesterfield, VA

I depend on an Open Internet for facts and information. Please don't destroy our Internet, but reclassify ISPs as COMMON carriers. Thank you.
—Sallie Teutsch, Langley, WA

We can't let the greed of AT&T, Comcast and Verizon affect the lively hood and prosperity of the american people. May people's income depends on the internet remaining neutral and equal. Opening the internet to the highest bidder is a road that will hurt the economy of America and the lives of a great many people.
—Terrence A Staton, Nashville, NC

Dear Sir, Please do not let the Internet become a two- tiered system, discriminating between the wealthy and those of us who do not have the funds for the extra fees. Please throw out the FCC rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you. Sincerely,(Mrs.) Angeline Miller
—Angeline Miller, Graceville, FL

The internet has become our virtual Main street. For our free market economy to continue to bounce back, we need to ensure that access and visibility are fairly accessible to all. The proposed rules seem more designed to create profit centers for ISPs (proposed by lobbyists, I'm sure) than to serve the American people well and fairly.
—Sean St. Louis-Farrelly, Saco, ME

Because I don't have any choice in my broadband providers.
—Christopher Decker, Morristown, NJ

We have enough corporate dictatorship
—Michael Tesney, Denver, CO

I am grateful that inventors and entrepreneurs have created the means by which the vast information now available can be shared openly, and I do not begrudge them their profits. It is time now, as it has been during other phases of our democratic history, for this powerful resource to be defined as a public utility, and regulated principally for the welfare of all people without any discrimination.
—Robert Werme, Woodbury, CT

I breathe this air everyday and it gives me fuel that enables me to think, work, live and love. This same air also carries airwaves filled with fuel that enables me to think, work, live and love. Why would I want to compromise that in any way? No one ever has the "right" to destroy, intercept, pollute or commodify that precious life affirming essence.
—Kathleen M Randall, SEATTLE, WA

I am a web developer and I believe in the ability of small developers to create new ideas that can flourish. Without net neutrality so many good ideas will be lost.
—Mr. Eric Anderson, Madison, WI

1. In this unfortunate period of our history, when mainstream news media are of no help, the internet is our only refuge for the reliable news we need to make informed choices. 2. Do you really want to face accusations of right-wing favoritism? 3. You people were appointed to defend the interests of American citizens, not corporations. It would behoove you to do your jobs, not thinking about the "revolving door." 4. A neutral internet is becoming more and more essential to the national economy and national security. ISP's should be classified as public utilities, like electricity, and regulated accordingly.
—William Handley, Edgewater, CO, CO

Net neutrality is important to me because I don't trust corporations to control something like the internet. Without net neutrality, there's nothing stopping companies from utterly throttling sites owned by people who haven't paid them this month's mafia-esque protection money, or owned by people who just hold different or unpopular opinions that the companies don't like. No companies should have the ability to hold domain over the vast communication of the internet without much regulating to keep them from doing with it what they do in every other instance, profiting for themselves at the cost of every consumer. Companies like Comcast are already very nearly a monopoly in this country where such a thing is supposedly not allowed, and I cannot stomach them having even more control and power over the market.
—Eric Thomas, Wilkes-Barre, PA

throw out the rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Justin Smith, Rowlett, TX

Stop dividing this nation by money. Don't support elitism.
—Wilma Nakamura, Kula, HI

Please do not lock out small businesses by catering to Corporate America in their wish to gain unfair advantage. Innovation comes from small businesses and they are crucial to America.
—Nancy Smith, Akron, OH

The internet, is the internet. I should get speeds that I pay for that are based upon a fair market rate such as I do with power. With these special lane's you will segrate the flow of the internet, harm it's infrastructure and break the foundation of information flowing freely across the planet for the mode of profit which no other county takes part of. We the people have no problem for paying for what were getting, just as we do with our electric sewer or water. Why should my internet be recassifed and content carriers be held hostage for the right to participate in an infrastructure and users, who buy into the global internet, punished for wanting to access anything, and everything?
—Chris Curtis, Redmond, WA

A multi-tier internet would give ISPs no reason to upgrade technologies and improve internet in the USA.
—Thomas, Saint Charles, IA

I am a supposedly free american who feels the industry makes enough money off me and others like me. Keep the internet free.
—James Short, Ames, IA

I rely on getting information that isn't always sponsored by the "big boys". I need the net to be neutral. ISP's need to be classified as common carriers. Thank you.
—Ms. Marjorie Van Name, Pahrump, NV

Stop sucking the people dry!
—Lissa Wolsak, vancouver, BC,

My faith in our government to act for the common good is near zero. This is the nail in the coffin!
—Thomas R Blakeslee, WESTLAKE VILLAGE, CA

In the past AT&T has provided me lousy service. Poor response and constant calls to have them come out and fix their mess. Now you want to give them even more leeway to drag us in to a 4th world status. You are enabling poor service by your rules.
—David W. Tuthill, Dallas, TX

I'm already paying for cancer treatment, I don't need to be paying extra fees to do something that I should have rights to do FOR FREE!
—Karen Seery, ,

I believe that the Internet is one of the few remaining level playing fields in our society. So many other systems in our society are set up to benefit those with means, particularly corporations. If one has access to the Internet, however, that access is the same regardless of social status, and allows anyone to use it as they see fit, so that start-ups can flourish and information can flow freely. Removing this neutrality will put up yet another barrier to success for those without means, and allow those already in power to keep that power and gouge consumers. I ask that you do not implement the current proposal as it stands, with "fast lanes," and instead reclassify the ISPs as common carriers. The Internet really is a utility, as vital as a standard telephone line, and should be treated as such.
—Leor Bleier, Columbia, MD

I am a small business owner; my core business is online. (I'm an online dating coach, I help clients have better experiences with online dating sites, and I use online tools such as Skype and cloud-based document sharing to connect with people.) Net neutrality is vital to my success as an entrepreneur. If the FCC doesn't take action to ensure that the Internet remains open and free, it is likely that I will have to shut down my business and try to find a regular job despite this difficult economy. Does the FCC really want to crush small businesses so that a few massive cable conglomerates can make even more money, and have even more of a monopoly over a vital utility that in 2014 is as important as electricity or water or garbage collection? I'm astounded at how backwards recent discussions on this issue have been. Striking net neutrality down is on par with the types of action we see from third-world governments. It's shameful, corrupt, embarrassing, and utterly devastating to small business owners like myself who have made our name and built our businesses with the aid of an open Internet. I look forward to seeing action from our government to protect this basic liberty. Sincerely, Virginia Roberts
—Virginia Roberts, Seattle, WA

Good internet service should not only be available for those who have money to pay for the fast lane! Giving priority to certain companies and clients who can pay more money, just widens the equality gap of US citizens that already exists, don't punish everyone just to put more money in to the pockets of a few. This is NOT what our economy needs!
—Melissa, Idaho Falls, ID

Net neutrality matters to me because I do not want to be treated as a 2nd or perhaps 3rd class citizen when I am surfing the web. By restricting my access to "slow lanes" my need for the internet would be non-existent. Also, I do not want to be charged for the use of the "fast lanes" either. I know the FCC and specifically Tom Wheeler is telling us that these costs will be born by the ISP's however, we all know this isn't true. Once these "fast lanes" are created, the FCC will just pass the costs on to the consumer. The only way to have true net neutrality is for the FCC to protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Thank you for your consideration.
—Rodney S. Niemier, Des Moines, IA

Net neutrality allows freedom of speech and free communication between the entire world. If you move forward on restricting the Internet, it will legitimize countries like China and North Korea, who pick and choose the Internet content that their citizens can see.
—Justice Bradley, Reno, NV

I constantly use the internet in my current job position. Not just in terms of email, basic web browsing etc, but also as a means to provide services. I say this as a programmer, one who creates web services and web applications for clients. You not only will extremely hamper my ability to create new content, but to also PROVIDE that content to the public at large. You are essentially forcing me to pay exorbitant fees just to provide the same level of service that I provide now.
—Timothy Owens, Boynton Beach, FL

As an early internet user I sat through years of dial up and I have no intention of losing speed so the big corporations can make more money. Stand up for US for once and save the internet as we know it! You let them rule cable and they rip us to shreds.
—Diane Hendricks, Olney, TX

Public utility!
—Terri L Betz, Sutherlin, OR

Keep the internet open to all. It is our greatest tool and resource in the modern age and no singular entity should control it. No speed limits, no middlemen - maintain and protect Net Neutrality.
—Peter Sabol, Oakdale, PA

Allowing large companies this type of power is just another form of discrimination. It's discrimination against people who can't afford their prices. It's discrimination against people in rural areas who don't have large companies interested in their area. It's discrimination period. The internet is the last place that government needs to start mishandling. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and throw out the FCC rules. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Stacey Young, West Frankfort, IL

This is a generaly bad idea, unless it means the slow road is free then scrap that idea.
—Gabriel, Exeter, RI

Every voice counts and no met neutrality means than the rich voices get heard and the poor ones get silenced. No!
—Anna Tchoudovskaia, New York, NY

I want to receive information on an equal basis, at the same speed as every other piece of information. That is why I support net neutrality.
—Faith Harmony, Albuquerque, NM

Please preserve net neutrality. The internet should be in the hands of the people not ruled by a few corporations.
—Var Thelin, Gainesville, FL

ISPs are common carriers. This is a blatant violation of Net Neutrality and a corporate power grab.
—Brad Kinder, Fayetteville, WV

Without Net Neutrality the average person will not be able to afford to use the internet.
—Alexandra Graziano, Thousand Oaks, CA

The damn 1%ers have enough...they don't need a fast lane we cannot use.
—David Martin Ph.D., Norwich, CT

When a system is broken, fix it. Make Net Neutrality happen for citizens, followed by corporations.
—Yvonne Hansen, Austin, TX

Net neutrality is very important to me. Most of my social life is on the internet, as well as almost all of my creative expression. I take online classes and submit homework via email or classroom sites. By making the internet a two-tiered system that benefits the rich more than being the same for everyone, you would put most of America at a disadvantage. College goers and students of all ages would have a difficult time researching projects and doing homework with slow internet. Families already struggling to pay bills wouldn't be able to keep up in the highly competative, internet-driven business world of today. I urge you, I plead you, do not do this. Do not put America even further behind the rest of the world by catering to the rich in this aspect. Keep the internet for everyone. Please.
—Britt Jorns, Bellevue, NE

Gentlemen: I had read somewhere back that there is an Internet 2 and because of its limited use, at the time was lightning fast. I move that these fastlaners build another internet channel for their lickety split traffic and leave this one as it is. Thank you, Gordon.
—Gordon Heavern, Boulder, CO

While local municipalities have allowed Comcast & Verizon (et al.) to have monopolies on the physical network infrastructure for good reasons of efficiency--just like our electrical, water, and telephone companies have--the FCC needs to take the next step and reclassify network providers as common carriers, subjecting them to the same regulation that makes our electricity, water, and phone service cheap and reliable. Reclassify them under Title II. If the FCC does not do this, there will be catastrophic damage done to the internet and the future of the U.S. economy, no doubt to Tom Wheeler's financial benefit once he leaves the FCC and gets a highly paid job from Comcast or Verizon (et al.). Stop screwing around.
—Spencer Torene, Boston, MA

Net neutrality is very important for innovating great ideas. If FCC continues to push for their demands. we will lose great ideas and content that people have for ever been widely sharing for free. Not everyone has money to share great ideas and we need places like the internet to keep that momentum of knowledge going,Let's not stop now. We should not allow for this to be taken from American citizens! Please reclassify the internet as common carriers. We, the American people should not be discriminated on the internet.
—Salvador, Norwalk, CA

Because it's not up to you to decide the priorities of the many just so you can benefit the 1%
—Martin Bodger, ,

I would humbly like to ask the FCC not to end Net Neutrality. Small businesses, which are still the heart and soul of this country, will suffer if large corporations have the right to charge exorbitant fees for a tiered internet. Please consider reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Please stand-up for the individual and for small and medium sized businesses.
—Jennifer Gardner, Columbus, OH

I believe all should have the same access not just if you can afford it.
—James T Whitted Jr, Homosassa, FL

The U.S. invented the internet, now we are falling behind the rest of the world in this area. Don't take us further behind. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—augustine Gaona, Houston, TX

Please reclassify Internet Service Providers as Common Carriers and preserve true Net Neutrality
—David McVicar, Miami Beach, FL

I don't understand why anyone—except the ISPs themselves—would think this is a good idea. The internet is our one remaining open marketplace, where the little guy has as good a shot at making it big as anyone else. A tiered internet ruins this completely. Please have some common sense with your decision and get rid of this plan. Regards, Ben Ahlquist
—Ben Ahlquist, Worthington, MN

Net Neutrality encourages innovation and entrepreneurial activity. It also helps the growth of start-ups and small businesses.
—Gloria E Donohue, San Francisco, CA

We've already seen how the people running the major ISPs in the US would sell their own mothers if it meant an increase in profit. I, like many other people, have no doubt that without strict net neutrality rules with no loopholes there will be rampant anti-competative practices, discrimination and shady practices and dealings to whatever extend the company's lawyers believe they can get away with. Whatever it takes to make those precious dollars at the expense of the public and the internet in general. The only way to ensure a fair, reasonable, competative and innovative internet environment for everyone, including the people of the US and the world, is to do what the people are requesting and put in place the regulations necessary to ensure REAL net neutrality going forward. No more pandering or watered down garbage.
—Alex Finney, Monroe, GA

For the sake of god stop this mess already
—Igor Medzinov, ,

Net neutrality is absolutely necessary. Big corporations have been allowed to buy out literally everything on the face of the earth, including natural medicines, our food industry and many other basic human needs. They do this for profit and gain, but the average consumer gains NOTHING from corporations. Time and time again the general public has been screwed over by people in power wanting a bigger paycheck. It's time to fight back! The internet is used by billions of people, and to make it discriminatory towards those who don't have a big wallet is absolutely unacceptable. Online content needs to be fair. Be a champion for the common man and think about everyone and everything that this would affect. Protect Net Neutrality!
—Cara Kildall, Tualatin, OR

If it wasn't for net neutrality, I most likely wouldn't have a job, my family wouldn't be insured and my future business plans would be a pipe dream as opposed to a possibility. Please do the right thing. Innovation is the last area we have as far as growth is concerned. Don't stifle it.
—Marc Petricciani, Seattle, WA

Tom Wheeler, former lobbyist for cable companies, thinks they should be able to charge whatever they want. the American people need the internet just like we do other utilities and it should be regulated as such. the old at&t monopoly is on its way back, looks like. i guess because congressmen millionaires have so much invested in this giant corporation. our government is looking more corrupt every day.
—Patrick Knight, Garland, TX

Phone companies are Common Carriers. ISPs have supplanted traditional phone companies and now supply phone services. Why are they not Common Carriers, too? It's all Data and should all be treated equally.
—Harold Blumberg, Encinitas, CA

Your plan to censor/control and ultimately destroy free speech online and be able to further collect private data on law abiding peoples will not be tolerated. To police the internet and create a controlled monopoly over it is unacceptable. I don't care what your bill states. Its whats hidden in it and what it will lead to that is truly frightening to people.
—Liam, ,

Common carrier status is essential to ensure fair treatment of internet content and accessibility of small businesses and voices to online markets. Further, it would facilitate healthy competition for internet services to end-users, which exists in other markets such as the EU. There is already too much monopoly power in media, the internet must remain open and fair for all content providers in order to protect free speech.
—Bruce Harley, Stamford, VT

Tired of the 1% grabbing as much influence as it can, wherever it can, including the most democratic medium in the world, the Internet.
—Riff Millar, Seattle, WA

All information should be free and unrestricted in any form.
—Cordelia Wheatley, Kent, OH

You guys need to throw out your proposal and make ISP's a common carrier. Please rethink what you've decided! -Asher
—Asher Wenrich, Newhall, CA

The future of the Internet as an innovative and creative platform equal in access to all who use it will not happen without Net Neutrality. 20 years from now, no one will really know what the Net will look like. But we'll have a clearer idea of what it will become if we don't act responsibly for the best interests of all, instead of for the interests of a few people's wallets.
—Joel Cusimano, La Verne, CA

Beacuse it represents my future in computer science
—Steven Fraser, Grand Rapids, MI

No corporate takeover of the internet!
—David Will, Plant City, FL

Because no one, regardless of money shall have the advantage over others.
—Fredrik Pettersson, ,

We need to use the internet.
—Adam Garfinkel, Canyon Country, CA

I need to stay in touch with my family
—Joanne Hageman, Fort Myers, FL

Net Neutrality is important to me because without it, I could not create content online and continue to use the Internet in the way that it was meant to be used. Getting rid of Net Neutrality is discrimination, and that is against the American ideals that founded this country
—Carina Aldrich, Laie, HI

I work for a small nonprofit. We can't afford a fast lane.
—Savannah, Saint Louis, MO

I demand you save net neutrality & stop protecting corporations, now
—L Yaco, San Francisco, CA

Dear FCC: The people want net neutrality. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers -- it's the democratic thing to do. Thank you for listening. -Juliana DeVries, New Hampshire resident
—Juliana DeVries, North Hampton, NH

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—James Kiernan, Pittsburgh, PA

You lied Tom Wheeler.You said you were for Net Neutrality and you aren't. You truly are a LIAR and a BUM. I can not afford the extra fees. I am not one of the 1% who this Country caters to. I am retired on a small fixed income. How do you live with yourself? So because I have worked hard and did not steal from anyone else to get rich, I will get rotten service. You are an immoral creature!!!
—Cynthia Learned, Petaluma, CA

Access to information should not depend on how much money you have!
—D Findley, Shelton, WA

Don't let the internet become like television where only money talks. Protect Net neutrality. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Warner Iversen, Belmont, CA

Its supposed to be America the Free ... not America for a Fee!
—Kurt Cruger, Long Beach, CA

Corporations are not people (SCOTUS be damned)! PEOPLE are the creators of economy, the net must serve the people in order to serve the economy. To do otherwise is to court further American decline.
—Glen Ihrig, Burbank, CA

This just another money grab from these big corporations! It's ridiculous! This is just another way to control the media! What about students who can't afford this? Did you even think about that? Probably not, because they could care less, except for their money!
—Debra L Watson, Gering, NE

All Internet data should be subject to the same rules. If ISPs are not capable of delivering the requested 'bits' in a timely fashion, then they need to invest in infrastructure.
—Thomas Southerland, Longmont, CO

Like it or not, the Internet has become a public utility, much like our telephone system. We ALL use it to communicate with each other as a PRIMARY use.
—Kelly McConnell, Tigard, OR

Prove to the people of this country of which you swore to protect that you don't have your hands in the pockets of big business.
—Brian Tomazic, East Meadow, NY

Once again, the fat cats buy their way into office, reshaping the entire country to suit their needs (read: wallets). God bless America.
—H N., Marblehead, MA

I work for a frozen food comapny who does a large amount of business through online orders. If this goes into affect, either our customers are going to have an unpleasant experience or higher prices... Both will hurt our bottom line. Also, I spend much of my free time surfing the internet. Always coming across new interesting sites. Don't take away from me something I like to do so you and your friends can grow your own business. New businesses rely on the internet to spread the word and the internet is a big reason we have seen so many new companies and new products. Your purposed laws will hurt our economy and our growth.
—Eric VanDerBosch, Marshall, MN

Please do not allow ISPs to have even more power over the transmission of the internet. These companies are already semi monopolistic, and allowing them to create separate speed lanes would only stifle competition among the major internet companies because a Google or a Netflix could afford these fees, but a smaller startup wouldn't. There are already several examples of this happening all over the country. America already has comparatively slow internet compared to the rest of the world, and the power to create fast and slow lanes will make it even worse. Please reclassify ISPs to common carriers, because internet is an absolutely essential part of the modern world, arguably more than the things that actually are protected from things like this.
—Andrew O'Malley, Cresco, PA

I am so tired of gifting to the large corporations of what belongs to the public at large. Please, find some integrity. Just about everyone relies on the internet. It is not right to give the corporations another opportunity to gouge the public.
—Alecto Caldwell, Oakland, CA

because I work in startups and it's hard enough to compete with big companies without an unfair advantage like net neutrality...
—Dan Tan, Chicago, IL

Access to information and resources via the internet is fundamental to education and upward mobility. This plan would effectively isolate millions of Americans from pursuing their academic, professional, and personal goals. The rich will get richer while the climb grow steeper for everyone else; not because of an unwillingness to work hard, but because the playing field won't be level.
—William Scales, Jamaica Plain, MA

Net Neutrality is essential for my small business! Please don't privilege megacorps over the rest of us online. Thanks!
—Catherine Laughlin, Los Alamos, NM

So we can have freedom of the press online.
—Samantha-Ann Roth, Oakland, CA

Net nuetrality has been central to many companiess succeeding and flourishing, YouTube comes to mind. Changing that formula for success for the chance that some big corporations may profit from intentionally slowing down others connections in order to provide bandwidth to a few heavy data users is a poor substitute to speeding up everyone's connections. Why does the US rate at such a poor country when it comes to broadband vs price? We need an open internet regardless of your perceived need. This is the only country seeking to kill net nuetrality, why? I have been explained the 'advantage' of doing so and it just does not make sense in regards to cost, efficiency, and opportunity for small businesses and entrepreneurs.
—Al Espenschied, cambridge, OH

The internet was created as a telephony-based common carrier and should continue to be treated as such. It is anticompetitive for ISPs to impose "invisible" service tiers based on packet contents. I strongly suggest that the FCC reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Oliver Masciarotte, Minneapolis, MN

I see the shades of fascism clouding our future more & more. Soon we will be in nazi USA & totally controlled by the wealthy/corporations. Next they will go after phone texting like they have monitored phone conversations over the past 30+years. I AM ALSO A VERY SMALL BUSINESS SO I RELY ON MY WEBSITE FOR ADVERTISING & INCOME!!!!!!
—Geri benner, Santa Barbara, CA

I guess Chairman Wheeler realized the ultimate lobbyist dream. To get in on the inside and change policy for the sole benefit of those special interests you represented as an outsider. Wheeler is nothing but dirtbag serving corporate cronies and the associated oligarchy. He is a disgrace and the farthest thing from an actual public servant. Throw out the previous rulings and rule ISPs as common carriers, in accordance with the vast majority of Americans, and the millions who have voiced this concern directly to you.
—Phil Frank, Houston, TX

Net Neutrality, to me, is the freedom of unencumbered thought and choice. A two-tiered Internet does nothing but create a wall between consumers and companies, with ISPs being not only the gatekeepers between the two, but those decides where/how/what the gates are. It's something atypical of a protection racket, and it benefits no one but the ISPs and the companies with enough money to pay to be first in line. If I, like most Americans, had more choices of viable, cost-efficient Internet access I might have a different opinion. Unfortunately, I'm stuck with my one provider.
—Justin Todd Hamsley, Springfield, TN

If big business takes over the internet so many entrepreneurs and artists will suffer greatly.
—Krista Amigone, Los Angeles, CA

I feel as if we are moving backwards in technology. For a country that's supposed to lead innovation, our politicians are really pushing to make sure our country is ran by large corporations and a select few people. Net neutrality is as important as anything in keeping this country in the present and following our own constitution. It should be protected.
—Anthony fleck, Bonners Ferry, ID

The Internet is a utility, not a service like cable TV.
—Jonathan Fast, Bozeman, MT

The internet is for everyone to use equally. If it becomes lawful for some to have special access we might as well save clean water and air for the corporate world as well. These laws would create another space for the elite to have it better than the general population. Isn't equality supposed to be the backbone of American ethics?
—Savannah edwards, Bellingham, WA

Providing ters is a bad idea I don't want that and it would only benefit rich companies, not the citizens who the FCC is responsible to serve!
—Jonathan Mann, New York, NY

Stop letting businesses profit from the internet! The tax payers already paid for the internet!
—Tom Schneider, Omaha, NE

America suffers from some of the slowest and most expensive internet access on the planet. Net neutrality means that Americans might actually catch up with more advanced countries, at least on something as simple as access to the internet.
—Cristine Carson, Great Mills, MD

In a way nearly identical to Gutenberg, the Web has the ability to advance Western culture far beyond what it has known over the past 500 years. Back then, it was the Roman Catholic Church that dominated Western culture. Today, it's the 1% of which we've heard so much lately. A free and unbiased network is, unlike Gutenberg, a 3-way communications medium, and that's what's so culturally disruptive about it. If you choose to turn it over to those with the money - and I've no doubt this is what will happen - you will bring innovation to a halt and give the entire culture back to the status quo for, oh, another 500 years. I realize that's an oversimplified explanation, but it's why this decision of yours is SO anti-people and anti-freedom. Your decisions here will impact a hundred generations, and the weight of that MUST be considered before you force rules based on political expediency. The irony is that the money that is behind this effort of yours isn't going away; it might get redistributed, but it's also likely to simply remain in the hands that hold it now. What we're dealing with is fear of the unknown. Rather than work within an open Internet, the status quo wants you to align this marvelous creation with the historical, hierarchical control of culture, because it will be easier for them. Hell, we'd all like things to be easier for us. Innovation demands a level playing field, and you owe it to our progeny to make sure it stays that way. Thank you very much for reading this.
—Terry Heaton, Frisco, TX

I live in an area where there is no competition, and service is expensive and of poor quality. This combined with the Comcast/TWC merger will ensure that my family will not have easy access to the tools we need to do business and continue forward with our careers.
—Katherine Passen, New Berlin, WI

Chairman Wheeler, I'm sure I cannot be the only rational, highly intelligent voice that has commented on your rather callow viewpoints regarding the Internet, but as you seem to have not gotten the message thusfar, it behooves me to explain further: 1) It is not speed that must be altered to ensure a level playing field for all competitive, commercial ventures on the Internet, and let's not fool ourselves into thinking this whole debacle has to do with anything other than profit margins of ISPs and companies that do business on their networks. The real issue is bandwidth consumption. Some agencies and individuals consume large amounts of bandwidth, and expect that their monthly fee entitles them to unlimited use of the maximum rated speeds they are paying for. This is, of course, unrealistic and punitive to the ISPs. It is equally punitive to allow ISPs to throttle speeds to act as a countermeasure to this. The reason is as simple as your aging reflection in the mirror: time. Time is the only commodity that we have a finite amount of, and will at some point run out. In the long term, humans will have to worry about commodities other than time if we don't get a little bit smarter as a collective whole, but that's a discussion for another time. Getting ahead of our problems requires people to become smarter, to grasp more issues, and act in a way that reflects not just a local consciousness, but a global one. The Internet is our best means of accomplishing this goal. So, to artificially limit speed is to intentionally keep people less intelligent, to wall off certain types of information for reasons that seem arbitrarily skewed in favor of ISPs and the wealthy, people often least in need of access to more information because their prosperity is assured. Meanwhile, these artificial slowing techniques stifle progress by permitting ISPs to reduce speeds even as demand for speed increases. We should be able to access information instantaneously in an ideal world, and you have singlehandedly decided to point us in the opposite direction. I think the public has a right to know why. 2) Tiers for bandwidth could be a viable solution, with FCC regulation, of course. The goal would be to ensure these bandwidth costs were reasonable, and that these excess charges would go not only to cover excessive traffic, but to increase the "width of the pipe" as it were, to allow even greater numbers of bits to be transmitted simultaneously. The ultimate goal of this will be to live in a world where those who attempt to deceive us have nowhere to hide and we can once again return to living lives devoted to honest, fair dealings with others. Yes, the Internet is that important. 3) The ultimate goal must be fairness to all parties concerned, and let's face it, your solution is not fair. We are well behind other countries in our development of a fast, reliable Internet infrastructure. Our whole nation should be blanketed in fiber-optic cable by now instead of Google piecemealing the upgrade in random cities around the country. My Internet service certainly isn't anything close to cheap, and it still costs many times more than leasing bandwidth from overseas. As it stands, other countries are profiting from our ISPs lacadaisical approach to upgrading our infrastructure. Your proposal does absolutely NOTHING to address this disparity, and thus essentially condones these practices. Now, I'd like you to go back to the drawing board and lay out a real solution, one that shows how any changes to our existing services will result in improvements over time and will ensure a fair playing field for all commercial endeavors.
—Marc DeLateur, Spokane, WA

must you government flacks all ways cave to the big money? be a man & do the democratic thing.
—Robert Reed, Lake Elsinore, CA

Net neutrality is literally the foundation of the internet and creation within. Google, amazon, twitter, Facebook and Netflix would NOT exist today if not for net neutrality!
—Sean Corkum, Menomonee falls, WI

Anything I could write would sound offensive since I really do not think the nation's public resources should be given to large campaign donors for the asking. We call it corruption, and it stinks to high heaven. The Internet is obviously a public utility. Give away your own wealth, but keep your hands off the nation's patrimony. It is not yours either to steal nor to give away.
—Samuel Pearson, Saint Louis, MO

I believe in an open and free internet, where humankind can learn, debate and play. A place where people and ideas come first, a place we together protect, this most powerful tool we have ever had. This is not a place for singularity and corporate control; this is a place where every person needs to, when it comes down to it, put the benefit for the whole first, and the personal gain second. I hope we can do this together, and that the powerful can lead the way, not divert this massive effort.
—Wouter Walmink, ,

Equality for all. Everyone should have the right to equal access without it being dependent upon cost. If libraries charged to full access the working people could not afford to use them.
—Arlle Warren, Palm Springs, CA

Hello, I am a web developer out of Portland, Oregon. We are a small business and the idea of creating two tiers of the internet net(fast lane,) will essentially destroy our ability to compete, by launching effective start-ups for out clients. It's odd that we would blow-up a flourishing industry and the way I earn a living for corporate interests. It seems very unAmerican and everyone, I have talked to in my field (developers, computer scientists,)is very concerned with this. The very creator of the World Wide Web, Sir Tim Berners-lee has been vocal about the dire ramifications of this proposal. Regards, Don Chambers
—Don James Chambers, Beaverton, OR

This is nothing short of extortion. Enough!
—Donald Sutton, Rensselaer, IN

Access to information should be available to everyone!
—Bonnie Margay Burke, San Diego, CA

i have a small internet business and if only the amazon's can afford the fast lane, millions of small businesses will suffer leading to only a handful of mega providers - think of the dismal consumer ratings for the handful of cable companies and we will get to the same place with internet retailers.
—Marty Bullock, West Palm Beach, FL

Everyone in America should have the fastest internet connections possible. Reclassifying ISPs as Common Carriers will do that. Keep it simple.
—John Gierich, Crest Hill, IL

The internet is meant to connect us, allow us to build new businesses, and share ideas. By taking away that openness you are removing America's ability to grow new businesses that are internet based. Startups are already struggling and adding the additional constraints of forced payment for faster connections, you have just made their ability to grow which in turn takes away much needed jobs.
—Gary L Cox Jr, Austin, TX

The internet should be the same speed for everybody. Ending net neutrality hurts small business start-ups and entrepreneurs.
—Ryan White, Fullerton, CA

The internet is a place where people share ideas and information. Lately it has become the pinnacle of entertainment. However restricting it will only stifle all of the good that comes from having the near instantaneous transfer of information. I think more people with more internet accessibility will knock down barriers and allow it to become an even better place for all to enjoy. Whether you are there to learn or there to be entertained. There are so many countries that are completely dominating the US in regards to internet speeds and availability. Pushing us into a technological dark age compared to the rest of the world powers is a foolish endeavor and one that would only serve to line the pockets of large cable corporations who, in my honest opinion, will be phased out entirely upon better implementation of fiber-optic networks across the country. There is no reason to end net neutrality.
—Kevin Kastner, Sylvania, OH

Real net neutrality lets me, a small business owner, have a presence online without worrying if my website will load quickly if I cannot afford to pay additional fees to have my website in the so-called "fast lane".
—Mr. Justin Allard, Bakersfield, CA

We need real net neutrality. There can be no pay for prioritization of bandwidth of any type. Anything else is corrupt.
—Mark McCallon, louisville, KY

Net neutrality is the only way to ensure free speech as guaranteed by the first amendment. We do not need the corporate masters to have another tool in their arsenal for the deception of mankind.
—Pedro Cibavicius, union city, CA

Net Neutrality is important because I want to keep the freedom of expression it allows
—Cayra DeGiuliuo, Platte City, MO

Innovation and small business depend on Net Neutrality!
—Andrew Billeb, Dorchester, MA

Freedom!
—Florence Leppert, Las Vegas, NV

Don't be corporate whore.
—Pete Hopkinson, Patterson, NY

Because the future of the internet is to be a common carrier for all things (voice, video, and data). Allowing companies to extort money for this is unacceptable!
—John Dennis, Lennon, MI

I vote and I remember.
—Harold Waters, Houston, TX

I wouldn't want to go down in history as the man who killed the Internet.
—Robert Edwards, Kirkland, WA

As a small business owner and telecommuter, I am very dependent on an open and reasonably priced Internet. ISP's should be classified as common carriers.
—Kristine Rees, Tucson, AZ

As a student the internet is vital to my studies!
—Kendra Hunter, Haiku, HI

To me, treating ISPs as common carriers isn't just about net neutrality, which people quickly forget came about because ISPs were not treating traffic equally (Comcast was caught by tech-savvy customers), but also about the fact that America's broadband speeds are far inferior to most technologically advanced companies. As common carriers, competition might have a chance and we might start to see regular decent bandwidth upgrades, reducing congestion and negating the current monopoly-inflicted need for net neutrality.
—Dustin Henning, Bloomington, IN

Free exchange of ideas, views and technology lead to robust advances for the good of all, more jobs, more on-line commerce, more diversity, more fun.
—Michael Lastufka, Cedar Hill, TX

Small businesses and independent software contractors that work from home can kiss their internet speed goodby unless they shell out more money to the big players. Do you really think a large company that sees an opportunity to makes a lot more money will help the "little guy"? Hasn't happened before, don't expect to see it happen in the future. The Internet is one of the few things that are the same for all levels of society. By allowing those with money to change that, the gap between rich and poor will increase. Those with enough money will be able to have the fast lanes. Those without will be reduced to the slow lanes. Similar to having two social classes, the Haves (fast lane) and the Have Notes (slow lane). Given the way this country is going and the gap that's already large, we don't need something else making the gap bigger. This would also help eliminate the middle class faster than what's currently happening. More money will be needed just to keep what we have (as I'm sure the "slow lanes" will not be as fast as what we all have today). This drains more money from the middle class as they continue to struggle (I know I am).
—Adam Stein, Rochester, NY

Mine is a small business -- I'm a sole practitioner who runs a one-man architectural practice. Over the years I've moved much of my business activity, as well as many of my personal interests, to the internet. Net neutrality matters to me in a big way, and the thought of a tiered system, with its choice between paying for a "fast lane" or having to live with a far lower level of service is like a staggering punch to the solar plexus. Please -- take into account the interests of all the users, and don't cave in to the high-stakes players.
—John Melcher, Rancho Cucamonga, CA

At this point I really can’t believe the level of corruption and sheer ignorance within political institutions just because a company can give you a money and power does this really make it that simple to look past you duty the very duty to stop this from happening they are literally giving up on the future and bending over just so they may get some cheap capitalist power.
—Carleton Gruger, ,

Neutrality of the www is necessary for a free world (but also only NSA etc). Your plan is only got for google, apple etc. --STOP IT !!!--
—Jürgen Borgmann, ,

I love my friends and I'm not losing them to some stupid law that will force them and I to pay extra just to stay in contact with each other!
—Harry Tucker, Carshalton,

I feel that unfettered access to data and knowledge will be a boon to the nation in the future. To restrict it to only those who pay a premium would only hurt the nation at a time when we have the possibility of great intellectual growth. Thank you.
—Gary Potts, Ellensburg, WA

I would not like to see the Internet being changed into fast/slow lanes.
—Terry Brown, Acton, CA

The internet is an important resource in our lives and it should stay the way it is, for all time.
—Ervin Frank, ,

I'm completely for net neutrality and again this corporatism that runs rampant in out government agencies serve the people not Verizon.
—Cameron best, Missoula, MT

Prices will rise for Internet content.
—Oliver Gunasekara, San Francisco, CA

These companies did not create the Internet; they are profiting from US government work that was paid for by all taxpayers. Therefore, they should not exercise proprietary control over it.
—Jonathan Michaels, Northampton, MA

No net neutrality will be another nail in the coffin of the 98%
—Jerry Voss, Missoula, MT

I don't want foreign intrest running (also snooping) in what should be our enterprise.
—Ed Durivage, Stevensville, MD

make it a public utility people are tired of being at the mercy of these greedy corporations
—Elizabeth Robinson, Saugatuck, MI

Net Neutrality keeps the internet where it should be. Stop trying to hand control of the internet to the top isp(s) that are funding this potential infringement on our free market.
—Richard Dible, Tallahassee, FL

This is just the first step in a tiered internet, where the playing ground will no longer be level.
—Dan Williamson, minneapolis, MN

Without real Net Neutrality, the level playing field of the internet will be in ruins. These "fast lanes" are extortion at best, and pave the way for all kinds of anti-competitive dealings. The internet is a UTILITY and must be treated as such. Internet providers absolutely need to be classified as common carriers. Anything less unacceptable.
—Valerie Burk, San Jose, CA

Nothing good will come of a non-neutral internet. It would turn ISPs into, essentially, curators of what content people can and can't view in a practical fashion; that's too much power to give to organizations primarily motivated by moneymaking. If that happened, they would almost certainly abuse that power to advance their corporate interests at the cost of the consumers, censoring any material that hurts their incomes.
—Jonathan Riceman, Highland Park, NJ

I use the internet daily to read articles and forums. It is how I keep up with the world and how I find the answers to all sorts of questions. The internet is like a library. It should be open to the public equally. Please don't create a good and a slow internet.
—Amanda Brush, Colorado Springs, CO

You must really don't like competition and the net yourself do you Mr. Wheeler. If you were one of us. The regular people and this was happening to you. You wouldn't like it. So how about doing the right thing and not follow the money. If you follow the money. You won't be respected.
—Jawara D Pittman, Atlanta, GA

Net neutrality is the only way to make sure the next generation has the freedom to communicate and innovate in the world's most dynamic medium.
—Mr. John Fallon, Fairfield, CT

My wife and I rely on the open internet for free commerce and if it where changed to allow fast lanes we would not be able to insure our business would be seen by customers.
—Chris kemperman, Grand Haven, MI

Open Access is what makes the internet the versatile, unparalleled tool that it is today. ISP's have no right whatsoever to limit, restrict, inhibit, or otherwise adversely affect the free-flowing nature of the World Wide Web, and it is the FCC's specific duty to ensure that Net Neutrality does not perish under crushing pressure from corporate agendas. There is NO 'promise' or 'good faith gesture' that a corporation can make in favor of maintaining a Free Internet that will ever be as effective, reliable, or decisive as a mandate by the government agency RESPONSIBLE for safeguarding communicative liberties in this country.
—John Goggins Nalls Jr, Bethesda, MD

Net Neutrality is essential to ensuring that individuals have the access to information and resources that are required in today's society, as well as in the job market. Valuing ISPs and their drive for profits over individual citizens and their ability to access information is backwards and will only ensure a stagnation in progress. Please maintain an open internet and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—A Raccanello, San Francisco, CA

Common Carrier is the solution. I do not believe Wheeler or Baby Duc Powell who came before him. Wheeler should be fired.
—Bryce Hutchinson, Rogue River, OR

Internet Neutrality is essential for the free dissemination of information to EVERYONE. It's fine that the ISPs are wanting to be compensated for their investment in the infrastructure, as they should, but not at the expense of the internet user (the consumer, the ones paying the bills for the ISP). The internet is too important to too many users to let a few companies decide how to run the internet. The United States pays the highest prices in the world for some of the slowest speeds on the internet today. The internet needs to be a treated as a PUBLIC UTILITY and regulated as such. Only then can we be sure that all Americans are being treated equally with respect to the internet speeds that we are paying for. There should be no fast lanes or slow lanes; just one lane that all of us can use equally for any purpose we see fit.
—Mr. David Parrott, Salt Lake City, UT

Because the future of my industry relies on public access to high speed internet without it being a premium luxury. And because I don't want the ISPs deciding what services I should have faster/better access to.
—Thomas Meek, Houston, TX

At the very least, the plan should be very very specific about these "fast lanes", and how they compare and contrast to normal content delivery. The plan is full of loopholes and opportunities for ISPs to extort businesses of all sizes, not to mention end consumers. Ideally, the idea of companies paying for preferential treatment should be completely eliminated. It should not even be a possibility. Netflix is already paying Comcast millions of dollars for it's customers to receive services that they've already paid for. It's ridiculous. Furthermore, this merger of TWC/Comcast is abhorrent, and the merger of AT&T/Dish is right on its heels. The DoJ has gone after easy targets for being monopolies in their industry, but somehow Comcast/TWC are not under that umbrella. It's disgusting as a consumer that this is possible.
—Eric Scott, Austin, TX

As a Senior Citizen. it is imperative for me to receive unbiased information, at a affordable price
—Jim Dingus, Cleveland, OH

Most of this country is locked into a duopoly for a ISP's which gives them a ridiculous amount of power over what we see and hear, as such, their power to edit what data we are given and at what rates must be limited, or efforts must be made to make more ISP choice available to every one. An internet "fast lane" inherently creates a situation where isp's could limit speeds that competitor's data could reach customers without paying extra. Both parties already paid for the data to be transfered. Now we are supposed to pay more so that data get's delivered at the same rate as the isp's own data. These videos explain it better than I can. https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=NAxMyTwmu_M&feature=share https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=Pp1MAMkIa6A
—Shawn Pickett, Indianapolis, IN

The internet should be free and open to everyone. A 2 tiered system would be unamerican...
—Helen Bouchard, Marcellus, NY

The internet is a basic service in the lives of most Americans, from consumers to start-up companies, to small businesses, to large companies. In a free-market, open internet, all users are equal. The FCCs proposed new rules will profit none but the large corporate Internet service providers control the Internet to the detriment of most others.. except those who can pay and fill the coffers of those large ISPs. DO NOT enact these proposed rules and allow a CORPORATE takeover of the internet. The FFC's job is to act for and protect the interests of all American... not to serve the interests of the corporations that it is supposed to regulate.
—Gladys Mynatt, Cloudland, GA

The internet is a bastion of freedom and should not be tampered with. Tom Wheeler, former chief lobbyist for the cable providers, if the government weren't so corrupt you never would have been appointed as chair of the FCC. Don't kill the internet
—Brendan Kent, Montclair, NJ

without the ability to have diversity there is no free speech. "control" of the internet esp by any big named corporations who can at anytime be bought litreraly or controlled by government republican or democrate will take away our right. we need to stop the ability of anyone to rewrite history to slant it one way or another other than the truth is wrong. If government held schools are able to use books to teach our kids information slanted towards their point of view or lacking in emphasis on the truth the internet will be the same.
—Kathy Beck, jacksonville, FL

Searching the internet for neutral information is very important to my day job in city governement, and equally critical to my night job as a college professor. Pay to place-higher is a terrible way to organize on-line information. If the USA adopts this policy, our citizens will become global idiots - only knowing consumer-priorities and not human-opportunities!
—Joe Smoke, Los Angeles, CA

The internet needs to remain free and equitable for all - not a rich man's paradise. We have all become accustomed to depending heavily on the internet, and it needs to be accessible to all.
—Carol L Hauschild, Garden City, KS

I'd like the internet to stick around.
—Arpan Sharma, Arlington, VA

I use the Internet for my job. I need an unbiased delivery of information, not a delivery based on deep pockets. Please abandon your rules for the latter and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Mark Ahlstrom, Jackson, NH

Net Neutrality is the only reason why the Internet is the last line of defense against corruption, discrimination and other prejudices that have undermined the country within the last decade.
—Kevin Krywko, San Marcos, CA

The internet is an open and public environment and, much like public roads, should have a separate fast lane which is reserved for the people with extra money.
—Matthew Henley, Spring, TX

The internet has proven to be a way to get news fast & reliable, when other means are negligent in reporting the news in a truthful manner. You can get news on the internet without a right or left slant or any agenda in mind. Please keep the internet free, so that we (the people) can get free press, when the press lets us down. Thank you.
—Philip Bundy, Sapulpa, OK

As a retiree, providing services via the net is how I plan to fund my shrinking benefits from other sources. Don't abandon the people who have paid taxes and built this country so that a few rich guys/gals can become richer. Leave us some modicum of dignity and hope, please. We don't want a hand out, Just fight for us and not the corporations that have no agenda but unregulated growth and market domination.
—Bruce Monnier, Durham, NC

ISPs ARE NOT THE CREATORS AND INNOVATORS. The people who build and publish websites and apps are. ISPs must not be allowed to decide or dictate what companies/products get to reach their customers unhindered. Broadband (wireline and wireless) must be designated and regulated as a public utility. Not some luxury or discretionary accessory. ISPs must be made fully transparent and absolutely accountable to the public. Not their shareholders.
—Jeff Rueckgauer, Washington, DC

As a small business owner and startup regular, these rules make me seriously fear for the future of the internet. Reclassify!
—Aubron Wood, Dunn, NC

Net Neutrality creates competition, not only among ISPs but among websites, businesses, social media; the internet has infected itself into our way of life, and without it, we would be distraught. Here are some comments from U.S. Senator Ron Wyden: "The only way to address threats to net neutrality now is with enforceable rules, but in the long run, what would be best for the Internet and best for consumers is more competition. That's why the currently proposed mergers are so concerning, and why developments like Google Fiber and other build-overs are very important. There is a correlation between the lack of competition and the need for the government to intervene in markets to protect competition." "Ideally, the government should be involved in the Internet as little as possible. With net neutrality, the government is being drawn in by the effect that the monopoly ISPs are having on innovation and competition on the net. I have called the Internet the shipping lane of the 21st century, in this case, the government is fulfilling its traditional role of keeping those lanes open and toll free. The Internet can be a powerful tool to enhance democracy - we've seen those effects in the Arab Spring. It has also revolutionized the way citizens communicate with their representatives. At the same time we must be vigilant about the ways Internet surveillance can undermine democracy." "[net neutrality]'s the freedom for products, services and ideas to compete online. It's making certain that consumers can't be charged twice for the Internet service they pay for, and that you have the same opportunity to reach all Internet content. Along with limiting liability so that you can't be sued for what's posted on your site or blog, these are the principles that have allowed the net to flourish."
—Grant Harvey, Orange, CA

Genuine network neutrality is essential to guarantee both the function and fairness of the Internet. As an academic, the Internet is essential to progress in my field, and any loss of either function or fairness would have a direct and negative impact.
—Vincent Needham, Manhattan, KS

IT IS CALLED FAIRNESS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
—M Smith, HOUSTON, TX

The web services I use everyday would be destroyed by this proposal. Not only would websites be limited only to big corporations, user content creation and expression would be severely limited, cutting out a large portion of what makes the Interent such a valuable tool for expression and creativity.
—Dalton Mulkey, Austin, TX

Net neutrality is important to me because as a small business owner, I rely on the Internet to help market my business and have clients reach me. There are many small businesses that do not have the budgets of large size companies. America is considered the land of opportunity, where a person can build a life no matter their station in life. Net neutrality enables the 'little guy' to be able to have equal access. Thank you, Takiya
—Takiya Paicely, Indianapolis, IN

I run a small business dependent upon a free internet. This is the type of business that is helping make America recover. It is unconscionable you are setting up this two tier system. There is no need for this. This should be treated like a public utility. You are undermining the great efforts of the internet enterprise with this layer of discrimination.
—Marti Johnson, Edina, MN

Net neutrality is what makes it possible for someone like me to network with friends, run private game servers, make skype calls, and test out cool and interesting web-based software on my computer. Without net neutrality, I would be unable to host a Minecraft server, as it I would be throttled down to dialup speeds by my friends internet providers as I didn't pay them money for a "fast" lane. I would be unable to play indie games from new and emerging developers, as they couldn't afford the extravagant fees for fast enough access. We pay our internet providers to provide us with internet as close to the specified speed as possible. Already, big companies like netflix have been forced to pay comcast ransom in order to be able to provide service to their subscribers. Please, don't ruin the internet. Remember, the websites you use everyday were all once small, under-funded, and run by college students. These websites, like facebook, would never have taken off if it were not for net neutrality, and therefore, lack of net neutrality hurts the economy, and it hurts the consumer. Please, make the choice you know is right, not the one the cable companies want you to. Represent the masses, not the few big dogs who would gain from lack of regulation.
—Miles Aikens, Ann Arbor, MI

The Internet must remain free. I support true net neutrality.
—Chris Plummer, Moreno Valley, CA

Throw out the current rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers!!
—Carla Cain, Los Angeles, CA

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Sarah Koosis, Brooklyn, NY

Full net neutrality is truly the only RIGHT thing to do!
—Jane Perry, Santa Fe, NM

I'm not going to bother you with my opinion of why net neutrality matters because you already should know the reasons why and you're probably not going to read this anyways. But a vast majority of my generation, which is the representative population of the future, finds this disgusting. If you make the wrong decision, you and your genetic line will be remembered for all the wrong reasons. The fact that this is even up for debate is vomit-worthy. Maybe you can leak how much money you've been given by lobbying interest groups so that us non-rich folks can pool our money together to match whatever your number is. - from a future scientist
—Michael Artinian, Winnetka, CA

The carriers, wireless and landline, are forcing users to pay a measured rate for services. The cable companies who don't currently measure service soon will be. Forget about unlimited "free" bandwidth to the home or mobile device. The carriers increasing the costs to content providers will increase the cost to the end users. Pay for priority is just bad, bad, bad.
—David Porter, Kingston, RI

If carriers are allowed to discriminate traffic, this will greatly interfere with free speech, getting the news from multiple sources and make it more difficult for small businesses to compete with larger businesses. This just cannot happen and have our country continue to grow and prosper. All traffic should be treated equal. Is this the first step in creating a society where money is the deciding factor? What If I am willing to pay more to drive in a lane on the highway where less cars travel? Am I not paying for a set speed on the consumer end? If I pay for a given speed, then the carrier is not living up to their end of the bargain if I cannot get what I want delivered at the speed they are selling me. What about all the commercials I have to pay to view when I have a data plan? Again something wrong already. Why am I paying to have someone advertise to me?
—James Baker, Royal, AR

The only reason the internet has become this wonderful, beautiful, powerful tool is because of openness. Doing anything but fostering this openness will decimate what this marvel of technology has become.
—Bryan Glasel, Everett, WA

As the owner of a small business, I know how important it is for internet service to be equal and reliable for all. Giving anyone the ability to pay for faster internet speeds will hurt small business, will hurt the average citizen, and in the long run will hurt big business as well because even though they will be the only ones able to pay for the "fast lane", this policy will badly cripple the vibrant, open community that the internet has become. We need everyone's contribution to be on an even footing!
—James Morrison, San Francisco, CA

It's a utility, not a commodity.
—Brett M Charles, GILBERT, AZ

CORPORATIONS are NOT PEOPLE. Pres. Obama LIED when he stated that WE MATTERED . United Corporations of America. That is where I was born.
—Teresa M Robinson, Smithfield, VA

the airwaves are public.....don't destroy that !!!! Do not make the internet only for big money!
—B Darsey, Roswell, GA

We want the net to remain as it is - open to all - without special access and higher speed others. Please take action accordingly.
—Regina rubin, Cleveland, OH

Comcast and ATT have a duopoly. This is not true competition. Unless google or verizon wants to lay fiber to every house in America, (especially mine), they need to be regulated like the monopolies they are. I would prefer the FCC classify the internet and internet service providers as type 2 telecommunications service. In absence of that, net neutrality is very important to the future of this country.
—David Sabbagh, Roanoke, VA

It's the sustenance of democracy.
—Hari S. Khalsa, Santa Cruz, NM

The internet needs to be maintained as a level playing field. When larger business or individuals can effectively squash competition in terms of bandwidth and speed, it only hurts productivity and development.
—Kevin VanHook, Canyon Country, CA

Net neutrality = more of a chance at any real democracy!
—Tom Rutherford, Middlebury, VT

Re=classify ISPs as common carriers--say NO to a 2-tiered internet--Say NO to allowing ISPs to discriminate against content they don't like, but the public does. Issue Rules fair to the public, not special interests.
—Carole B, Las Vegas, NV

The internet is one of our greatest accomplishments. The idea that all have equal access and ability has been truly revolutionary. Why are you now proposing changes? The only reason I see is that you are giving in to corporate greed. Shame on you. Do the right thing and leave OUR internet alone!
—Tom Violett, Howell, NJ

I value having an internet where everyone has an equal voice and doesn't need to pay a premium in order to be heard. Please don't take that away from us.
—Aaron Light, Sterling, VA

I wrote to Tom Wheeler asking him to support Net Neutrality. I got a response from his office declaring him to be for an open internet. He clearly lied. Fast and slow lanes on the internet WE paid to create with our tax dollars is going to be so bad for people for so many reasons. I know it, you know it, but I don't have the power to stop it; you do. Please do.
—Marlena Machol, Glendale, AZ

Because I believe that internet is for everyone regardless of class and wealth.
—George MacWayne Hite II, Springfield, VA

Net Neutrality is critical to keep the internet a force for innovation - the reason why the net is such a huge success is because the broad marketplace got to pick the winners and losers, not a small number of service providers, who are motivated to extract ever higher fees for their services, not to provide the best service to their customers. Why does the US have below average internet speeds as compared to the rest of the developed world? Because the service providers can get away with it, their profits go up as their customers suffer. Remember the internet really blossomed when it was largely carried by common carriers - modems on the telephone infrastructure. Internet service should once again be classified under the common carrier rules , the FCC made a big error years ago by not doing this from the outset as service moved to TV cable and then fiber. You need to serve the public, and right this error now. Classify internet service as a common carrier, insure net neutrality, and insure the internet is a thriving platform for continued innovation.
—Kenneth H. Slater, Chester, VT

My job depends on non biased access to the internet. I work with many start-up companies, and having equal access ensures that these companies have a chance on the internet.
—Mikel Nelson, Escondido, CA

The terms Open Internet and Net Neutrality mean nothing to me. Slower downloads mean everything. Why should the uber-wealthy get everything?
—Glenn Krakower, Greenfield, WI

Because the net was built by us, not the corporations profiting from it.
—William Rogers, Rock Hill, SC

As a community organization we rely on the internet to provide service to our students however, our budget does not permit us to afford the higher tier that this plan will develop.
—Harriet Williams, Frederiksted,

In a political climate increasingly dominated by big money (even more as a result of recent Supreme Court decision), the Internet is one of the few remaining means of ordinary citizens' ability to have a voice of influence. PLEASE DO NOT turn this public utility over to the influence of moneyed interests! Keep the Internet free of such dominance!
—Douglas W. Sterner, Cranford, NJ

We already pay too much for internet access. These proposals could mean we pay even more! Other first world advanced nations have faster and cheaper internet service than the US. Keep our internet open and let's make it more accessible not less. Cheaper would be better too!
—Tom Kunhardt, Oakland, CA

Net neutrality is vitally important because it levels the playing field and is accessible to anyone who has access to a computer. The FCC has no business dividing it up to be accessible to only certain individuals with money or have a certain point of view. The Internet must be kept neutral, accessible to all, and a source of unfiltered content and application!
—Paul Kaneko, Santa Cruz, CA

The internet is the last vestige of a free press and real journalism. Without net neutrality, there is no 5th estate.
—Eric Rothe, ,

These proposed rules are not fair. Big companies should not have more power than small businesses and ordinary citizens.
—Susan Vollmer, Rice Lake, WI

I support an open internet where all content and ideas have equal opportunity, and where no one will face roadblocks to access the information they need.
—Alexander Vallejo, Washington, DC

I am so tired of Koch money Interfering with everything. There should be no other consideration than to make the internet a public utility.
—Judy Pigg Behrendt, Kalamazoo, MI

No net neutral = the death of the possibility America. You are founding the new fascist state.
—Mr. Garry lester, San Juan Bautista, CA

We are senior citizens with limited income and cannot afford to pay extra money for the internet. To cease "Net Neutrality" will take us off the internet permnently1 Please stop this madness!
—Deanna & Harold Holloway, Meridian, ID

Creating a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees — and a slow dirt road for the rest of us is wrong & discriminatory! Companies should NOT have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. This is wrong & shows how America is not serving the interest of the average american.
—Mark Lundberg, Stamford, CT

Simple: I will make my own decisions about my life (& access to information). I do not acknowledge someone else's "right" - especially, simply because they have money - over these aspects of my life. Period.
—John Terlazzo, York, PA

I use the internet daily. I consider it an important part of my everyday life. However, I don't make enough money to be able to afford the possible fees that come with these fast lanes ISPs are pushing to create. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Matthew Fernandez, Brooklyn, NY

The Internet was meant to be free to give an even playing field to everyone, regardless of their financial capability, and this proposal just lines the pockets of the monopolistic providers at the expense of the already economically strapped common citizen.
—Paul Wolotsky, Laguna Niguel, CA

Please throw out the net neutrality rules and reclassify ISP's as common carriers. Please keep the internet free for all of us. Thank you
—Cindy McKenzie, Whiteside, TN

I own a small business and will not be able to compete with the likes of Comcast for high speed Internet unless we have net neutrality. Please keep the Internet open and equal for all. Thank you.
—Marx Broszio, MYAKKA CITY, FL

In the USA we already have some of the slowest and most expensive internet service in the world. That's only going to get worse if you don't reclassify ISPs as common carriers. I, like thousands and thousands of other US citizens rely on the internet for information and staying connected with family, friends and colleagues. You know as well as I do that AT&T, Comcast and Verizon will create a two-tiered or more system which will prevent most citizens from having fast internet access. Please don't let this happen. Listen to the people. It's clear what the public wants on this issue.
—Charles Shriner, Indianapolis, IN

I pay a fee for service, already' and find it unfair to have another fee levied!
—Mary F Lasley, Ashland, OR

Social Security sole source of income.
—Richard Mayer, Brea, CA

As a volunteer developer of websites for non-profit organizations, I need to have my websites have the same speed and reliability of all other websites without burdening the already strained budgets of the non-profits I represent.
—William Thomson, Sonoma, CA

I depend on access to all types of information not just commercial information. Why should the big payers get faster access? The ISPs should be treated like common carriers. I don't want to be s second class user! Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Tom Bailey, Concord, MA

To keep competition alive and within reach.
—Scott Daniels, Longview, TX

Please throw out these proposed Internet rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The content providers don't want a fast lane on the Internet and this change would only provide the ISPs with an avenue to increase revenue at the consumer's cost. This proposed change is bad for the public and should not be approved. If you want to regulate broadband then do it the right way by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Landon Burns, Garden Grove, CA

Please stop trying to ruin a good thing for the sake of big businesses interested in nothing more than milking the Internet to death.
—J Duncan, San Francisco, CA

It would really be easer to just reclassify ISP. Instead you are just supporting companies not the people.
—Jeshua Campos, Sturgis, MI

The internet should remain NEUTRAL for all users!!!! Internet service providers should be classified as common carriers and users should decide what is delivered across the internet, not suppliers of content. All suppliers of content should be on equal footing. Net neutrality should reign supreme among internet providers and users.
—Estelle Goodell, Phoenix, AZ

I enjoy many types of content on the internet, please don't let ISP's ruin my experience because of senseless greed. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Anthony Edwards, Redwood City, CA

Net Neutrality is the way to preserve innovation and inclusiveness in our way of life. Something that is as important as piped water, electric lines, the roadway system and our public libraries should not be given favoritism to those that have deep pockets but instead should be equally open to everyone.
—Douglas Kister, Hatboro, PA

We are sick of every aspect of our government caving into the wealthy corporations. This is whoredom!
—Ron Russell, Pacific Grove, CA

I have Verizon broadband wireless internet and it is already terrible. Please do not make it worse and unfair to people who can not pay higher internet prices.
—Aaron Verginio, Baldwinsville, NY

It's readily apparent even by Wheeler's own comments in the judiciary hearing that this is a horrible idea that will subject the vast majority of Americans and most small business to abuse.
—Lee Kenney, Victoria, TX

these rules would sell the internet to the highest bidder. smaller web based businesses can not afford to pay a ransom to large isps
—Melissa McKenzie, Port Charlotte, FL

We rely on an open internet for freedom of speech. Do not restrict it!
—Andrew Thompson, Watertown, MA

Please if you could just make the isp's as common carriers. I believe this would just be the simplest thing to do and end this once and for all. That way everyone would be happy. It would end the possibility of the internet having fast lanes and everything. I really have no idea why you don't just make it a common carrier, The internet is a place where it needs to be a open internet. Your rules would jut complicate things and make the internet not as great as it has been in the past. I hope you read this message and consider net neutrality. { common carrier}. It is not a wise idea to give power to isp's to give them power to charge places like netflix or other sites and if the don't it could be slower and so on. I really wish people would leave the internet alone as it has been for a long time and just make it a common carrier, it would end the protests and im sure make your job easier and go on to more important things.
—Sean Keating, Saint Charles, IL

Implementing a pay-to-play internet traffic system would stifle innovation and growth, which are the very things that have allowed the internet to become the economic juggernaut that it is today. Additionally, allowing such economic censorship would set up a situation that could lead to the muffling of criticism of anything the ISPs deem as threatening. This would not be the uninhibited exchange of ideas and goods that the internet has been built upon. So, please treat ISPs as what they are: utilities.
—Matthew Rainville, Brooklyn, NY

If it's not broke, don't fix it.
—Ethan Fein, New York, NY

Firstly, access to information has become a necessity rather than a nonessential in todays world. Secondly, the internet pipeline is only limited by investment in fibre, not by some economic driven scarcity. Thirdly, anyone who purports to be a capitalist supports Net Neutrality as the first and last line of defense against corporatism, technological and economic stagnation and cronyism. In fact, the chairman opens himself up to charges of crony capitalism if he presses forward with the proposed rule changes. There is no reason to allow Comcast, Verizon or AT&T the ability to make money coming and going on the internet. The deal in the late 1990's was these companies would provide for a level playing field and the government would allow them to have limited monopolies in different regions. If they wish to change that deal, I say we remove them from the equation entirely.
—Marcus Sellers, Spruce Creek, PA

This doesn't benefit the people, it hurts them. It only helps a few big corporations and Tom Wheeler make a lot of money. This is our society, these decisions don't benefit the society.
—Chad Meyers, potomac, MD

ISP carriers make plenty of money as it is. Leave them as common carriers so the rest of us don't suffer sluggish internet. I depend on the net to keep in contact with my family.
—Kathy Schuler, Abingdon, MD

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Minturn Post Collins III, Los Angeles, CA

New Neutrality supports democracy.
—Martha Hill, Ann Arbor, MI

I think that it's a slippery slope until everything is censored by big brother.
—Patrick Videau, Durham, NC

The current information economy is founded on the possibility that an idea can spread by its merit. If capital is a required precursor for the exposure of a solution, then the crowd-sourced innovation – which for decades has solved problems uninteresting to conglomerates but vital to individuals – will fade into American lore. Networks in competitive countries will attract talent, extracting that infinite possibility from our shores and planting it where it will flourish – freely shared.
—Mr. Galen Sanford, Boston, MA

I work everyday on line and need high speeds to access remote servers effectively. In creased cost to get the fast lane would affect my bottom line. Also, net neutrality is a moral choice. Do you really want big business to slow down websites that disagree with their policies? The internet was created with public funds and is absolutely a public utility. We cannot give discretionary control to the near monopoly control of the ISP providers. Neither should we sensor the net on the government side. Please drop the current plan and reclassify the net as the utility it already is! Thank you
—Christopher R Devereux, Santa Fe, NM

The FCC should throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This would be the fair thing to do.
—Sandra J. Bader, Harshaw, WI

We, in this country from its beginning, have counted on the FREEDOM to achieve our own individual destiny. We have fought to retain this freedom around the world. Why should we now be victimized by commercial tyranny and greed???
—Toni J. Alexander, Madison, OH

We need to keep the internet open like it is now!!!!
—John Carpenter, Shelby, NC

Keep the internet neutral
—Eric fey, Chicago, IL

With this proposed rule, the competition on the net will not be ideas but money. The net feeds that are fast will get the attention over those which are slow. Web users are used to fast interaction and downloads and will turn to them instead of the slower track. Speed is the name of the game with the web user. Therefore offerings that are not on the high speed track will be at a big disadvantage. This rule proposal seems to limit real competition not foster it.
—Dr. Francis E. Cheslik Ph.D., Montvale, NJ

Providing the means to discriminatory use of the internet violates freedom of speech. The internet is a form of communication that is not owned by individuals and cannot be partitioned off to the highest bidders. If we are to preserve the freedoms we have then the ISP's are to be viewed as common carriers and not given any entitlement.
—Kathy Reese, Cotopaxi, CO

A free, unmuddled internet is incredibly important to have.
—Spencer miller, Rockville, MD

The Internet needs to be a level playing field, not one where money confers an advantage. It may be a potential new revenue stream but some things are really more important than money, hard to fathom as that may be. Please do the right thing.
—Randy Graves, CARROLLTON, TX

Net neutrality is important, as it allows equal exposure for all content on the web. This is especially important for smaller sites and organizations. Popularity on the web should depend on quality of a site's content, and not on the paid-for preferential access to end users.
—Andrew Long, Tampa, FL

As a regular Internet user, I am not going to pay extra for something that I am already paying for through my provider. What you are planning is complete discrimination and a perfect example of how the corporations OWN THIS GOVERNMENT AND ALL THOSE WHO HAVE SWORN TO PROTECT THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES. You, Sir, are a corporate shill, and that is unacceptable in a democracy. Your job is to ensure that we, the people, are NOT subject to tirades by corporations and lobbiest. You are supposed to protect us, and you are doing a miserable job if you give in to the money. Do not allow for a two-tier system.
—Julie Cleveland, Bozeman, MT

The internet is without a doubt a resource. A resource that is facilitating a lot of positive and needed innovation. The last thing we need right now is for ISP's to have any control over it. They haven't done anything innovative in years and this is just a money grab to make up for losses the internet has caused them. Please see this and protect Net Neutrality.
—Mike Lamentola, Grass Lake, MI

I operate a few smaller web sites and I can not afford to purchase access to any "fast" lanes on the internet. Allowing such differentiation to be possible by ISPs puts small businesses like mine at a disadvantage. Tom Wheeler only cares about those with deep pockets.
—Dave Lozier, Scandinavia, WI

It's an opportunity for small business to expand to a worldwide level
—Eliseo W. Perez, Homestead, FL

American corporations who enrich themselves overthrowing nations and murdering children from 30,000 feet and invoke the name of a lord to our kids while they bank overseas have no right to breathe much less control an internet they don't own and are tooooooo, much tooooo stupid to fathom it will harm commerce and hurt profits which is why they breathe. The dead Iraqi children do NOT breathe or use the Internet. THEY'RE DEAD BECAUSE AMERICAN PSYCHOPATHS WHO WOULD GUT THEIR MOM FOR A BUFFET COUPON MURDERED THEM TO STEAL OIL AND NOW WANT TO CONTROL THE INTERNET. WHY NOT? DO WHAT YOU WANT. THE AMERICAN PEOPLE HAVE HAD ENOUGH OF YOU CORPORATE PARASITES TO GAG A MAGGOT. YOU HAVE NO IDEA HOW MUCH AMERICANS DETEST THEIR CORPORATE SPYING, TERRORIZING, MASS MURDERING, OIL STEALING GOVERNMENT. YOU SHOULD STRAP IT ON AND RUN AROUND THE VESTIBULE WITH IT BEFORE YOU MAKE ONE MORE DECISION. CHOOSE WISELY!
—Robert Hyer II, Lillian, AL

I shouldn't even have to point out why this is absurd.
—Jennifer Rigby, Plantersville, MS

we can't pretend to be a democracy if information does not flow freely to all
—Nicole Masika, Brooklyn Center, MN

The Internet will be the most important tool of the 21st century and these new rules will stifle that. Do not put the power of the Internet in the hands a few companies. Traffic should NOT be discriminated.
—Philip, San Francisco, CA

Infringement on the American public's ability to communicate freely, without censorship or oppression, create methods and avenues of open trade and commerce, and to freely pursue their rights and freedoms afforded every man, and woman, without abridgment is essential to this great countries continued prosperity. To purposefully gut Net Neutrality, and the incorporated and vital tools that have been build throughout it's structure, for corporate greed and the insinuated oligarchic overburden is simply unacceptable. ISP's, wired and wireless are Title ll common carriers and they must be classified such. The most critical issue of our time must be handled with integrity and foresight. If approached from that grounded place, there is only one choice, and it has absolutely nothing to do with compromise or deception. Make the right play people.
—J Baquie, Tampa, FL

Innovation on the Internet requires a level playing field. New entrepreneurs will not be able to compete otherwise. If extra-cost channels were available before, we would likely not have Google, Facebook, etc. What "next big thing" will be killed by a two-tiered Internet?
—Ira Chayut, Los Gatos, CA

Keep the playing field equal for everyone on the internet. The internet is a public utility.
—Miles Hickok, Hinesburg, VT

I believe that giving individual citizens and small businesses equal access to robust Internet connections will serve our society greatly. The incredible benefit of access to huge swaths of information and knowledge that the internet provides should be viewed as a public reality for everyone in America. As a small business I have already benefited from being able to use fast connections without paying a large premium. This in turn has enabled me to be more productive, and more profitable (and thus more prolific in my business spending).
—Jonathan Lutjens, Saint Louis, MO

I cannot accept the creation of yet one more area where something that is allegedly open to all is in fact prioritized for those who are able and willing to pay more (in the interest of accruing yet further profits).
—Mr. Michaelangelo Allocca, Chicago, IL

Even the smallest voices deserve to be heard along with the biggest. Marginalizing those who can't afford this information toll road is wrong.
—John Box, Oklahoma City, OK

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Debi Garrett, Sturgis, KY

The internet is an important promoter of democracy and freedom of speech. The proposed changes that allows discrimination on traffic is a blow to freedom of speech the internet stands for. Please don't allow it.
—Christian Olsen, Raleigh, NC

Internet / Telecommunications access need to be universally available to all, just as all other utilities.
—Armando Ruggeri, Calgary,

I don't want to be forced to choose between a handful of semi-monopolistic carriers.
—David Tanner, Burbank, CA

There should be no fast lanes and slow lanes. All should have equal access to the internet. It is a communication service.
—JoAnn Witt, Kansas City, MO

Access to information should be same speed for all. Wall of privilege becomes steeper in USA day by day. Please keep net neutrality for all users.
—Mr. David Schein, Burlington, VT

It is important that information be made free for all to share, not just big business. The internet is a successful scientific tool because information can be freely shared among everyone. It is important for the future of our species that information should be freely and readily available. This will lead to advances in science, medicine and art. We have seen what a wasteland television has become, don't let the same thing happen to the internet!
—Stacey Spiegel, Lancaster, CA

I am tired of hearing about all of the threats to our internet access. Enough already! Just do the right thing and put the rights of the people over profits!
—Mende Smith, Los Angeles, CA

Net Neutrality is crucial to upholding the rights of the people. While not explicitly a part of the Constitution, Net Neutrality is key to the 1st Amendment's freedoms of speech and press. The internet has become a tool like the voice and should never be muzzled.
—Amy O'Neal, Houston, TX

Stop the farse. We all know that the net is a publicly paid for communications utility. Stop trying to treat it as a profit center for only the large telecom ISPs. Net neutrality is the only way to avoid special privileges for the rich and powerful with the rest of us relegated to the Internet Slow Lane.
—Robert Christie, Santa Fe, NM

In just a few short years, the Internet has gone from being a curiosity to the lifeblood of our economy. It's urgent that we keep Internet access and bandwidth open to all, and free of corporate agendas that would throttle or block any individual or service. It's high time for the FCC (and Congress) to recognize the Internet for what it has become -- a utility like phone service. I urge you to reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers that are required to offer access to all on equal terms. Thank you for your consideration. Andrew Austin adaustin@umich.edu
—Andrew Austin, New York, NY

We don't pay for electricity on a two rate system, I don't want to pay for internet services on one either. We need to regulate internet as a utility--keep the internet NEUTRAL.
—Mary Lou Ritter, Portland, OR

I believe a free internet is one of the most important factors in the survival of our species, considering the challenges we are facing. Please take your responsibility and do what is right.
—Jerker Österlind, Stockholm, IA

In both personal use and research use, equal access for all is essential.
—Edward Coe, Columbia, MO

For decades the FCC has neglected true oversight and been a rubber stamp for unfairness, monopolies, and greed in general and the good of the public be damned. It is long past time that the airwaves and the entire communication system be treated like the public utility that it truly is. The cost of doing business is one thing, but these communications companies are getting very rich on the backs of everyone - especially the people who can least afford it.
—Curtis Eckstein, Green Bay, WI

Mr. Chairman, My question is, what are the benefits of your proposed plan? There has been so much uproar about net nueutrality and how we should rally against your stupid proposal, but i haven't heard you defend it or explain why it makes more sense to have two tiered Internet? Honestly, it sounds like these companies have you in their back pocket, and that working in their favor is your goal. I understand this is politics, and i understand you didn't get into your position by doing right and working for the US citizens, but dammit man please explain your actions. Or don't. If you go on with your ignorant, dumb plan, people will avoid comcast, verizon at the like and look for other ways to obtain internet (GOOGLE). And then you and your lackies will try to handcuff them, and we'll do this all again in about 5 years.
—Greg LaVanture, Neptune, NJ

ISPs ARE common Carriers, and are utilities used BY ALL!!!
—DC Daniel Wright, Hillsboro, OR

Please out the people first and corporate profits second. The current proposal does the opposite and will hurt not help the average citizen. Please prove to the American people that the F.C.C. isn't in the pocket of the cable companies. Remember for the people by the people.
—Joe Kselman, Takoma Park, MD

Dear FCC, the internet should be treated as a utility. This action will do nothing but damage the country by squelching innovation. Small tech businesses having to pay more for priority service will not help. Thank for helping america go backwards. GET IT TOGETHER, and keep this country great.
—Michael, Elyria, OH

We need a neutral network worldwide.
—Richard McGowan, San Jose, CA

All data should be treated equally, we don't tell Highway Patrols that certain cars are allowed to go faster because they paid more for the privilege.
—Brett Cothren, Metairie, LA

This would be like the library "pushing" certain books on readers because of corporate backing! Just ridiculous!!!
—Gary Bettum, Sedona, AZ

As a small business owner, I rely on the internet as an affordable way to reach and communicate with both current and prospective clients. ISPs should be a partner with small businesses, not an obstacle. The growth of the economy relies on new business growth, not on large corporations gaining yet more wealth and power by controlling communication resources and profiting off of small growing companies.
—Shelley Gierman, Chesterland, OH

I am a developer, and it is my business to provide content and services for the web. The web thrives because people are truly equal when it comes to being a part of it. If it becomes a world of haves and have nots, that would greatly stifle innovation. The whole fast lane scheme is just a way for carriers to exert control over content, even though their job is to simply direct it to its destination. If we allow them to do this, they will keep demanding more and more control and will be virtually unstoppable. The argument that we can simply switch to different carriers if we are unhappy doesn't hold up since said carriers already have undisputed holds over most of the US (ie. Comcast and Verizon). So I am completely against the fastlane scheme, and will only accept full net neutrality. Anything less would be an insult.
—Joshua David Ols, Indianapolis, IN

These proposed rules are garbage plain and simple. Classify internet service providers as Common Carriers (anything else is frankly dishonest), and protect an open and fair internet. This should not be difficult, this should be obvious. ISPs are moaning about needing to deliver content across their wires, but guess what, that is what I and millions of other people already pay for! By allowing ISPs to create a fast lane, you will be enable them to double charge for sub-standard service. The result will be increased prices, lower quality, and a huge barrier for start companies. This is before mentioning that our internet speeds and connectivity are some of worst in any industrialized nation (which is shameful). Protect consumers, protect our economy, PROTECT NET NEUTRALITY!
—Nicholas Kerwin, Albuquerque, NM

Please don't tilt the playing field in favor of organizations with deep pockets. The success of the internet depends upon the competition of ideas, not dollars.
—Ray Hatfield, Oklahoma City, OK

It is important that anyone with a good idea can apply their idea online and be on equal grounds. This will keep competition alive and not give major companies an advantage over smaller ones. Please reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers.
—Dustin Zeimet, North Liberty, IA

companies should not throttle the web for pay
—Amy van der Hiel, Roslindale, MA

Net Neutrality is what democracy looks like in the 21st century.
—Nancy Aykanian, Newton, MA

Net Neutrality shows true equality. There is no need to fix something that isn't ruined. Infringing upon a basic right is ridiculous, and just because I'm not a corporation does not mean I don't deserve equal Internet. DO NOT RUIN THE INTERNET.
—Randy Tadros, Crown Point, IN

This Internet was built for the people, to be used by the people, and our work is not to be sold off to the highest bidder.
—Brenden rajah, Highland Mills, NY

No Internet fast lanes for the rich/incumbent/willing-or-able -to-pay. ISPs do not constitute a free market. Reclassify and regulate them as a utility. Support people, not corporations.
—Eric Chen, San Francisco, CA

More broadband Internet, less weapons and manipulation from US towards Europe!
—Stefano Menolascina, ,

I am a micro-business owner who depends on the Internet for my livelihood. My storefront is on-line and international. I wouldn't be able to afford higher fees for a faster website, putting my business and my entrepreneurship at a disadvantage. An ISP should be classified as a common carrier like other telecommunications. Telephone service is available via the Internet and Internet service is available via telephone. This is the 21st century, everyone should have equal access to the Internet and the applications they choose to use.
—Terri Fisher, Narrows, VA

As an artist trying to get my name out (and hopefully sell artwork), I depend on Net Neutrality.
—Heather Vidal, Budd Lake, NJ

I thought we, as a nation, discouraged discrimination in all cases...?!?
—Brent Spencer, Long Beach, CA

I can not believe that you are caving in to the big money interests. I expect my government to do a better job than this. The internet should be, legally speaking, a utility. A two-tiered internet will be a disaster, as everyone but you understands. Protect the open internet. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Nancy Kaye Holcomb, Seattle, WA

A non-neutral internet is NOT internet
—Dominique Jacques-Brissette, Montréal,

Comcast and other big companies already take advantage of consumers. I don't have cable TV, and I am stuck with AT&T wireless phone. We can't have the gap widened between the rich, who can pay as much as they need to, and the poor who can't afford the money it costs for faster internet. This reminds me of time I spent in a Communist country - where the internet was controlled by the people in power.
—Pam C, Minneapolis, MN

The corporations and the 1%ers have enough special privileges, in the way of tax breaks and subsidies. Please let the rest of us at least have our internet services. We already pay more than the rest of the developed world for these services. Please don't price it completely out of our range.
—Jo A Howell, Gilroy, CA

The internet is the best chance of coming together globally to respond to climate change in the best way for the human race; permitting certain corporations to occupy the foreground for their parochial profit reduces the receding opportunity for the rest of us to use this precious tool for the good of all.
—Lin Griffith, Altadena, CA

Allowing ISPs to throttle Internet traffic will harm start ups and competition to established companies. Only existing, wealthy companies will be able to afford Internet "fast lanes" that transmit data at speeds customers expect while new businesses with limited financial resources will be unable to compete. The FCC needs to establish rules that preserve network neutrality and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—John Zaharick, Ashland, PA

Please, fight for the little guy who can't defend himself.
—Rodrigo de Souza, ,

l make my living developing websites. this would destroy my business
—Jeffrey A Zamrzla, Topeka, KS

The rich get richer and … What a democracy we have.
—Allen Kanner, Albany, CA

Net Neutrality is incredibly important to me. I'm an aspiring artist and videogame designer. I upload my work on free sites, for people to enjoy them for free. I know, I SO know, that I would not be able to pay for "fast lanes" nor my intended audience (people interested in free art and games from an unknown indie) would. It's very important that we can share freely. If only big time companies have the good connections, then projects like mine will just die. Don't kill my project. Don't force me offline. Please, keep Net Neutrality. I depend on it.
—Ludmila Manicchio, Topeka, KS

Because we want to be able to keep our individual voice.
—Linda Bescript, Tucson, AZ

Net neutrality keeps the internet free for the people of this country. We shouldn't be told what we can and cannot see on the internet by a government that was based around freedom. Keeping net neutrality will uphold those values and keep the internet a free place like it should be. I, for one, will continue to fight for net neutrality for as long as I have to.
—Nicolette, West Mifflin, PA

I do not want to support legislation that will allow big corporations to set rules and regulations to an Internet that should remain neutral in terms of its user's access.
—Jesse Campbell, Somerville, MA

Don't destroy net neutrality. It is extremely important.
—Mr. Geo Svinos, Yuma, AZ

FCC: As an avid internet user and an avid American citizen who values the principles of democracy, I condemn a two-tiered class system of internet function. ONLY by declaring by law that the internet is a PUBLIC UTILITY will net neutrality and democracy be protected for all.
—Alice Dugar, Independence, OH

An open internet is best for everyone. Please keep it that way!
—Rodney Gonzalez, Paterson, NJ

It is important to me that we have an accessible internet for everyone, not just those able to pay more. It is important because I do not want to see an internet under the control of the big corporations and rich.
—Renee Bisel, San Diego, CA

This is the most important issue of our time. Please listen to THE PEOPLE, not the corporations.
—Ruth Waytz, LOS ANGELES, CA

I'm a self employed professional photographer and I have been in business for 30 years. I have finally reached a point with my on-line presence through 3 web sites where people can find me easily and fast. When you are self employed, the speed at which your web site loads is paramount in helping you compete with your competition. Money is always a huge factor when you are self employed and in my case is a week to week issue. If I have to start paying for fast download speed for 3 separate web sites it might be the last nail in the coffin for me. I can assure you it is the same for many of my colleagues. There are thousands of self employed photographers in the US and every single one of them will be affected in a negative way and could possibly put thousands of these people out of business if these new rules are allowed to go through. Please Chairman Wheeler, do not approve these new rules. Net Neutrality is vital for the survival for us as business owners. Please protect the open internet as we now know it. Sincerely, Greg Nikas Greg Nikas Photography greg@gregnikas.com www.gregnikas.com
—Greg Nikas, Newburyport, MA

Internet neurality is important to the freedom of speech and expression.It is the pillar of this generation,for the better or the worse it us who will guide it.Don't try to manipulate the internet because you are already walking on a very thin line.Aren't you done with fucking up the human race?Aren't you done with fucking up the planet?
—Iliescu Cosmin-Adrian, ,

Innovation and choice. Removing New Neutrality limits our choices to the biggest companies who are well entrenched and unlikely to drive innovation that improves the net and increases choices for consumers.
—Craig Horgan, Arlington, MA

Big corporations are already squeezing out everybody else. Why help them do it better?
—Arthur Thomas, Harrisville, MI

I want entrepreneurship to flourish.
—Ian Asaff, Medford, MA

It is completely absurd to treat internet access as a luxury item. The internet has become an integral part in our society as a whole, but also individually, for the greater part of the U.S. population. It is a way to communicate – now, the most used form I suspect. It is utterly imperative to effectively compete in business. It is how people receive and convey news and other information. The internet is a priceless resource for students, professionals, parents, researchers, virtually every one of us. This plan is one, giant step in the wrong direction. I bet it makes investors just salivate at the thought of pay-for-access. And, next? How about we establish a system to answer 911 calls in descending order from wealthiest neighborhood and down? But, that's crazy. Yea. It is.
—Hallie Widner, Alliance, NE

If this bill passes we won't know internet as it is today. The only way of being free will dissapear.
—Dany Alejandro Arevalo Pinzon, ,

The whole concept of the internet is built upon Net Neutrality and fairness for packet routing. Trying to regulate the new rules involving a "fast lane" internet would require too much oversight and be slow for innovation and technology. Any traffic that the ISP deemed to be unnecessary, they can slow it down to be useless unless they pay what is basically an extortion fee. A fast lane would give ISPs the ability to control the internet to be highly anti-competitive. The concept of a fast lane would also violate privacy concerns since they would need to track and label traffic to determine if they are priority traffic. Having Net Neutrality would ensure innovative technology be able to grow and not worry if they will be restricted by ISP. Net Neutrality would guarantee customers and companies good service and fairness. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and get rid of the fast lane rules.
—Alex Chee, San Jose, CA

I utterly demand that internet service providers be classified as common carriers to avoid a classist system of internet access.
—Heron Greenesmith, Somerville, MA

The intenet has become a utility, like electricity, Gas and telephones... Treat ti the same way!!!!
—James Long, Hummelstown, PA

Having access to the information, opinions, ideas, etc. that is offered by the internet in its current unrestricted form is something that every citizen should be able to experience and utilize fully. I do not want to see this great resource hindered or outright denied to anyone in my lifetime or for future generations of our country.
—Anthony Feiner, Woodbridge, VA

As a Computer Science student looking to go into Web Application Development, I am deeply concerned with any plan that puts the internet at risk. I believe the only way to ensure a level playing field for all is to reclassify the internet as a common carriers. They should be treated similarly to any other utility. We would not stand for good water pressure for citizen who can afford to pay more, and low water pressure for everyone else, why should we stand for a fast internet for only those who can pay more. Please reject the actions of big business and ensure a free and open internet for everyone!
—Frank Dye, San Francisco, CA

Information should flow freely without any filters, restrictions, or someone deciding for us.
—Herb Sayas, New Orleans, LA

We are falling behind many European countries in terms of internet speed and access, all for the name of money. I am not naive to that fact that money makes the world turn, but just as it is immoral to price gouge people for the price of water and electricity, it is also immoral to squeeze the internet for all the money possible. Internet needs to be realized as a Human Right. Every living person has the right to internet, and shouldn't be charged exuberant prices so that corporate fat cats can sit on this money without upgrading the infrastructure of their networks. We, the people, want change. We, the people, DEMAND change. Tom Wheeler's plan is not the change we want.
—Lee Mann, Vancouver, WA

The FCC proposed Internet rules are very discriminating. We middle class/poor people can not afford the fast access charge simply to do online banking. This is not acceptable nor fair. The two tier program simply is not fair!
—Bonnie Webb, Leesburg, IN

The internet has already been revealed to be an arena for intrusive government spying on all of us; if it is additionally allowed to be set up as a feudal-style structure with the wealthy few getting what is best and the rest of us accepting crumbs, it won't be worth bothering with at all. Is this really what you want--and can't you see how this would impact all the businesses and related activities that rely on our continued participation in the net? Think it over--then give us the only thing a democratic society should ever produce: a level playing field for all.
—Daniel Raphael, University Place, WA

Our internet speed is already slower than much of the connected world and we're the beacon of free speech and press. We fight to spread these freedoms. Pretty ironic to take them away or diminish them in the USA.
—S Israil, skokie, IL

Net neutrality is key for innovation. Startups count on an even playing field on the internet to help them compete against the big boys. Killing net neutrality means stifling innovation. Keep the internet free and open to help this country move forward.
—Joren Winge, San francisco, CA

Hello - in response to your request for feedback. I oppose the upcoming proposal to allow ISPs to create fast and slow lanes, for 3rd party content providers. This is contrary to the concept of Net Neutrality, which has allowed the Internet to flourish. I encourage you, instead, to re-impose common carrier rules on Internet Service Providers, thereby ensuring that we will have a free an open internet for years to come. This is an important issue for me and my business - one which I will be following closely and involving my representatives in. Thank you for your time and best regards.
—Chris Plough, Box Elder, SD

We, as citizens, provided the tax money that developed the Internet, and now we are expected to stand by while corporate interests manipulate it for their profit -- and our LOSS ! This is totally unfair. I received a response from Tom Wheeler to an EMail stating that he is on the side of the public, yet is obviously ready to hand over controls to those same corporate interests. I cry, "FOUL" ! If he is willing to obfuscate his real intentions with statements like that, I really don't trust him.
—Robert Kraft, Orrtanna, PA

Use the internet almost every day depending on the weather and electricity. Would be lost without it.
—Sherryll Sprunger, Berne, IN

Net neutrality helps people to investigate the news when newscasters and politicians lie to them.
—Bruce Krawisz, Marshfield, WI

with the public being spyed on at every occasion.the net as it is still giving a sense of freedom.take this away and the public have nothing.
—Watson Watson, ,

Bandwidth should be a public utility. Until you stand up and do the right thing our industries and our research facilities are being outpaced by countries with decent infrastructure. The market is not enough to motivate the infrastructure upgrades we need. Our system is broken and needlessly slow as it is. These new rules just make it worse.
—Lori Kelly, Miami, FL

Don't make the U.S the next Egypt.
—Logan ragsdale, memphis, TN

I seriously hope you consider the very negative consequences of these rulings. Once again, this is yet another point at which the government can choose the good of the people over these massive, greedy, companies. The Internet needs to be a free forum for all of us to exchange ideas, information, services, at a fair, completely even rate. This is the only way that this should be ruled . Internet neutrality is the most important thing for innovating new and crucial ideas for everyone. Please, for the good of humanity, ensure Internet neutrality.
—Christina Lis, North Tonawanda, NY

Net neutrality allows everyone equal access to information and the knowledge should be free not based on wealth!
—James Seiling, Los Angeles, CA

Internet is NOT the place where few can dictate their rules to everyone else. I urge you to reevaluate the rules you propose and let us, people of the Internet, take part in making this decision. Thank you.
—Konstantin Minevskiy, Las Vegas, NV

Quoting John Bergmayer,"To expect that you can come in and use public infrastructure and funds to build a network and then be free of any regulation is absurd." "'When Verizon itself is describing these activities as a Title II common carrier, how can the FCC look at broadband internet and continue acting as though it's not a telecommunication network?" I do not like being played, and I don't big corporations being allowed to game the system this way. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Not only is it common sense, it's the truth.
—Mary Suda, Clifton Park, NY

If we don't have Net Neutrality, the ability to be creative and innovative in the future will be suppressed. Only the big and the rich voices will be heard. The others will be drowned out. What a loss for our future!
—Gillian Langdon, new york, NY

Normally people hate Comcast only after they sign up for service with them, but I hate Comcast because I *can't* get service with them, nor will they provide service to me or my neighborhood pretty much ever. I bought a house in 2009 because Comcast said via their website, online chat, and phone sales that they provided service at that address. Only once I'd bought the house and tried to actually get the service installed did they say, oh sorry actually we don't provide service there. Instead of the 25+ megabit I expected to have at my house, which I rely on as a work-from-home web developer, I could only get 3 megabit DSL from at&t (and I had to BATTLE them to get that!). Literally YEARS later, at&t *doubles* my speed... to 6 megabit. I have no hope of getting good internet. Comcast has cost me hundreds of thousands of dollars from lost property value, lost time, lost opportunities. All because they'd rather buy out their 2nd largest (non) competitor instead of building out their own infrastructure to provide the service they promised their customers. Now they want to double dip everyone on top of *that*. No. Just, no.
—Ian Cook, Nevada City, CA

I do not approve of the proposal and believe this would lead in time, to further distinctions, tiers, pricing plans and restrictions in regards to internet service. I am very certain that these companies will discriminate against certain streaming applications if given the opportunity. Please stand up against this.
—Germain Zepeda, Phoenix, AZ

Without a free and open internet, the over-commercialization and greed inherent in today's megacorporations will absolutely ruin the 'net as we know it today. As it is, the incessant ads and attendant malware is making the internet a cesspool.
—Keith McMaugh, Cranston, RI

Keep "the internet" as ONE THING. KEEP IT EQUAL!!!!
—Patrick Donnelly, Guerneville, CA

We need to prevent the rich and well off from having too much power over the internet. If we have a two-tiered system, those with more money will over power those without, and access to information for poor and middle-class people will be limited. This is just wrong!
—David Bly, Ithaca, NY

A free and honest press is key to a viable democracy. A neutral internet, that favors no one based on their wealth, has to be part of that free press.
—John Schwartz, Richford, NY

A big part of my business identity depends on the freedom of the Internet. Don't close this last avenue to free speech unfettered by big Corporate interests and dictatorship! Please reclassify our ISPs as common carriers! Meaning, they should carry ALL of us as EQUALS! It's not just Net Neutrality at stake here, it's Net EQUALITY!!
—Mark Kausler, Glendale, CA

The internet is currently the last bastion of true equality and freedom of speech. If this proposal passes, that last bastion is doomed to extinction. Please do not allow the internet to be perverted by the high dollar lobbyist/special interest group model that has so crippled our government.
—Cassidy Rockhill, Bloomington, IN

Major ISPs already have a monopoly on the market, we don't need to provide them with the opportunity to regulate the internet as well, their responsibilities should be solely based in providing service, not specifying which service they feel is more important.
—George Eichman IV, Roxbury Crossing, MA

Internet access is a necessity in today's world, and it should be treated as such. On the internet, people can gather the information they need, and can make their voices heard. If this proposal is implemented, the ISPs will be able to grant preferential treatment to those who are able to pay, and everyone else will be effectively silenced or unable to find much of what they're looking for. Please regulate the internet as you would any other necessity, and insist on equal access for everyone.
—Erik Rieselbach, Bronx, NY

Mr. Chairman this is unacceptable, not everyone has the funds to pay for these needless increase in fees to maintain the same speeds that we have access to currently. And even if we did, the internet isn't "owned" by anyone and we should not be discriminate against who gets higher quality service based on how much they pay. Have a heart and look at all the petitions you're getting, you know deep down inside that this isn't the right thing. It might look like the right thing from a financial standpoint, but come on, not everyone in the country looks at things that way. Mr. Chairman, I challenge you to look at this from our perspective. I leave you with that sir. Stay true to your heart, and have a great day :)
—Darry Oliver, Durham, NC

Net Neutrality matters because without it business never would have been able to get started in the early internet, and now with these two tiers, there will be plenty of businesses delegated to the slow tier that will never be able to get off the ground because they're so slow that people just click off the page. Having two tiers instead of Net Neutrality kills the free market, as well as an open and free flow of information. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Niko Thompson, Cincinnati, OH

True Net Neutrality is important to people like me who freely share ideas and innovation from my home server and internet connection. I know no one likes more regulation, but I truly feel the internet can be directly compared to the interstate infrastructure allowing Americans to to travel freely sharing goods and ideas efficiently. Thank you for considering my concerns.
—Elliott Long, Hamilton, OH

The internet is a large part of my life. I'm a bed bound quadriplegic and spend most of my days on the internet. If it was restricted the way they are trying to do then my life would be rather dull.
—Jessica McCoy, Iowa Park, TX

The internet MUST remain equally available to ALL.
—Leonard B Chandler, San Jose, CA

Net neutrality is important to me as a consumer. I do not trust the cable companies to have any interest at all in my well being or access to quality services. I think they already make enough money and have no pressing need for "for profit" prioritization of internet access.
—Steven Gutman, Rockville, MD

Your elitist plan makes a sick joke of the word "neutrality."
—Susan Hathaway, Pico Rivera, CA

Are you INSANE? This will kill the internet in the US, and put it at a huge disadvantage with the rest of the world. Giving companies this much control? HOW much money are FCC members being paid as back handers?
—Michell Topham, Wilmington, NC

As an engineer and computer scientist, the internet is a critical component of my professional and academic life. As an average american, it is also my biggest form of entertainment. I and my fellow Americans have enjoyed the fruits of the internet because it is a new frontier; unbridled and allowed to grow and evolve. If you dismantle net neutrality and give control over to the ISPs, you will be allowing less than a dozen major corporations to dictate how the internet is used. It will cripple competition and innovation. The media companies pushing for the destruction of net neutrality have a vested interest in doing so. They want to cling to antiquated business models instead of changing with the rapid advances of technology. I urge you not to give into them. In fact, I ask that you stand up for the best interests of American businesses and citizens and reclassify ISPs as Title II, ensuring a free and open internet for everybody.
—John Fetrow, Saint Louis, MO

In America everyone is to be equal.
—K Berge, Long Lake, MN

I am sick of getting squeezed by the microcosm monopoly that seems to be squeezing every aspect of our telecommunications liberty, rolling in the dough, giving NOTHING back to society, and playing the FCC like a violin.
—Paul P. Soucek, Venice, CA

you corrupt BASTARDS have destroyed all of TV---PRIVATIZING whats the public owns ...and now you want to fuck w/ privatizing the internet FUCK YOU CORRUPT BASTARDS!!!!!!!!!
—j lewis, phx, AZ

ISP's in the USA are already horrible in service and speed compared to the rest of the world. Please don't allow them to make even more money and provide worse service.
—Chris Donoghue, Palatine, IL

Being a handicapped senior citizen on a fixed income, the removal of the free Internet and replacing it with a tiered fee structure is unconscionable and would impact greatly my daily activities.
—Mel Solomon, Roseville, CA

This is a very important issue for a country is supposed to be a democracy. ISPs need to be classified a common carriers.
—Wendy Fast, Dansville, NY

Don't be nuts!
—Henry Neal Camp, Tempe, AZ

I keep trying to start up little businesses on the internet. I haven't had one genuinely succeed yet, but *please* do not take away the chance that it will! My bits are just as important as Google's, Amazon's, AT&T's, etc. The different parts of the big conglomerates will game the system, meaning that any big company that wants to do the same as my little companies will get a *huge* bandwidth boost over anything I might create. Please, do what's right for everyone instead of what's right for a few large corporations! Thank you.
—Ken Corey, Mountain View, CA

Keep it fair and honest just like our country is supposed to be not the land of the rich and the dishonest
—Daniel Schlegel Jr, Snyder, TX

I consider free, open and equal access to the internet as a basic human right. I also think that the internet should be thought of as belonging to the public. Everyone, worldwide should be able to gain access to the highest speeds possible. Gigantic corporations should not have the right to limit access speeds.
—Gary Fox, Middletown, CT

Large cable and internet service providers already have enough of a share in these markets and consumers and online businesses deserve to be protected from their monopolies. Comcast has treated me and many people I know unfairly in the past and raised prices with no warning and there is no reason to believe they will act in a commercially reasonable way. Keep the internet open and free because it's what America deserves. Don't allow pay-for-fast-lane pricing!
—Jordan Carlson, Indianapolis, IN

Net Neutrality protects the people.
—Tara Kerksick, Festus, MO

Please, do the right thing. Uphold Net Neutrality!
—Karl Heitzenroeder, Florissant, MO

In a Country filled with financial inequality, this ridiculous plan furthers what is already wrong.
—Sharon S Dymowski, Alexandria, VA

This is a violation of our first ammendment which allows freedom of speech, the press, and the media.
—Loa Mackay, ,

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers immediately. Anything else is just another handout to corporate greed and corporate lack of accountability. Privatization means pay to play.
—Michael J Fowler, Glendale, AZ

We need to keep the playing field level on the Internet in order to keep up our global competitveness and increase jobs/boost economy domestically.
—Mr. Willis Gravelle, Carbondale, CO

I work professionally with small businesses, and am the owner of a small business which requires an internet presence myself. I also worry about access to impartial media being impeded. It's all well and good for Tom Wheeler to say he wouldn't allow it, but what about his successor? Or their successor? You're creating the groundwork for a severely skewed perception of the world through our last equal representative.
—Ariel Hassman, Venice, CA

I think ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers so we can start maintaining existing infrastructure and start getting higher speeds in more and more places. Now is the time in technologies fast growth that will be snuffed out if net neutrality is killed off. It is bad for everyone.
—Mike, Minneapolis, MN

We're falling behind in bandwidth as a nation. This will only set us back farther. The average citizen needs to have unrestricted access to the internet, not just corporations with deep pockets. Great minds and ideas are not likely to spawn from corporate profits, but from American Sprit, and the future will definitely be dependent on bandwidth.
—Andrew Glaser, Milwaukee, WI

The internet has become essential for research, information, communication. Daily It is utilized for work, my children's education and to communicate with people across the globe. It opens the world to those who cannot afford do otherwise. Access to it should be unfettered and certainly not tiered.
—Lynn and Roger stapes, Dexter, OR

Already you have big corporations running the cable and charging us taxpayers ridiculous fees to watch cable! I remember a time where you didn't need boxes to watch TV just the cable line! Now you want to do the same to the internet? ?? It should be free! ! It's a space satellite for Pete's sake! !! It belongs to us the tax payers not corprations! ! Quit regulating our amenities! ! Enough is enough!
—Leticia Trevino, Lansing, MI

Corporations controlling a system that the taxpayers paid for is ludicrous. The price of admission is already too high to access the internet, let it be free!
—Mr. Russ Hills, San Jose, CA

We the people of this country and planet want an open internet with no government interference. So now is the time to begin following your conscience (if you still have one) not your wallet and do what is right.
—James McConnell, Glendale, AZ

Since the media is no longer "free," the Internet is the sole source of unadulterated information as long as people exercise discernment. If the FCC eradicates Net Neutrality, I will boycott using it any longer and search out other alternatives instead.
—Nancy Baer, Sedona, AZ

No discrimination on line,please.
—Spiro Aretoulis, ,

The free flow of information is the greatest thing about the 21st century.
—Anna Platis, Baltiimore, MD

ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers. Effective regulation is vital. I already can't afford cable television and cable broadband. I pay for much less expensive fixed wireless which is also much slower. Inevitably. with Chairman Wheeler's proposal, prices to the consumer for sufficiently fast and secure internet connections will increase. I rely on the internet for too many things to manage without it (just like other utilities) and my cost should be regulated just like my other necessary utilities.
—Naomi Harrison, Santa Fe, NM

Net neutrality empowers individuals without the monetary means to a formal education to better themselves through learning online. The end of net neutrality will mean the end of a valuable learning resource for the poor.
—Christopher Ummen, Springfield, VA

Suppressing information is never a good idea. You want the population to be informed, by removing net neutrality you allow company's to decide what information is important, this suppresses freedom of speech and allows corporations far too much power. Let people decide for themselves what is important, it fosters critical thinking, which is much needed in society today to solve problems. Do not let corporations buy another part of society.
—Bellinda Kallimanis, Tampa, FL

Free flow of information is essential to democracy; two-tiers is all about oligarchy.
—Martin Iseri, Fair Oaks, CA

Anti-net neutrality is the result of the conflict of interest created when cable TV companies also provide access to net content that directly competes with its TV services. This setup is an unmitigated disaster which will only get worse with time.
—David Taubner, ,

Net neutrality is important because average American citizens can afford extra cost.
—Alejandro Ruiz, Williams, CA

I met the love of my life on the internet. I don't want it to change in this way. Stop this madness. Please.
—David Toboz, Burnsville, MN

First Amendment, need I say more?
—Marc Pendergast, Chapel Hill, NC

Over the years I have seen choice and service decrease while cost continues to rise meanwhile the FCC has done nothing for the benefit of consumers. Take a stand for us, the citizens of the United States, the consumers, the innovators, the content providers, and do one easy thing - reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Listen to the voices of the people, not the dollars and paid lobbyists there for the benefit of a handful of corporations.
—Ramon R Medina, Houston, TX

Please consider the people in your deliberations. The majority of us can not afford higher fees in order to conduct our businesses. The large corporations can.
—Anna C Kaohelaulii, Honolulu, HI

Net Neutrality is the AMERICAN way. I value the openness of the internet. Please rethink the rules. Keep the internet open to all
—Helen Edwards, White Hall, IL

Net Neutrality is important. If you imposed these rules you will be destroying it. Net Neutrality is what's keeping the internet a "laissez faire" economy. If you eliminate that, all you'll be doing is putting the powers into service providers to do as they please, essentially destroying the free open market of the internet. That's terrible. Please don't do this.
—Duc Nguyen, San Jose, CA

As an 80-year-old veteran, retired and on limited income, I cannot afford additional costs for Internet service, or deal with discriminatory degradation of its quality.
—James J. Boone Jr., Malden, MA

ISPs should be classified as common carriers. The reasons to do so are numerous and are in the best interests of our entire nation. Not to do so only benefits a small number of corporations. Our government should not be driven by greed but by the voice of its citizens, or so I have been told. I have yet to see that work in practice, please let this be the exception. Sincerely, Justin M. Spotts
—Justin M Spotts, Ulster Park, NY

Throw out proposed new rules and reclasify interntet service providers as common carriers. Preserve net neutrality !!
—Esteban Lladó, Bayamon, PR

If I have to deal with slower internet because large conglomerate Cable/Telecom ISP's are hogging the bandwidth I will stop using the internet as much. It will hurt my small ISP provider from providing the access it now does. WHY allow large providers to become LARGER. Why not keep the competition playing field equal. KEEP Net neutrality as it is.
—John Toscano, Bennington, VT

I buy clothing only from online businesses with products made in the USA. These business operate on a shoestring budget and do have the money for a "fast lane". Please reclassify the internet as a telecommunications service to maintain net neutrality so these businesses can survive, and I can buy as my conscience dictates.
—Carol Pinson, Martinez, CA

The internet is a universal tool for democracy and should be regulated as a common carrier. My husband and I use the internet daily to research, write letters to the editor and share opinions with friends and acquaintances. This ability should not be compromised in order to award Comcast and others with larger profits. We were Comcast customers before we had a choice of one other carrier and we found them to be sorely lacking in any concern for customer service. When they were a monopoly in our neighborhood they had no incentive to improve service or prices.
—Ms. Jenise Porter, Tucson, AZ

Living in a rural area and being paralyzed, the internet is the only way I can keep up with the world.
—Victoria Folker, Bandon, OR

I'm incredibly skeptical that you will do the right thing. There has been a steady stream of decisions in the past couple decades that choose corporate profits over what is in the best interests of the citizenry. Please be the first decision makers that, at least in this instance, stem the tide of callous and indifferent rulings that make things more difficult for the average citizen. Please remember that we are citizens who happen to be consumers not consumers who happen to be citizens.
—Robert Barnard, Pittsburgh, PA

Please do not ruin the Internet for the entire country. You should be protecting the public, not siding with corporations for money.
—Steven Milner, Addison, TX

Please please keep the Internet open for all traffic. Fast lane is not an option and worse for us in rural areas. I owned an ISP for 12 years and had to close my doors due to a giant telcomm protected by the oklahoma corp commission and the FCC forcing me out of business. Open internet and making them be a common carrier is the only way to protect the consumer. The consumer is important here not the Telcomm provider. I want to be able to get the data and information that I want without restriction and without the Mega ISP deciding for me. If the FCC would make sure that all consumers had Giabit Internet throughout the US this would be a non issue. The average speed is rural areas is 1Meg or less. Please think about the consumer not the greedy corporations.
—Anthony Morgan, Poteau, OK

Net Neutrality matters because of the monopolies that are popping up throughout the US. It is time for some competition for AT&T, Verizion and Comcast!
—Calvin Tuttle, Ypsilanti, MI

It's not fair for the Internet to be two different speeds, faster for those who can afford it. The Internet should be a utility, same price for everyone.
—Joshua Pfeffer, Berkeley, CA

I actually believe in our Constitution, and its Bill of Rights! Blocking internet - in other words information access and communication - is denying those Constitutional Rights. Including "whenever any form of government becomes destructive of these ends, it is the right of the people to alter or abolish it."
—Elizabeth Zenker, Arcata, CA

I don't want to have basic services. I want the the full internet independant of my purse. I still remember these analogue modem days. Don't want them back.
—Bruno Zacke, Berlin,

I've stated this time & time again. This will create "information brokers". Imagine paying higher costs for faster & faster speeds to get the information you need/want. We are doing this now but on a much grander scale.
—Jeremy, Tustin, CA

It seems like we complain about this every 6 months like clockwork and then 6 months later, you try and pass the same crummy rules again. A two tiered Internet is a horrible idea. If Comcast was having such terrible difficulty managing network traffic then they should get out of the business and let someone else make money off of it. Because, let's be honest, this is really all about companies like Comcast padding their profit margins at the expense of the American consumer. Nothing more, nothing less.
—John Clark, Jonesboro, GA

Open access to all is vital to our nation.
—Terry Eby, Arlington, VA

Because giving big businesses the power to pick and choose what services people get the best access to is tantamount to censorship. No-one should have that kind of power
—Chris Farris, ,

I believe in the american dream. All people, rich and poor should be given equal ground to stand on with the internet.
—Andrew Dickinson, Grand Haven, MI

it seems to be one of the last democratic areas in public life - it would be best to maintain it as a space where all can use it equally w/out having to worry about getting slowed down by those w/ extra $$. that happens enough as it is...
—Miguel Ramos, Bellingham, WA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Ben Corbin, Kansas City, MO

Some things should not be for sale. One of them is our right to unrestricted use of the Internet.
—Vernon and Mary Joyce Dixon, Hiawassee, GA

I believe in transparency and simplicity. If I pay for an Internet speed I should get it, not some convoluted package of some select sites or throttling to certain sites.
—Jereme E Guenther, Lebanon, OR

Net Neutrality is important to me because it allows my friends, family and I to use the Internet with the same access as the millionaires and billionaires. If it is allowed that provides can speed up Internet for those able or willing to pay more it would end the everyday persons ability to connect to the public. Basicly those with power and money would become absolute with no competition. NO FCC RULES!!
—Charles Bramhall, Hanover Park, IL

I try to stay informed through different sources, support local businesses, and check local events. All of that is at risk if we lose net neutrality.
—Sarah Steel, De Pere, WI

Internet access is a public utility, and there should be open & equal access to everyone, not just the people wealthy enough to afford it. We don't reserve water or electricity for the wealthy -- why would we with internet?
—Michele Crissinger, Cleveland, OH

I use small, independent websites all the time. If they were forced to (or couldn't) pay premiums to maintain browsing speed on their website I'd be extremely disappointed. Please don't do this and further kill innovation and entrepreneurship in America.
—Justin Torraco, Kearny, NJ

Keep the internet democratic.
—Sister Honora Kinney, Albany, NY

If there was no net neutrality, the business the large businesses want to protect would not be there. There are many more good things to come that will not happen if there is not net neutrality.
—Mr. George Harvey, Stockton, CA

Everyone needs the same level playing field in our country, and this is just another step against that.
—Ronald Hadley, Rancho Mirage, CA

De facto corporate governance is NOT de jure! Back off the People's freedom.
—TimothyMainka WithoutPrejudice, Grand Rapids, MI

When I first got access to the internet, I had local dial-up. It was slow, inefficient, and required regular start-ups, usually when I was in the middle of doing something, reading or working on a project. I switched to high-speed broadband after several years, and now have DSL, from ATT. Allowing ATT and others to create a higher priced level for others and allowing them to potentially reduce the speed I'm already paying for too much for would make it feel like I was back on dial-up with the clumsy and ineffective processes foisted on me, and others like me. Please put the classification for all ISPs back to common carriers. With that classification, there will be incentive to increase the speed for all and, as with ATT currently, they can charge more for premium speeds without causing problems for the rest of us who can't afford higher prices for less service.
—Tom Harlander, Wood River, IL

The proposed new rules would give a huge monopolistic competitive advantage to the high-rollers, Those of us of more modest means still depend on fair and equal access.
—Mr Craig P Markham, Dundee, OR

Internet connections are vital to modern American life, from shopping for things you can't get locally but need, to researching for school papers, to watching TV shows better than crap cable. Internet Protections are vital!!! Carriers cannot be allowed to force slow speeds and high prices. Most of America can no longer afford even what's needed, we certainly cannot afford to lose Net Neutrality!!
—Jennifer Konungrinn, Coventry, CT

I pay for bandwidth. What I use it for my business NOT the provider's! PERIOD!
—Carey Hyson, Fort Worth, TX

The internet is such a basic necessity to many who rely on it for work, school and play that I am surprised and saddened to see corporate influence controlling the decision to make it a common carrier.
—Michael Givan, Murray, KY

We know money talks and little people walk, but for once, just for once, please let the little guy win. Let democracy win in the last place it has a chance. It has certainly lost any real significance in government. Everyone believes that the only reason net neutrality is in danger is because the FCC has been bought off by big money. If net neutrality is gutted by the FCC, I will always believe that it had nothing to do with good policy. I will believe that politicians found one more way to sell our collective birthrights for personal gain.
—Dr. William F Strong, Brownsville, TX

Net Neutrality is the only way that the common person can afford reliable internet. Without it we may as well go back to dial up phone service. We all deserve the right to fast internet without being penalized for our cheaper rates.
—Thomas Mashburn, La Porte, IN

Net neutrality trumps Net inequality everytime.
—Tyler Martin, Byrdstown, TN

I'm still waiting for fast internet and the FCC wants to have a two-tiered system - what are you thinking? Chairman Wheeler - do you use the internet? Have you ever watched a silly cat video? Are you agile with your smart phone? Do you have any idea of what your proposed rules will mean for so many of us still waiting for the really fast lines? Please don't throw us under the bus.
—Suzi J. Schaum, Willow Street, PA

the internet has helped educate people who otherwise would never had the chance to be educated. Internet neutrality means that education and information enjoys a better spread. it keeps people so busy that time is better spent on the internet. if the internet is limited, many people would now have much free time to become involved in many an illicit activity which threatens the safety of society. Internet has saved many an individual who would otherwise have been totally bored and getting up to all sorts of mischief, thus threatening the safety and peace of mind of Society at large, albeit it's bad already. would be extremely worse and most dangerous would life be if internet neutrality is taken away from Society Thank you for reading.
—Rashid Abass, ,

ISPs must be classified as common carriers. It is long overdue.
—Sam Shirley, Oakland, CA

The internet was meant to be free and equal to all...
—Daniel Etapa, Chicago, IL

You people are horrible. You cant rule the world like that. ;D
—Jannik Weiße, ,

Railroads and airlines are common carriers and they operate in a manner that serves the common good. The Internet should be viewed the same way.
—George E. Milkowski, Chicago, IL

Do not ruin one of the greatest creations this world has seen
—Tony Thorbjornsen, Wappingers Falls, NY

Land of the FREE - home of the BRAVE. This is an ethical & moral issue for which you are responsible. Do the right thing.
—Sniedze Rungis, Kalamazoo, MI

The end of net neutrality would have horrible ramifications. It would kill innovation, raise consumer prices and convert the Internet into a pay to play format. It will be the end of the Internet as we know it. Don't allow this to happen.
—Marc Albert, NewYork, NY

If you kill net neutrality, you kill new internet start-ups !
—Havill D'Arcy, Camp Dennison, OH

Open and free forums of real critical discussion are needed if we want to call ourselves a Democracy
—Mireya Coronado, SAN JOSE, CA

The Internet should remain open. No one should have too much control. Net neutrality fosters creativity and encourages innovation via startups.
—Michael Pierce, North Stonington, CT

Keeping the internet open to all people is so important because the internet has become a part of our every day society. I pay $80 a month for my internet service. That's insane! And now you want to let them make internet even more expensive? I don't understand why you think this is okay. This is the age of information. More people have access to knowledge than ever before and society is so much better for it. Why would you take that away from me or from people who are in more dire situations? You must reclassify ISPs as common carriers. It is the simply the right thing to do.
—Melissa Jones, Kaysville, UT

The internet should be absolutely neutral. The new terms of your decision are completely divergent from the meaning of net neutrality and undermine the its basic intent.
—Benjamin Allen, Savannah, GA

Net neutrality is not good for anyone and it would destroy a very large part of the econemy.
—Cory, ,

Good connections for everybody must be the aim - the net really does make it more possible for us all to navigate the changing economy and ecology of human cultures - without even access the future will be badly skewed ...
—Andrew Langford, Rockaway, NJ

Creating internet rules that only allow the biggest players to have the fastest traffic will hurt competition and kill entrepreneurship in the internet sector. We will have no startups trying to compete with the big boys because they won't be able to deliver rich content without the deep pockets that the large content creators can pay. Please, please, please don't create a two tiered system for internet access.
—Bill Gregg, Alpharetta, GA

Access to knowledge much be protected. Allowing corporate greed to slow that access in favor of charging higher rates is not only deplorable, but could damage the future. Inventors, knowledge seekers, small business owners could all be blocked from full access of the internet unless they pay a higher fee, or agree to some other ridiculous term. With only 3 major ISPs in the US at all, there is no reason to think they wouldn't take advantage of these rules and use them to the detriment of society and their gain. There would be no competitor to switch to, and we as a people would have no recourse. This cannot be allowed to happen. The internet needs to be classified under the same statutes as radio.
—Kayla Domeyer, GRAND RAPIDS, MI

I am retired, and no longer live in the area where I spent much of my adult life. The internet is my lifeline, allowing me to keep in touch with my family and old friends while making new ones. I also occasionally do free-lance writing to help make ends meet, the internet is vital to that. We can bare afford the internet services we already have. Extra fees would be a hardship. It's not fair to allow big companies to profit from something like the internet, which was intended to be of benefit to EVERYONE, not just the rich!
—Barbara Rich, Cushing, OK

This not only a license to privately sensor, this can be used as a powerful tool for ISPs to eliminate internet sellers that create competition for big corporations. The last time I checked, we're not China.
—Christopher Sessa, Mesa, AZ

All my life I have been concerned with the media's bias towards big, entrenched interests, and its systemic disregard for the voice of the little guy. If Net Neutrality disappears, the Internet will become the same kind of place. Please protect free speech. Save Net Neutrality.
—Ms. Gillian Andrews, New York, NY

Corporations are not people, money is not speech. Don't make the internet about corporate greed, power and control
—Jerry Oppenheimer, Charlotte, NC

ISPs are common carriers, anyway you look at it. Any other interpretation is just plain wrong.
—Jose Flores, tanzana, CA

The best way I can explain why net neutrality is extremely important revolves around the idea of innovation. When you abandon net neutrality this hinders communication and future technological innovation. Businesses and future start-ups will not have the equal access to grow their organization if the freedom of the internet is gone. No one owns the internet; it is a network of networks spanning the globe. ISPs may give us access to the internet, but they do not own the internet; nor does the government or other. corporations.
—Wendell Wright, Harrisburg, PA

Without Net Neutrality there will be a lot less innovation and a lot more exploitative abuse.
—Tristan Donofrio, San Jose, CA

This is the opposite of net neutrality. Declare broadband a utility and regulate ISPs as common carriers like the FCC should have twenty years ago.
—Ian Pugsley, Charlotte, NC

Net neutrality is the back-bone of a free and open internet. The internet is now a central part of ALL of our personal, professional, and expressive lives and should not be enclosed by private interests for profit. In an era of media concentration, it is net neutrality that allows the minimal diversity of views and ideas within the public sphere. Since the infrastructure ISPs utilize (as well as help maintain and build) represents a public investment, private entities should be bound by a contract with the public that cannot be ignored and then monetized.
—Benedict Stork, Minneapolis, MN

My family and I live on a small fixed income. The Internet has been a great equalizer, allowing us access to important free information, programs, and entertainment. Please put the needs of average Americans above the special interests of big corporations.
—Vicki Stevens, Kearns, UT

I am tired of regulators changing the regulations to benefit corporations at the expense of users. Profitable corporations do not need more assistance to make more money, reduce competition and gain a larger share of the market.
—Thomas P. Homan, Salem, OR

I'm already suffering under data caps and arbitrarily throttled download speeds because nobody regulates my local cable ISP. The last thing I, or anyone else, needs on top of that is the establishment of an openly unfair system designed to double charge the consumer for bandwidth just because we like having our Netflix and watching it, too. This plan is clearly designed to do one thing: make money for the telecomm companies without forcing them to provide one iota of actual, substantive product to the consumers. Just another example of beltway cronyism at its finest.
—Jason Heredia, Springfield, MO

It's time for us to catch up with the other nations who have already successfully implemented the plan proposed above. Nations like South Korea and Japan offer far superior connection speeds at significantly lower prices, yet the ISPs are still thriving and the customer satisfaction levels are astronomically higher than they are in America. It is truly a win-win for both sides. Not classifying ISPs as common carriers is only a win for the ISPs as they will continue to monopolize the industry, getting larger and richer, at the expense of the people because we have no option to choose a competitive service.
—Stephen, Garner, NC

The internet is an equalizer. Young and old, rich and poor can access the internet and have equal opportunity and equal access to all of the information available there. This is how it should be. We already live in a society where equal access to things like quality education and jobs has been cut for the least of us. Please help to ensure that this last, and truly crucial, area of our society remains fair for us all. My ability to go to a website should not be decided for me by AT&T or Verizon; I should be able to make that decision for myself, as should we all.
—Tina Bradley, Hyattsville, MD

A two tiered internet structure is the death knell for a fair and level playing field on the internet. Allowing money to determine who "wins" will crush competition and monetize a system that should be classified as a public utility.
—Stephen Weber, Wentzville, MO

It is bad enough that the giant telecoms want to get bigger and grab more power and charge more. To actually allow them free rein to charge more for the privileged who can afford it is just plain wrong! The net should provide equal access, equal bandwidth equal speed for all!
—Barb S, Woodinville, WA

I will say it again: Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Phillip Cameron, Belleville, MI

I make my living on the internet. I'm a little guy that depends on equal access as a matter of course — I and millions of other small operators rely on an open and free internet. Bring on Title 2 NOW!!!
—Ron Carlson, Erie, PA

To create a tiered internet is ridiculous! Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet is like a freeway, it should be open to everyone equally. Just because you own a Mercedes Benz doesn' t mean you should get preferential treatment. Same goes for the internet.
—Bryan Albee, San Francisco, CA

We are counting on you to, please, protect REAL Net Neutrality and help prevent discrimination online.
—Nancy Gurny, Skokie, IL

Allowing big business ISP's to further take advantage of the system is unacceptable. They've been playing the system for years and the new proposed rules are literally endless blackjack for an already dominating monopoly. Things need to be seriously re-evaluated and they need to be on the same playing ground as everyone else, and just as accountable for any shady actions they might take.
—Jonathan Miller of the Free Americas, Clinton Township, MI

Are you serving the citizens of this country, or a few big corporations? We both know what your answer should be, and that means ISPs need to be reclassified as common carriers, with no preferential treatment for any websites or countries. Do NOT allow a two-tiered internet. Show the good people of this country that you will not let corporate interests rule the day.
—James M. Lyles, Holly, MI

Net Neutrality evens the playing field for small business owner and up and coming artists alike. Allowing fast lanes and the big businesses to buy up everything would squash the american dream and eliminate competition.
—Rebekah Renne, San Francisco, CA

The internet is a free community of creatives and problem solvers. Even the thought of truncating The creativity that drives the American spirit makes me sick.
—Cean McCullough, garrison, ND

The internet is the backbone of innovation and provides essential infrastructure to all Americans. We need strong rules to prevent carriers from prioritizing, or manipulating how traffic moves over it's wires.
—Abraham Wallin, San Francisco, CA

At a time when children in the Peruvian forest have access to the internet with no multi tier service, it's amazing that the alleged "greatest nation on earth" is about to handicap all its citizens, their productivity, their entrepreneurial spirit and access to information with slow, medium and fast lanes of service. There is no real reason for this other than to benefit, yet again, corporate entities. In the 21st century, lets equip the people of the usa with net neutrality. Wonder what our world would look like if previous means of communication had not been declared common carriers. The internet is the new telephone. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Imara Hyman, Detroit, MI

Internet access is as important in today's society as TV, telephones, and radio. A free and open exchange of ideas, such as online, is vital to a strong and vibrant democracy.
—Daniel Cottle, Portsmouth, OH

No one in the U.S. today has the option of ignoring the internet in daily life. The need for internet access is imposed upon us by prospective employers, vendors, news outlets, information providers, and our government at all levels. I do not appreciate being made a second-class citizen because I do not have the money to pay premium fees. Such an arrangement is unhealthy and subversive of democracy.
—Cynthia McNamara, Albuquerque, NM

We don't need a slow lane!
—Clifford Johnson, Minneapolis, MN

The FCC erred in classifying broadband internet access as an information service. Telecommunications is the transmission of information from one point to another. Broadband internet access has a clearly identifiable telecommunications component. The FCC should revisit it's previous faulty determination, and classify broadband internet access as a telecommunications service. It should then issue broad forbearance from many regulations that apply to typical telecommunications services.
—Corey Chase, Montpelier, VT

As a college student who studies computer science, it's absurd that you do not see a problem with allowing ISP's to give priority to those with money. This could hinder my future business endevors because it's not just the websites that will be throttled it'll be all of the data needed to run applications as it. It's a telecommunications network and should be classified as one do that right thing.
—Ben C Bourgeois, Latonia, KY

Because I don't want top pay more for what I love.
—Claire Dietz, Naperville, IL

Please! Please! Think about this! If you are uneducated in how the Internet works - ask for knowledgeable assistance! All this is going to do is raise prices!!! Don't do this to the American public! We are already hurting!!!!!
—Jeri Gray, Port Angeles, WA

The FCC's proposed Internet rule change must not be adopted. Any plan that allows for 2 levels of throughput guarantees the end of Net Neutrality.
—Wayne Trout, Pompano Beach, FL

I am a small business that sells products on line & I am also adding a video streaming service to our business plan. I am afraid that if the big providers create a tiered internet my customers will be locked out & my video streaming service will die. Everyone is paying for internet access, they are paying to get to the INTERNET not just to connect to their ISP. I am paying AT&T or Time Warner to get to content that is on the Internet not to just connect to content that is on AT&T or Time Warner's network. ALL traffic MUST be treated the same. NO FILTERING allowed.
—Carl Hearne, North Canton, OH

The FCC exists "[T]o make available, so far as possible, to all the people of the United States, without discrimination on the basis of race, color, religion, national origin, or sex, a rapid, efficient, Nation-wide, and world-wide wire and radio communication service with adequate facilities at reasonable charges". Allowing ISPs the freedom to throttle service unless one coughs up extra fees would not only stifle the thriving competitive marketplace that has made the Internet what it is today, it would be a dereliction of the fundamental purpose for which the Federal Communications Commission even exists at all. Tiered access schemes are the very antithesis of a "rapid, efficient communication service" for "all people of the United States". Do your job, and keep the Internet open for everyone!
—Tom Kellett, Columbus, OH

do not kill the open internet in the land of the free... how can you do such a thing! and the internet providers want to be the monopoly of service for at least two different utilities - internet access is as much a part of daily life as electric to run your lights, or phone service to your house. you are supposed to be protecting us from predatory monopolies and the rules you have currently proposed will only serve consumers up like lambchops to those wolves at the communcation companies.
—Lorie Long, Saint Louis, MO

This plan would kill the internet as we know it. Do not let this pass.
—Lucas Nguyen, Portland, OR

FREEDOM OF SPEECH FOR ONE THING!
—Sandra Marie Green, Elgin, TX

Tiered speeds for different content is a slippery slope straight to censorship. How fast will my Verizon provided connection be to a website be if that website says something that Verizon disagrees with? ISPs must provide indiscriminate service to all internet connections if we are to live in a society that enjoys free speech. The need to be classified as utilities like electricity, water and gas.
—Dinko Venelinov Tontchev, Long Beach, CA

The current Internet allows equal access for all, regardless of social or economic station. It must remain that way to eliminate another "haves" vs "have nots" scenario.
—Jim Osenberg, Anoka, MN

Total Net Neutrality matters. Equal treatment to all. No fast lane. No slow lane. Equal access at equal speed!
—Steve Housewright, Austin, TX

I do NOT trust mega-corporations such as Comcast and Verizon not to use this as a way of stifling free speech. I am sick to death of seeing one governmental body after another turn whore for these evil empires! STOP IT NOW!!!
—James Winn, Reno, NV

An internet service provider carries information from the internet to its subscribers and back again. Allowing these large companies (most of which have gigantic market shares in localized areas) to selectively deteriorate service is antithetical to the concept of the Internet. The countries that are ahead of the curve are providing internet service to their citizens that puts the US to shame, sometimes as a guaranteed right (see https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/ Right_to_Internet_access#Ensur ing_that_access_is_broadly_ava ilable_and.2For_preventing_unr easonable_restrictions). Meanwhile, the US is falling further and further behind. This will have grave social and economic impacts.
—Jon Canady, Columbus, OH

The internet was a place that was created to foster and empower a community around the idea that we can instantly communicate from anywhere in the world. One of the largest issues that has plagued that communication process is the speed at which we can understand what has been sent to us. As our tools evolve what we can send, we can be more precise about what we mean. What use to be text, has move to images, images turned into small animated GIFs, and now into video. Video has become what was grainy and hard to visualize to high definition and tack sharp. Net Neutrality is vital because what some corporations deem as worthy of the fast lane may not be the best use of those speeds. Please stand for net neutrality and stand for the future generations to reap the efforts of all our advances in technology.
—Waytao Shing, Austin, TX

AGAIN THE FOX GUARDING THE HEN HOUSE! Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Dave Gonzales, Littleton, CO

The FCC is basically setting the stage for ISPs to hold all the cards and all the power over what is accessible on the internet and who can access it. You're allowing companies the power to act as law enforcement, to force both individuals and internet-based companies to pay more and more for a service that is already a necessity in modern life. They'll be able to decide content and users without any limitations to this power. This is far more authority than any type of company should ever be handed. Throw out these rule you've proposed and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Protect the internet user, the start-up companies, the underprivileged who will no longer be able to afford basic internet access, and don't give one class of company the power to decide who thrives and who doesn't.
—Samantha Mathis, Placentia, CA

ISPs ARE common carriers. If you look at how the internet is used, that is simply what they function as. They should be treated as such by the FCC and regulated as such.
—Henry Cejtin, Chicago, IL

Open internet provides a level playing field for all, businesses and individuals alike!
—Jim freeberg, Ashland, OR

It should be the work of the FCC to make sure that an average internet user and/or website has access as fast as technology will allow. That speed should *never* be up for sale (to the richest buyer).
—Lloyd Canfil, San Diego, CA

As a business owner, college student, and American citizen, an open internet is important to me, my education, and my livelihood. I oppose any actions that threaten net neutrality and stand with the millions of other people who share the same views! Do the right thing and maintain net neutrality.
—James Allen, San Diego, CA

The internet that some of the ISP's provide is already shoddy at best. I'm looking at you Comcast. The ISP's want more money flowing in than they already have but they aren't doing a good enough job in the first place to warrant it. If this goes through it will cripple an unknown but certainly massive number of people. I understand that everyone needs to make a living, but when people start trying to make a living at the expense of other people that's when it needs to stop.
—Matt Dobe, Epsom, NH

Please realize that Net Neutrality matters. Not just for me, but for everyone. I URGE you to take a second an heed the multitude of voices convincing you of this fact.
—Mr. Daniel Overton, Vail, AZ

Why do we have to pay for something the government created (with our money) so private companies can make even MORE money??? ENOUGH already, seriously
—Ana P, Miami, FL

ISPs ARE common carriers. They should be reclassified as such,
—Joseph M. Glombiak, Haymarket, VA

I need the internet for my work, and as I stand right now, I would not be able to afford the fees for a faster connection. My job depends on my ability to upload and download fast and painlessly, and just one failed upload could lose me my only source of income. Please don't let this happen.
—Erin Reed, Pittsboro, NC

Will Tom Wheeler go down in history as the The Man Who Killed Net Neutrality, And Thereby Free World Speech?
—Don Saito, San Jose, CA

A democratized Internet is the agent of change and development we need!
—Laura Stevens, Charlotte, NC

My water utility doesn't care whether my water is used for my shower or my washing machine. My ISP shouldn't care the nature of my data either.
—E J, Parker, CO

These rules are ridiculous and discriminatory. The internet is an intricate part of our livelihood if extra fees are imposed by companies you are removing the entire wonder of the internet. I need fast internet for jobs and schooling. If my internet is slowed during a timed test it would severely impact me and the rest of my life. Keep the internet free as it should be.
—Miranda Morrison, Phoenix, AZ

I am an unwilling "customer" of AT&T, Comcast and Verizon. The right thing to do for the American People is always the opposite of what the telecoms want!
—John A. Wiles III, Olive Branch, MS

We need Net Neutrality in order to maintain a free press. If this is not allowed, we will no longer have access to true information, just what the large corporation want us to know.
—Marlyn Haber, Altadena, CA

I cannot make my livelihood without affordable access to infornation. I will not be able to pay my bills if i cannot afford to do the research i need to survive
—Kate, Fairfield, CA

The dissolution of the core tenants of the internet cannot be allowed. Putting net neutrality on the butchers block is destroying the most powerful man made information since the invention of the printing press. Please, please reclassify ISP's as common carriers. As it currently stands one mans creation can flow unrestricted through the internet and set minds afire with a spark of creativity. But that spark will never be seen by anyone if their ISP deem them not worthy. Don't let a corporation strangle entrepreneurship and creativity through fees and bandwidth throttling. Protect Net Neutrality.
—Patrick Devine, Somerville, MA

My financial situation should not limit my access to information.
—Tonya Palmer, Grand Forks, ND

As a co-founder and co-owner of a growing small business that provides software solutions, including web development, the recent FCC ruling allowing paid-for-priority access concerns me greatly. It will make it more difficult for new business to compete with the big, established corporations and encourage ISPs to keep the "minimum levels" (i.e. the tiers available to end-users) low in order to incentivize businesses to pay for priority access. Furthermore, many ISPs are not simply providers of internet access, but also providers of content. This effectively means that they will have free access to the highest speed interconnectivity available from the parent ISP since they are owned by the same entity, giving them a huge advantage over outside competition. The trend of ISPs becoming content providers is continuing with many ISPs expanding these divisions. These are huge concerns to me as part of a new entrant into the business and internet content worlds. Please, reconsider classifying internet access as a utility. I would further push to separate internet access providers from content providers as there is a clear conflict of interest and concerns about equal competition when the in-house content provider, owned by an ISP, can bypass many of the hurdles (and associated payments) that their competition has to overcome just to compete in the same space.
—Allyn Hill, San Diego, CA

Dear Tom, I guess you've heard the saying "If it walks like a duck and it quacks liked a duck, it's probably a duck"? If you agree with the validity of such inductive reasoning, I think you should also agree with this "if a network supports two-way transmission and you can talk to anyone you like over it, it's probably a common carrier" just like the telephone landlines were (and there aren't many of those left are there)? Please try to be rational as well as legal, classify the internet as what it is, and protect the public from gouging and censorship the way you should be!
—Timothy F. Havel, Boston, MA

The whole world is not just there for corporations to make money. The internet is a wonderful communication tool, and making a two tier system with high speed for the rich and dog slow for everyone else is not the way forward. You stand to stifle the human race in its most creative phase - don't do it.
—Chas Maguire, ,

FCC is not in the business of limiting internet access. To do so would violate the First Amendment right of internet users to express ideas. These regs. is another attempt at censorship.
—Joseph Weiss, Brooklyn, NY

Destroying Net Neutrality is all part of the Communist/Fascist destruction of America.History shows that only evil,totalitarian rulerships attempt to restrict their subjects' access to information and free speech-and everyone knows it.You're not fooling anyone-you are working to harm the American people.
—Paul R Albrecht, Phila., PA

Internet service has become as necessary and routine as phone service or electric service, and is frequently available from only one vendor. It is in all ways just like the regulated utilities, except for the regulation. ISPs should be classified as common carriers so the appropriate rules will apply to them. The FCC should serve the public welfare on this issue, not protect the profits of a few large well-represented private companies.
—Peter Levin, Watertown, MA

Don't put small businesses and growing communities at a disadvantage. Reclassify isp as common carriers and help the American people.
—Nicholas Katsikas, Westminster, MD

Net Neutrality is essential to digital activism. When major corporations can pay for a faster lane the voices of the people will be harder to hear.
—Yoni Zeigler, Memphis, TN

The politicians and so-called "regulators" inside the Beltway have shown themselves EAGER to play ball with giant, greed-driven corporations, while not giving a DAMN about everyone else -- the 98% of REAL PEOPLE who are not corporations. So, if you don't SAVE THE INTERNET from corporate greed, you will have given yet another valuable national resource away to the rich. And we know who you are.
—Berkeley Fuller-Lewis, Emeryville, CA

We need to keep the internet free for all of us. I am a computer tech and I would not be able to do my job from home anymore
—Ryan Packa, Willmar, MN

For p2p traffic and future innovations to survive and thrive the service providers must not have the ability to throttle speeds on services that they perceive as a threat to their bottom line.
—Ken Senter, Raleigh, NC

We're at the point where all media and communications are data and delivered over the internet. There is no reasonable argument to be made that internet service is any different from airwaves or phone service in its need for protection from monopoly power and concentration. Does Chairman Wheeler really believe his own story that his view is objective and unbiased by his lobbyist history? We aren't fooled, and we know what's right for consumers.
—Marc Milgrom, Brooklyn, NY

I don't want my service to be subject to the whims of Verizon, ATT & other ISP's selling time to the highest bidders.
—David Goldberg, St. Paul, MN

Eliminating Net Neutrality will enable the ISPs to create non-competitive markets
—Jacob Liu, Gaithersburg, MD

People need to be able to access any site without the intervention of a tier system.
—Donald Foster, Cincnnati, OH

The internet should not be controlled by a few service providers. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers to protect the millions of small businesses that need a level playing field to compete.
—Virginia Miller, Coral Gables, FL

Good internet access should be available to everyone.
—Alexander Jensen, Houston, TX

Killing net neutrality is bad for our economy because it shirts small businesses and startups who rely on it. Anyone who cares about job growth post-recession and the future of the United States as a strong economic power should not support Chairman Wheeler's plan.
—Ms. S Holtz, Somerville, MA

I am 72 and live on Social Security (paid into it for over 55 years). I don't have cable TV, and my only source of 'entertainment' is the Internet. Please don't let AT&T, Verison and Comcast make my Internet connection unaffordable!
—Alice Mechler, Mart, TX

The internet is used as a worldwide forum for free speech and expression, yet the loss of net neutrality is actually a reality in our time. Enforcing the proposed FCC rules would ensure that corporations would become a ruling/controlling body over the speech and expressions of those in the US. Since when did corporations become part of the government? It will be a sad day should these rules come to pass, and a huge loss to the US as a supposed "country of the free".
—Kellyn Wong, San Francisco, CA

Do not let the rich choose how we access information.
—Dk Kerry, Los Angeles, CA

If there are fast lanes for the big telecoms like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon, I along with many others fear that there will be a slow lane for many sites. We the people should have equal access to all content on the web. No big companies should be able to buy faster service while putting many independent sources behind. This would stifle innovation.
—Philip Lipari, Colonia, NJ

The internet and its infrastructure is vital to the dissemination of information in the free world, and it should be nonpartisan. Killing net neutrality would introduce significant impediments to the free flow of information - it would now be dictated by those with the deepest pockets, and would be a significant blow to free speech and the freedom of information. We should not let corporations - whose ultimate goal is only to bilk customers of as much money as possible - to dictate terms on the infrastructure of the communication backbones that contribute to a free world.
—Kartikeya Iyer, Campbell, CA

To abolish Net Neutrality would be a gross statement on the prioritization of big business over small business, non-profits, private organizations and private individuals. Imagine if the phone companies told us that we would only get top-quality service when calling major businesses, and poor quality when calling, say, our family members on personal calls. The abolition of Net Neutrality would be an abolition of the rights of the people in favor of revenue-generating communications goliaths. It would also be another terrible step toward the total removal of the people from this amazingly useful and important communication medium. Please see that this is true and reverse the trend that has been taking away our rights, one by one, by the media and by business giants with powerful Washington lobbies.
—Jeremy Simmons, Cincinnati, OH

The internet has become a public utility. You have to have it to apply for jobs, to e-mail for both personal and business concerns. Media is viewed in schools, referred to by the government itself, and for pleasure. The internet is one of the greatest tools we have today, and if we refuse to harness that power, we will lose it forever. Not just gaming and movies. Transferring large files, for example, movies to theaters, becomes a hand to hand transfer again. Or retrieving the latest distro of my OS. Be it phone or computer. Keep it open for people everywhere.
—Brenden Fitz, Traverse City, MI

The internet is one of the few things in the world that allows freedom of expression, enterprise, and community. I know the FCC members are looking at the money, but can they please think of people?
—Daniel Koss, La Crescenta, CA

my world would be a poorer place if money was the differential that dictated the things that grew and everntually made it to my plate... how many amazing things did not have access to money to begin with - and so would never have grown had they been stuck in the slow lane.... this is super sad. however your crack it - the internet is the last place on earth where there is true democracy or meritocracy - and putting these new ideas place would remove that - it would become a resources based place where those with privilege win. a poor substitute for where the world gets it's information.
—Charlie Dolman, Emeryville, CA

I hate control by the rich and powerful. This move is contrary to American values. Shame on them!
—Jane Burton, St. Louis, MO

I don't want giant corporations controlling how people access the internet. It should be free and open and equal for everyone!
—Chris Allen, Forest Hill, MD

These proposed rules will debilitate the internet in such a way that its morally, economically and otherwise too objectionable to continue. Net neutrality ensures equal opportunities for all. Freedom is, in this case, at stake.
—Rory Ceulen, ,

No toll lanes that should already be paid for.
—Kevin Gracey, Satellite Beach, FL

The freedom of the internet is inextricably tied with the freedom of human beings (and our freedom of speech). Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Please listen to the people, not the money.
—Harry Nethery, Pittsburgh, PA

The idea of net neutrality is a basic constituent of the internet, and these regulations only opens opportunity for corruption.
—George Cheng, San Diego, CA

The Internet has become as vital to people's everyday lives as telephone lines once were. Only be treating them as such can we ensure continued innovation and new businesses embracing the internet's use. Would Facebook be able to become the online juggernaut is is today if it had to languish in the slow lane? Not very likely, as the users would have abandoned it for a site with more speed form a developer who paid his way to the top of the fast lane. If all start from the same position, then the best product wins through free market choices. By giving a turbo boost to those with cash to burn on it, it skews the results. Net Neutrality is KEY to the future of commerce in the US.
—John Smith Jnr, Trumbull, CT

The Internet should be free and open. There should never be a question of preferential treatment.
—Rusty Rideout, Evansville, IN

I am as important as a company. Leave the net neutral. Stop thwarting this good idea.
—Nell Jeter, ,

The People Need and Deserve Net Neutrality, not the dictatorial directions and limitations that are imposed by greedy corporations and dictators of any other country, just because they do not desire certain conversations or the obtaining of information that might be something that others object to. KEEP THE INTERNET FREE AND NEUTRAL for the benefit of the PEOPLE of the FREE WORLD!
—Dr. Rev Ronald L. Sims, Niangua, MO

Net Neutrality is what allows us to be free and allowing certain companies decide what we shouldn't do with our internet is violating our privacy.
—Katie, Winchendon, MA

Net neutrality is essential. It's clear the U.S. has paved the way for class division which benefits the wealthy in many facets of it's society's life. Let's not let the internet and web become another example of how the wealthy become wealthier and are treated better than the normal, everyday folk. Please keep the internet a neutral resource for everyone despite economic class.
—Kenneth Wilson, Burlington, NC

My family have been sole proprietors for over a hundred years, building small businesses and contributing to our local and national economy. I myself am a website designer and know how disastrous this move would be. Today, websites need to work fluidly with mobile applications and be fast--and that's a fact. Slow websites will always cause a user to be dissuaded from accessing it. Even today with the equal treatment of all web portals, speed is king. Can a small business like that of my father, my father's father and the rest of my family possibly hope to compete against those who can afford to be given priority? According to surveys done by Akamai and Gomez.com, nearly half of web users expect a site to load in 2 seconds or less, and they tend to abandon a site that isn't loaded within 3 seconds. With this, can you really expect that smaller businesses will be able to compete should preferential treatment be allowed? This move will not only destroy and cripple small businesses but also cause a radical change in my industry, shifting away from the beautiful, user-centric applications we know and love today to something more like the empty, black and whiteness of a sheet of paper. Please don't do this. Net Neutrality is absolutely necessary for everyone and anyone who wishes to help to internet evolve and grow.
—Jenna Fuller, El cajon, CA

With net neutrality I have a voice equal to others and others have a voice equal to mine. Please, ensure true net neutrality.
—Joshua Ferguson, Klamath Falls, OR

Leave it as common carriers
—Charlie Radl, Sauk City, WI

As a Internet user, I want a free and open Internet. Only Net Neutrality can offer this. Keep the Internet free and open.
—Ron Moffat, Grand Rapids, MI

Reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the only way to allow new internet businesses to thrive!
—D'Arcy E Havill, Camp Dennison, OH

I lost all tv, most radio and a reliable data connection in 2009 when digital was forced on us. Now with the consolidation of terrestial radio, I lost my last source of progressive news. NO TO MORE MERGERS of corporate take over.
—Jim McAniff, Drake, CO

It's foolish to think that money and access to information should have a direct connection. America was founded on free speech. This new policy is a kick in the teeth to that.
—John Carr, Centerport, NY

This would be the beginning of a very slippery slope with far reaching consequences. Segregating the internet based on which companies have or haven't ponied up is ridiculous and unfair. As consumers, we pay a lot for high-speed internet access, and this would be slapping a giant asterisk on any promised speeds. The only people in favor of this are the very few who stand to profit. There is no upside to this for anyone else. This is not in the public's best interest and would be a huge, greed-fueled mistake.
—Paula, Green Bay, WI

I work with Africans and they are often too poor to be in the proposed "fast lane"...
—Philip Costa, New Hartford, NY

I own and run several websites and blogs. I also have videos and a variety of Flash, Unity, and HTML5 games that are provided through my sites. Without the means to pay for the Fast Lanes of the internet, I would be stuck with the 'Slow Lanes' and this will be damaging to the service I am trying to provide to my customers and partners. It is unacceptable that some content providers can basically purchase favoritism. All content should be treated equally.
—Nathan Moore, Coal City, IL

Time Warner is the company with the most anti-religious sentiment out there. It is about to merge with Comcast to become even larger. Without the protection of Net Neutrality, what is to stop them from giving bottom-priority to any church site they choose? What is to stop a Republican-dominated company from slowing down Planned Parenthood's website? Or a Democratic-dominated company from shoving Fox News and COSMOSontv down the queue? Free expression is the lifeblood of a democracy and scientific progress -- which has never come solely from universities and scholars -- and the Internet is literally the last place that hasn't been commercialized into irrelevancy. You wish to have the wolves (corporations) guard the sheep, without leaving the government any power to STOP THEM should the wolves turn predatory. That is absolutely reckless. If the excesses of the Sun King's court, the 1920s, and even the last days of the Roman empire have taught us nothing, it is that the moneyed aristocracy cannot be entrusted with the well-being of the common man. They will squash all opposition without thought to principle or morality, and drive the middle class into insolvency to make themselves more money. They cannot be trusted, and to take away Net Neutrality is doing exactly that. If you and the FCC would call yourselves gatekeepers, then keep the gate. Protect Net Neutrality for the sake of everyone who would speak freely. If you will not declare the internet a utility, then at least leave it protected from corporate bias.
—JoAnn Davidson, El Cajon, CA

As a young person in college I've been looking at my options for my future and the internet has been something I've been contemplating as well as I'm sure millions of other people have been considering or attempting. The death of internet nuetrality will at worst destroy upcoming websites and endeavors, and at best make it incredibly difficult for upcoming entrepreneurs to create a space where their product and services to become known and given a fighting chance to really be part of the market. Not only does this fly in the face of what the internet is all about, but it also will help to destroy a free market economy and hinder competition in markets making it easier for bigger already well known companies to create a monopoly. This is a bad decision that I suspect is fueled by special interest groups and private constituents (I'm saying your a corrupt money grabbing ass hat who was elected by the people but only works for money). Stop this madness, stop it now.
—Kraig Mougeot, Portland, OR

I own a small business with big competitors. I use the internet to be found. If big competitors can do a payola deals with the major ISP's, to gain more favorable exposure, be found more easily, it will hurt competition and drive up prices for the services I provide. The fast lane is a terrible idea, it really is legalizing payola on the internet. I do not understand how you can honestly say that you will police what is happening when, the major search engines are increasing the kinds of pay to play games they do, & when when you allow major media companies to combine forming ever larger local, and regional monopolies, in violation your rules of competition. Be honest the internet is an important public service and needs to be kept as a level space where all providers of internet content are treated equally. Big money should not trump fair and honest competition. Reclassify ISP services as a public utility because often there is no competition in any local market and most ISP are both awful to deal with and they prefer to sit on their existing technology and earn massive profits for bad service by being necessary no matter how bad they are.
—Daniel Winter, Watertown, MA

I depend on the internet as an equal and open source to distribute and receive content. These rules are nothing short of extortion.
—Jerry McGowan, New Cumberland, PA

Discrimination in all forms is just bad in general, mkay? If I am in a slow lane, I can't get stuff done, let alone enjoy my internet connection. I am a power user and I need all the speed I can get without having to pay extra.
—Brandon Hawkins, Greencastle, IN

In this age Net Neutrality has become a basis for democracy and the functioning of society. Don't favor large corporate users over citizens.
—Leah Conroe-Luzius, Boulder, CO

We don't need .poorer service for a higher price, the research and startup costs were born by the government. The rest of the world out does the US , why? One word GREED.
—Judith Keilholtz, bARRON, WI

The internet is a medium of communication, and degrading Net Neutrality allows those with the most power and money to manipulate that medium in their favor; silencing voices they don't agree with and amplifying those who support their interests. The citizens of the world who don't have power, wealth, and influence NEED net neutrality! Our government is supposed to represent our interests, and NOT solely the interests of the richest among us. The FCC needs to protect the interests of the people. I guarantee you that companies like Verizon and Comcast don't need any help making money or providing services.
—Levi Toback, Philadelphia, PA

My business would be negatively impacted by a two tiered internet as I'm not profitable enough to absorb any new cost. I know many in my field who are in the same boat.
—Jerry Giefer, Windom, MN

These companies were not a part of the creation of the Internet; therefore, they have no business making these sorts of demands.
—Jessica Griffing, Land O Lakes, FL

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Jackie Koontz, Temecula, CA

The internet has, and should continue to allow true freedom of speech and information. By allowing corporations whose primary focus is profits, to charge for faster bandwidth across their infrastructure; will mean that the ISPs will be able to control what services are available on the Internet. This is not net neutrality and should not be allowed.
—Jonathan Witts, ,

Tom Wheeler's plan to implement fast lanes is utterly ridiculous, but what else would you expect from someone who used to lobby for the very same industry he is supposed to be regulating? The proposal is the exact opposite of net neutrality, and the only thing we should be discussing now is when we will reclassify them under common carrier rules. There isn't a single person that agrees with this proposal outside of the ISPs themselves. But let's face it, Tom is working towards securing himself a nice cushy executive position at one of these ISPs after his stint at the FCC is done, and not working in the interests of the American people.
—Chris Talbert, Bradford, MA

We've been told for years that an unregulated internet means better, faster, more reliable service because of the magic of market forces. I'm here to tell you that the market has failed miserably, unless you consider amazing profits at the expense of putting the US well behind other developed countries in the world as far as speed, availability, and reliability of internet service. Where I live, there are NO options for hardwired internet access. Access is via satellite (with limited speed and a 2GB/month cap), or via 3G wireless, which has its own problems. The carriers need to be "encouraged" to do what's right to bring the US into the 21st century.
—Scott Chesney, Fairbanks, AK

Please reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. There are two main problems with the current regime: 1) our lives are becoming more and more tied to the Internet making it requirement to function similar to electricity and phone and gas; 2) there is basically no competition for large sections of the US (for my apartment, I only have one choice for broadband faster than 5Mbps: TimeWarner) which allows these companies to make access more and more expensive. The proposed rules would encourage ISPs to double dip, and in effect censor what customers could access.
—Vivek Bhaskar, Santa Monica, CA

The net is neutral, keep it that way by classifying it as a carrier and keep it accessible to everyone.
—Tyler Price, Davis, CA

The end of Net Neutrality will be the death of small businesses. It will seriously restrict the free flow of ideas and information. Large companies should not be gatekeepers for the rest of us!
—Miss Megan Prime, Edmonds, WA

The internet should be treated like any other public utility and be accessible to all. It is necessary to do business, pay bills, communicate with schools, etc. It's no longer a niche market, but it's the way the world works.
—Rebecca E McBEE, ANN ARBOR, MI

I am a small business owner and killing the internet as we know it to day will not only hurt my business but greatly slow education and development.
—Ken Tower, Boise, ID

I've already paid for open access to the services; the carriers should be like the Phone Service, in that they are "dumb pipes" to the data I want to receive. They claim that it will stifle their buildout, but in reality, they are already not building out their networks.
—J King, Irvine, CA

Tom Wheeler is clearly under a lot of pressure from his cronies in the telecom lobby, and if the FCC fails to protect net neutrality, there will be no doubt that it is because they lacked the integrity to stand up against wealthy special interests in favor of the public's stentorian outcry. Net Neutrality is essential to a free and competitive market and a healthy economy.
—John, New Haven, CT

Please keep the internet free and open. It's one of the greatest inventions of our time and shouldn't be ruined by corporations.
—Jacques Pham, Huntington Beach, CA

I need net neutrality to share and communicate ideas over the web without a third party mediating when and where those conversations occur on the web!
—Joey Belonger, New Lenox, IL

Classifying the internet as a common carrier is the ONLY democratic thing to do. The internet is not a toy for the wealthy; it is a vital tool for any and every citizen...an important freedom that must not be taken away.
—Nancy Leys 3627 N. 63rd Street Leys, 53216, WI

This is supposed to be a government of the people. To me that means that anything having to do with the "common wealth" of the people should be equally accessible by any citizen, (individual or corporation). The internet is about free access to everyone of information and a platform for expression. The utilities were supposed to provide competition and lower rates and a higher quality if they were turned over to the private sector. Did that happen? Did Iraq have weapons of mass destruction? "The people" know what is at stake here and we will not be fooled into thinking that this is anything but a ploy to supplant the quality and access of the internet to powerful and wealthy players at the expense of us, the citizens, you know, the ones who actually draw breath.
—Aileen Spillman, Herbster, WI

Dear Chairman Wheeler, In a World where we are constantly reminded that we are the lower 98% and struggling to maintain whatever piece of the pie we have, it would be a great loss to have access to a fair-streaming internet. i'm already reminded of inequities when it comes to paying for 3G or 4G access through my provider. If i had to pay my provider more money for due to increased fees for fast lanes; then at some point, i would no longer be able to afford the internet. The disparities are becoming so numerous between the haves and the have-nots. i would hope as a taxpayer (who is a low-paid worker) who pays high taxes due to lack of home ownership and investment opportunities who has fewer options concerning information and entertainment venues that your decision would take into consideration the people who make up the foundation of this Country and not just the powerful who have ACCESS!! Thank you for your time!!!
—Lorraine Perez, Saint Augustine, FL

Creating a tiered system on the internet is awesome for cash flush internet titons like Google, Amazon, etc, but how is it far for the next "google" to be placed in a less functional position based on its ability to play. The prices being charged by internet providers for the services we now recieve is outrages. How do you think it will be if this plan goes through. Net Neutrality is a requirement to keep the commercial balance needed for a healthy economy.
—Robert May, Templeton, MA

It is a matter of great importance. Please protect Net Neutrality!
—Tomasz J. Kotarba, ,

Please, we cannot have all major carriers to have a monopoly. Net Neutrality must survive. I beg you to listen to us, your constituents. Cable companies are strangling our pocket books.
—Sergio Contreras, Santa Ana, CA

Our Democracy is in danger ever since the FCC regulations were trashed. 5 corporations now own the media. Are we going to continue to attack our Democracy. We already have a plutocracy and a cororatocracy. This is whipped cream on CACA.
—Diana nadanyi, Bluffton, SC

It's not okay!
—Daniel Iwao, Los Angeles, CA

Please face the reality and call the internet what it is...a utility and please regulate it as one
—Louis Diliberto, Kahului, HI

Information that is not complimentary or negative of comcast et al. will be slowed, delayed, impeded, etc.while advertisements and propaganda of preferred media giants will flood our inboxes. You may think there are rules, but the FCC is a living example of an organization that has lost its mission and its way.
—Ronald Drahos, Bloomington, IN

As an artist who uses the internet for much of my research, and who doesn't make a lot of money to afford additional fees to do my research, I am against any rules that will not protect an open internet.
—Linda Byrne, New York, NY

This country is supposed to be a place where equal opportunity is available to every citizen. Yet, it seems as though our country is allowing corporations more power everyday, while limiting the rights of the individual. The internet is not only a place for entertainment, but also a place to learn and discover. It is something that should be available to everyone.
—Carmen Johnson, Houston, TX

Paid priority is not neutrality in any way. We shouldn't have to rely on FCC rulings for every new threat to internet freedom and fairness, when it can be dealt with clearly and directly if we start with a more solid plan. The internet should be dealt with in a similar manner as utilities. It is a basic necessity yet in many areas one company holds a monopoly. The public needs protection from price gouging and entrepreneurs need protection from anti-competitive behavior. The internet is the last bastion of hope for democracy and the people. Please don't corrupt it with greed.
—Alan Truly, Golden Valley, AZ

Neutrality permits information; for instance, through the internet we learn that you, Commissioner, should recuse yourself from this issue because of your past lobbying allegiance to the cable and telecom industries, the very ones that will benefit greatly by your ending Net Neutrality.
—Robert Griffin, Reedsville, OH

It's vital for the small business owner to have the internet set up the same way for everyone.
—Mike Sexton, Junction City, KS

The internet is one of the greatest mediums available to a citizenry to communicate, organize, discuss and spread awareness. Imposing a hierarchy that in any way diminishes the ability of the internet to that (which this rule change would most certainly do) is a step towards constriction, consolidation, and diminishment of voices and forces that need all the help they can get.
—Landon Koenig-Muenster, Los Angeles, CA

He knowns why this is importent he doen't care. He just is enjoying all that money the ISP'S paying him. BUT it will back fire on him. We the people will win.
—Joseph Barlow, Indianapolis, IN

I make games, and its the only way to get popular!
—Andreas Nikolaisen, ,

A better approach would be to bite the bullet and admit the internet is a public utility resource.
—Jane Busey, Guernsey, WY

It's really hard to believe that the FCC, which is supposed to protect the public's interests, could take the proposed approach that would create a hierarchy for users of the Internet, our one, true, democratic product, created by us here in the US, that benefits everyone. The proposed stratification will make it harder for individuals, charities, small businesses, students - pretty much everyone but the big corporations - to use the internet. The media companies have been itching for this to get their next big windfall, and our government should be preventing it, not aiding and abetting corporate media! This represents a complete betrayal of the public's interests. DO NOT DO THIS!! RECLASSIFY THESE ISPs AS COMMON CARRIERS!!!
—Maria Schafer, Granite Springs, NY

Net Neutrality is about fairness of something the government built and allowed commercial firms to develop it...for communications. Thus, the Internet as we know it today has become a COMMON CARRIER like any other phone service...and the current state of the Internet service providers seem to be only the common carriers; phone companies, cable companies, and satellite (and phone companies use those to carry the signals as well. Why should these companies us our airwaves for Internet discrimination against those who have money and those who don't, when they are not allowed to do as Phone companies which they are also? These proposals are a step in securing the Oligarchy the wealthy robber barons are counting on...so at some point libraries will be the only place for good speed and Internet usage...unless of course the rules don't allow libraries special concessions. When will that happen?
—Mr. Paul T. Jackson, Enumcalw, WA

"We the People" should be free. The airwaves are supposed to be public. The internet is our great equalizer. By allowing a two-tiered system, you would be creating a two-tiered class of internet users. Do not allow those with more money silence our voices.
—Jeff Wickline, Granada Hills, CA

Net Neutrality provides the only level communication, education and business playing field on the planet. Please, let's protect and preserve it, rather than sell out to the highest bidders, which only moves us more and more into a soul crushing oligarchy.
—Dianne Edleman PhD, Lake Oswego, OR

Net neutrality is a paramount necessity of modern-day global democracy. Tampering with it puts the very future of our free societies at risk. Broadcast corporations already have too much economic power, why give them even more
—Alejandro Muñoz Munoz, Miami, FL

Internet access is as essential as electricity and telephone access. ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers to ensure equal internet access for all users.
—Aaron Alfano, Sarasota, FL

The internet is supposed to be open to everyone. Everybody deserves decent internet at decent price! Please buy some brains....
—Jakub Norman Clark, ,

It is an injustice to even consider giving corporations a fast lane while us people have to sit and twiddle our thumbs, waiting for an email to load or to watch our favorite TV show. Reclassify ISPs as Title II Communications.
—Amanda, Mequon, WI

Everyone benefits from an internet where the small guys are NOT disadvantaged. Your rules ensure only the established (with thick wallets) can win. Where's the fairness in that? Go ahead and move forward with this and bully those who can't afford top tier speeds. I'll be betting the startups and online businesses for which our country is known for decide to start elsewhere.
—Shannon Howe, Saint Petersburg, FL

Net neutrality is a vital part of the modern world. Without neutrality, big business will put a choke collar on the net and small idea will never be able to grow: like the granny cloud : http://grannycloud.wordpress.c om/about/
—Ian McCloy, Sharon, MA

Please consider our simple request. The world is watching and we are fallen behind other nations. Please side with us and not the oligarchs.
—Ramon, Brooklyn, NY

The internet functions as a public forum for discourse on politics, world events, philosophy, and much more. This is an incredibly valuable resource that an internet service provider should not be allowed to censor, control, or alter. The Arab Spring would not have been possible without activists' use of the internet as a powerful mode of communication. The same is true around the world.
—Krystle P Morgan, Shippensburg, PA

The internet in America is already slower and more expensive than in much of the world. Huge telecoms do not need more power and money.
—Glory Adams, Eau Claire, WI

ISPs shouldn't get to decide which websites I'm able to access easily anymore than the local bookstore should get to decide which books I'm allowed to read. Protecting Net Neutrality is akin to protecting free speech. Don't let the ISPs control access to content!
—Stacey Lane, Mechanicsburg, PA

Please consider carefully the importance of an Open Internet!
—John Church, Harvard, IL

Living in a country with the highest internet and cellular fees is already bad enough. Having monopolies control the whole country is bad enough. Trust me - in Canada, we already suffer the effects of singular self-interest from major corporations and you don't want to go down a road where premium payment means premium performance when it comes to internet access speeds... what you will end up with is the Canadian system where a few dictate the rules for all to the advantage of only the few.
—Jason Burgess, Beverly Hills, CA

The internet is for ALL of us. Letting a few get rich while the rest of us are stuck in the slow lane is what our country is about.
—Sam Sibley, Evanston, IL

A free and open internet is essential to democracy in the 21st century, just as a free press was essential to democracy in previous times. We NEED you to protect and preserve a free and open internet. Thank you!
—Jay Newhard, Greenville, NC

The free market can not control content sources to the Internet, access to the Internet MUST be equal to all comers, especially now start-ups.
—Roger Bates, Beaverton, OR

As an information worker I need reliable broadband connection at work, home, hotels and anywhere I am conducting business. I pay a kings ransom already to Cox Communications and Verizon Wireless. Both have been shown they cannot self regulate without screwing the consumer. Example, FCC had to step up and stop the practice of slamming in late 90's after years of cheating customers on purpose. Also, I pay high government and local fees and toll taxes yet my government will not protect me/us from the predatory practices that these companies symbolize and engage in? These companies cannot self regulate in a beneficial fashion for consumers and all their subscribers have taxes and fees to FCC, local governments for protection and to help others gain access who cannot afford it and how is this going to impact those folks? These companies want a green light to price gouge their own users and have shown over and over they could care less about their subscribers as they are usually the only game in town with a take or leave it attitude. I will say if this goes through I can imagine innovation burying these companies like a cable line!
—Charles T. Chappell, Chesapeake, VA

Because it will destroy all the smaller sites that cannot buy spped like the big guys. Why does everything always have to be decided in favor of the big and powerful .Why not be fair and keep a level playing field. I'm really sick and tired of always ,as an american citizen, ,getting the short end of the stick,in favor of the rich and powerful.,
—Brooke Pekkala, duluth, MN

Equal access to information is a basic human right.
—Sara Mahoney, Portland, OR

Because I am disabled, I depend on the Internet for many things, including banking, shopping, chatting with friends, weather, and many other things, and because I live on a very limited income because of my disability, I could never afford to pay more for my Internet. Plus, everyone knows it's not fair that the rich corporations can get faster Internet than the poor people.
—Julie M. Turner, Mobridge, SD

The Internet needs to remain open for everyone, so the FCC must reclassify ISPs as common carriers or risk changing the most amazing forum of information this world has ever seen for the worse. Don't kill the open Internet!
—Amy Kaufman, Medford, MA

The internet is the great equalizer to so many things - access to educational materials, the ability to create content and applications, a way for people to really put their own stamp on the world - commodifying it in the way these new rules will allow the big companies to do will be just one more blow to the erosion of true democracy and equal playing fields for all in this country, and once again serving it all up to the big corporations. Please, do not allow this to happen.
—Trevor Walsh, Chicago, IL

To limit the effective flow of thoughts and information to those with the greatest purchasing power is to limit decision making for the nation to the weathy and powerful.
—Steven Gregory, East Wenatchee, WA

I am a university research scientist and our work requires the ability to share and analyze large data sets over the internet. We are non profit and depend on a neutral and unbiased internet to perform experiments efficiently and take advantage of the research of scientists at other institutions. Please do not slow our progress on therapies for patients with paraplegia by allowing telecommunications companies to decide which data is most important. Reclassify ISPs with common carrier status.
—Emily Ozdowski, Durham, NC

The internet is not a cash register for your greedy friends in the Telecom industry, it belongs to the people. Do not mistake it.
—Robert Carroll, Austin, TX

Freedom of information is vital. No one is allowed to control it. The FCC must protect our rights to free communication, not use it to make money. This is rampant greed and also abuse of power. It is completely unconstitutional and this will cause terrible problems in society. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers now!
—Benjamin Maxson, Dunkirk, MD

The economy depends on an open internet. To close it would stifle the growth and innovation that has taken place economically and socially through the open internet. Every aspect of our modern lives depends on it.
—Jason Goldston, Nashville, TN

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Craig Weyler, New Haven, CT

All the cronies at the FCC should be fired immediately!
—Pierre Asmar, sacramento, CA

The telecommunications companies have proven they can't be trusted to serve consumers' interests--only their own! Net Neutrality and reclassification are important tools to keep the telecoms from amassing too much power, putting the rest of us at a disadvantage.
—Christopher Dingman, Cary, NC

The internet is one of the few places left with a free playing field where small businesses can still compete with the larger corporations. This needs to be protected for the good of the people and the economy. This country is based on open market competition not corporate dominance.
—Jason Laberge, Malibu, CA

Please reclassify internet service providers as common carriers. This is essential for all internet users.
—Kathy Orlinsky, Irvine, CA

I am a small business owner who depends entirely on the Internet to carry out my business functions. Killing Net Neutrality would increase my operating costs and endanger the viability of my business.
—Randy Cremean, Austin, TX

We already pay for access. We don't need to pay twice!
—Brad Houser, San Lorenzo, CA

I don't want the internet ran like a cable company! Listen to the public and the people that will be paying for the services. The USA is not a leader in worldwide internet bandwidth and by not classifying them as common carriers will not help that situation.
—Andy Plymate, Beaverton, OR

Creating a two-tiered Internet is essentially the same as a non-neutral net. ISPs would exploit the system and wouldn't have incentive for supporting/updating the non-payed for tier. I'm entirely for net neutrality!
—Paul Kankiewicz, Redmond, WA

I am on the internet 10 hrs a day, commenting on political causes. These web sites will be drowned out with out net neutrality. That means reclassifying the internet to a common carrier, as it originally was. This will keep this great commerce platform and job creating machine intact.
—Lance J Konover, Chelsea, MA

It matters to me how your decisions affect the struggling families of this country!
—Mag Wong, San Leandro, CA

Don't understand how the FCC can allow this. The companies begging to kill net neutrality were created based on a neutral internet. Your giving an unfair advantage to these companies. Think of the mom and pop businesses in America instead of your own personal interests.
—Stephen Quarles, Atlanta, GA

We need net neutrality, ISPs should be classified as common carriers when everyone thought they already are since the internet is required in every job now.
—Chris Gonzales, San Antonio, TX

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers, if you go forward with your plan you'll kill future developments coming from independent sources that don't have the money to pay for premium services.
—Matias Porcellatti, Bahia Blanca,

Giving away our common infrastructure to a FEW corporations is wrong and will backfire. THOSE COMPANIES DID NOT BUILD NOR MAINTAIN THE INTERNET -- This technology was built by decades of government, academic, and private efforts and belongs to all of us, not just your friends / financial supporters in ATT, Comcast, and Verizon.
—Doug Sheresh, Skamokawa, WA

Because the internet should be affordable for everyone like phone and power, not another source of overblown revenue for ISPs.
—Derek Smith, Pasadena, MD

Please reclassify isps as common carriers
—Michael Phillips, Middleton, WI

Fat greedy bastards don't give a shit about the people
—Josh, Ann Arbor, MI

Inequality is a growing social problem and has far-reaching implications. A two-tiered Internet would exacerbate the problem particularly because what it will effect is equality of opportunity. If some of us are relegated to an Internet slow lane, there can be no equality of opportunity.
—Edith Kusnic, Seattle, WA

Why Mr. Wheeler. Are you for the company or the people?
—James Lanter, Blacksburg, VA

There is no greater public good than a fair marketplace of ideas. When some ideas and proponents are favored or disadvantaged, we all suffer. Public funding produced the Internet, and the public's interests must outweigh the profit strategies of commercial companies. More importantly, your obligation is to protect the public interest, not apologize for it, belittle it, or sell it off. Just do your job--protect the public interest and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Keep the Internet a fair marketplace of ideas.
—Trevor Self, Arlington, VA

In order to keep progressing as a nation, we need innovation. In order to have innovation we need an open environment to work with. The internet can and should be that environment, but it can't be if net neutrality is not maintained.
—Nathan Little, La Vista, NE

Hello FCC, My name is William Wong and I believe the internet should remain free and open. I do not support Tom Wheeler's plan and urge you to please stop trying to destroy the internet for your profits. Thank you for your time and I hope to hear from the FCC in response to my letter. Regards, Will Wong
—William Wong, Las Vegas, NV

True net neutrality does not have fast lanes. Discrimination can be seen in most worldly institutions. The internet is one of the LAST remaining free of it. This is a bigger issue than it appears on the surface. If the FFC's proposed Internet rules are accepted, there will be negative global ramifications. Corporations will have more power, people will have less. This change will be one of the largest mistakes in human history. Please dig deeper, open your eyes, and open your hearts to people, instead of corporations.
—Evan Sidwell, ,

Equality for all is the basic principal that our nation was founded on. There is no better symbol of that equality in the modern age than the neutral internet.
—Liam Higgins, Perth Amboy, NJ

Small businesses like mine can't afford to be gouged by huge telecomms that are already rolling in dough while serving up a product that isn't as good as other industrial countries. Once again corp. mediocrity is rewarded.
—Juan Calvillo, Oak Grove, OR

The Internet, as it exists now, works, so why are you tinkering with that? Because you're corrupt and corporations are greedy? Net Neutrality is important to me because politicians and corporations want to get rid of it, which means it must actually be good for normal Americans.
—Daniel Donatelli, Cleveland, OH

Leave the Internet alone! It is not meant to be controlled! Keep open the Internet and the free exchange of ideas and businesses alive!
—Caitlinn Stoltz, Landenberg, PA

It has become very obvious by now that the best ideas in general come from the small startups, not from the giant corporations (who buy up the startups after they become successful). If the startups do not get a chance anymore it will stifle innovation in a big way.
—Jonck van der Kogel, ,

This will mean the end of the internet and complete takeover by corporations. End Net Neutrality and it will make the internet a corporate store front that everyone will abandon. I can barely afford the access now but if it gets more expensive and corporate I will stop using it altogether
—CJ Taylor, Austin, TX

As a computer multimedia instructor, I have very creative students involved in web development, and I would like all of them to exercise their right to free speech and innovation on the internet. Furthermore, Net Neutrality will assure a platform where all my students will have an opportunity to promote innovation.
—Louis Romao, Waterbury, CT

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Jake Sjoberg, Sartell, MN

I own and operate a rural business that depends on fast and reliable Internet connectivity. Giving Comcast and AT&T free reign will not help my connectivity or my business. China is investing billions in infrastructure to support small businesses as are most other industrialized nations. Please don't leave us in the dark ages with cable companies left to harvest profits and abandon innovation.
—Chas Nol, San Francisco, CA

If the FCC allowed ISP's to create a two tiered internet it would fail in it's job to protect citizens. It would hurt the ability of startups and innovative online projects and entrepreneurs to build their concepts quickly and without funding to help create jobs and move technology forward. Small businesses are the future of the American Economy, and allowing the corporations the have a leg up on the economic sector which is creating all of the new jobs in the U.S. would be extremely counterproductive. Please represent the voice of the people, not the lobbyist and the big businesses. Thank you for your time,
—Kyle Ivins, Pleasant Grove, UT

Internet access is no longer a luxury in our society—it is a necessity. As a nation, we can't afford yet another system that privileges the wealthy at the expense of the other 99%. Please make sure that our rights as citizens are protected against entities such as Comcast that are profiting on the marginalization of our nation's citizens!
—Jonathon Risser, Seattle, WA

Access to the internet should be a right, not a privilege determined by the amount of money you can pay the ISP. Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers!
—Joel Van Auken, Kokomo, IN

I like the way things are now. Do not change them.
—Kathy Porter, Henderson, TX

Mr. Wheeler's assertion that he supports net neutrality is ringing pretty hollow. Where does the money trail lead?
—A Bonvouloir, Sunnyvale, CA

The Internet belongs to ALL of us! Oh and Google fiber will take over so I hope You all had fun!
—Arthur W. W.Simmons III, Absecon, NJ

I am retired now. But in the nineties I was self-employed with my own kitchen design firm. The Internet was my main marketing strategy, providing a full 70% of my leads to new business. Entrepreneurs like I was cannot, and should not be forced to, accept anything less than a free and neutral Internet. Otherwise those businesses with the most money will win every new customer and those of us who have to rely on our wits will get nothing but the dregs.
—Peggy Deras, South San Francisco, CA

My family and I use the internet daily to obtain information and a variety of other uses, including uses integral to performing work as a doctor and teacher. As a US citizen, mother, doctor, and a variety of other roles, I depend on Net Neutrality and emphatically demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Lara Wright MD, Albany, CA

Freedom of internet is necessary to all walks to life in the modern world.
—Mira Gutoff, San Francisco, CA

the internet is it broken, therefore we should leave it alone. It is doing exactly what it was meant to do. If the internet developers in silicon valley are thinking this is a bad idea, big business should listen up.
—Tamara Meyers, Knoxville, TN

Internet access should be made available to all at reasonable cost. It should NOT be a big profit maker for huge corporations.
—Jay Lambert, Wilmot, NH

The rights of the many are slowly disappearing in our so-called free country, while the power of the few are expanding. The super rich get richer and the rest of us do not. Now you are making something as democratic as the internet unavailable to the many people out here working hard to pay bills and send our kids to college. Just because we aren't all CEOs and trust fund babies doesn't mean we shouldn't have access to fast, inexpensive internet. You have the power to make a difference for millions of Americans. Please do it.
—Michelle Seymour, Saint Louis, MO

We are paying the providers on one end and the content providers are paying them on the other, and they still want to prioritize traffic. Just charge us for how much we use like any other utility. Information is essential to the health of our democracy and corporations who would restrict access to information are obstacles to democracy.
—Lewis Edwards, Huntsville, AL

The internet belongs to ALL users, not just those with money. Stop favoring the likes of Verizon and AT&T.
—Mark Hillenbrand, Oak Lawn, IL

As someone who makes their living online, net neutrality is an issue that is very dear to me. The Internet is comparable to the United States itself, in that everyone with enough determination can rise to the top. Allowing providers like AT&T and Comcast to create a two-tiered system will likely destroy innovation and turn the Internet into a place where only those sanctioned by Internet service providers can thrive. Allowing this to occur would eliminate many of the customers that depend on content such as mine to help them stand out. In a two-tiered world it wouldn't matter if a website was the best source of information or entertainment, it would only matter if they had paid the ISP or had been labeled "worthy" of receiving the faster speeds. Innovation is something the United States is in desperate need of at this time, and creating an Internet that is open and allows everyone the chance to succeed is the best way to inspire this in everyone. That is why I ask that Internet service providers be classified as common carriers. In doing this we will keep the inspiration of millions alive and tell them the Internet is still a place where their hard work and innovative ideas are more important than the cash in their pockets or who they know. Thank you.
—Michael, Farley, MO

Broadband carriers need to be reclassified under Title II! If we don't do this, it will allow companies like Comcast to double dip. I currently pay them to deliver the internet (and all related services), they shouldn't be allowed to turn around and charge Netflix for doing what I'm already paying them for. Secondly, consumers in the US already lack choice on who provides them with broadband. In Quincy, MA, I can choose between Comcast and Verizon DSL. Both are incredibly sub-standard products, and are very over priced. They are priced this way and can get away with pricing this way because there is no competition in marketplace. The internet is an essential service to our country - for innovation, for jobs, for education, for access to information, etc. It must be governed under the same strict rules as electricity or water. Please reclassify the internet through Title II.
—Christian Wright, Plymouth, MA

Net Neutrality is important to me because I do not want Internet service providers deciding for me what content will reach me faster and what will reach me slower. I want my ISP to provide me with a fast and reliable connection and that's it. Creating a two-tiered Internet will set a precedent for further taking away the Internet as we know it.
—Apollo Victoria, Los Angeles, CA

Please FCC net neutrality is paramount, get rid of your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Susanna Kaljur, Courtenay,

I would get worst service, indirectly pay more and denied benefit of opportunities of new small innovative companies
—Dennis J Sabourin, chicopee, MA

Net neutrality is one of the most important things in allowing the internet to be a free and equal place for all who wish to use it. Removing it would be taking a step back in virtual rights and making it harder for many people who use the web to continue to do so.
—Gabriel Feijo, Minneapolis, MN

Access to information is a human right that should be guaranteed.
—Elizabeth Gilarowski, ,

The FCC should be working on behalf of the citizens/people NOT on behalf of or the preferred benefit of corporations and their lobbyists. Make decisions that are best for consumers not providers.
—Jeffrey Pickett, Houston, TX

Net Neutrality protects consumers and small businesses from being bullied by the larger corporations that control most of the Internet's infrastructure. ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers to prevent further abuse of power.
—Nicholas Chase Montgomery, Gwynn Oak, MD

I am a public services librarian and I see the widening digital divide every day that I come to work. Many of our customers are people who cannot afford to have internet service or computers at home. This is because there are only two choices for high-speed internet in our area, and both are difficult for families from middle to lower economic backgrounds to afford. If corporations are allowed to control the traffic of the internet in the United States, this will only serve to deepen the digital divide into an even larger chasm between the “haves” and the “have-nots”. Also, all of our rights to free speech and access to information (which is by and large found by using the internet) may be controlled by those who hold financial gain and continued wealth extraction as their chief values. America prides itself on the freedom of its citizens, yet our government is allowing this to be taken away from us in the name of avarice. PLEASE do not allow conglomerates to control our access to the internet. Reclassify the ISPs as common carriers and protect Net Neutrality. Do the right thing.
—Barbara Thorp, Port Republic, MD

Get rid of these terrible rules, pl0x. kthxbai
—Sebastian Mackin, ,

how is a "fast lane" even physically possible? at least call it what it really is: throttling all other traffic and creating a toll road, which is the antithesis of an open, equal internet.
—Matthew Thompson, Oakland, CA

I support and democratic and OPEN internet, a free exchange of ideas, without "siloed" content. Corporations cannot be expected to police themselves when the bottom line is their only goal.
—William Yoelin, LOS ANGELES, CA

Internet fast lane costs will be passed on to consumers, making the consumer pay for a service that is already among the highest cost in the world for one of the lowest levels of service. Take action to force consumer price down and expand capability.
—Ben Hudson, Tempe, AZ

Preserve net neutrality. You have no right to hand it over to the wealthy. It is not theirs or yours.
—Terry Chamberlain, Knoxville, TN

Net Neutrality is important to me because I use the internet, constantly. New innovations, dissemination of news and information, and the internet community are here to stay... and stifling them with a plan that allows a 'fast lane' to be created for businesses with deeper pockets will only stifle that. The United States of America already lags behind other countries in availability of high speed internet and wide-spread adoption of the technologies that go hand-in-hand with that capability. Please, do not hurt the country. Do not allow corporate giants to control the internet as their private cash cow. Keep it for everyone, large and small.
—Robert W Archer, Toledo, OH

The Internet should be equal for all to utilize. Don't let those with the most cash run it. All individuals deserve the right to research openly, represent their business, or present their point of view. Your decision will negatively affect students, artists, small businesses, non profits, and charities. Don't let big business interests run the internet!!! Wendy Keeling
—Wendy Kusmaul-Keeling, Goodlettsville, TN

I get most of my news and all of my entertainment from the internet. And not from the big guns, but the smaller groups, blogs, newsletters. Rather than rely on corporate-controlled main stream media, I read about ALL sides of the news. Please don't take that away. I can't afford to pay more, and neither can the smaller guys.
—Joan Summer, Poteet, TX

This is too important to ignore.
—Peggy Malnati, Farmington Hills, MI

Everyone is equal!!!!
—Mark White, Pittsburgh, PA

If you care about the people and not the companies' pockets then you know what's right.
—Chris Hutchinson, Chicago, IL

Net Neurality is important to everyone because a level playing field is how businesses like Google, Netflix and Facebook were able to succeed. It's the American dream of the internet for everyone.
—David K Rodriguez, Middletown, MD

DON'T LET THESE COMPANIES HAVE ANY MORE POWER!
—Caleb Munson, Schoolcraft, MI

Money cannot always trump freedom of information in this world. It happens often enough... Please try to make sure that the Internet retains equality of information. Thank you!!
—John Tenney, Lafayette, CA

I wrote to Tom Wheeler, I signed petitions, I called his office. I was led to believe he would protect Net Neutrality. First, why would Chairman Wheeler misrepresent his intentions? I am very angry about this as the appropriate channels I used to contact him did not work!!! Please stop protecting corporate interests and please use MY tax dollars and all of our tax dollars to do your job which is to protect the American people. When did our country become this? Wait, I know, don't answer. But please do what is in the power vested in you to make our country right again. PLEASE! Please throw out the recently proposed rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you, Katherine Glatter
—Katherine Glatter, Amherst, MA

By abandoning net neutrality and your continued support of the oligarchy that has cropped up in America's internet industry (the blatant avoidance of competition) You are continuing to hold back the strength and quality of America's internet technology. (http://stopthecap.com/2014/04/ 15/97-of-romania-served-by-fib er-broadband-speeds-outclass-u nited-states/) When country's like Romania are curb stomping us in this industry its an embarrassment to our entire country. We INVENTED the internet, so why is it that we've been allowed to fall behind? The blame falls entirely on the FCC for allowing our cable companies to stagnant with their anti-competition stance. Lack of competition means lack of innovation. Lack of competition means lack of improvement. Lack of competition means no progress. Most importantly, lack of competition means monopoly. It means shitty deals for the consumer while the corporate head charges a excess amounts of cash for a shit tier product, all because they had no need for competitive pricing. It most areas in the United States (anywhere that's not considered a major metropolitan city) cable companies have no direct competition to price against. They've been allowed to either buy out the competition or make back room deals over "turf." It's been the FCC who's allowed them to do this.
—Cody Owens, Elmira, NY

You people really are modern fascists. Didn't Hitler constrict informational sources and outlets in another political era?
—Bill Lizewski, Hollywood, FL

Equality is important.
—Anita Alcantara, Chicago, IL

The Internet is the only true forum for free speech, and the very idea of allowing corporations to determine what speech is free based on how much we pay is sickening. Do not allow Wheeler's cronies to profit from a common good.
—Raymond Duval, Galena, OH

Why should big corporations be able to buy a faster speed than anyone else? How are new ventures supposed to compete with this? We all want to be able to access the Internet at top speed. Don't let power and wealth buy even more power and wealth, FCC!
—Henrietta Jenrette, Raleigh, NC

President Obama and Chairman Wheeler are betraying the American people by not classifying ISPs as commong carriers, in order to protect net neutrality. The future of the Internet and the future of the country is at stake. The proposed rules are an obscenity.
—Robert John Bennett, Honolulu (Absentee Voter in Germany), HI

Allowing ISPs to decide (or sell their decision) which content providers should get faster data transmission of their content and which should not is like allowing telephone companies to decide who gets priority to make phone calls and who get the fastest and clearest connections. *I* am paying for a service. I do not think that ANYONE other than me has the right to decide how I will use that service other than not allowing me to infringe on someone else's rights. This is like allowing cable providers to decide which channels get the clearest and fastest transmission of their signal and which ones get slow, spotty transmission of their signal. I beg you to stand up for democracy and NOT allow these rules to go froward as written.
—Megan Vicino-Collins, Halethorpe, MD

Net Neutrality helped my husband's small company. It helps a lot of small companies stay in business as well. I do not want my internet to look like cable TV. Extra fees will be bad for small business and not only that some of them will not be able to afford them. Internet is the only place right now where people can find their voices (for better and for worse); Internet service provides will divide up the market, there will be no competition whatever, and we will have to pay for websites that we can get for free right now (just like cable TV). Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Silvia Hall, Boca Raton, FL

I already pay an arm and a leg for internet use, at my office through AT&T and at home through Verizon, plus to AOL for my email. I am already not getting the speed I am promised and have been paying for for years, yet when I complain I get only "sorry...the copper wires are old, and we aren't putting fiber optics in your neighborhood." Paying for 6M, lucky if I get 2M, and even then if my husband and I are on at the same time we are lucky to get even that. So if your Net Neutrality goes away it will be even slower. I am not getting what I am paying for now. Why should those companies be allowed to slow me down more or take more of my money? They should be made to reimburse me for the service I have already paid for but not received. AS for going to Time-Warner, we would be at the end of the chain in our neighborhood and not getting any more speed out of them. Our neighbors have been complaining about the poor quality of both service and speed from them for years. WE WANT NET NEUTRALITY!
—Susan Mayer, Sylmar, CA

Providers have been dragging their feet about providing faster service. Don't legalize their tardiness in bringing us up to speed with the rest of the world by this two speed farce to allow them to charge higher rates for what they should already be providing.
—Anthony Albert, Corvallis, OR

This is quite simply another corporate trick to make more money. Eventually everyone will want the fast lane and will have to pay for it. Just like cable tv. Used to be free over the airwaves. No we have to pay for it via cable. The internet was developed by people who were dedicated to free and open access. So it should remain!
—Frank Ferro, Guilford, CT

Net neutrality is ESSENTIAL to protecting democracy!!
—William Weiswasser, Huntington Woods, MI

It's not the government's job to regulate speech, business practices, or anything involving business and connection across the Internet for that matter. The Internet is the bridge towards progress so if we want to turn into North Korea where everything is regulated then we're on the right track with these rules.
—Kevin Ryan, Eden, NY

I will never be able to afford "the fast lane" of the internet and I am terrified of this. I want the same access to every site regardless of how much money the site owners pay to be accessed. No company should be able to dictate what I'm allowed to do on the internet. Protect me. Protect information freedom. Don't cause more rifts in the system than there already are. I depend on you to protect net neutrality.
—Sommer Wiegert, Omaha, NE

ISPs should be classified as common carriers of THE PUBLIC's broadband spectrum. Please reclassify their status as such and uphold the practice of Net Neutrality.
—Robert Agee, Alexandria, VA

CORRUPT SHILL WHEELER: THE PEOPLE OF THIS COUNTRY WHO EMPLOY YOU DO NOT WANT YOUR DESTRUCTIVE CORPORATIZING OF THE INTERNET! WHAT NEXT, PG&E GETS TO CHARGE MORE FOR THE ELECTRICITY YOU USE FOR LIGHTS THAN FOR THAT WHICH YOU USE TO RUN YOUR REFRIGERATOR? THIS IS ABOUT NOTHING BUT BIG BUSINESS ROBBING THE PEOPLE YET AGAIN!!! STOP THE LIES & RECLASSIFY THE INTERNET AS A COMMON CARRIER OR RESIGN NOW!!!!
—David Ponta, Bothell, WA

As a means of unparalleled connection around the world, the net must be treated as the indiscriminate network that it is. Tunneling individuals into two lanes-- fast for those who can afford it and slow for those who can't-- will destroy the integrity of the equality that the net, as it stands, provides.
—Nicole Post, Lakeland, FL

If the telephone is a common carrier, then the internet is a common carrier. I do not want to be relegated to a slow lane for the financial benefit of billionaires. I want all views to be heard, not just the views of plutocrats. This is becoming a very sick democracy. Do not kill it.
—Fred Gosling, Beaumont, TX

I am in a long-distance relationship. My girlfriend and I depend on skype to be able to spend time together and have date nights. Neither of us makes enough to be able to afford premium internet service. Our relationship would suffer enormously if we weren't able to skype easily and clearly with each other. Please do not make it harder for me and my sweetheart to love each other.
—Max Kreisky, Lexington, MA

I am a blogger and many of my opinions are hated by certain political factions. I am sure that access to my blog would be slowed down to a slow walk if the rules proposed by Tom Wheeler are applied. Wheeler definitely has his fingers in his ears regarding public opinion. Which fact merely proves beyond a doubt that we are now ruled by a plutocracy. And that does not come as news to anybody who has been watching for a while now. We need to retire Tom Wheeler who is obviously nothing more than a corrupt puppet for the corporations anyway, just as Powell was.
—Bill Dugan, Salem, OR

Not cool guys. Not cool. You think this is a good idea? HA!
—Larry G, Midlothian, VA

Net Neutrality is important to me because it will keep internet service providers from taking advantage of its customers and the businesses that use the Internet to reach the masses. The internet should not be taken advantage of or interfered with by large corporations. It is unfair and unethical for Internet Service Providers to discriminate between websites based on how large they are, how used they are or how much a person is willing to pay to have fast access to them. Please take action to ensure the internet remains Neutral and not taken advantage of as a money pit.
—Danielle Flowers, Doylestown, PA

Net neutrality helps me to be equal to you people.
—Dennis Pokorny, Richfield, WI

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers so we ALL have free and equal access. Keep Net Neutrality safe.
—Jeri Khajeh-Noori, Clearwater, FL

Net neutrality is the last bastion in democracy of information. Please keep the internet free, open, and accessible to all. This is a matter that affects the whole world, not just the US. Freedom to acquire knowledge should be a universal right and this is as close as we've come to it in history. Please don't stop the progress now.
—Joanna Bonnheim, Berkeley, CA

The most valuable source of knowledge and self expression in our world is the internet, and without Net Neutrality it faces destruction. There is no reason on Earth that giant corporations need to control the internet. Hand them that, and they control the world. This would send us backwards two decades, and the only way we should be moving is forward. Stop this atrocity, this will affect billions of people negatively, and for what? Something as pathetic as money.
—Kylie McBurney, Tucson, AZ

Dear FCC, I'm glad you're soooo RUBBISH in representing our wish. Because of your rubbishness, now, we are coming beautifully together to show the world how powerful the 98% are. Personally, you really annoyed me! I'm definitely coming after you. Attacking Internet's Neutrality was a BIG MISTAKE! Hands off OUR INTERNET and RUN! WE HAVE ARRIVED.
—Sorin Moroianu, Deal,

Net neutrality is freedom for the internet, and it would be unfair if you took that away from us.
—Cory Scott, Geneva, OH

Internet companies should not be able to charge, limit, or prevent access to any legal content provider. The costs associated with supporting increased bandwidth and data usage should be passed on to the internet customers in a model similar to mobile device internet industry. By placing data usage caps, slowing data speeds after the caps are reached, and offering higher tiered data plans would help these companies gain some breathing room and an infusion of capital to start covering the cost of infrastructure upgrades.
—Jeff Crawford, Chandler, AZ

The internet ISP's are common carriers. Available to everyone, not just a select few. I pay first class prices, I deserve first class access.
—Jim Harley, Stuart, FL

My fear is the creation of a tiered system of access and rising costs. There's no reason to mess with what has worked since the inception of the internet, except to pander to large corporate interests.
—Kelly Boerder, Denver, CO

Putting this plan in action is unfair to the consumer and stifles innovation and the small business owner who can not afford to compete. ISP's are already throttling bandwidth and holding content creators responsible for performance. We need real local competition and, while I do not favor government intervention, I think that reclassifying ISPs as common carriers is a step in the right direction.
—Robert DeSanno, Millburn, NJ

These plans will cause fragmentation of the internet.
—Andy Walling, Marina, CA

the internet is the last sanctuary of international free speech and represents not only a cultural and political importance, but a historical significance that cannot be violated by petty copyright laws
—Brenna Maillet, Pleasant Hill, CA

DEMOCRACY DEPENDS on Net Neutrality. The Internet MUST be treated as a UTILITY- NOT as a CORPORATE CASH COW!
—Patricia McHUGH, SAINT LOUIS, MO

Protecting true net neutrality is essential for entrepreneurial ventures to help shape the Internet and life in a digital age. The next Facebook or Twitter might not be able to compete fairly online because their established competitors might have a speed advantage they can afford and take advantage of.
—Conor Boehm, Hinesburg, VT

Quit catering to big business and protect your constituency. Quit being finger puppets for the rich and the elite. Have you forgotten the phrase "For the people, by the people and of the people" in the Constitution? Maybe you should reread it so you understand WHY you were placed in office! If you are not for the people then YOU are the problem.
—Paul Groh, Gulf Breeze, FL

The new rules proposed for a two tiered Internet is flatly the wrong direction. It is wrong for the future of innovation, it is wrong for favoring concentration of power, it is wrong for the vast majority of users, wrong for Internet content creators and wrong for applications makers. But it is a lovely gift to AT&T, Comcast and Verizon. Why is a Democratic FCC vote doing this?
—Milda K. Hedblom, St. Paul, MN

The internet should be a utility and regulated as such, not another tool for corporate leverage.
—Greg Shaffmaster, San Jose, CA

Por que sin internet no puedo apprender de la vida.
—Josephtapia Tapia, Albuquerque, NM

Net Netruality is important so big companies such as Comcast and Time Warner Cable do not dictate what Americans can and cannot access on the web.
—Lenny Angelucci, Spring City, PA

I've got far too many friends, all over the globe, to lose. They mean so much to me, and if I can't see them (my parents may not be too keen on paying an extreme load of money to keep me having tumblr), then... I don't know what I'd do.
—Madelyn, Levittown, PA

I am a handicapped person living on a fixed income. Affordable reliable and high-speed internet service is an absolute necessity for people in such circumstances.
—Paul Impola, Albany, NY

Common carrier
—Wendell Appe Hall, hulen, KY

These rules stand to create a preferred class of internet users: Those who can afford to pay. Allowing one piece of data to be served over another essentially means eliminating the democratic underpinnings of the web as a tool of dissent, change, innovation, and ideas that challenge the status quo. The internet didnt begin with the status quo, and it shouldn't be allowed to become controlled by it. The internet should remain organic, free and an equal to all regardless of economic power.
—Tim Johnston, Chicago, IL

Please classify internet providers as common carriers and give the public an even playing field. The public well being should always trump private profit for large corporations.
—Lisa Nash, Seattle, WA

The internet need to stay open the way it is without favoring the more moneyed (as our politics increasingly do). The internet only makes sense if everyone is on the same level, so that it truly is an information super highway. In a world where the term democracy is loosing more and more of its meaning, let the internet be democracy's success story where anyone regardless of background can have full access to its wealth of knowledge.
—Christine Ponelle, San Francisco, CA

The internet shouldn't have classes for haves & have-nots - it should be a public utility like any other! Protect net neutrality and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jennifer Russell, Loveland, OH

I am a small business owner. My company provides high-end web and mobile design and consulting services to fortune 500 clients. I'm also involved in several Internet Start-Ups. I've been following the Net Neutrality issue for the last few years and I'm very, very concerned that we keep an even playing field and protect Net Neutrality. It allows small companies like mine the ability to compete with large companies. I've heard the arguments from AT&T, Comcast and Verizon and I know their motives. I hear them say "don't worry" and "this is good for consumers." In the short run, perhaps. In the long run, we will surely regret giving over this power and control. I'm all for competition and free market, that's why I favor competition between hundreds of thousands of content providers and start-ups. Real competition requires an even playing field. The only sensible way to achieve this is to reclassify the ISPs as utilities -- as common carriers. Otherwise they will be back again and again, chipping away until they get the control they want. Before it's too late, I urge you to take a strong, sensible stand, and fight for the 99% who don't have the time or resources to lobby you. Just our urgent voice. Thank you. --Bill Purdy COO, Spinapse, Inc.
—William Purdy, Bainbridge Island, WA

Not only are the ISPs charging the consumers, but they're also charging the providers and we, as consumers, have to pay more (to the providers) to receive the same service we have now. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Scott Gisler, Barre, VT

The indiscriminant availability of high speed internet to everyone will quickly be as important as the telephone. Segregating internet speeds as proposed will focus programming from an oligarchy of a few companies, will inhibit competition, leading to overall higher consumer prices, and slower U.S. service compared to other countries. Net neutrality will help us regain our competitive edge in internet, and should be maintained.
—Paul Henry Dawson, Greensburg, PA

Many head of households depend on the internet to feed their families. They depend on fast internet and Net Neutrality, taking away the open internet will lead to more people unemployed. Please do not take away open internet that we all need and many depend on.
—Rhina Slobodny, Canyon country, ca, CA

Net Neutrality has formed the very basic foundation of how the internet functions. Removing it will crippled the internet and users there within. Do NOT impose these ridiculous discriminatory regulations, Net Neutrality NEEDS to exist.
—Brandon Coleman, Cleveland, OH

The ISPs are already getting paid by their customers for connectivity, so charging the major server companies for carrying their traffic is greed. ISPs should be common carriers.
—Kenneth Ingham, Albuquerque, NM

IT'S FASCIST NAZI BULLSHIT. MAJOR CORPORATIONS TAKING CONTROL OF EVERYTHING. THEY NEVER LIKED THE FREEDOM OF THE INTERNET....AND NOW YOU SCUMBAGS AT THE FCC LET THEM DESTROY THAT TOO. THANKS YOU BASTARDS. - THE AMERICAN PEOPLE. FUCK YOU!!!
—James Juron, Troy, NY

No megamergers should control access to information provided by small servers on the Internet...
—Christopher Flynn, San Jose, CA

the internet is for everyone there is no discrimination it is a neutral playing field for opinions and content DONT CHANGE THAT!!
—Connor Paull, Redruth,

In the same way all persons should be treated equally, so should all bits, bytes and packets.
—Avery Buffington, Leander, TX

Why in the hell in the hell do you people keep doing things to empower the rich and powerful in this country at the expense of the ordinary American! It must be because of the greed for money!
—Pat Chefalo, Rochester, NY

Net neutrality protects free speech, innovation, democracy, and equity. I understand that the U.S. is an oligarchy, not a democracy, but this does not have to be the case. Take a stand for democracy, regardless how much the ISPs are padding your income. What's best for them is NOT what's best for the public. I am a student, and I need to be able to access my public university's website, but they will not be able to afford the second tier of internet preference. Neither will my public library, which I also use regularly. This is an absolute violation of the first amendment, and if these rules go through, I am certain the Supreme Court will rule them unconstitutional.
—Shelby Shively, Colorado Springs, CO

It would be irresponsible to give control of the internet to a handful of companies, it should be free and open to everyone and not controlled in any way.
—Scott Woodruff, wellington, OH

Your proposals are tantamount to allowing discrimination against us, ordinary users of the Internet, based on how much we pay to the handful of corporations who are on a delusional power-trip, who think they own all contents on the Internet, when they are actually only carriers of the content, and whose real mission should be merely to maintain and update the infrastructure to keep it running. Internet service providers must not be allowed to discriminate against their users by restricting its speed and content, because contrary to the arguments being made in favor of the proposals, it is such restrictions that stifle "growth". If economic, educational, and cultural growth via the Internet are indeed in humankind's best interests, ISPs should focus instead on providing the fastest and most stable network for all people in the United States, just like they do in all other advanced countries in the world.
—Jyun Takagi, Los Angeles, CA

Please leave the internet as it is. There's no need for additional costs added to our already mounting bills. And also to keep information, and global social activities freely available to all
—Oscar Simoes, ,

Make ISPs common carriers. We pay them for those packets. We pay them to deliver them. The brain dead system of doling out broadband in this country has put the incumbent carriers in a monopolistic position. Allowing them to exploit not only their customers, but now they are attempting and succeeding in blackmailing website operators in order to get paid twice. It's a protection racket. The internet is a method of communication. One much richer and varied than any before it. ISPs are common carriers. Now recognize it.
—Micah Nordland, Columbus, PA

Corporations by nature seek to make profit. They do this with little or no regard for any externalizations, ramifications or the harm their decisions may do. If you give them any leeway to seize control of the internet, they will eventually do it. The internet is a communications tool like a telephone or the us mail. It is not a commodity to be given over to the highest bidder, as in the benefits of the political-corporate revolving door. Classify the internet as a public utility and access providers as common carriers as democratic common sense would advise.
—James "Rolin" Stone, Santa Rosa Beach, FL

Like many people, I'm on a fixed income and depend on one flat rate.
—Kirstin Mount, ,

The internet has been a great equalizer for everyone. People can share their thoughts, start new businesses online, shop for best prices, etc. We all have equal access. It should remain that way.
—Lana Wilson, Tucson, AZ

I'm tired of big corporations, who already are making huge profits, getting extra advantages to help them increase their already enormous profits. WE NEED A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD, otherwise, the American dream is really dead. Keeping fast internet access affordable (already the U.S. lags far behind countries like Korea and Japan) allows for the creation of new companies, new cultural and business developments which help enrich the U.S. in innumerable ways.
—Michael McCarthy, Ithaca, NY

Decent internet service is already expensive. I depend on it for work I do. In fact, the people I work for require their contractors to have high-speed internet. I cannot afford to pay any more than I do.
—Katherine Coonley, Vallejo, CA

I could try to list all the reasons why Chairman Wheeler's proposal is a bad idea, but I guarantee you have already heard them in far better form than I can here manage. I will simply say that the FCC is acting against the wishes and best interests of the public, is widely opposed on the issue by both sides of the political spectrum, and is lining itself up for yet another series of protracted court battles from smaller companies and individuals this proposal will harm. At this point, if the FCC votes in favor of the proposal, and therefore against Net Neutrality, it will lose all credibility with the public. Standing up for Net Neutrality is simply the right thing to do.
—Matthias Timmerman, Grass Valley, CA

There are already entirely too many ways in which news and other content available to the public can be controlled by a few powerful corporations and wealthy individuals. The internet is a public utility by its very nature; there should be no "fast lanes" for the rich.
—Gail Gillispie, Glenwood, IL

Equality on the internet matters
—Tammy Lettieri, Deerfield, FL

Ending net neutrality is short-sighted and self-destructive for the global economy and for global communication
—Drew Wesley Peardon, Canmore,

Net Neutrality is important to me as someone working towards a startup online art buisness, it's important to me as a student for research projects and online classes and as an Alaskan American for connection to the rest of America for news and culture. I think allowing discriminatory practices for the sake of corporate greed is disgusting. We already pay for access we shouldn't be forced to pay more so someone can pad their profit margins. Netflix already paid a huge tithe thanks to this to comcast. We know that the companies will discriminate. It's as plain as the nose on your face.
—Chris watts, Anchorage, AK

As a small business owner of a web development company, I rely on access to the internet to be neutral. The time spent modifying a website that can reach people without the need to spend exorbitant amounts of money to compete with companies that have bottomless coffers is a real skill - one that has defined the very strategy of online marketing. The Internet, like telephone service, is not just a commodity anymore. The United States has a whole new business model that is directly the result of a neutral Internet, and it could be destroyed by allowing ISPs discriminatory bandwidth practices. It has become a basic human right to have access to the Internet. We're already seeing price-gouging and a decaying quality of services. It's time to set in motion protections against discriminatory traffic and bandwidth practices now.
—Jonathan David Mitten, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality means an equal-opportunity Internet for all, even internationally. Don't sell the Internet to the highest bidders.
—Jonathan Lyons, Lewisburg, PA

Many people already have few choices in terms of their ISPs, so there's no reason to give those providers more power. I already pay a significant amount for mediocre service and I don't understand why we would need to offer them greater advantages over consumers and companies like Netflix that rely on content speed. We don't need to be at the mercy of ISPs any more than we already are.
—Conner McNabb, Helotes, TX

Net neutrality Is fundamental to a democratic society.
—David Eastman, Newton, MA

The people want a free and open internet, not one where money can buy a louder voice. the open access of the internet is one of the things that has made our nation competitive this decade, and where so much innovation comes from. We are now going to sell this out to big companies who will pay for a louder voice? it will crush competition. I don't care what the politicians and big communication companies think they know whats best, we know whats in our best interest and we want Net Neutrality.
—David Shaye, Minneapolis, MN

It is already hard enough for start ups to contend with major corporations. Without net neutrality, it will be an even more unleveled playing field than it already is and you will be crushing the opportunities available for small companies to innovate. These are the starting stages to a monopoly on data access and it has to change!
—Chinh Duong, Lincoln, NE

The internet has the capacity to be or provide a virtual town hall meeting where democracy can function. By enabling the well-heeled to dominate expression in this medium, you subvert democracy more radically than it has been subverted by other means already.
—Dr. Jan Edward Garrett, Bowling Green, KY

Good internet service should not be for people who can pay above and beyond the normal charges. Doing this will allow internet providers to gouge more money out of subscribers who depend on the internet to be connected to the world. They will be able to prioritize what content goes to whom and if you don't think this will lead to censorship, perhaps you should sit and ruminate on it for a while.
—A Meyers, Poneto, IN

America is FALLING BEHIND the world in internet speed and THESE SAME COMPANIES ARE NOT PUTTING ANY PROFITS TOWORDS INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT YET. They will continue to maximize profits and only improve what they can get the rich to pay for, LEAVING THE REST OF US TO ROT.
—Richard Schwager, Santa Barbara, CA

As an illustrator, I rely on the internet to reach potential buyers and employers. If big outsourcing firms end up with fast tracks, not only is my job endangered, my entire industry is. We need real net neutrality.
—Jess Świtalska, Dewitt, NY

Rural access is important to me and I am afraid your actions will affect me even more than I am now. Please classify internet access as common carriers.
—Joey Mayer, Northfield, MN

Do not fix that which is not broken. Improve yes—is this an improvement? No!
—Dennis Monson, Cedar Hill, TX

So now free speech is to only the ones who can afford it? This new proposal is a direct attack on Democracy and open speech
—Barry Danielson, New Westminster, AZ

Net Neutrality matters. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. I demand an open internet. We are already behind most of the rest of the civilized world. FInd another way to pay for your golf vacations and vote for the right thing instead of your wallet.
—Connie Corbaley, Daytona Beach Shores, FL

A free and open internet has provided me with a career. It's what America needs to grow our intellectual capital and stay strong. The rest of the world will overtake us if we let companies determine our public policies.
—Michael Estok, Glenside, PA

The internet is the Guttenberg Press of this time. We need unfettered access or we might as well accept the shackles now.
—Anthony Lauderdale, Bristow, OK

It false in the area of basic freedom, which is currently being sold to the highest bidders by Congress. It is time you actually represented us. Do your job!
—Michael G Holler, Key Largo, FL

This is absurd and you are not acting for the people that you represent, but the corporations. Thank god the EU has made the opposite position and enshrined net neutrality in law. You have taken a step to ensure america is held back in the world. Shame on you, shame
—Richard Bown, ,

Net Neutrality matters to college students such as myself across the nation who pay tuition fees and internet bills. Internet is a communication service and should be treated as such because not all people can afford all the changes that is being suggested. Americans such as myself are tired of continuosly being screwed over by rich corporations motives to make more money.
—Brian Trotter, Fredericksburg, VA

Hey. Act right and do the right thing here with the internet...Do not make the corporate evil companies, screw the little guy, again... Disgusts me that you would put this thru, or even consider it. Stand up and be aman about the whole thing. You're gonna screw us anyways in the end.
—Steve Davis, Phoenix, AZ

The internet is a place where information and ideas are exchanged, and it should be a place of equal access.
—Angela Anderson, Snohomish, WA

Net Neutrality is important to me and most anyother student, because on a student budget I could not afford a higher priced bill for faster service and the internet is a key research and learning tool for all of my classes.
—Michael Tauriainen, Bend, OR

Net neutrality is important to maintain the internet as accessible to everyone on an equal basis. Why should the big corporations get preferential treatment/?
—James DeLay, Bellaire, TX

I received this reply from Tom Wheeler on May 14th: Thank you very much for contacting us about the ongoing Open Internet proceeding. We're hoping to hear from as many people as possible about this critical issue, and so I'm very glad that we can include your thoughts and opinions. I'm a strong supporter of the Open Internet, and I will fight to keep the internet open. Thanks again for sharing your views with me. Tom Wheeler Chairman Federal Communications Commission The FCC actions recently do not coincide with your comments to me. Please reclassify ISPs a common carriers and keep the internet neutral. This may be the most important decision the FCC makes in this decade! Please do the right thing! Laurel Holmstrom-Keyes
—Laurel Holmstrom-Keyes, Cloverdale, CA

It is beyond obvious that the interenet is effectively a 'public utility' given the various services and vast majority of users who are deemd the 'public'. Internet networks are treated like common carriers in many respects already and since the TCA of 1996 telephone companies the option of providing video programming on a common carrier basis or as a conventional cable television operator it is only logical that ISP's be classified as common carriers.
—Bruce Sims, Escondido, CA

we need an open and neutral internet!
—Prem Chugha, Charlotte, NC

I like many other have had to cut our bills down by having only internet service through our cable companies. We can not afford to have a two tiered internet. I use Omma (which is a VoIP service) for my phone service, I watch tv using Hulu Plus, and our internet connection for web searches and email. To me, my internet connection through our cable company is a common carrier and should be reclassified as such. For once please listen to the people instead of the lobbyist's and special interest groups, and prove that our government regulatory agencies are not for sale to the highest bidder! Thanks for listening (I hope!). DeAnna Pruett-Boushele Cheyenne, WY
—DeAnna L Pruett-Boushele, Cheyenne, WY

Ending net neutrality without reclassifying ISPs as common carriers gives these already massive and profitable companies far too much power and control over the most useful communication tool ever created. ISPs that already are multi-billion dollar profit machines will only strangle small businesses further while restricting who has access to what and how fast online. They will stretch the American public's wallet even thinner, in these already tough times, by increasing costs to access information and people through their services, and then two-fold when the companies the ISPs charge more to pass those extra expenses onto their customers to keep their profit margins. In a time when the ability to talk to anyone anywhere at any time is at its greatest, they want to rip it out of our hands – how many American soldiers will no longer be able to video-talk to their wives and kids while they are halfway across the world because they can't afford the costs of it anymore, or because the software they use no longer works or is in business. When we need every job we can get they are robbing an untold number of future jobs by ending dreams of new online startups before they begin because it is too expensive to have a useful online presence. They will make it increasingly hard for already started businesses to expand and explore new customer demographics, which would increase the amount of workers they need to employ to be successful The ONLY benefactors to these new rules are the major ISP companies - NOBODY else stands to profit or expand their business through these rule changes. It's repugnant that you would even consider changing these rules in favor of ISPs simply because they ask that you do. They don't need the rules changed, and we don't want them changed.
—Nate White, Chesterfield, VA

I work in high tech and know the real impact of a tiered internet on future technology and application development. Please allow entrepreneurs, such as myself, the ability to develop applications and technologies on the same neutral net that past technologists have enjoyed. Enact net neutrality.
—Mr. Matt Chavez, Austin, TX

America means a fair chance for every single person who plays by the rules and works to contribute to our society. A two-tiered Internet means that the rules are skewed to favor those with the most money. That is wrong. Protect Net Neutrality. Preserve our free and open Internet.
—Cristina White, Corvallis, OR

I telecommute over the internet, so I need it for my job. Having different tiers of service could hurt the speed of transference of large files. Also, tiered service would give an advantage to established, well-off corporations and make it harder for start-ups to enter the market. Right now, thanks to net neutrality, the playing field is even. If you truly believe in the concept of free-market capitalism, net neutrality is essential. We don't need big corporations having an unfair advantage in yet another sphere of influence!
—Brian Rice, Indialantic, FL

The proposed rules of the FCC for a two-tiered internet will kill the open exchange of information. It is even going to end up hurting your overlords at AT&T, Verizon, and Comcast. If you weren't so blinded by your own greed you would see that.
—Matt Edwards, Marlborough, MA

DO NOT DESTROY NET NEUTRALITY!
—Tyler Weiss, Carlsbad, CA

I want equality where possible and necessary. Do not turn the internet into another tiered pay-tp-play service that leaves the less fortunate to suffer.
—Adam Guedry, Prairieville, LA

The internet is filled with voices, giving higher priority to only those that can pay will hurt all of us. Our public schools are already under funded, don't create a system were additional educational tools are required to come up with funds or find themselves slowed down by cable company greed.
—Amy Linder, Seattle, WA

To preserve free speech. Whatever is decided in US will be a big influence elsewhere
—Roberto guareschi, Buenos Aires, CA

I need net neutrality to maintain my life.
—David Gerke, White Oaks, NM

Because we all need the internet. Not just the rich.
—Matthew Holland, Irvine, CA

Please stand for equality and the public good.
—Thomas Eugene Musselman, Tucson, AZ

It should remain free to all, not sold to the highest bidder. I run a small non-profit and can't afford to pay more for faster response.
—Will Richardson, Medford, OR

Please do the right thing and classify the Internet as a Utility. It seems quite against Public Policy to stifle the Internet as it is a means of communication and the means of maintaining business competition and the creation of hundreds of thousands of small businesses. To allow the ISPs to financially throttle usage as we know it flies in the face of the intention of the creators of the Internet; to allow a free-flow of communication and ideas. The creators of the Internet essentially "gave it away" to the public in order to facilitate this. I don't believe it is the Government's place to sell it away from us. I believe it is the Government's duty to uphold Public Policy and protect our rights to continue to use the Internet as we currently do. For this purpose, the current FCC proposal is not useful. Please classify the Internet as a Utility, like many other sophisticated countries have already done.
—Justine Bateman, Los Angeles, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because I want there to be real competition between large internet companies and smaller start ups. The language in this plan is too vague to truly protect everyone's interests. This plan only benefits large, established online entities. I don't know how you have fooled yourself into thinking that this plan would create a level playing field, but you are dead wrong. If you want to protect the free and open internet and the economy, then make internet providers common carriers. The internet is an important of a commodity as a home phone and should be treated as such.
—Alysha Troxell, Farmington, NM

In recent years, the Internet has become the only way that ordinary people have any chance to sidestep and prevail over the influence of money, which is now consolidated in the hands of a very small proportion of the populace. If political, social and economic influence is concentrated in the hands of a small minority, then our nation has reverted to oligarchy and abandoned democratic governance. The only way that people should react to such a condition is to abandon the Internet altogether and revert to pre-Internet methods of living. This would have grave consequences for the national economy and will destroy the companies that are trying to profit from the policy that you are adopting. The Internet should be treated as a public utility with equal treatment for all members.
—Mel Klegerman, Houston, TX

the average American cannot handle the ever increasing cable and internet fees
—Jamie Bothen, Florence, KY

For once let the people have a voice and not the money hogs. Classify ISPs as common carriers. I pay for broadband and I should get all of it.
—Michael W Proctor, Weeki Wachee, FL

Maintaining a free and open internet is not only important on the basis of enterprise and business, it also matters because of the message it sends. Since it has been accessible to the public, the internet has been one of the most transformative inventions in modern history. Ensuring that it remains equally accessible to all parties big and small is of the utmost importance moving forward. Large ISPs cannot be allowed to determine who gets priority and who does not. Purely from a basis of affordability, this is destined to stifle start-ups in favor of larger existing companies; companies who were able to grow and become successful because they had the same accessibility as anyone else to the internet. This action must be stopped now and a message must be sent that it is not appropriate nor allowable to do anything other than provide access to the internet in an unregulated and unbiased way.
—Alex Moon, Steamboat Springs, CO

The Internet is a common resource, and should be classified as such. To allow large companies to pay for faster speeds will stifle innovation.
—Jake Forrester, Washington, DC

Internet service has become vital and essential, even more than telephone service. Our democracy depends on everyone having equal access. Internet service should be regulated as a common carrier.
—Mark Duncan, Menlo Park, CA

It would be a crime to the American people to use your so-called net neutrality rules which are nothing of the sort. You need to reclassify broadband internet as a common carrier and tell the big media companies that the concerns of the American people are more important than their coffers!
—Chuck McNevich, Lexington Park, MD

This is the government picking winners and losers again. Take action against the lobbyists and make the internet free again!!!
—Bryan Harper, Monroe, MI

I spend hours every day on line. I am a senior and depend on it for many types of information. I will not be able to access many smaller sites that I use daily. If you can't keep the internet free and open Mr. Wheeler you should resign. President Obama made us a promise and you need to help him keep it. Stop catering to corporations. I know you were one of them but you are supposed to be working for ALL citizens now.
—Judith Bodie, Bloomingdale, IL

I only have one option for cable service in my area, and I live in downtown Dallas. I have only one option for actual broadband through time Warner. You may think there are not monopolies, but there are, local monopolies. That is all that matters. Now Comcast is buying time Warner, I will be stuck with a company that limits the amount I can even use the internet, not to even mention deliberately slowing websites. If you allow a company to sell a fast lane to certain people, everyone else is getting inferior speed by default. That is unacceptable. Please do not let these new rules go into effect. These companies need to be regulated like the phone and utility companies. An open internet is essential now more than ever before.
—Justin english, Allen, TX

Net neutrality is essential to keeping a Democracy!
—Gina, Ankeny, IA

Real net neutrality is crucial to innovation, growth and development. Classifying ISPs as common carriers is the best way to protect the future of the Internet in this country. Large corporations should not be able to pay for a "fast lane" or any advantage whatsoever. Allowing them to do so crushes innovation and precludes small upstarts and new sites from standing a chance. I urge you to discard these proposed rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Niklas Peters, Spearfish, SD

Everything that I and hundreds of millions of others value about the Internet has occurred under a regime of Net Neutrality. It has not only provided free and open access to a range of services that have become vital for the conduct of everyday life, for information and education, for public life, and for business, but has also been the incentive for the innovation that has led to information goods and services being available, as business have figured out how to make content of all different kinds available via the one equally graded terrain. Abandoning Net Neutrality by allowing businesses to pay for higher bandwidth will not only create a two-tiered Internet world, like the airlines in which economy passengers are increasingly squeezed into less and less space, it will also reduce the incentive for businesses to figure out innovations that will efficiently deliver content over a common carrier. The current FCC proposal, if implemented, will be a gigantic obstacle to the ongoing progressive development of the Internet. For example, as phone companies figured out how to provide VOIP service, the price of long-distance telephone service fell drastically for millions of individuals and businesses. As companies figured out how to make meetings workable remotely over the Internet, all using the same "pipe" as other data, universities have made education accessible to people for whom it was not accessible before. Introducing a two-tiered Internet will at the same time reduce the incentive for innovation and make information and collaboration less accessible for millions. As someone who has benefitted incalculably from the information services that have been developed under a regime of Net Neutrality, I am very strongly opposed to its abandonment, and urge the FCC to resist the pressures coming from a few corporations to undo the magnificent work that the Internet is. Net Neutrality will contribute to the health and vibrancy of both American society and global communication, collaboration, learning, and scientific progress. Jeremy J. Shapiro
—Jeremy J. Shapiro, New York, NY

I run a small web-based educational nonprofit, and we can't afford to bribe ISPs to give our users timely access to our content.
—Michael Chidester, Somerville, MA

This country was supposed to be about equality what you tom wheeler are proposing is an act of discrimination and WILLresult to millions rioting on top of the economic collapse which will make things worse just so you and other companies monopolize the internet tofill your own pockets making everyone else poorer than they already are . Who made you god. If you kill net neutrality the rioting and looting will be on your hands trust me ive seen scenarios like this happen and your bill to kill net neutrality will be the cause.ive said my peace.
—Xeroflare Luton, Wilkes Barre, PA

It's a disgrace that this is even being considered.
—Brandy N. Urich, Baltimore, MD

Across the political spectrum, The People recognize the value of the Internet as their unencumbered access to the democratic process and exercise of free speech. Your proposals run directly counter to the spirit if not the letter of democracy and free speech. Limiting democracy is the goal of the business class. The FCC is supposed to operate in the PUBLIC INTEREST.
—Martin Eigenberger, Kenosha, WI

Net Neutrality is important to me because I'm going to need the internet for many stuff like looking for jobs, talk to friends that's outside the states and/or country, and do or assist projects from different clients. In addition to that, I'm currently working on a small project, so that I can work on my marketing and business skills that I learned from the college that I graduated from. Have you even thought about the people? There are many people who doesn't have extra money to pay for this. If this does succeed, then I just get the feeling that this will cost serious trouble and dreams will be destroyed.
—Bryan Wesson, Baltimore, MD

Net neutrality allows me to appreciate niche online creators and broaden my horizons without having the powers that be trying to extort me to consume the content they own themselves.
—Ryan Rogers, Owosso, MI

I want small businesses to have a chance to compete online. I want all voices to be heard, whether I agree with them or not, or whether big ISPs agree with them. I don't want things to deteriorate to an online world of piracy (it will) and pornography (because they are the ones who can pay). Do you really want to consign our future to that? Those activities are so detrimental on young minds (read a study or two on this). This is about more than a little bit of lousy money. This is the society you are giving us. Think beyond business, dollars, and cents. Don't do this.
—Annalisa Wiggins, Rexburg, ID

The internet should be as open and free as speech. All given an equal chance to be heard. This proposal destroys that. Do we really need to make someone even more rich by destroying our freedom?
—Timothy Franson, Woburn, MA

I beleive that net neutrality is what makes small businesses able to compete in this brave new world. If you don't decide to preserve net neutrality as it was previously defined and not as you want to define it, and reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers, you will be the downfall of the tech industry of tomorrow. Libraries and small tech companies will live or die because of your decisions.
—Aaron Glett, Dayton, OH

I thought we'd gotten past the RICH getting RICHER on the back of the masses by monopolizing markets. NO MORE MONOPOLIES, EVER!!!
—Noland C. Ardis, Brooklyn, NY

Net neutrality means competition, investment in infrastructure, more people on line, more innovation, JOBS and better life in rural areas as well as cities with quality low cost information transfer.
—Greg Koshak, Larsen, WI

Net Neutrality keeps internet access available to those who need it most, the poor, underprivileged, seniors, young people and people of color. It is a way for those who have little power to use their voice. The internet allows us all to communicate - to be heard. Net Neutrality strengthens our democracy. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers to prevent discrimination and a two-tiered system. Guarantee the internet for all.
—Millie Magner, Seattle, WA

Who is paying you off to get their [programs passed.
—Erwin J Crawford, Longwood, FL

Internet access in modern society is not a commodity, it is a staple required for communication, work and entertainment alike. What makes the internet great is the vast amount of content that is available to all who have a connection, regardless of how much they pay for it. I know I would rather have no connection than have to live with a restricted version or pay extra for the privelidge of high speeds and extra content. This proposal serves only one purpose, to make more money for ISP's, it's a blatant money grabbing scheme and should not be passed.
—Gawain Brewer, ,

The internet has never been simply a tool for making money. If our web sites become intolerably slow, we will not be able to use and internet diversity, creativity, and contribution to the social good will become a thing of the past. Please don't let this happen
—Barbara Zilles, Iowa City, IA

We WILL be ripped off without it.
—Danielle Crawford, Memphis, TN

Has anyone at the FCC looked at the latest survey results on cable and internet providers? There is a reason why their customer satisfaction levels are lower. HIGHER prices, worst quality. Bundled services, less choice. ONE company, no competition.
—Larry Chan, Columbus, OH

Net Neutrality will protect innovation, freedom of expression, and diversity. It will enable all citizens to participate in the democratic process.
—Robert Kaiser, Whitefish, MT

Many are poor and are in school. How will students get their education if they can't afford it? College students are drained dry of their money.
—Chinh Do, springfield, MA

The FCC must throw out the newly proposed rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. We must work toward passing a law to protect net neutrality, the principle that all Internet traffic should be treated equally, regardless of content or origin. Keeping the Internet equally accessible to all, especially small content producers, is key to ensuring tomorrow’s inventors and entrepreneurs have the same opportunity to succeed as their predecessors. Ensuring the Internet Service Providers remain neutral in all Internet traffic delivery is vital in maintaining the growth of our economy and the success of our country in this technological age. Stomping on small businesses stomps on our entrepreneurial spirit. You’ll hear the Service Providers make the “That’s not what we’re going to do” argument but ask yourself why they’re fighting so hard for the ability TO do it if they don’t plan to use it. If Net Neutrality is not maintained millions of small businesses will suffer, jobs will be lost, and the economy for working Americans will suffer. Furthermore, prioritizing content from certain companies isn’t the only thing ISPs could do once they abandon net neutrality. It’s a slippery slope that could also slow down or block some content entirely. Thank you
—Steven Knapp, Newton, MA

Internet Service Providers (ISPs) should be classified as common carriers. A two-tiered system is at odds with the intentionality of the Internet, which is supposed to be a Digital Commons. Please do all you can to preserve 'Net Neutrality.
—Jinna Maxwell Anderson, Guilford, CT

I'm an independent musician, and depend on the internet to share what I create with the world, book gigs, and generate publicity. I'm on a tiny budget. If net neutrality becomes a thing of the past, then you will be effectively killing my livelihood. PLEASE reclassify ISP's as common carriers, and save entrepreneurship, ingenuity, and the American dream!
—Talia Segal, Brighton, MA

The proposed FCC rules will kill the internet. Are your kickbacks really more important to you than the ability of the American people to freely exchange ideas?
—Ronald Matthews, Marlborough, MA

As a sole proprietor whose work depends heavily on on research, Net Neutrality is essential to my business. Small business owners cannot afford the extra fees that will be required of those who need efficient Internet access to a variety of sites. For small business owners throughout the U.S., PLEASE reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Maribeth Maher, Maplewood, NJ

Are You People Aware That The Evil You Do, Comes Back On You,,,,Dump Your Stupid Rule Changes And Allow All Americans Access To The Free Press That We Don't Have Now.....I Rely On This As Communication, Education And A Social Connection
—John McClain, Fort Worth, TX

Internet service is quickly becoming as integral to daily life as any utility (certainly wired telephone). Let's classify it as such.
—Will Gee, Baltimore, MD

As a small business owner having net neturality allows me to compete with the big businesses so that I can feed my family. As an American I would hope in sort of democracy here, I can guarantee a vote on this matter would keep the internet on neutral grounds!
—Cynthia fusillo, Cornwall, NY

The internet can change the world, but only if we keep it open. Don't let corporations lock it down! Stand up for net neutrality now!
—Aeraby Allen, Portland, OR

if the net isn't neutral, it means that our democracy is dead. Freedom of Speech.....First Amendment. Do the right thing and stop sucking at the corporate teat. Sincerely, db
—Dee Black, westcliffe, CO

Net neutrality is vital so that all Americans can have a voice.
—Daniel Hawley, Ketchum, ID

Incredible, or target incorrigible.how could Obama appoint anyone that side with the rich few. You will stifle what makes this nation great. Freedom of speech. Please reclassify the isp.
—Dennis N Schurr, San Francisco, CA

The internet should not be yet another tool for the rich to get richer.
—Michael Mounteney, Springwood,

Please reclassify ISPs as a common carrier. As if the people of this country need another avenue for prohibition of equality. The Internet is perhaps the last frontier for uniform and readily accessible information, and to allow several companies ,the power to curtail that in the interest of garnering an ever increasing margin of profit is detrimental to the general public and a shameful proposition. Ethics and social responsibility are not aligned in this matter, as service providers will maintain that they are meeting the needs of the consumer according to the norm of society and simply adjusting business practices to ensure growth, they are doing so by sacrificing the needs of most for the wants of a few shareholders. Implementing a practice that neither benefits the majority of consumers nor acts in the interest of fairness. Allowing the said companies the power to monetize and adjust the internet's neutral experience will only further the gap that is being created between those who have the means to afford luxuries from those who do not have the means to afford adequacy. Policies such as the one being proposed, exacerbate the notion of inequality and are prime example of the greed and self interest displayed by corporation's and highlight the need for self-evaluation in regards to the values, merit and worth of the ideals and moral aptitude of this country.
—James Scott, Brooklyn, NY

Well, potential employers use email just as readily as they use phone. If I can't get to my email accounts, or other ways of communication on the internet, then I might not hear about things I need to know.
—RyVonne Werner, Portland, MI

Net Neutrality allows everyone to compete on an even scale. These rules allow incumbent behemoth companies to snuff out competition even before they have a chance to prove themselves. Our telecom landscape already is a virtual monopoly and these rules are allowing these monopolies to become even more powerful.
—Muhammad S Ali, Durham, NC

All websites should get equal treatment on the Internet. Small businesses and organizations do not have the budgets of big companies such as Microsoft. This would give large companies an unfair competitive edge with their budgets for purchasing fast lanes on the Internet. Small businesses and organizations is where new ideas develop, and it can turn into a money making idea. Division of fast lanes and slow lanes on the Internet might prevent new money making ideas from growing. Look at the success of movie review websites such as http://www.aintitcool.com/, http://www.upcominghorrormovie s.com/, http://www.latino-review.com/ & http://geektyrant.com/. Ain't It Cool created by Harry Knowles is a perfect example of success on the Internet with a small business website. Knowles started this movie review website in the mid-90s' when he was sick in bed. Knowles was a movie buff. His mother was roommates with the Bond girl Lois Chiles. So Knowles designed a website for movie news and reviews. This effort payed off. Anyone who is a movie buff knows about http://www.aintitcool.com/, and it paid off!
—Abrar Qureshi, Willowbrook, IL

Without Net Neutrality the ISPs will determine which data they want to get through and which doesn't or gets slowed down. Speeding any traffic up slows others down and the ones to be slowed will be the new starts, the up-and-comers, those without the cash to buy fair access.
—William Winslow, ,

It allows for the free flow of ideas and beliefs.
—Neil Mc Sweeney, ,

a 2-tiered internet hurts those who can't afford the higher tier.
—Harald Conradi, Los Angeles, CA

Reclassification is the only way to insure internet equality. Thank you in advance for doing what we all know is the right thing.
—Beverly Henry, Huntersville, NC

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet, and as a result limit competition, do further damage to the economy, and allow Internet Providors to potentially censor dissenting opinions. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Logan J. Tomko, New Kensington, PA

A free internet is good for free comerce. A corperate internet is good only for corperate companies, resricting compition.From the smaller companies
—Charles W Lynch, Shorewood, IL

I'M 85 and my real life is on the internet.
—art rosenzweig Yale 53, Orleans, MA

At age 75 and retired, I really depend on the Internet yo easily communicate with my family. Allowing additional fees to keep at least the same level of access is repugnant to me. If worst comes to worst, i will get out the short wave radio for my communication needs and bid farewell to the Internet. I hope you understand my position.
—Duane De Vries, Wyoming, MI

It was a mistake to not classify the internet as common carrier in the first place. Please respect a future generation's start ups, alternative media and freedom of speech. It is never a mistake to change a course of action when new evidence has been provided.
—Chloe Smolarski, Brooklyn, NY

Net Neutrality's EQUAL access favors consumers over giant corporations. We need the help, the corporations don't!
—Gay Kramer-Dodd, Eugene, OR

the net belongs to the people .not the big three ,verizon, comcast and at&t...they are only the roads we get it on..they should not say who gets what speed and who does not
—William D. Gaskill, punta gorda, FL

Please keep the internet fee and open for all users by reclassifying all internet service providers as common carriers. It's the only way to insure real Net Neutrality. Thank You.
—David G. Martin, Bay City, MI

The Internet is the only thing left that treats everyone equally.
—Adrienne Hochberg, Jupiter, FL

As a poorly paid university professor, I depend upon the internet for my research (no longer have to travel 1000's of miles to do research). Therefor, I would be severely hampered if I had to pay for what are now free services.
—Virginia H. Bennett, Honolulu, HI

Most people I know agree with me -- they would not value or use an Internet that is dominated by a biased few. The new Rules that the FCC proposes would allow the few -- the shareholders of major telecommunications companies -- to decide what sort of access we have, to the free content on the Internet. This is totally unacceptable. I would not even want to utilize an Internet like that. I no longer watch television, for the same reason -- it repeats over and over, opinions approved by a few. The information that radio and TV give us are terribly slanted and biased by corporate interests. Your proposal of rules that favor a company like Comcast's right to determine a "two-tiered Internet" with fast access to websites that they like, and slow access to the rest -- indicate to me that you are aware of Corporate business interests, but frightfully unaware of what the rest of us who don't frequent Corporate boardrooms, really want. My friends and I do not want to be limited to websites approved by or of interest to Comcast, Verizon, and other telecommunications companies. We want to seek out and hear information that is honest and not filtered through the lenses of Corporate self-interest. We want to hear about subjects of interest to us, and we want to understand the world based on facts, not on other people's opinions. The only place to get facts now is the Internet. Television and radio are too biased by monied interests. Everyone knows this now, even though it is not openly discussed. The Internet is one of the few public forums available to individual Americans regardless of status, income level or nationality. Please show me and the rest of America that you care about what we want, and require all telecommunications companies to treat each and every website exactly the same regardless of content.
—Mary Weaver, Rio Rancho, NM

As an employee at a small video game studio, the ability for rent-seeking ISPs to demand fees for better delivery of our services would be devastating to our ability to compete in the marketplace. The destruction of net neutrality and the creation of "fast lanes" allows entrenched corporations to gain a profound and permanent advantage over possible competitors, due to the funds and deals necessary to take advantage of these systems.
—Stephen Cheney, Roswell, GA

Why do you (the US government) ALWAYS give the advantage to large corporations? You are responsible for the destruction of this society. Please change how the internet is categorized. It is a utility, just like the phone lines and electricity. It is 2014, the internet is not a luxury, it is a necessity.
—Marc Vermette, El Dorado Hills, CA

To Who It Concerns: It is of utmost importance that all data be treated equally on the Internet. CHOICE - If we allow the purchase of preferential treatment for Internet traffic, we are essentially a captive audience. Personal liberty includes our right to choose--we must keep the Internet neutral and cultivate disparate sources of online information. Without proper access to all of the data sources, we will be confined to the ideas and information deemed important to those with the deepest pockets. VOICE - The Internet is a virtual extension of our society--if we allow some members of the virtual space to pay for better access to Internet audiences, the voice of the individual will be lost. Our freedom of speech is at stake. Please support net neutrality. Sincerely, Shannon Grothaus
—Shannon Grothaus, Cooper City, FL

Do not make us second class citizens on the internet. It was created with public funds.
—Ethan Eldon, Huntington, NY

The 99% have had enough taken from us for the greed of the few. If you don't want marching in the streets and upheaval by the mass users of the internet, I suggest you keep the internet OPEN!
—Madeleine Fisher Kern, Los Angeles, CA

Television was a free service for years. Those days are gone but the Internet must remain useable for all citizens. Children use it for schoolwork and this would make it difficult for people with limited incomes.
—David M. Miller, EVANSVILLE, IN

We must preserve an equal playing field on the internet: save net neutrality! You MUST classify ISPs as common carriers to preserve an open platform for discussion and entrepreneurship.
—Maxine Anderson, Kaneohe, HI

There is only one place to go to find out the truth or to share an idea or to ask a question. That place is the internet. It must remain an environment with equal access for all and access at equal speed.
—Barnet Cohen, East Quogue, NY

Keep the internet fair, please make no change and leave the rules as they have been in place. If you must change something, change it for the better, reclassify ISP's as common carriers. Keep it open, keep it fair and equally accessible by all.
—Jeremy Lucha, Union City, CA

Is there no end to their greed?!?! They charge the customer and they charge the vendor to gain access to their network. They stopped building out the networks but took our dollars saying that they will. We have not seen improvements on our networks. They already charge us for greater speed so this will be just another cost till they want more money. Where will it end? It won't because we live in a digital world and there is no going back. So with no real options for the consumers we are forced to do business with them. Sounds like they have the same business model as the mob! They have their own territories carved out and we a left dealing with them. If you will not stand up for us then we will not stand up for you. But I am sure Comcast, Verizon or AT&T will have a job for once you turn your back on us. They don't need your help we do!
—George Coppola, Hazlet, NJ

The internet is meant to be a place in which everyone is at an equal playing field. All websites accessible to everyone and equal for all. Disabling the quality of internet on specific sites unless we pay up is unleveling that equality. And there is no benefit to anyone but you in this situation. Consider the world outside of you. Please keep net neutrality and make the right decision.
—Kayla Deeden, Swedesboro, NJ

With the widespread use of the internet and the subsequent technological boom mankind has created the first truly exponential market in existence. The FCC's proposed rules will cripple the ability of the United States to keep up with this market and indeed we have already fallen behind. These rules will create barriers to entry that will allow a few companies to remain successful while not having to innovate. If the foundation of capitalism is small business and competition why would it be beneficial to create rules that effectively prevent competition. I would also like the add that there is a flagrant conflict of interest between Chairman Wheeler's former career and his current responsibilities. Considering his rules represent an oportunity for his former employers to make a significantly greater amount of money and stamp out much of their competition at the same time I can only see this as willful if not gleeful corruption and I would ask that he immediately resign in favor of someone who has any interest in actually representing the public interest rather than their own.
—Stephen Hunter, Dublin, OH

Free internet was what led to the bloom of ideas, advancement in countless parts of our life like technology and really the list goes on and on! Limiting the internet will be one of the most catastrophic decisions you can take and it will push back progress and years!! Specially in America that one of the dominant effects that this country has to the entire world (in a good way), it will bring all that to a halt. i wouldnt understand why you would take a decision that cripples the progress of your own country. I cant use fancy words to describe in a more effective way how serious the effects of stopping net neutrality can be since English is not my native language. But i trust that you are smart enough to understand what limited internet could bring for the entire globe. Limiting ideas and creativity is like committing mental genocide. you know im not exaggerating. Please reconsider. Maybe some will not become richer than they are now but this is for the best of everyone. Thank you.
—Nikos Kalofonos, ,

Back in 1999, I was one of the first 50 broadband users on the Verizon network in the Squirrel Hill neighborhood of Pittsburgh, PA. I had DSL service with a static IP address. Today, I'm still stuck with DSL service from Verizon even though many houses within a 1-mile radius have fiber-optic service (FIOS), some for more than two years. You see we are captive to Verizon on this matter: the prices are high, bundling services is de rigueur if we don't want to be gouged, and our access to third party services suffers immensely during prime time where our throughput drops by more than 75%. Aside from copper wire, I can have cable installed, but both providers consider the last mile to be marketing leverage to sell other services, whereas I have very little interest in buying those services as a bundle. There are many things wrong with this scenario: I am captive to an obsolescing network (copper wire) with no upgrade in sight by Verizon. While our theoretical bandwidth goes up to 17 mbps, we only get 2.5 if we are lucky during prime time. I have no realistic options that exclude content bundling and while everyone around us is getting 25 mbps both ways, I'm stuck with 17/.8. Please please reclassify ISPs as common carriers, and make them depend on their last mile for more than selling me their own content.
—Adel Assaad, Pittsburgh, PA

I strongly oppose any and all measures that would affect the neutrality of the internet. No one owns the internet, and as such, no one should be able to limit or deny access to it. Furthermore, there should never be any taxes levied upon its use. It is the ever-increasingly essential matrix through which all manner of human transactions are conducted, which means that those without it are automatically discriminated against. So, allowing Big Business to dictate who may access and use the internet (and at what level of access) is akin to these companies actually owning a piece of the internet, which they do not. Right now in this country, Big Business has far too much influence on all aspects of our society. This is NOT how the framers of the Constitution designed things. Everything must be done in the best interests of The People, not the owners and stockholders of companies. There can be no tollbooth placed on the internet. There an be no "tiers" of access. There can be no discriminatory controls established by any company, or even the government itself. ISPs must be treated as common carriers and nothing more. Anything less would be completely anti-American and completely unacceptable. Government needs to immediately stop getting into bed with Big Business. This country belongs to the people, not to Big Business. I demand you throw out Tom Wheeler's plan and never entertain such a preposterous notion again!
—Russ Guthrie, North Las Vegas, NV

Truth is freedom, and equality for all breeds truth.
—Frank Zedek, Novato, CA

If ISP's are to be regarded in law as publishers, and granted editorial power over content - to edit, hobble and block as they choose - then the vital portion of the Public Commons known as “The Internet” will shortly and tragically complete it's metamorphosis into little more than 1) a method of surveillance and control and 2) an interactive TV we can shop through.
—Mr. Cameron Atwood, Thousand Oaks, CA

Net Neutrality is the reason why the Internet is so popular. New ideas can grow easily and everybody gets treated the same way. If you take that away you basically kill the Internet!
—Timo Hoth, ,

To: Chairman Wheeler and the rest of the Federal Communications Commission, We want action for democratic media, not platitudes as smokescreens for corporate domination of the Internet. We want net neutrality. The Internet is my world. The Internet is only possible because taxpayer's money was used to pay for the Satellites that make the Internet possible. The Internet belongs to the people and the criminal corporations who want to destroy Net Neutrality have no right to take over what belongs to the taxpayer's. "The Internet is a tremendous tool that 99% of the American people use for thousands of different uses, to run businesses, buying products, emails etc. These greedy corporations have no right to take it over and make the taxpayer's whose money subsidized the satellites and infrastructure the Internet uses. These corrupt corporations are destroying Net Neutrality, so that only the rich will be able to pay to have fast service and those who have limited income will have slow service and some sights will be censored. The Aristocracy running our country have taken away our democracy, our Internet and only the rich will have access to justice and the Constitution." Chairman Tom Wheeler you are a greedy bought and paid for sociopath, bought off by the corporations that want to control and dominate the Internet. I realize your pockets are too full of corporate money to do the right thing. Those of us who are fighting against the corporate control of this county, will be fighting also to see you and other traitors put behind bars. Why else Chairman Tom Wheeler would you want to do something so egregious as to take away the freedom to use the Internet that everyone enjoys and is part of our every day lives? If you have even a single thread of conscience left, please consider not making such a horrific and destructive decision as taking the freedom of the Internet from people who use it every day and giving it to the corporations so they can delve it out in pieces, the more you pay the more you get. This would give only the rich complete access to the Internet and the poor would only have very limited use of the web. A patriot and loyal servant of the FCC would not abuse his position as FCC Chairman to make a decision to destroy net neutrality. We need to face reality; we need to call everyone out who are trying to destroy net neutrality. We have to list the corporations pressuring our politicians to allow them to destroy net neutrality, then the amounts of the bribes being paid to each politician along with their names and the Chairman of the FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler who are working with the people and corporations who want control of the Internet need to be listed and exposed to the voters. Well Net Neutrality is just another victory for the corporations in their coup to completely take over this country, we are officially no longer classified as a democracy, we are now classified as a plutocracy and an Oligarchy. The corporations control the US Supreme Court; corporations own the local news stations so we do not have freedom of the press, the TV, radio, and newspapers have filtered news so we will not have real news about what the corporations and the republicans are up to. Our Government is officially bought by Wall Street, they own the republican congress, the FCC, USDA, EPA, department of the interior, USFS, etc. Wall Street and their political arm the republican party use their massive propaganda and disinformation fear factory to brain wash people into believing it is the democratic party that is causing all the problems, until Wall Street can formulate there plan to eliminate the voting process so Wall Street can start appointing who they like into every office from Dog Catcher to the Presidency.
—Michael MacPherson, Milbridge, ME

The socio-economic divide would get worse if a two/multi-tiered Internet was created. Please protect the open Internet for us all! Thank you.
—Pamela Davis, Rochester, NY

I've written and called Mr Wheeler, my US Representative and US Senators, but the message agpparently is not getting through: TREAT THE ISPs AS COMMON CARRIER! The internet is too much like a public utility to treat in any other way!
—Tim Naughton, Roseville, CA

I can't afford to pay big bucks to make my website fast. What are people like me with small businesses supposed to survive? AND, I'm concerned about manipulation of speed and access for political as well as monetary reasons. Allowing big corporations to take over a formerly FREE and open Internet and use it for their own gain is just plain WRONG. RECLASSIFY ISPs AS COMMON CARRIERS. It's the only way to keep our Internet free and open.
—Carol Holaday, San Diego, CA

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. As an educator and librarian, I worry that the new rules would have a detrimental effect on my ability to teach my students how to use online tools available. Schools and libraries are already stretching budgets. Net neutrality is important to nonprofit schools and libraries that cannot afford higher fees. The digital divide would widen for the students and library patrons who depend on their school or library as their only on-ramp to the Internet.
—Jane Glass, Portland, ME

We already pay way too much for internet access! A two tier internet will cost us even more and destroy internet freedom. You must classify ISPs as common carriers.
—Dave Harrison, Brandon, FL

Quit selling out to your buddies in the big telecoms and represent the will of the people. I will not use the internet if you mess up net neutrality. Typical bureaucrats selling out to Comcast, Time Warner and the other big companies that bribe our government bureaucrats the are supposed to be working for the PEOPLE.
—Edwin Britt, mount washington, KY

I don't want fat cats screwing with the net. It was designed by the people for the people not the fat cats who want to get rich off the people.
—Gary Gall, Cambria, CA

Freedom of information and commerce.
—Nicole Potter, Irvine, CA

Rules won't hold but reclassifying ISPs as common carriers would be a major step in the right direction. The Internet is as basic to modern life as air and water are to people and deserves to be a part of the Commons. Without real Net Neutrality we will become a 2nd rate nation. Our internet service is already much worse than it is in Europe, for example.
—Theodore Wilcox, Rochester, NY

What happened to "Of, for and by the People"? Instead, this is another move toward - Of, for and by the Corporations and the Rich and Powerful !
—Stan & Cleo Venetos, Naples, FL

The Internet has become nearly as important a commodity add electricity, in terms of its effect on our daily lives. Allowing ISPs to charge content providers for access to their customers is ludicrous and dangerous. Don't strangle the future on Internet entrepreneurship.
—Justin Birt, Dayton, OH

Isn't it bad enough that many rural areas get slow service. My blind sister cannot work from home because her net is too slow. Are the rest of us 99% going to be in the same boat. Pls think this over and ignore the lobbyists.
—Priscilla Dow, Commerce City, CO

Companies should not dictate what information i receive nor should they be influenced by other companies that want to push their message. Internet should just be an opensourse of information.
—John Shek, san mateo, CA

Everything in this world isn't about making a profit. Get your head our of your butt and realize what a disaster this move would make.
—Carl Richardson, Purlear, NC

As long as ISPs can bundle content with internet services they will give preferred treatment to their own content on the internet. Classifying ISPs as common carriers will force them to decouple their service provider business from their media business and make them compete with other media companies who aren't ISPs. Please force them to to do this.
—Barry Bloom, Plano, TX

This is a normal roadway to communication that doesn't need toll plazas!!!
—Ramsay MacInnes, Cherry Valley, MA

Net Neutrality is important to me because Internet service providers should not be able to determine winners and losers by creating a two-tiered Internet for which they can charge twice. Protect Net Neutrality and throw out the proposed Internet rules and classify ISPs as common carriers.
—Dierk Seeburg, Scottsdale, AZ

Furthermore I would like to know why we have one of the slowest internet thru rates in the developed world and yet pay more for this inferior product. If this country is to be a leader in commerce and developing new technology why can we not expect a better product for all of us not just those with fat wallets.
—Greg Gaucher, Jacksonville, FL

The Internet is for everyone, not just the rich.
—Austin, Raleigh, NC

Losing Net Neutrality would be a huge economic and technological blow against small start-ups such as my company!
—Gage Hutchins, Bethlehem, PA

I telecommute to work for a small business. Abolishing net neutrality would directly affect me and my employer, to our detriment and that of our customers. That's not in the public's interest.
—Robert Hood, Hixson, TN

Quit kowtowing to the telecoms. Get real!
—Roy Bennett, Corvallis, OR

Internet Service Providers are de facto Telecommunications Providers and must be regulated as Common Carriers or else the entire intent of the older laws will effectively be circumvented for the profit of a few large corporations at the expense of most U.S. citizens. This must not be allowed to happen!
—John Villere, Colchester, VT

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers please! Such a move wouldn't be anachronistic; instead, it would ensure the free market can be at its best instead of monopolized by a few telecom oligarchs.
—Matt Rich, Decatur, GA

The European Community voted for net neutrality, that was a wise decision. Internet is by the people for the people, not by the providers for their money!
—Jan van Galen, ,

The internet was developed for all people. You selling out to Verizon, AT&T, and Comcast will destroy that. Judas sold Christ out for 30 pieces of silver. How much did you get?
—Dro Green, Lowell, MA

I am part owner of a SaaS startup that will be adversely impacted by the proposed rules. We need Net Neutrality.
—Kenneth Daybreak Loafman, Plano, TX

I have no interest in the Facebooks and Twitters and Big Media outlets on the web. I use it for information and communication, not advertising and games. Without pure "net neutrality" the internet would be about as useful for me as pre-cable TV.
—Hollie Conley, Accord, NY

I've already paid for a certain level of bandwith; this is just an end run to make me double pay by charging the people providing content. it's time for providers to actually give the bandwidth they advertise and stop trying to double or triple dip for their services.
—John Greenfelder, herndon, VA

I believe the Net Neutrality issue, while -very- important and must be preserved, is a red herring. It has been proposed at the behest of Chairman Wheeler to give the Commission something to appear to defeat the industry on and appear to be a victory. I believe that Metered Internet Billing is the real goal and objective of Comcast and the AT&T and other "industry" monopolists. Comcast and the "industry" will cave on Net Neutrality in order to seem -entitled- to Metered Billing. Metered Internet Billing will be a very Bad Thing: Multiple credible studies, around the world, have repeatedly shown that the incremental cost to the ISP to deliver a gigabit of internet traffic, above some arbitrary cap, is nearly nothing--it is an almost unmeasurable cost. Any charge for internet traffic above some arbitrary cap is almost total profit. Huge Profit. The very few, very rich monopolists will have (and actually already -do- have) huge pots of money for lobbying, electioneering, and just plain bribery. Perhaps more than any other industry segment in America. I believe this is not an exaggeration. The cost of internet service is -not- like groceries or gasoline or electricity. The price to the consumer for the next bag of groceries is the same as the price for the first bag. The cost to the grocery store is the same. It is not even -close- with internet service. Metered billing fees for internet service are almost pure profit to the ISP--in the area of 95%+ pure profit. Comcast EVP David Cohen has publicly stated that he expects "metered internet billing to be in effect across our footprint within 3 to 5 years." Of course, the "Industry" will go right along with him. The "industry" is projecting billing for internet service to average $200 per month per subscriber in that same time period. Remember, this is just for bits. Not for Netflix, or MLB.tv or any subscriptions. Just bits. This would be an unwarranted and unjustified windfall for the franchised cable and land-line monopolists--who, after all, got into the internet business by accident. Throughout history, monopolists -never- invest their profits in innovation or quality improvements or service improvements, or do so to the least extent possible. Their incentive instead is to create and maintain artificial scarcity--and then to charge an ever increasing price for their products. Research the demise of the DuMont Television Network in the 1950's. A good case can be made that AT&T caused it. These monopolists are doing everything they can to further the idea that people using less "bits" are "subsidizing" people who use more. Many believe this. Based on the above, it is pure nonsense. All are paying the same basic monthly fee--which is already very profitable to the ISP. Internet service is, today, already, the most profitable product the cable system monopolies sell. By far. These monopolies simply want MORE, and are under ever increasing pressure to deliver higher profits to Wall Street. They will cave on Net Neutrality to get Metered Internet Billing. If we don't win both of these fights, the internet will look like cable TV does today, within 5 years. Only more expensive--much more expensive. With less information, news, diversity, choice, competition and innovation. I truly believe that America will sink on this. I believe this is not hyperbole. Is this what we want?
—Ronald Rauscher, Austin, TX

If what you're trying to accomplish through this act is an overall faster internet, then you're doing it wrong. The web is worldwide, and should be equally neutral. Once again, government is collapsing to the whim of corporations instead of the concerns of the people.
—Markus Knight, Oshkosh, WI

You are killing innovation and clearly re-arranging rules to favor telcos and established Internet companies. As an entrepreneur who has founded 3 successful startups, my world is in jeopardy if this action is not taken. We will be heard!
—Mark LaRosa, San Jose, CA

Big corporations already have far to much control. This is absolutely going to far. Stop the pandering to big money and at least act like the government is for the people, by the people and not just the highest bidder. This is one more example of oligarchy at work. Millions of people spoke against this, yet the big money was the only one listened to. Enough is enough!
—Gregg Wynia, Evans, CO

As a senior citizen I depend on the Internet for information pertinent to our well-being. I live on a fixed income and my budget, most likely, will not allow extra fees. A two-tiered Internet is discriminatory and is apt to cripple the Internet access for the less affluent among us. If you side with corporate interests you do a disservice to the poorer among us.
—Ella Robson, Huntley, MT

Eliminating net neutrality is another step toward complete domination of American society by the very richest "1%" and its ruination of the objectives outlined in the Declaration of Independence and for the most part striven to be protected by the Constitution and its Amendments. Even today it's difficult to see in front of me the America prescribed in those documents. Mr. Wheeler, you seem impatient to make it worse. I would like the chairman of the FCC to come from the mass of people who suffer the consequences of its rulings, and not from those whom it must oversee and regulate.
—Stephen L. Brown, Saint Petersburg, FL

Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers seems to be the ideal way to protect true Net Neutrality! As Senior citizens - aged 76 and 81 - my husband and I depend on internet access to stay in touch with family and friends around the world as well as to conduct essential business, both personal and relating to our many volunteer commitments. Fifteen years ago when we established our first email address we had no idea how important this service would become to us and how thoroughly hooked and dependent on internet access we would become. We urge you to maintain neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers!
—Jill A. Roberts, Brevard, NC

Regional providers are effective monopolies for internet service. Collective participation by regional providers to establish rules for internet access is tantamount to collusion since competition plays no role in establishing market prices. With regional competition one of the main ways to attract consumer and business subscribers would be to offer better speeds and lower prices. If you allow the proposed FCC rules then you prevent true market competition from playing a role in pricing. In other words, the proposed FCC rules effectively provide government support of monopolies. This is not what you did with AT&T in the past. Why would you be willing to do it now? The Internet is a road of information. Service providers cannot charge different tolls for access to this information since they do not own that information. In fact, they don't even own the complete throughway connecting the information with the consumer of that information. Information is key to the advancement of our society. Please do not restrict access to that information based on an individuals financial status. The Internet is the one thing we have left that can easily be left as completely equal for all people. Don't change that.
—Michael J. Hammel, Colorado Springs, CO

No end to net neutrality
—Roger Lowry, ,

two-tiered Internet only benefits corporations with deep pockets, and those government employees with financial ties to those same corporations.
—Robert Stevens, Northampton, MA

Reclassification of broadband providers as “common carriers.” Would require ISPs to treat all content equally. It would also allow the FCC to pass comprehensive and legally sound Net Neutrality protections and to go after companies that violate these rules.
—George Henry, Midlothian, IL

Small businesses and self-employed people like me depend on the open internet to function and to create revenue. If the proposed FCC internet rules are put into action, eventually a few large companies will determine which websites get into the fast lane. This will make it very difficult for the rest of us to survive and innovate, as the technology changes and the slow sites get left behind. No one can predict the future, but it's easy to see that this will lead to disaster.
—Thomas H Lichtenstein, Burnsville, MN

The internet has been a revolutionary leveller, giving everyone equal access to its content and enabling everyone to feel their views and opinions can carry some weight. It is essential that the internet doesn't become in any way the fiefdom of private interests.
—Michael Pountney, ,

Hello, my name is Zach Sousa and I do not support the proposals the FCC has recently made to allow internet service providers to charge more money fo faster lanes. That will severly cripple new online start up companies to compete with the more established online companies. How will a new online company that streams Legal Movies/Television shows to compete with companies like Netflix or Hulu? That is one example and there are countless more. Please, Net Neutrality is very important and killing it will will have dire consquences. I will tell you, one of the reasons why I voted for President Obama was because he was in favor for Net Neutrality. He appointed you Mr. Wheeler, and I trusted you to keep Net Neutrality safe. I guess I was wrong, and you have dissapointed me and millions of Americans. Do the right thing and protect Net Neutrality.
—Zach Sousa, Orange, CT

It is unAmerican to sell the right to free speech away for business gain. We expect our leaders to protect our interests. That is your primary job function and we watch with great concern. Please move with honor. Classify ISPs as COMMON CARRIERS. thank you.
—Dee Furjunque, West Hollywood, CA

In the information age equal access to the flow of information is a fundamental human right.
—Niles Calder, ,

Internet fees are already too high for what we get in the USA.
—Honz Zondorgh, Tucson, AZ

Enough of the "24 hours of stupid" corporate media monopoly. We need an alternative, we need an open internet!
—Brian Rasche, Orlando, FL

Your favoritism of corporations over the world community that uses the internet is disturbing. All people deserve a free, fast and open internet. Stop messing with this, it does more harm than good. Thank you.
—Trevor Walker, Bothell, WA

Net Neutrality is essential. Do what the people want, not your cooperate lobbyists bribing your people with $$$$
—Nick Disney, San Diego, CA

American society has become severely polarized already by income inequality. Internet fees increase annually at a rate greater than inflation, while salaries stagnate or even decline. Creating internet bandwidth tiers promotes greater class divisions in society--is that your goal? As a government Commission funded by the taxpayers you are charged with acting in the public interest. It should be clear to you what that is. Destroying net neutrality clearly favors corporations and is wrong.
—Max Mastellone, Las Cruces, NM

Discrimination in any form is a bad idea. As well as "pay for priority" falls into that category. Mr. Wheeler, please, think of the general public and not profit.
—David Szeflinski, Greendale, WI

Net Neutrality is important to me because I work in education and youth development in the social sector where resources are scarce. My colleagues and I, and the young people we work with, need access to all the innovative technology we can get to collaborate, teach and learn, organize to solve problems in our communities, and work together to create a more inclusive and robust economy and society. Creating a two-tiered internet makes my job of helping prepare our country's next generation of citizens, leaders and workers more difficult, and traps them in a less efficient, innovative and open technology environment.
—Michael Swigert, Brooklyn, NY

The creation of a "two-tiered Internet" is an elitist, Ancien Régime attitude that has no place in the twenty-first century. ALL people deserved to be treated and served equally regardless of class or financial holdings.
—Ella Dermon, Franklin, TN

The transit method of information is not important, be it fiber optic cable or copper wire. Those who provide internet service should be classified as common carriers, before it's too late.
—Erik Hendrickson, Minneapolis, MN

The internet is the new information database of the millennium. As it is, anyone can access and upload information onto the web that anyone can see and consider. If the internet is restricted, then the only information available to the people will be information backed by those who can pay the fees. As a fungi I g democracy relies of freedom of information, to limit the Internet would be to limit democracy itself
—Eliza Trench, Rockaway, NJ

Commissioner Wheeler, as a "Baby Boomer" and tech CEO who worked for Steve Jobs 3x's, I beg you to take a deep breath, take a step back, distance yourself from the selfish interests of DC lobbyists, some of your former buddies, corporate elite in the Communication Industry, and THINK about the future of America, and of our children born who are destined to live, work and hopefully thrive in a the high technology era. Do not sell them down the river to accommodate political pressure driven by greed rather than serving the American public and especially future generations. Our country is the leader in innovation that is our differentiator in the global economy. Insure that all technology-driven entrepreneurs and consumers of technology rich products are given an affordable, level playing field. Your historical legacy will be that YOU murdered the fair and equal concept of Net Neutrality and you contributed to the demise of America's dominant position in the world. You have the power and opportunity to do just the opposite and insure that America does not end up like Russia; run and ruined by a power elite of greedy oligarchs. Look into you heart and do the right thing. The Internet is the lifeblood of economic, political and social power and world influence accessible and a source of amazing opportunity for each and every citizen, or if you choose limit this extraordinary public utility to be under the thumb a powerful, controlling, minority of megalomaniacs. Your choice Mr. Commissioner! Thank you (I hope).
—Bob Longo, Cleveland, OH

It's time we have REAL NET NEUTRALITY !!!
—Carlos Baeza, Glendale, CA

This is insane. The only true free system left in America is going to be divided up between the rich and the rest of us. Throw out your proposed rules and reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Grant Wilson, salt lake city, UT

I am a low-income and partially disabled senior. I depend, EVERY DAY OF MY LIFE, on an open Internet - for communication, for economical buying, for information, for mental stimulation. None of the reasons the open Internet is so vital to me are of the least importance to major ISP's. In fact, some of those reasons are antithetical to big business and its profit-making agenda. I always believed that the tasks of the FCC were about promoting the good of American citizens - but I am rapidly being disillusioned by Mr Wheeler's ongoing efforts to place the interests of major corporations far above those of citizens/voters/taxpayers like me (this in spite of a HUGE negative public response to his plan(s))
—Jeanne Young, Sequim, WA

I want to choose my sources of news, who I buy from, and so forth. I don't want to find that my favorite sources are at a disadvantage in my being able to access them, and their being able to respond to me. Our entire society will lose if monied people and businesses care able to buy favored, fast access on the Internet. Shame on you for considering it.
—Elizabeth Walker, New York, NY

The internet is one of the great equal platforms of discussion and debate in the world, and it has the ability to educate people all over the world, and bring people together across borders. Dividing internet access in this way would take away one of the greatest tools for self-enrichment modern society has. Please, for the sake of so many people across the world, keep the internet equal.
—Jim Baars, ,

Wouldn't it be lovely if the internet didn't go the terribly frustrating way that most things do? Please don't spread and deepen poverty.
—Gavin Bondy, Milwaukie, OR

It fascism otherwise!
—Sebastian Natera, Brooklyn, NY

It's OUR internet. It belongs to the American people...NOT rich people and corporations!
—Richard Phillips, Greensboro, NC

Because it is the right thing to do! No one should have too much power over others!
—Carol Wagner, Happy Valley, OR

You cannot allow this to happen
—Gary miller, Pflugerville, TX

I do not want to internet to look like cable television. For once, please do something that actually benefits regular people, not corporations.
—Jimmy Smutek, Baltimore, MD

The internet is a public location. Limiting access to it would be like limiting access to a marketplace or an interstate highway or a national park. It's a short-term money-grab that's bad for capitalism and inherently unethical. ISPs do not own the internet, they did not invent it or build it - logically they must be classified as common carriers.
—Jesse Case, Chicago, IL

Use common sense. Obviously the internet is a communication medium, like the phone system, and requires government oversight to preserve everyone's rights to free access to information. Let the big corporations build their own infrastructure if they want faster service! They can certainly afford it, judging from their astronomical rates.
—Ernie Renaud, Tonawanda, NY

Net Neutrality really matters to the small businessperson, the start up, non-profits and more. Giving a Fast Lane to some means the rest of us look slow By Comparison - and that means traffic dries up. PLEASE protect REAL Net Neutrality by keeps us ALL equal - protect an open & vibrant Internet!
—Susan Mohn, Bothell, WA

it is just wrong and unfair to us because the companies will pass the cost on to us and it makes it hard for small business who rely on the internet for their business
—G Blake, Newark, NJ

The cable, phone, and ISPs have told Congress for years that everyone would have access to the internet and consumer costs would go down. The opposite has happened, and every year they want more of our money in fees and charges, for poor service and infrastructure. Make the internet a PUBLIC UTILITY, and keep the capitalist pigs' hands out of our pockets.
—Kris Bunda, Moorland, IA

We all know that the internet is and has always been a Title 2 Common Carrier. We all know that Michael Powell changed the definition in exchange for a multi-million dollar job as a lobbyist, which he enjoys today while collecting his checks from his lounge chair by the pool and holding an umbrella drink. We all know that Tom Wheeler was a lobbyist for BigCable before he was appointed and that he is ONLY there to collect on the same type job/BRIBE for which his predecessor sold us out. We all know that the object of BigCable is to solidify monopoly and stifle innovation while censoring content by regulating its availability and speed. The internet is a TITLE 2 COMMON CARRIER, regardless of what crooked chairmen of the FCC say.
—Mike Michael Kelly, Huntington Beach, CA

The internet should not be controlled by corporations. Net neutrality is as important as freedom of speech. ISP's are common carriers and must not be given the kinds of privelages you propose.
—Eric Netneutrality Gottschalk, Rialto, CA

PLEASE KEEP THE INTERNET OPEN FOR ALL!!!
—Kranti Mailliard, Watsonville, CA

No free press, no democracy--pure and simple. Net neutrality is a Freedom of the Press issue.
—Felice Bachrach, Long Beach, CA

My business uses secure video sessions with clients who are not local. Slowing the internet adds to my costs and will drive up health care costs, as I'm a health care business.
—Cherylann Brown, Seattle, WA

Does the old saying "the customer is always right" matter with regards to net neutrality? It should. As a customer I pay a specific fee for a certain bandwidth/speed and should be able to chose my internet content within that bandwidth/speed. Currently my ISP (Charter) slows the connection speed when I watch a Netflix movie. Charter is therefore limiting my ability to use the service that I pay for. In business terms Charter is in breach of contract because they are not fulfilling the terms of our contract. The FCC should be focusing on the consumer to include regulating the ISP providers and not allow ISP providers more freedom to choose the winners and the losers of internet content. As a consumer I should have the right to chose my internet content and not have it dictated by what makes the ISP more money. Therefore there is no doubt that ISP providers should be considered common carriers and governed as such. Currently my only power lies at the ballot box and I will vote for any candidate who supports net neutrality and the strict regulation of ISP providers.
—Mr. David Downing, Baxter, MN

Open is better. Leave the Internet alone.
—John Fulton, Aurora, CO

Net Neutrality is important because a free internet is a competitive and innovative internet. Don't let big business get in the way of change and innovation.
—Brian McCarthy, Paoli, PA

Protect innovation & small businesses, the future of prosperity in the U.S.
—Sherry Vatter, Los Angeles, CA

These proposed rules are ridiculous. I can't believe that a former Cable lobbyist is now in a position of power that can change the industry in a way that ONLY BENEFITS CABLE PROVIDERS and pretend that it is still neutral. If you were to hold a vote asking Americans which woudl be more improtant to them, a land telephone line or Internet service, I would think that most would say Internet. Ans yet we provide more protection for telephone lines? This is stupid. Please protect the Internet and treat all traffic the same. Treating all Internet traffic equally is the only way to keep cable companies from extorting "fast lane" fees from their competition (ie. Netflix). Don't let Wheeler service his old friends in the cable industry in a way that hurts consumers and the free market. Thanks, Eric Nordlund
—Eric Nordlund, Seattle, WA

I run a small non-profit and unless we can raise funds and compete with the bigger corporations, we are doomed. Its critical that we all can compete on an equal footing. Regulate the Internet like any common carrier.
—George Cohn, Tucson, AZ

In this modern world internet access is a basic necessity akin to electric service, clean water, and gas to heat our homes.
—Judith Abrams, Newton, MA

Regarding commerce, the internet has the status of a utility and access to it must be made equally available to all Regarding democracy, the internet is the best thing to come along. As it is now, it gives everyone an equal voice, as long as they have access which should be guaranteed by it's status as a utility. Regarding investment well, the internet was developed and built by the people of this country and as a citizen and taxpayer, I vehemently object to giving it away to the greedy moochers who want to squeeze more money out of it for themselves alone. WHATEVER THE SHORT TERM POLITICAL GAIN, IT IS NOT WORTH IT BECAUSE IT WILL NEVER BE UNDONE. THE FCC HAS ALL THE POWER HERE. DON'T BE SUCKERS. SHOW SOME INTEGRITY AND DON'T LINE YOUR PERSONAL POCKETS WITH A SELL OUT.
—Ms. Cecilia Brown, Oakland, CA

I depend on the internet for contact to friend and business.
—Sandra Singleton, Kansas City, MO

The US is getting less and less like a democracy. Don't add to this, keep the internet open and free!
—Mr. Bruce Neilson, SALT LAKE CITY, UT

"Transparancy" won't lead to competition. Merely requiring ISPs to disclose their "network management" fixes nothing. If Comcast plainly stated, "we block Netflix", or "we charge Netflix a ton of money for access to our customers", what would it matter? I, like millions of people, have exactly one choice for internet access. I can't vote with my dollars for the kind of ISP I want. As I understand the issue, the courts have ruled that the FCC doesn't have the authority to enforce net neutrality because ISPs are not classified as common carriers. If that's the case, the solution seems pretty clear: classify ISPs as common carriers. I really see little difference between an ISP and a telephone provider, except that we have more to lose with the internet by failing to keep it open.
—Phil Frost, Commerce Township, MI

Information and knowledge should not only be available to groups who can pay a premium price and it's incredibly important that governments and corporate entities are not able to control, mute or remove voices or communities that they disagree with or are in competition with.
—Richard H, ,

Everything is controlled by corpocrats, but the internet shouldn't be. As a young person, I can vouch for the absolute importance of the internet for work, schooling, socialising and admin, and net neutrality lets these things remain simple. It isn't fair to allow big business to charge extortionate fees for what has previously been free - for example, the speed of browsing. Please don't allow this to happen. It would only allow the top 1% to profit while the rest of us would be even more out of pocket.
—Rhiannon Thompson, ,

The internet should be classified as a common carrier because that is what it is - nothing more. Information should always remain free and accessible.
—Ruth Mather, Waxhaw, NC

This debate isn't just about today but for how we define the internet and it's wonders for future generations to use. Without true and enforceable Net Neutrality I fear that the innovation, commerce and information resource that internet has become known for will die a slow death. There can be no true competition where the one party can pay for such an advantage. Corporations will push and prod their boundaries and limitations until they find a crack or weakness. The proposed rules are full of cracks that can be exploited and the checks limiting them too ambiguous to do any good.
—Robert Sweeting, Austin, TX

The Net needs to be treated like a public utility. So net neutrality is critical.
—Richard Boyce, Cincinnati, OH

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Caroline Miller, Portland, OR

The FCC's plan will stifle innovation. Only by treating Internet service providers as common carriers providing a utility service can the FCC ensure that the Internet continues to provide affordable access to services that the general population has come to depend on.
—Gord Tomlin, Scarborough,

It's important because we already pay enough money for the internet as it is plus schools use the internet, if net neutrality is gone then the schools will no longer be able to afford to have the internet. It doesn't make any sense for us to pay to visit a certain website we aren't made of money this act will cause many websites to be shut down because of the lack of visitors, and we don't want that to happen. This will only end badly so please don't kill net neutrality we can't afford to pay for every website we visit our bills are already high enough as it is and this act of shutting down net neutrality will end up leaving many people poor or worse broke. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and throw out these terrible rules that will lead to very negative consequences.
—Mathew Nichols, Jackson, MI

The internet was created under a NEUTRAL system. Corporations like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon inherited control of this US government developed, NEUTRAL system we call the internet. The current NEUTRAL internet is for the benefit of all citizens, not just whoever can pay for it. How can anyone believe that the internet could be better if a few large corporations could just charge us more for faster service? Who would this benefit besides currently large and already hugely profitable corporations? Not start-ups, not small businesses, not the citizens.
—Aaron W Pyle, Bangor, ME

An Internet fast lane is NOT net neutrality. Initiating this proposal would spell the end for net neutrality, it would be destroyed. Without net neutrality, the Internet would no longer be a thriving place for education, entertainment, socialising and fun. It would be a toy that only the richest could afford, that is not net neutrality. The Internet is, even if its not classified as one, a public utility, not a luxury good.
—Harry Spillane, ,

You are a representative of the citizens of the U.S.A. As such, the interests of the citizens need to come first. Businesses seem to have no problem taking care of their pocketbooks. You are supposed to take care of ours.
—Judith Krain, culver city, CA

Net neutrality has allowed all the advances that have occurred to date.
—Katherine Farago, Mesa, AZ

Undemocratic.
—Adam Reilly, Brooklyn, NY

I have worked for many startups and my current company was also a startup working through the internet. In fact a lot of our economy depends on the internet. And if people who have nothing but ideas and coding skills like my self are not able to get access to the traffic or the data that helps them survive, thrive and make money that would simple kill the innnovation behind them for everyone. All of the startups that I've been involved with could not have spared money to pay more to the internet service providers who claim they own the pathways. That is ridiculous to even think of. The internet and the links to it are utilities for everyone.
—Rikesh Chouhan, malden, MA

I lived some place with a 14.4kbps dial up connection. No broadband was available. The number of web pages that simply would not load for me because they are so content heavy was astounding; I couldn't even pay my bills online because of slow connection speeds. Why is it suddenly fair to limit someone's ability to connect? Is this like how cable companies get away with saying "Speeds up to 7mbps" when actual connection speed is maybe one tenth that, but heaven forbid if you pay anything less than what the cable company determines you should pay? The electric company can't get away with charging you for "up to 7000 kilowatt hours". They also don't put a cap on your usage. Why is it okay for internet companies to do so?
—Miles Grant, Silver City, NM

the FCC is allowing 3 companies to create a monopolistic with the "new rules." ISP's need to be classified as common carriers and the FCC needs to protect the people instead of the CEO's running AT&T, Comcast and Verizon.
—Kim Alvesteffer, Deltona, FL

The USA is already a laughingstock where Internet connectivity is concerned, but these proposed rules would also force businesses to pay more in order to be competitive. That competitive edge shouldn't come from that source; it should come from product innovation and competitive pricing. There's nothing wrong with that way of doing business, why force a change now? Classify broadband ISPs as utility companies. Keep the system balanced.
—Nathan D. Rice, Ypsilanti, MI

My government must not allow those monopolies more access to our money. Currently their fees are outrageous to all except persons like their vastly overcompensated executives. I have Verison FiOS service. Verizon tells me I can get faster internet by paying another monthly fee. It seem the speed is already there but they have to send an unlock code to my modem to stop slowing it down. So, in a big way, they are blocking my access already without the new proposed rules. My money built much of the Internet. I don't want that given away to greedy corporate interests.
—Lawrence D Lyford, Voorhees, NJ

I am a small business owner who simply can't compete with Corporate America. If the Internet becomes tiered based on fees, my business will suffer. This is not the American Dream! Please, PLEASE, no more big-business-big-bank favor. Please think of all of us on the ground, working just to have a good life. This will make a difference; please keep a fair, open Internet and protect Net Neutrality.
—Erin, Atlanta, GA

Mr. Wheeler. Think about the ramifications of your actions. The internet has prospered with the current paradigm. Changing the model threatens its viability and creates an incumbent-weighted system. The telcos are pressuring your commission to change the structure b/c 'infrastructure costs are too high. These are some of the most profitable companies on earth. Profitable enough to be acquiring one another for huge sums of money. They already have regionalized monopolies. Don't fall victim to their quest for even greater domination. Consumers will clearly suffer.
—Steve Birnhak, New York, NY

The internet must be treated as any other household utility
—Ian Lenz, Austin, TX

I want to keep net nuetrality to preserve the freedom of the internet. Even though I am a minor, I feel that if we do not preserve net nuetrality, the next generation of people will believe that fast lanes are ok.
—Tonino Sarandrea, West Newton, MA

With so few of our freedoms left, don't let the internet be the next to fall victim.
—David Kelley, Marlborough, MA

Net Neutrality even being debated continues to shift my perception of this country from the land of the free and the home of the brave, to the land owned by greed and the home of the unjust.
—Enan Heneghan, Los Angeles, CA

ಠ_ಠ STOP BEING SELFISH! KEEP THE INTERNET FREE!!
—Emelie, Greeley, CO

Make the right choice for citizens not huge corporations.
—Brian Lamprecht, Marquette, MI

protect what feeble Internet America has.
—Glenn Alford, Pocatello, ID

i sent an email to them, the day this thing escalated. Thursday i think it was. Here's what i said: I don't use the internet for Facebooking and general messing around. I use it for WORK. I work from home. Remote employees are very common this day in age and this new proposal would kill my ability to work efficiently from home. If my job were watching Netflix and Hulu all day and posting selfies, I wouldn't be sitting here complaining. The internet should be open. As the commissioner said [and yes I watched the whole meeting, that's how you know this is important to me]: "There is ONE INTERNET" It should not be divided. Division never works. Remember segregation? That didn't work. Women not having the right to vote? That didn't work. Separation, division and inequality DON'T WORK. Apportionment of our internet would be a massive blow to not only remote workers, but society as a whole. When you're on your deathbed, will the dollars in your bank account comfort you? No. Please don't take away my livelihood just to make yourselves more money. Please don't let greed and lobbyists ruin this beautiful information highway. Traffic is bad enough in real life, we don't need a virtual version of it. Please don't let money ruin this like it's ruined everything else. If trees gave of wi-fi signals, we wouldn't be having this debate. Unless the trees were owned by Mother Nature, Inc. Stop this. Please. My ability to pay rent depends on it. Thank You, Emily Razi
—Emily Razi, Aliso Viejo, CA

Net Neutrality guarantees open access to everyone, regardless of what they can pay. The free-flow of information and open access are vital to our lives in all areas. Keep the Internet a level playing field.
—Ann Bracken, Columbia, MD

please dont let the 1% win
—Catherine McCoy, Murrieta, CA

Please do the right thing,vote in favor of real net neutrality and reclassify ISP's as common carriers. Keep the playing field level....The citizens of this country deserve no less.
—Brooke Pekkala, Duluth, MN

Net Neutrality is essentially for retaining the internet as a means of communication and discourse not subject to bias and discrimination.
—Leah Saddy, ,

This is not the ussr give us what we deserve.
—Bill Polesnak, Troy, MI

Bureaucracy is being bought out by the biggest companies most of them not even located in america to save on taxes. Don't lock up the internet in their greedy mess all over capital hill.
—Andrew Yunker, Rochester, NY

We have no free press—thanks to the revolving door at the FCC (and Reagan-era policies). Now you want to take away freedom on the net. What is it about freedom you don't like?
—Matthew Straw, Brainerd, MN

Make the internet a public utility instead of a cash cow for monopolitic ISPs to gouge consumers and businesses.
—Tsung-Yun Tzeng, Somerville, MA

My Comcast bill for internet and TV gets more and more ridiculously expensive every year, while the quality and speed are very backward compared to other countries. I believe that Comcast continues to rake it in regarding profits and mergers, whilst continuing to not upgrade areas of my state with fiber optics, and continuing to use old copper wiring. Meanwhile, entities like google fiber ARE making inroads into certain other areas in my state, to make the internet more of a PUBLIC UTILITY which is what it should be, and this is for regulation but also because electricity was to the 20th century what the internet definitely IS to the 21st century. It's just common sense finally and how it must be, and especially for FCC regulation purposes. I mean, it could NOT be regulated otherwise!
—Pat White, Ogden, UT

Free speech shouldn't cost more money than it already does.
—Sam McPherson, Danville, CA

The Internet today is fundamentally structured as a means for transporting data (information) from the source to the end user, independent of the meaning of that data. Customers pay ISPs for their personal connection speed and bandwidth allowance based on personal need. That need is determined by the customer and they can make the determination of which services they are willing to consume based on the economics of paying for their connection. Likewise, the data providers (ie. Netfix, Amazon, Google, etc.) pay their providers for their bandwidth feeding into the Internet infrastructure. Allowing individual ISPs the proposed ability to prioritize traffic on their network based on the source allows the ISP to provide different levels of performance for different bits carried into the customer's home. In effect, the ISP would be influencing the quality of service for an Internet based business based on that business' ability to pay for enhanced delivery. This favours established services (with the deep pockets to pay) over new and potentially more innovative services. Such a change does not benefit consumers. Instead it means that the customers loose the ability to control their Internet experience and runs the risk of stifling further innovation by creating an arbitrarily imposed barrier to entry. It would be analogous to having the US Postal Service charge a different fee for a package of the same size and weight, based on who the sender was. That thinking is fundamentally wrong. I respectfully request that you take a clear, consumer driven approach to net neutrality by abanding the proposed rules and instead classifying IPS as common carriers.
—Dean McNeill, ,

Information is important. This plan is not taking the future into account.
—Benjamin Williamson, Chicago, IL

Capitalism is about competition, but most of us don't have much of a choice when it comes to telecom providers: it's just a couple of carriers, with equally high prices and dismal services. Giving them even more control over the content by allowing 'fast lanes' infringes on our rights as citizens. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and protect consumers' right to have access to the broad spectrum of information and services.
—N Dalton, Paso Robles, CA

Without net neutrality, a few large corporate players have the ability in effect to censor and chose content that favors their own monetary interest. The content available on the internet should remain open to all without some corporate (or government) entity decided what should be favored over something else.
—William Eckert, Paso Robles, CA

The world has an absolute need for net neutrality. The web is so many people link to the world, to gain information to improve their lives and at times transform not just their lives but to be a part in transforming their communities. Keep the net open to all. Please do not cower (or sell out) to corporate greed. Make the internet a common carrier and a utility evenly accessible to all.
—David DeRemus, Long Beach, CA

I have spent the last 20 minutes coming up with arguments based on fairness and my desire for same. How is it fair for me to become a second-class citizen because I can't pony up the cash to get the premium service? But then I realized two things: Life is not fair. Far from it, life is so unjust that children are murdered and the wives of hiphop artists become rich and famous. That my boss can afford a Rolls Royce and I cannot is part of the American reality. The second thing that occurred to me, beyond the essential injustice of life, is that the nature of business, big and small, is to charge money for what people want. There is nothing inherently wrong with that (well, there might be, but let's ignore that for now); my grandfather was able to shoot rabbits for his dinner, but if I want Hasenpfeffer, tonight, I either have to eat someone's pet or go to a German restaurant. Life changes. Things that once were possible no longer are. So fairness is out. No one owns the Internet. Charging me to gain access to it makes sense, but charging me to gain access to the part of the Internet (that is the content) that you--the ISPs--want me to have access to is not unfair, it is illogical. ISPs are the roadway that is taken. The destination--as long as the road leads there--is my own. I can choose not to take a particular road, just as an ISP can opt out of being that road, but if you--the ISP--are going to offer your services as a road to me, then after I pay the toll, you are not allowed to tell me that now I am forbidden from taking the road to certain destinations. Don't get all anal on me and tell me that the analogy is imperfect. I am aware of that fact. Imperfect it may be, but I think that it's close enough.
—Bob Ritchie, Ponce, PR

Fairness, a level playing field, non-discrimination, equal access--that's why Net Neutrality is important to me. It should be important to you, too.
—Jane & Charlie Kellner & Kelley, Salisbury, CT

The internet is incredibly important for me and my friends to continue to function every day. If this were to go through and our various websites were to be buried under rubble, it would destroy us.
—William Purdy, Panorama City, CA

I host a blog and share information with people. My site should not be slow for family and friends to access because I can't afford to pay for "fast lane" access. I already pay my host for bandwidth and they pay their ISP, there is no reason to set up additional costs to a model that works. It does work as long as companies don't hold hostage their end users which should be illegal. Thank you
—Oliver Hansen, Federal Way, WA

For me, net neutrality is the basis for free speech and freedom of the press. These are fundamental American rights that should never be compromised due to technology or a corporate agenda for growth. Giving up these rights for the short term growth of a few corporations, denies the long term growth of our country's economy by the value of a free internet. The corporate benefit pales in comparison.
—Brenda Cross, Lake Oswego, OR

The open internet has been one of the greatest achievements of mankind. It belongs to mankind as a whole, and not the corporations who supposedly control the pipes that pass the bits from location to location. Do not corporations to control something that belongs to humanity as whole.
—Bara Kathawa, Sterling Heights, MI

I have watched my country spirit down toward feudalism and fascism ove the past40 years. Without net neutrality, our poor limping sick democracy will become terminal in its illness. With neutrality, the voices of the people can be heard. Without dissent, there is no democracy. Favoring the moneyed folk is anti-everything I understand as democracy. Elizabeth Hallett
—Elizabeth R. Hallett, Ashland, OR

The internet belongs to everyone. People have their own thoughts and ideas, properties, friends and family, and even lives on the internet. By removing Net Neutrality it threatens the community that people have spent years to create. It's not fair to begin watching our communities simply because of fear or misunderstandings. By removing Net Neutrality, it would effectively be killing off this community we've set up by allowing ISPs to monitor and do whatever they want with it. Does the internet really need dictators?
—Kyle Tilghman, Gwynn Oak, MD

It is imperative that net neutrality is maintained. The two-lane plan is blatantly discriminatory and discourage creating new and innovative ways to use the internet. It will effectively choke out smaller enterprises that would have had the potential to grow and generate revenue. ISPs need to be reclassified as common carriers; they are protected as such - they are not liable for what their users do. In order for the internet to continue as the phenomenal creative and communicative platform it is, ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers.
—Christina Lee Glad, Salt Lake City, UT

Maintaining net neutrality would be a step in a good direction, in contrast to so much of our beloved society and its 'equal opportunities' being given away to the big guys who already have so much.
—Robert Owens, Greeley, CO

The 1% has enough!
—Marjorie Cogan, Seattle, WA

We do NOT want corporations to decide on OUR behalf what WE need. They need us to sell their things. they should leave us alone !!! and politicians should protect US, NOT THEM.
—Vincent Marneffe, Dion-Valmont,

Net Neutrality was the reason the Internet grew so fast so weaken it will only doom it. The internet belongs to the people NOT the ISPs!
—Mr. Michael Jason, Buffalo, NY

I can't afford to put my small business on the fast lane. To do so would bankrupt me.
—Hazen Nester, Mount Pleasant, MI

Do not destroy the open Internet
—Carla Skidmore, Pittsfield, MA

I understand that Tom Wheeler currently believes that having an ISP slow down your broadband connection would be "unreasonable" and not tolerated by the FCC -- but I don't want to take the chance that someone later changes their minds. People pay for capacity and all traffic on that capacity should be equal, just like all electricity and water is equal. Because some broadband is a shared resource (e.g., cable internet), I think it would be reasonable to allow companies to set rules on overall usage (e.g., a cap after a certain amount) but those rules would have to apply equally to all customers and all Internet traffic. Moreover, cable companies shouldn't be allowed to pocket huge profits without taking action to upgrade their service to provide more capacity.
—Abigail Welborn, Redmond, WA

The Internet is primarily used for information and the sharing of knowledge. I truely believe that the speed in which that information is delivered should not be determined by any one set of people. The net should not serve companies that only serve them, the net should have a level playing field that gives everyone what they need fairly. The only people who will benefit from this are corporations while the public is left to sift through sluggish internet service at a premium price. Where are the ethics?
—Benjamin Hain, Salt Lake City, UT

Please do not allow corporations to take control of the internet. It is vitally important that we all have access. It has become an integral part of life for many of us. Please keep equal access (and speed of transmission of information) for all. You can make a difference in the lives of the average person, or give special treatment to those with money. It's in your hands. Please do not let us down. It matters greatly. Sincerely, Marge Heggison
—Marge Heggison, Lincoln, RI

The last thing America needs is another scheme that lets big, old companies supress or co-opt innovation by new players. The internet has revolutionized our society by being a many-to-many mass medium; we must protect it.
—Bryce Schroeder, Port Jefferson, NY

Allowing internet companies to do as they wish will destroy the internet as an open and free source of information. Equal access to information of all kinds is vital to the American people being educated global citizens and to the health of our economy which is increasingly moving toward eCommerce as a primary mode of business. Please reconsider your decision to allow ISPs to discriminate. The internet should be equally available to everyone.
—Kathryn Bryzgalski, Homewood, IL

This isn't hard. Make the rules the same as for the other communication carriers.
—David Neale, Albuquerque, NM

We must prevent the oligopoly of internet providers/media conglomerates to control everything from content to last mile delivery. Denying Mr. Wheeler the payout by those companies he pretends to regulate after he retires from the FCC is an added benefit.
—Klaus Fechner, Los Altos, CA

You are putting the short-sited interests of the few ahead of the needs of the many. The free and open exchange of ideas is far more important than whatever financial kickbacks that you're getting from your pimps at Verizon, AT&T, and Comcast.
—Mzd Brown, Marlborough, MA

net neutrality is important to me cause i do streaming media threw my roku player. and i think the way u want to set the internet up stinks!!! i also am living on a very fixed income so i need net neutrality
—Brittany James, piermont, NH

Something about this just doesn't seem fair and just which are principles that US is supposedly founded on.
—Manetric L. Douglas, Indianapolis, IN

The corporations are steeling our democracy!
—Alexis Laine, Pebble Beach, CA

Net neutrality needs to be maintained for the greater good. AT&T, Comcast, Verizon and the like will always find a way to capitalize on their use of the internet, even when it's used as a utility, just as it should be!
—Nina Salvo, Depew, NY

The internet should remain open for all, with complete net neutrality. Any other option will only increase the already bloated bottom line of the large ISP's at the expense of individual users and small businesses. Stop pandering to corporate Americe at the expense of everone else!
—Linda M. Reilly, Saint Helens, OR

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. I use the Internet daily and don't want to have corporations paying (or myself) for a "fast lane". Stop this now.
—Jon STOA, San Francisco, CA

I grew up with a free and open internet, and have seen it foster communities that would otherwise never have come to pass. And those connections are priceless - don't condemn future citizens to a world without them.
—Caroline Binder, Mc Connellsburg, PA

The internet is information freedom. Restricting freedom and keeping people ignorant is not what this country is about!
—Rob Rushing, St. Peter, MN

Net Neutrality is absolute vital. Too many people struggle with internet cost as it is. To allow internet service providers to create different internet speeds at different costs will be detrimental to say the least. Many people who are jobless depend on the internet to find and search for jobs, small businesses need it to thrive, families and friends need it to keep in touch, and most students are required to use it for school and homework. The internet based companies would surely suffer, more people would be far more likely to find a way to forgo internet because they wouldn't be able to afford different internet pricing. Please, FCC, get rid of your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Please keep the net neutral.
—Kristine, Holbrook, NY

ISPs function as common carriers, and should be designated and regulated as such.
—Mary Donch, New Rochelle, NY

I suffer from severe anxiety and depression that keeps me from earning much. I cannot function as well as others. This has kept me from being able to seek education because I have never been able to finish school as work AND school is not possible for me and I had to choose survival.Ending net neutrality will take away one of the few connections I have to learning and staying connected to the larger world. Ending net neutrality will do nothing but promote ignorance and greed.
—James C. Humphries, Hyattsville, MD

Keep the internet totally neutral.
—Roger Vill, Middle River, MD

This is not a future that anyone with thank us for.
—Faith Myhra, Los Angeles, CA

the internet is for the people, not for the biggest corporations. reclassify internet communications as a utility
—Michael Dimore, whitehouse station, NJ

Net neutrality is important to me because I rely on the internet at my job and for school, not just for myself. My job requires large downloads of courseware files for microsoft classes, and if not for net neutrality I might not be able to afford the connection I have. Thus my work will suffer. There have already been abuses of power to extort money from businesses that rely on the internet, like how Netflix had its bandwidth held hostage unless it paid outrageous fees.
—Christopher Pingel, Waukee, IA

Chairman Wheeler, Over time, society changes. Things like municipal water services, sewer services, and electricity used to be considered novelties and luxuries but have become vital components to the lives of American citizens. Internet access has made this transition as well. While in the past, it could be considered a luxury, it is now a vital necessity in order to communicate, gain information, and do business. Therefore, it is IMPERATIVE that the FCC classify broadband service as a communication service and actively regulate it as such.
—Anthony Ewers, Cleveland, OH

I do not want any ISp or other company to stifle my access to the internet and let large corporations and ISP's to control the internet It is working fine the way it is and improvements to it should be open to all of us not just the few.
—Joe Atkinson, Fort Smith, AR

The internet should be the same for everyone. It has and will continue to inspire innovation and no one should have to pay more to using it.
—Patricia Lundgren, Kansas City, MO

I feel that should a fast lane be implemented, the increased cost will be reflected in consumers prices. If I already pay for high-speed internet, why do I need to pay more to ensure I am getting the delivery speed promised?
—Matthew Wainwright, Syracuse, NY

Global giant service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon should not be allowed to control what and how fast we can access information on the internet. It should be the governments job to keep the www free and clear for all to enjoy and access without limitation, censorship or speed control.
—Edmund F Piotrowski III, Lahaska, PA

Under a multi-tier system, those with the most money wins (Again!), relegating others to a not-so broad band Internet.
—Michael Penkrot, Omaha, NE

Removing Net Neutrality will strangle and stunt the growth of business in the United States, and internationally, and could have terrible and long reaching consequences on businesses, charities and other organisations. Net Neutrality is vital to promoting growth and business in the modern world. Do not let the worst come to pass; reclass ISPs as common carriers. This is vital.
—Matt B, London,

Let's not kill the next big internet idea by making it too expensive to challenge the established players.
—Michael Weston, La Honda, CA

Net Neutrality means the difference between having a life worth the living and not having a life worth living. The reason these telecommunications companies want this is so they can get a toe in the door to completely control everything we see, say and have access to, like information. Information is power, we all know this, and these companies want to monopolize the internet to have all the power for themselves which will only lead to abuses for absolute power corrupts absolutely. This should be patently obvious to the FCC whose job it used to be to protect the public and whose job it should be to protect the best interests of the public. We don't need another governmental agency shilling for the Neo Nazi's. And this is not a pejorative, it's a fact. These ultra rich industrialists like the Koch brothers and the Bush family are the children and grand children of Nazi's and all that goes with that mentality. The FCC is a firewall against the excesses of extreme mentalities such as these and it is quite necessary that the FCC does the correct things and not sell out to these fanatical Rightwing rule-the-world god wannabe's. What is coming down the pike is a complete world revolt and remember, 'he who troubles his own house shall inherit the wind'. You need to start listening to We the People and stop the nonsense... now. Reclassify the ISPs as common carriers and get rid of your really terrible rules dismantling Net Neutrality. Please.
—Annelise Ekland, Bartow, FL

I use mostly non profit and charity web sites, with the new rules they won't have a chance with their web operations which is most of their businesses and messages. This also makes me think that they are being unfairly targeted because they can't make a profit for another billion dollar monopoly disguised as a "company" or whatever.
—Kyle C Bracken, Los Angeles, CA

Please throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Equality for all users is vital to a healthy democracy. Thank you.
—Jane Tigar, Oriental, NC

we live in a democracy don't we?
—Lorraine Please enter your last Kirk, Nederland, CO

Cut the bullshit and do your job by getting serious about Net Neutrality or you will be replaced, Chairman Wheeler. Wake up!
—David Schonberger, West Hills, CA

We need Net Neutrality. The internet is slow enough now. Any slower and it will be AWFUL!
—John Comella Comella, Philadelphia, PA

Another sell-out to pig corporations, who are already goguging users! No way!!!
—Merlin Emrys, Santa Fe, NM

Please use the power you guys have to protect the common interest of all people who live in the United States.
—Alberto Luna, Alhambra, CA

It Help Small Companies stay the Job creator we need
—Eugene A Thorne, Tacoma, WA

Freedom of speech and access to information, in any medium should be a right to all.
—David tholfsen, San Leandro, CA

I don't know all about this but I feel its gonna violate freedom of speech and we won't be able access information that we do now I myself believe this information given on the net should be accessible as it has been we have a right to know what's going on and be able to access information without somebody controlling it to the point that you have to be wealthy to have good speeds of internet I'm on a fixed income and I use many different sites for information and we have a right to knowledge .. I will do my part to support NET N
—Ronald Lanning, Kokomo, IN

Net Neutrality is important to me for a few reasons. Equality, non-discrimination, fair, information, and knowledge are the things that makes the internet open and free to everyone around the world that uses it~. The internet has truly become a dominant source of information, business, entertainment, and one of our main coping mechanism for dealing with the pressures of life. Businesses, schools, hospitals, and a lot of places uses it everyday. Without Net Neutrality everyone would lose their money, be on the streets, the right of independence, and especially the window of opportunities to new possibilities and careers as well.
—Bush Nguyen, Memphis, TN

How many times do we have to implore you not to let money control this vital means of communication for ordinary citizens?
—MAryAnn Ann Brown, allen, TX

Fcc Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan is terrible and allows corporate interests to block freedom of communication EXCEPT for the moneyed classes. Children depend on the internet for their education, and the privatization of a public utility further weakens education for poor students. I depend on Net Neutrality in performing my work and demand protection of the open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers!
—Jay Cardinal, New York, NY

We have become a nation of Monopolies and our government is allowing it. Keep the internet Net Neutrality.
—Mirtalita Matos, N Bellmore, NY

I want to be able to get information that isn't tied to big money.
—Janice Clark, Portland, OR

I'm a small business owner who needs access to high speed internet for my business. Allowing carriers to throttle or limit band width for small users with shallow pockets will hamper the growth of my company. It is disgraceful that the FCC can be so easily swayed by those with money and power. It's time for the FCC to take a stand for the general public and fully support true net neutrality.
—Matthew Carter, Las Vegas, NV

I depend on relatively fast access to a number of sites to help me educate myself, and others. With these proposed rules, not only would access to many of the sites I depend on be severely restricted, the possibility of me opening my own site and having others access it would be greatly reduced.
—Chester Payne, Crocker, MO

You know, I am starting to finally get that you don't give a damn what the majority of the american people want. You guys decided this a long time ago and the corruption and greed is pervasive at the FCC. YOU ARE DISGUSTING! ALL OF YOU!!!!!!!!
—Rebecca Nesline, Dover, DE

Net Neutrality means that nobody has an unfair advantage in the digital marketplace of ideas an innovation. If we give a few people an unfair advantage, then innovation and cultural progress will suffer. Please do whatever you can to preserve Net Neutrality.
—William Wright, Coralville, IA

The internet is a place for people to start small and go somewhere. If you discriminate against these small businesses through fees, you will take away that part of the american dream.
—Leah Narun, Chadds Ford, PA

In a time where internet is needed, but still treated like a luxury, how would allowing the companies that already profit form us paying for this service force websites into a fast and slow lane benefit the people? How would it benefit the college students who have to write research papers, how would it benefit entrepreneurs who have to pay for their products and other necessities themselves? The Internet is a valuable resource, but if the companies who make it already difficult to afford have their way, it'sll be a luxury again, but this time, it'll be a luxury for the rich.
—Lauren Williams, Detroit, MI

The Internet is a tremendous resource for our modern America. To allow any private or public entity the kind of power being proposed is NOT in the interest of the AMERICAN PEOPLE. Tom Wheeler- ask yourself, who are you working for? Are you serving your country or are you serving Big Business? Ironically- most of the technology driving the Internet has always been OPEN SOURCE. The principals you propose destroy the very principals that have created the Internet! We as a people WANT NET NEUTRALITY.
—Christina Rubino, Staten Island, NY

The internet is the great platform t is because all data is treated equally. Without neutrality we cripple free communication and innovation.
—Brett McMullin, Delmar, NY

In a country where EVERYONE is guaranteed equal rights and opportunities, Net Neutrality is crucial to protecting these rights. Our society relies heavily on the Internet for countless daily tasks, business and personal matters. Net Neutrality should be something our government is fighting for, not against.
—Erica Cullum, Nashville, TN

Please do not mess up the internet. Thank you.
—Sharon Fortunak, Colttage Grove, MN

If the internet is turned into what it used to be, FCC will be responsible for bringing technological innovations back to when we thought 5.6kb on AOL was all we were ever going to have. I am a musician, a game creator, and a youtube channel aide. Making us pay MORE because of bandwidth -- and the money going into the pockets of just the company CEOs -- is idiotic. If you want to halt progress and return America back to the era of civil unrest and stupidity, congratulations. You're on the right track.
—Isaak Kein, Benicia, CA

Because the internet doesn't need to be one big pay site.
—Cody Smith, Jackson, MI

Without net neutrality, innovation is more likely to only come from established companies. Start-ups without the resources to pay for the ability to compete with the monopolizing behemoths of both telecom and software will be at a severe disadvantage and the marketplace will suffer as a result.
—Rob Johnson, Fort Wayne, IN

Tom Wheeler is nothing more than a cable industry muppet who should be fired immediately. To anyone who has not been bought and paid for by the cable complanies, it is obvious that the internet is as vital today as telephones have been in the past. The American people should not have to go to war against the Cable industry to make this happen.
—Jeffrey Hagerty, Portland, OR

Net neutrality fosters innovation, creativity and freedom of expression. Don't kill it!
—Judith Hendricks, Santa Fe, NM

Kill net neutrality will not only threaten to stifle free and open communications in our country, but it could also kill our innovation economy. Startups depend on net neutrality to have a fighting chance. Tech is one industry in which America is still competitive. Killing net neutrality threatens to push our economy back into a long term recession, all so a couple of a telecommunications companies can exploit their monopolistic powers and earn more at the expense of society.
—Alexander Snyder, Glendale, CA

This is a horrible idea. The internet should be kept open for innovation. That isn't going to happen if the little guys don't have equal access. Who will be the next centuries Apple, Google, or Microsoft? You have the power to keep American innovation powering our economy or give it to greedy corporations who have already made billions.. Innovation has always been America's true economic engine. Don't limit it now, when we need it the most.
—Derrick W Binnall, Denver, CO

Small business is what makes this country great. Do not ruin America by making the internet an unfair playing ground.
—Robin Wada, Concord, CA

I really do not want Internet service providers to be the ones who control how fast my connection is. This is another example of big business controlling something that should be uncontrolled especially for their profit.
—Tobin McCracken, Austin, TX

The net was made free for everyone. It should not be privatized and taken over by corporations. By allowing an ISP to control bandwidth, they can discriminate against certain websites that share unbiased news and information. Please keep the net free!
—Christopher West, Riverside, CA

I pay for for a certain speed of internet, don't let those same providers cut the speed of sites that dont pay them an extra fee.
—Charles Norris, Olathe, KS

"Net Neutrality" benefits consumers by enabling free competition among creators of independent content and innovative services. The Internet is the most level playing field for publishing/distributing news, information and entertainment in the history of humankind. Sites like Facebook, MySpace, YouTube, Skype and Twitter -- which have revolutionized the way people communicate -- all began as little startups that likely never would have existed if they'd had to pay a "toll" to connect with end users (on top of the costs they already bear for storage, servers, connectivity and distribution -- and the price each user pays an ISP for Internet access). As it stands, sites that stream a lot of content have to pay CDNs to cache and deliver it to the end user without getting bogged down by net congestion. Broadband ISPs and wireless carriers are what economists call a natural monopoly -- it's impractical to have free competition in the market because of certain economies of scale. At the end of the day, there are only two real pipes into the home for broadband: Cable and telco. That's a duopoly, not real competition. Net neutrality is really just another variation on the century-old idea that monopolies, if left unregulated, have every incentive to maximize profits and harm consumers. Throw out your proposed rules and simply reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Michael E Brown Jr, San Jose, CA

Common Carriers not ISPs!
—Mark Walker, Brooklyn, NY

The ability for everyone to have equal access to the internet is essential to maintain the quality of the internet and the democratic exchange of information. We have enough news and information by favored, high paying companies!
—Gale Simplicio, Morgantown, WV

The Internet has become a necessary commodity in our culture. It must be classified in a way that ensures equal high-speed and quality to all users. Allowing any type of tiered model would prevent high-speed innovation, and price usable speeds out of the reach of millions. But that isn't all. Despite any perceived best efforts, this will ultimately result in further censorship and knowledge control by greedy corporate interests. The US is the ONLY industrialized nation that still offers such slow speeds to customers, and at a much higher price than in other countries.
—Jeff Willoughby, Charlotte, NC

Net Neutrality is critical for user choice on the internet. It isn't content providers' fault that ISPs promised their customers a certain amount of bandwidth based on the assumption that not all of them would use that bandwidth all at once. Don't make the content creators responsible for ISPs' bad business models.
—Todd Gage, Oakland, CA

We ordinary citizens should have equal access to the internet. We should not have to buy access according to whims of big corporations who are also subsidized by our tax money.
—Peggy Yates, Seminole, FL

Without media democracy, political democracy is nothing
—Alejandro Andres Monreal, Auckland 1446,

I work from home, a slower internet access will impede my progress and effect my work performance outcome.
—Dorothy Lebovitz, Upland, CA

Anything that puts a control on the internet WILL cause the internet to CRASH because the people that NEED the internet will NOT be able to continue to surf the internet like they do NOW. It will be either THAT or a HUGE increase in the cost of living because almost ALL businesses will have to PAY a LOT more just to use the internet that they have USE to run their businesses. I think this is just a PLOT of the Obama GANG to gain more control of the internet. He has STATED time after time that he wants America to be HIS IDEA of what a country should be and THAT is for HIS GANG to make everybody a virtual SLAVE of their agenda or in other words "HIS WAY OR THE HIGHWAY"
—Donald Mccormick, Portland, OR

I know there are powerful interests behind abolishing net neutrality - do not listen to them. Define ISPs as common carriers - that is what they are!
—Ken Reynolds, Claymont, DE

net neutrality stops companys like comcast and virizon from using the internet as a money machine
—Rowan walker, Coalville,

The internet has been instrumental in the increasing democratization of our society, giving voice to many more citizens than at any other time in history. Tiered service silences and disenfranchises the non-wealthy. Our government "of, for, and by the people" is already sorely beset; if net neutrality is lost, it's another blow.
—David Negaard, Wailuku, HI

The flow of information and services online must not be left to the control of enterprise. AT&T, Comcast and Verizon know they are actually nothing more than a utitlity. That is why they are so against Net Neutrality. Please don't sell the people to big business. The real value online is content, not access to it.
—Trevin Wagner, Sterling, VA

These rules will put the financial burden on the consumer, grow corporate profit and puts the Internet into the hands of those with the most money. Throw out your proposed rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Now is the time to make history in a positive way when it is written.
—Stan Makowski, Aurora, CO

Don't follow the path of countries such as China, Iran, and North Korea, the people demand net neutrality and an open internet!
—Brad Shearer, Norton, KS

Regulations, in general, are a plague upon this nation. The United States should be about freedom, quite especially our 1st amendment rights. By creating a "fast lane" for larger corporations, you will have immediately created a "slow lane" by logic alone. A fast lane does not give anyone today any faster access to popular domains, we're still using the same physical connection. Paying does NOT make things faster, just the inverse. AS an IT Professional, it creates a frustrating environment to have things not only throttled, but restricted in our work relying on the access of information. I would close with a "thank you," though I will hold for now as events unfold discovering whether you are for, or against a REAL net neutrality.
—Cody Duncum, Abilene, TX

Because it appears that these buracratic,bloated agencies can't seem to get their act together, and if we, the CONSUMERS do not speak up, we are going to be given higher rates for lousy internet service, and we are already seeing that via the cable industry. We must have Net Neutrality!
—Ray Bustos, Fullerton, CA

By throwing out actual net neutrality you are killing future online small businesses. This isn't just going to effect the US you are killing innovation globally and singlehandedly ruining the internet.
—Caleb Leupold, Kent, WA

In the past, the internet has always been a place of equal ground to form connections, gain up-to-date information, and communicate with people all over the world. We do not need a system that separates and discriminates us into two groups based on our provider.
—Margaret, ,

Once again corporations, these faceless entities with $$$, persuade elected or appointed officials with lies and empty promises of how they, the corporations, can help the American people. We must remember, corporations do not have the American people's will and want in the forefront of their business plans. Corporations main goal is to make as much money for their shareholders. If this means charging the American people excessive amounts for basic services, they'll do it. The FCC must keep Net Neutrality and, in fact, label it as a utility! The internet is a tool used by many to conduct business, innovate, and educate. Allowing corporations to dismantle the internet would allow them to be the judge, jury, and executioner for small start ups, for entrepreneurs, and for those trying to use the internet to follow the American Dream. The next facebook, amazon, netflix, or who know what service that is being developed in someone's garbage will not be able to compete. The FCC must keep the internet a level playing field so that corporations with deep pockets can not rely solely on their deep pockets to keep their market share, but must innovate. It's David and Goliath. Imagine how different if it was a Legion of Goliaths verse one David. That's what the internet would be without net neutrality. Let's keep the dream alive. Internet service providers already make an excessive amounts of profits off of their customers. We already pay internet for home, business, smart phones, and tablets. Now ISPs want to charge how the data gets to our devices! That is criminal! I pay for data to get to me, and if I have a business on the internet, I pay to get my data to my customers. If the FCC ends Net Neutrality, the FCC and Chairman Tom Wheeler has failed the America people by allowing corporate greed control the internet.
—Aldo Figueroa, Agoura Hills, CA

This internet was founded about this basic principle, and its fostered an open and collaborative community encouraging advances in technology, services, security and revolutionized how our world operates. Why limit that environment now after it has done so much for all of us?
—Nathan Guenther, Orlando, FL

Net neutrality is important because it allows small companies the ability to compete against bigger corporations. Not having competition would result in jacked up and prices, much like how you've allowed ISP's to turn into. The fact that you even consider allowing something so discriminating clearly shows the corruption and greed that has plagued you. From what I understand, you serve the companies because if you give what they want, they'll pay you. Probably pretty well. But you are only thinking about the short term. Giving the ISP companies the upperhand will result in high prices, unfairness to the people who care about the internet, and ultimately, no innovation. If you think about the long term, you'll see that competition and innovation will bring in more profit than what the ISP's can provide now. They should be classified as Title 2 common carriers, and they cannot be allowed to throttle something that is unlimited. Data is unlimited, unlike other resources, so the excuse that they make where "the data needs to be shared" cannot be used. Companies should NEVER be able to control the people, and allowing the slow-lane would do just that.
—Josiah, Newhall, CA

Hi, I just see big business having a little too much pull in politics these days and think keeping this great innovation of the internet free and open to all as an important issue moving forward in the modern world. Thank You, Curtis Bidgood
—Curtis Bidgood, Laguna Hills, CA

I own a small business. Under the current plan I could never compete with large corporations who will be able to buy faster access from telecom companies. Please reconsider and reclassify the internet service providers as common carriers.
—Skip Colon, Miami, FL

We live in a democracy, the internet needs to be easily accessible by all. I equate the internet to the old newspaper communications. The right to free speech should extend to the internet. The only way to ensure that the internet is free for all to access their freedom of speech is to reclassify the internet as a utility.
—Edwin Lee Hill Jr., Lapeer, MI

It's bad enough that the mergers and lack of competition makes the internet and cable outrageously expensive compared with the rest of the world, please don't change the rules and make it even worse for the average wage-earner and those of us retired and on fixed incomes.
—Iris woods, Londonderry, NH

I am an Internet entrepreneur and my success depends on network neutrality. Please help me succeed by treating me equitably on the Internet.
—Neil Balthaser, Redwood City, CA

I'm a retired senior, and only have a small income. If net neutrality is not maintained I'm not sure the internet would hold much for me. I would hate to loose this invaluable information source so important to keeping me an informed citizen & voter
—Mary Sullivan, Kalkaska, MI

We the taxpayers are tired of everyone catering to the corporations! How long do you think the people will accept such actions!
—Dorothy Staby, Aliquippa, PA

The growth of American innovation - and prosperity - relies on net neutrality.
—Kathryn Kelley, Columbus, OH

This proposal would slow down the advancement of a bigger, faster internet. ISPs can simply collect ever-increasing rents on large providers using video, and will have no incentive to scale up to a national fiber system capable of farm more than Netflix streaming. We need to develop the next generation internet, not solidify the current deficient one.
—Benjamin Short, Felton, CA

FCC, I'm opposed to your suggestion of an end to net neutrality. Allowing ISPs to charge higher rates for premium lanes will cripple small businesses and encourage monopolies. My ISP provider is Time Warner, who also provides cable television. If your premium lanes are allowed, then Time Warner would be free to charge higher rates to content providers such as Youtube and Netflix. After all, they are competitors to Time Warners cable service. Those costs would likely be passed onto me, the consumer. Small businesses like Vimeo and CollegeHumor that can't afford the premium lanes will be relegated to fighting for bandwidth. Premium bandwidth means dedicated bandwidth, so no other company can use that capacity of the network. Your rules have the capacity to diminish regular bandwidth in half. I've been around since the start of the internet when it was a "neat thing". Now, it's part of our daily lives. I dare say the younger generation couldn't get by without their smartphones. We need the internet and it needs to be free. It's too important to sacrifice to capitalistic greed. Bill Clar
—Bill Clar, Sanford, FL

I have friends that live far away from me as far as several states away and overseas. It would emotionally hurt me and them if we were unable to communicate due to discrimination such as this. I know I am not the only one who has friends that live overseas or several states away, and limiting that communication is a terrible idea as not only does it limit the ability to share ideas, cultures, and meeting new people but it also prevents others from reaching out to one another in a time of crisis and need. Many people reach out to others beyond their region for help during hard times, such as a family member being wrongly arrested and persecuted, or worse. Limiting communication because they cannot afford a "fast lane" and unable to call out to others willing to listen will mean said family member or friend was wrongly persecuted and thrown into jail. That is an injustice we cannot afford. There are plenty of day to day examples of things such as this happening as well as things beyond just the law, and people have fixed these wrongs by being able to reach out to others over the Net. Severely limiting communication with discrimination would be a major step back from all this, and will allow people being wrongly accused of crimes they did not commit or very minor offenses to serve jail sentences and perhaps even death penalties that did not deserve it.
—Matthew Lowery, Oklahoma City, OK

I am on a fixed income and second i want to be able ti access web sites that are not big money makers.
—Robert Berry, Petaluma, CA

Net Neutrality prevents the 2 service providers in my region from blocking anything they don't like and extorting money from other groups to let them reach their users. I want to be able to visit obscure sites just as easily as Facebook!
—Ryan Prickler, Akron, OH

In the information age, all should have equal access to information at the same speed. A two-tiered system favors only those that can afford to pay for faster internet service.
—Stuart G. Baker, Ticonderoga, NY

Internet is the incubator of entrepreneurs and business, free speech and free thinking; net neutrality destroy's this, ultimately hurting society.
—Andrew Plaza, Long Valley, NJ

I'm a very heavy user of the Internet. I'm retired and live in a small town. I depend on the Internet to find out what's going on in the greater world. I use it to keep up with developments in areas that reflect my interests, such as railroads and hiking. I use email and instant messaging to keep up with friends I'd otherwise have trouble keeping up with.
—Tom Hoffman, Pearisburg, VA

The Internet is a public utility, especially so since U.S. taxpayer dollars funded the government employees who originated the idea. Charge premium fees locks out people with little or no money, further reinforcing the idea of a two-tier citizenry, which is antithetic to our nation and its founding ideals.
—Walter Wade, New York, NY

This is a no brainer. Either the internet remains neutral for all, or becomes the property of the rich, just like Congress and the Supreme Court.
—Theresa Lauro, Matthews, NC

I prefer to use the term Net Freedom - and would like to take this opportunity to emphasise that freedom for capital to impose its rules stands in direct contradiction of freedom for living beings. I stand for free Internet, which means free access to information and communication, not freedom to enclose and supervise.
—Wiktor Ostasz, ,

I believe that creating fast lanes for big corporations will be detrimental to free flow of information on the internet. The FCC should, in my opinion, protect the open internet and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Daniel Kirk, glen ridge, NJ

I can't afford to pay more for a slow connection--ATT DSL. Stop giving in to corp. pressure, and think about the people.
—Judy L., Carson City, NV

There is 0% incentive for ISPs not to abuse the internet. Competition between major ISPs in much of the country is non-existent. Even in areas where they compete, if AT&T and Comcast are both speeding up every site except Wikipedia (thereby slowing Wikipedia down by using a larger percentage of the bandwidth for every other site) what difference does it make to switch between them? Example time: 5 sites share 100% of the bandwidth, each at 20%. If Comcast speeds up 1 site to 30%, the other 4 sites all slow down to 17.5%. How is this any better than being able to slow down sites? It isn't.
—Andrew J. Young, Bloomington, IN

I'm writing in support of net neutrality. Your plans are self-serving or serve only a couple of corporations. People are tired of being bossed around by corporate greed and political corruption.
—C Smith, ,

Please stop catering to the big telecoms and start thinking about the real consumers out here. Why is the FCC against us?
—Susanna J Schaum, Willow Street, PA

A free and open internet promotes innovation. Take note of the tools and technology we citizens have available at our disposal because of an open web—from social media to open source code to crowdfunding and beyond—in the past couple decades alone, we've gained the ability to do amazing things with just about anyone around the world. Don't impede innovation with rules shaped by the lobbyists of wealthy telecom giants. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and keep us moving forward.
—Olivia Cheng, Arlington, VA

ISPs should not be permitted any power over the internet itself. Our telecommunications conglomerates are always pushing for more power and control and this is, at the LATEST, where the line must be drawn- when they begin to attempt to wrest control of the flow of information on private sites.
—Nathan Jackson, Houston, TX

You disgust me. All you greedy people care about is money. I demand an open Internet!
—Thomas Recoskie, ,

I cannot afford higher rates. The internet should be equally available to all!
—Mr. Anje' Waters, Grass Valley, CA

There is only one party in America right now, and it is Greed.
—Lyndel Brown, Brooklyn, NY

My wife and I are the second generation in a small, family-owned company. After 26 years, we still struggle every day just to stay open. Please don't give the big corporations a further upper hand by reducing our internet service or making it more expensive. Our customers cannot afford increased prices and we already discount to our greatest extent possible. Please help small businesses and stand up for the average internet user. Please support Net Neutrality!
—Todd Manning, Topeka, KS

Stop favoring the big corporations and have the internet be what it started out to be, equal access for all.
—John Csaszar, Fleetwood, PA

Net neutrality is important in order to fulfill the original promise of the internet itself: equal access to all, a very important democratic concept. Not, "some of us are more equal than others," If Tom Wheeler approves this two-tiered approach, or if he approves the Comcast-Time Warner merger, or the AT&T-Direct TV merger, we should escort Mr. Wheeler back to the revolving door he came in. Time for him to go back to the private sector and allow someone who cares about consumers to assume the role of guardian. I think he doesn't get it.
—Cindy May, Los Angeles, CA

Mr. Wheeler, we hope you remember that you and the FCC work for the public, the real citizens of the United States, and not corporations like AT&T, et al. As such, you must protect the democracy of the internet on our behalf. Thank you.
—Ardith Lowell, Nampa, ID

Most of my life and livelihood is online. What you propose will harm my personal and professional life. "Fast" and "regular" are just terms. What's "regular" or even "fast" today becomes "slow" tomorrow. With this rule in place, the most sites made and accessed in the US will be at a great disadvantage compared to both sites that pay to play _and_ international competitors. In one fell swoop, you will undermine the current American dominance in the online world. I'm already seeing my international competitors and customers shift their habits and money due to Snowden's revelations. This would be the nail in the coffin for the American web industry. You wouldn't disadvantage all new web companies and technologies. Just American ones. I remember when Alta Vista was the most popular browser. I remember when Amazon just sold books, and other stores out paced them. I remember when Facebook was only for college students, and the most popular social network was MySpace. Things change fast online, and newcomers can take over in a very short time. You're not stopping that from happening. Just ensuring that the next time it does, it won't be an American company that rises to the top. It will be British or Brazilian, Czech or Chinese, Israeli or Indian. It will be from a country where they pay less for faster speeds. Which right now includes most of the developed world.
—Malaika Boyd, city, TX

You are ruining the internet. the internet is about the free access of information and to better the knowledge database of all. If you start allowing internet providers to charge websites more for access since they are popular you are discriminating across the web. Equal access is a must. Internet providers already charge more for faster internet but they shouldn't be de-valuing our current access by requesting more money for what we as internet users are accustomed to. That is unacceptable. That is discriminating and that has no place in internet access. Just because I may check out more books at a library doesn't mean I should have to be charged more money than anyone else. The library is the internet. You pay a fee to have access. But what they are doing is they are saying hey you really like this author... you need to pay more to read books by him. That again is unacceptable.
—Timothy Renshaw, Grandview, MO

Keep the internet free for all people- information is powerful, and all people should be able to access the internet. ISPs should be classified as common carriers.
—Mrs. Melissa Daniel, Holly Springs, NC

The internet should give equal access to all. Last I checked we still have a democracy.
—Christopher Michaels, Eugene, OR

Wheeler, you sure know how to ruin the good thing with the internet. We built it and entrepreneurs built their business. So, you want all of this to stop. NO corporate B.S. or their control. Corporations will ruin as they do everything they touch.
—Ann Cobban, Grants Pass, OR

Discrimination is occurring everywhere across the country, headed up by Obamacare. Now they are trying to take the internet away too. Tell these jerks to stop thinking about money and start representing the people's wishes, which are net neutrality.
—R H., Scottsdale, AZ

Chairman Wheeler, I ask that you consider the ramifications of of the proposed rules. It's not just about corporations being able to charge for higher traffic, this can and will lead to censorship and infringement of our 1st amendment right to free speech. There is nothing in place that would keep the companies from slowing down or charging more for any new site that they feel may publish unfavorable information.
—Damian McCleod, Brooklyn, NY

Free internet allows writers to share their works with their fans.
—Andi Lewis, Cedar Rapids, IA

The Internet is a tremendous resource for our modern America. To allow any private or public entity the kind of power being proposed is NOT in the interest of the AMERICAN PEOPLE. Tom Wheeler- ask yourself, who are you working for? Are you serving your country or are you serving Big Business? Ironically- most of the technology driving the Internet has always been OPEN SOURCE. The principals you propose destroy the very principals that have created the Internet! We as a people WANT NET NEUTRALITY.
—Christina Rubino, Staten Island, NY

La neutralidad de la red es vital como vehículo para la dignidad humana y no ser manipulados.
—Eva Ric, Roquetas de Mar, PA

The internet has become the way people interact with so much of the world outside our localities. . . Why does the US lag so far behind Europe as far as the internet and access goes.
—Edward J. Perrin, Portland, ME

I expect a free and uncommercial iced internet.
—Joseph R Brown, Canaan, NH

The internet needs to remain equally available to all citizens of this country and without corporate discrimination. To allow corps to regulate access of content and increase fees for speed is un-democratic! We are not a dictatorship!
—Heather Graziano, Truckee, CA

The free flow of information is the purest form of free speech the United States of America could even hope for. Unless the internet infrastructure technologies are treated as a common carrier, you can kiss that goodbye. Should rich people get to use the carpool lane? Definitely not.
—Steven Fischer, Petaluma, CA

I strongly oppose a classist internet. The beauty of this medium is that it is freely accessible to anyone with access to a computer and a modem. Choking this access hurts our economy, our education system, and the quality of life for every American. Protect Net Neutrality!
—Jamie G, Burlington, VT

To protect small internet start ups, to give everyone the same fair chance online and to provide a free open market. These are a few reasons why we must protect and preserve net neutrality. The only way to do this is to reclassify the Internet as a Type II telecommunications service. We must do this now. You've had a judge tell you the same last year, now is the time. The internet was created by the people, for the people. Not some ISP entities. It is not ISPs your title represents, it is for the people's interest you were appointed. Mr. Wheeler, you must reclassify the internet as per the people's request.
—Danny Pires, Valhalla, NY

I can not imagine an internet available for some, and not for all...this is NOT the way the internet was supposed to be. Where winners have the money to pony up and losers do not. How on Earth would start-ups and such have the ability to get out there without the funding available to do so. This is pathetic. The ONLY solution for a FREE and OPEN internet is by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers...anything else is unenforceable lip service.
—Anthony Mastronicola, Rome, NY

It's not fair to have to pay extra for the same services.
—Angelica Sanders, Memphis, TN

Net Neutrality fore-ever! Let the internet be reclassified as a common carrier. Thanks.
—Guillermo Cancio, Miami, FL

Taxpayer dollars created the Internet, and it is now an essential part of everyone's day-to-day existence. It is alarming corporate interests are being put ahead of the people when we're talking about such a vital system -- what is a lifeblood for finding jobs, for interacting with local, state and federal governments and agencies, for conducting and engaging with all forms of businesses, for signing up for vital services like healthcare and paying bills in an age when branches and other "on the ground" services are fast disappearing in lieu of Internet-enabled virtual-only services. The list goes on and on. This agency claims to be for an open Internet, but your actions indicate otherwise. You could have moved decisively to guarantee that the Internet remains an open platform for free expression and the exchange of democracy-sustaining communications by now. You could have codified net neutrality once and for all by reclassifying broadband and mobile connectivity as 'telecommunication' under Title II of the Communications Act. Even judges ruling on recent net neutrality cases indicated doing this was within your power and their recommended way to resolve legal and regulatory inconsistencies that arose from these cases. Yet instead, you introduced a highly questionable and obfuscating legal framework on 5/15/2014, leaving broadband users without the protections they deserve. You turned your back on what is clearly in the people's interest in lieu of protecting those of corporations, as well as your own, by opening the door to tiered treatment and by creating need for ongoing regulatory assessment of tiered treatment (e.g. what is 'commercially reasonable'), when the "common carrier" approach would have killed the tiered treatment concept entirely and codified net neutrality permanently. Let's be clear, any proposal that allows for the possibility of fast lanes for the few, no matter how gently the language is couched, is emphatically not net neutrality. The obvious common-sense prerequisite for an open Internet is Title II reclassification, guaranteeing the agency's authority to protect consumers and ensure free speech and equal treatment online. Every individual has a stake in the Internet remaining open. May 15 should have been about adopting strong safeguards, enforceable rules, and sound legal footings. It wasn't. Let's fix that now. Please reclassify broadband and mobile connectivity as 'telecommunication' under Title II.
—Joanne Marino, El Cerrito, CA

The Internet is necessary to exist normally in modern America. The rules, as is, make me wonder who the FCC actually represents? American citizens or corporations? The informed public does NOT agree with Tom Wheeler, his rules, or this corporate handout. The FCC must uphold its duty to the general American public, and passage of this plan would warrant an investigation to determine why consumer interests were ignored.
—Paris Flores, Chicago, IL

I am a handicapped senior living on Social Security and can't afford to pay a fee for what I choose to see on the internet. Don't change the rules for the benefit of the big companies. Robert Donohue
—Robert Donohue, Gresham, OR

I can't afford a fast lane. Your rules will discriminate against small businesses and middle class users of the internet. Classify the internet as a common carrier.
—Lynn Schuyler, San Francisco, CA

There is no need to mess up a system that is working so well. These new rules are going to challenge net-neutrality no matter how this is 'sold' to us. Formation of 'fast' lanes automatically renders the others 'slow' lanes. How is this so difficult to see? Internet segregation also has political interests behind this. Net-Neutrality is also one of the last remaining factors in our society that positively impact our democratic process.
—Lilo D. Pozzo, Seattle, WA

We have to stand up for our rights for a free and open internet! I don't want to see our internet torn apart for just a select few. We should all enjoy the internet that we know and love equally no matter what!! These new rules will only bring chaos! I implore you: don't let these ISPs get the better of us! I will ALWAYS stand up for real net neutrality, and no substitutes!!!!
—Robbie, Saint Louis, MO

Because we don't want sensorship like China, Russia and even Nazi Germany and that's what AT&T, Comcast and Verizon would user in. It's just greed on their part and the people they are paying off. The open net has to ability to end wars and disputes and allow creative thinking like never before, if Mr. Wheeler's plan who is obviously getting paid by the big three to be for their greedy corporate interests and with now consideration for the rest of the seven billion people of the world; goes through, it will send the scientific, creative and inventive community back to the stone ages.
—James Christopher Hill, North Charleston, SC

The Internet should be treated as a commons as much as possible, so making ISPs common carriers is the right legal fit.
—John Abbe, Eugene, OR

This should be a public utility! In these times when so many are struggling to make ends meet allowing a system that will end up costing more for consumers eventually is wrong. Please keep Net Neutrality simple and open for all by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Thanks.
—J Lane, Sebastopol, CA

Without Net Neutrality the internet will become like TV and no longer relevant.If money rules the internet then we ALL loose.
—Normand Bureau, Verdun,

60% Of my life revolves around the internet. Put two and two together.
—Euan Brenton, ,

WHY would you want to take this away from the "people" and give EVERYTHING to the corporations???? What on earth is happening to us as a society that big money corporations get everything they want and the citizens of this country don't count any longer??????
—Kaye Barley, Boone, NC

All media except the internet is already owned and dictated to by huge corporations. Don't give them the ability to censor the internet too.
—Jessie Kainz, Healdsburg, CA

This is important to me because I value the principles of democracy, which rely entirely on a free exchange of information, accessible to all. Net neutrality means that there is equal access for all, to any and all information which enables us to make the informed decisions that are our rights and duties to make as citizens of the United States. Chairman Wheeler, your proposal for two-tiered, discriminatory Internet accessibility is inimical to democracy. It is yet another regression toward the two-class society that we are rapidly becoming. Please change your mind.
—Pamela Walker, Oakland, CA

Enough with the haves and the have-nots, let's just do the right thing for all, and forget about the green for once.
—Ronnie Mahan, McGregor, TX

Without net neutrality I wouldn't be confident of ANYTHING I found on the web. It would also kill start ups, which are the real employers of this nation.
—Leonard Abrams, Mountain view, CA

Neutrality=Equality
—Matusa Barros, ,

Net neutrality is essential to consumers who depend on the internet for their way of life.
—Brian Stanley, city, VA

Look, I'm a small fry who's HIGHLY reliant on having ready, easy, timely, affordable access to the internet. If this is taken away from me, I won't be able to maintain the quality, timely communications I require, because so many of my like-minded colleagues and collaborators do not reside in my general living area. If I am relegated to 'slow dirt road' availability, it means sudden death for me and my burgeoning consultancy.
—Kimberly King, OAKLAND, CA

Net neutrality is very important- it levels the playing field for small start-ups.
—Ken Kiel, Rockford, MI

Stop the financial greed. Stop hurting small businesses. Instead of charging more for a fast lane, just create a free lane for all. It's all the same data pipe anyways.
—Robert levy, Wheeling, IL

I demand to keep my FREEDOM of choice on the Internet!! Big corporate interests are about power and money - not integrity and the best for all concerned = We The People. Reclassigy ISPs as common carriers, PLEASE!!!
—Jean Hart, Columbus, NC

PLEASE FCC! Throw out the new rules for 'Net Neutrality' (if that's what you wanna call it). The internet has always been open and free. Allowing companies to control the content and availability of the internet is equivalent to the restriction of the right to free speech. I am asking for the FCC to reclassify Internet Service Providers as Title-two Common Carriers. Signed, Concerned citizen of the United States of America
—Giancarlo Maruggi, Charlotte, NC

The internet is a truly democratic development of our time. I would be ashamed to live in this country during the era in which we allowed these freedoms to be revoked.
—Rebecca Rideout, Greenfield, MA

ISPs should not have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. I urge you reject these rules and instead move to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Bill Coffee, Louisville, CO

Net neutrality is an integral feature that drives America's innovations in culture, technology and free speech. By discriminating between websites it allows corporations to limit America's potential and threaten democracy within the country.
—Benjamin David Morley, ,

Your rules are fucking lame.....like all you politicians. Fucking losers have to keep things all fucked up so you can continue with your shady corrupt way of life. FUCK YOU rotten fucks!!!
—Daniel Beck, Redondo Beach, CA

This will kill any opportunities for entrepreneurs
—Jon Barnett, Spartanburg, SC

Net Neutrality protects innovation, especially when dealing with disruptive technology. I can think of 3 mega-corporations that would like to kill disruptive technology, especially if they hold the reins. Please don't let them deal in discrimination; that's why the FCC is in place. We pay you for this very reason.
—Joaquin Casares, Austin, TX

The internet is a force that can create more democracy and less tyranny. It was born free. Keep it free, for all!
—Michael Robeson, Plainfield, NJ

America has already fallen too far behind the modern nations, and this would be a huge step backwards. We need people in government who are willing to put the best interests of the country ahead of corporate whims and demands.
—Diane H Fabian, Fort Atkinson, WI

Preserve Net Neutrality– we already have to endure the degradation of the world's physical beauty, . . at least leave us this most beautiful and democratic of man's creations.
—Jesse Bustos-Nelson, Charleston, SC

The internet is THEWAY most people get their information these days. It must be free from monied influence! Democracy depends upon net neutrality!!
—Ann D. Hungerman, Ann Arbor, MI

Chairman Wheeler, Please reconsider your utterly stupid and irresponsible plan. The people DEMAND net neutrality .
—Brett Ellisor, Coldspring, TX

Net Neutrality is important to me because I feel it betters the world and human society. It knocks down barriers to entry and enables innovation. I do love capitalism. I believe capitalist policies are part of what makes America great. But, just as Rockefeller's pipelines had to be split up, certain Achilles heals must be minded for the good of the people, the nation, the world. This is one of them.
—Rob Harrison, Greenwood, IN

I think you guys are assholes.
—Ben Grayson Conley, Valdese, NC

For our struggling household, net neutrality provides an equal playing field in an otherwise unfair competition, where our own creativity and hard work have a chance against corporate megaliths who can outspend and outmaneuver small businesses in every other respect. The open Internet has transformed the world we live in. It is an invaluable source of information, education, commerce and economic independence. It is a major factor in any "economic recovery" this country can hope for. The corporate ISPs already profit mightily from broadband fees. They should not be permitted to regulate in ANY way the operation of the Internet, to censor content or limit access. Recognizing broadband as the TELECOMMUNICATIONS service that it is -- and these corporations as the COMMON CARRIERS that they are -- is the only logical and ethical solution the FCC can take in light of its own mission: "The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) regulates interstate and international communications by radio, television, wire, satellite and cable" (from www.fcc.gov). The FCC cannot justify anything less than preserving fair and equal access to this primary mode of communication by designating it accordingly. Do the right thing to clean up the mess you have created. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—DH Higgins, Fairfax, CA

We're counting on YOU to do the RIGHT thing!
—Mr. Gregory McCoy, Asheville, NC

Dear Mr. Chairman, i urge you as a small business owner to ensure the internet stays neutral. I also expect the FCC to reclassify ISPs as common carriers in order to protect the neutrality of the internet and availability of it for all. With kind regards.
—Reza Sharifi, Scottsdale, AZ

This is how it starts. Paid prioritization. Don't think about the short-term effects -- think about the slippery slope this precedent sets. Please, do not let this happen!
—Kevin D'Aquila, Hudson, MA

Net Neutrality is important for the free exchange of ideas and information. Please do not let anyone control or charge a fee for that. I feel that to do so would greatly reduce further development and hamper the everyday man in his quest for knowledge
—Charles Tronco, Columbia, SC

STOP THE STUPID SHELL GAME! WE ARE NOT DECEIVED! The federal court told you that net neutrality rules are, per se, common carrier regulations and that the only way you can impose net neutrality regulations on ISPs is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers under Title II of the Communications Act. Your stupid proposal to continue trying to enforce net neutrality under Section 706 is therefore totally FAKE! Even if the court were to accept that you have a legal foundation for doing so, the case-by-case approach totally stacks the deck in favor of the Big Telecom oligarchs who take in billions of dollars a year in profits and have armies of lawyers; they're the only ones who could afford that kind of contest. In any case, this foot dragging is just an attempt to favor the Big Telecom oligarchs by dragging out this process indefinitely. STOP DITHERING! Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and adopt REAL net neutrality rules -- rules that explicitly prohibit all "pay-to-play" schemes, including "fast tracks." And Chairman Wheeler: Do the American People and Prsident Obama a favor: RESIGN, and take the other Big Telecom weasels you brought onto the FCC staff with you.
—Mr. Donald Campbell, Moultonborough, NH

We cannot accept any rules that will stratify the Internet. It is the last place where an equal playing field exists.
—Charles Kausler, Green Valley, AZ

Net neutrality is vital because it keeps large companies from hiding information that they don't like from the general public. It makes sure that internet companies can't charge websites money for faster loading times, and numerous other things. Net neutrality is extremely important in making sure that that Internet remains a fair place for all users.
—Sam Lee, ,

I'm elderly, disabled and have a severe hearing loss. Much of my communication is by email and anything that would increase my expenses in the way of fees, impaired service or raised rates would seriously affect my ability to function on a service I depend on.
—Elizabeth Furber, San Mateo, CA

The internet is essentially a public utility that ensures the free and democratic flow of information and communications. It should not be for sale to corporations who can mold it into a for profit agenda.
—Mo Kafka, New Brunswick, NJ

The internet was created with money from US tax payers. We should not have to pay more to have equal speed access to the internet as to be determined by ISPs.
—Don Lewis, Pleasanton, CA

Please do not go forward with your current plan. Instead, please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and enforce net neutrality.
—S Michael Convey, Camas, WA

The internet is no longer just a luxury, it is a means of essential communications, commerce for everyone (not just the giants), medical communications with doctors and hospitals, etc. It should stay open and equally fair for ALL.
—Barry Bindell, Studio City, CA

Do not allow a tiered internet, leaving who is known, who succeeds and who innovates in the hands of private ISPs. I know you mean well, but you are fixing what is not broken... and breaking it in the process. Thank you
—Carlos Perez, Miami, FL

As a software engineer who creates web-based applications not having net neutrality could negatively impact my job.
—Christopher Lamm, Knoxville, TN

A two-tiered Internet would stifled innovation by penalizing smaller start-ups and companies who cannot afford to compete with larger, more established companies. We already pay some of the highest prices in any developed country and limited choice in choosing an internet provider. This would make things much worse.
—Warner Belanger, Atlanta, GA

We all have the same right to free speech and information. No one has more or less claim than anyone else.
—Cassandra Lyons, Lexington, KY

The internet should be equel for everyone. The (bad) plan you're pushing won't just affect the internet for the US, it will affect "The Internet". Not just yours, not just mine, everyones. Please reclassify ISP's to "Common Carriers" as well. They provide the road, not the destination.
—Tijmen Hoekstra, ,

We use the internet to safely deliver cargo, including very sensitive cargo, for DOD contract and need to not be put in the slow lane for weather info, safe parking, directions, legal routing etc.
—Kate Kosse, Surprise, AZ

This is unfair
—Dustin Coyle, Pocatello, ID

My company is a media delivery service, and we move significant amounts of data through the internet for large and small clients alike. These clients represent a wide variety of artists and neither the clients nor their artists should have precedence over the other when it comes to accessing their data via the internet. Net neutrality is important for my business and for theirs.
—Craig Anderson, Canoga Park, CA

As a folk musician, I depend on a free, open and non-discriminatory internet to get my music to people. As a political activist, I depend on a free, open and non-discriminatory internet for access to non-commercial, non-profit sites for news and information that is not available from corporate owned media. As a consumer, I demand an internet that is not hobbled by monopoly cable interests who refuse to invest in network upgrades. I am sick and tired of paying Comcast exorbitant rates for sluggish, intermittent service. The ISPs will only abuse consumers more if you allow them to discriminate... and the ONLY way to forbid ISPs from abusing the public is to RECLASSIFY broadband as a telecommunications service under Title II. I URGE the FCC to end it's disgusting tradition of regulatory capture, and for once serve the public interest. Reclassify broadband as a telecommunications service under Title II of the 1934 Communications Act.
—Bob Soper, Portland, OR

The Internet has been the greatest driver of economic growth we've seen in the last 50 years. A free and open Internet is required to see that economic growth blossom over the next 50 years. The ISPs are common carriers. Please classify them as such and preserve Net Neutrality and the open Internet. Thank you.
—Rob Enns, Los Gatos, CA

The internet is the 21st century transportation system, except that the material required to build and maintain this infrastructure is not nearly as expensive as freeways. Yet lobbyist written government policies continue to subsidize freeway construction, car ownership, and oil production when such measures are clearly outdated. Why isn't net neutrality a matter of public interest today and on into the future? I'm baffled. It's a cheaper, more effective, easier choice than maintaining an unsustainable car infrastructure. So do it!
—David Rice, Los Angeles, CA

It's the internet that I pay for and I should get to choose what gets delivered at what speed if I pay for the speed.
—Jack Fruin, Birmingham, AL

Agencies such as the FCC are set up to protect us citizens in our lives--not to further tip the scales of our society to the benefit of groups with big money so they can become bigger and more influential in our society. After my recent move from another California city, I was reminded how the communications giants are becoming more distant from us ordinary citizens. I went through weeks of Kafka-like procedures to get my service cut off at the first home and the bills for unreceived service to stop....
—Vernon Faulkner, Torrance, CA

Please stand up for net neutrality!
—Amy Corey, SPOKANE, WA

The existence of "fast lanes" requires also the existence of "slow lanes," into which we will all be forced by the ISPs as they extort money from us to re-enter the "fast lanes." The FCC does not have the budget or personnel to police predator ISPs - so don't give them the opportunity to require policing. Re-classify them as common carriers and keep them under control.
—Fred Granlund, North Hollywood, CA

Stop privatizing the benefits and wealth of our society while forcing economic loss and costs on the working class!
—Lucia You, Kailua, HI

Fast lanes and slow lanes are extortionate nonsense. Pure and simple. There is no guarantee that allowing such a situation will not lead to ISPs gouging content providers and/or degrading their services in order to extort money. ISPs are basically like phone companies (not "content providers"). All they do is shuttle data from one point to another point on the internet. That is it. That is their primary, if not sole function. ISPs contract with end users to deliver a pipeline of a certain size (bandwidth; Mbps). If an ISP contracts with an end used for 25 Mbps (Megabits per second) and that end user decides that they wish to fill that pipe by using some service (vis a vis NetFlix) that utilizes LESS than the contracted bandwidth, is is absolutely their right to do so, and it is the ISP's duty to carry that data, so long as it does not exceed the contractual limits and or reasonable expectations of the end-user. ISPs are seeking to upend this notion, double-dip and burn the candle at both ends, charging BOTH the consumer AND the content provider for the bandwidth consumed. However, this downstream bandwidth is ALREADY paid for by the consumer via their monthly service charges. ISPs have NO LEGITIMATE CLAIM against the content providers, by which to charge them a single dime. It is firmly my opinion that all bits are created equal, and as the jingle for the USPS Media Mail goes: If it fits, it ships... That is to say, so long as the end user is not exceeding their contractual limits, and amount of data usage below said contractual maximums are contractually obligated to be provided by the ISPs. If the ISPs FAIL TO DELIVER on those contractually obligated bandwidth guarantees, they are effectively in breach of contract (ohh sure, they'll put all sorts of legalese loopholes into contracts, saying that the bandwidth level isn't guaranteed, and thee may be network congestion at busy times of day, but the spirit of the thing is still there). If ISPs are being LAZY and failing to build out sufficient infrastructure to accommodate the level of bandwidth they've sold to end users, whose fault is that? Is it the end users' job to foot the bill? Aren't we already footing it via out monthly bills? Where is the money going? To pad ISPs' bottom lines rather than build out infrastructure to provider higher QoS? Is it the content providers' fault the ISPs have failed to build out sufficient infrastructure to accommodate current trends in data usage? It seems that all the ISPs wish to do is double dip and charge both sides to pad their profit margins. Consider this another way... If a popular content provider (vis a vis NetFlix), makes a NET profit of $100,000,000/year, but this "I'll degrade your access to my customer base unless you pay me extortion money" notion becomes policy, and ISP X (we'll call them Comcast) decides that Content Provider Y (we'll call them NetFlix) need to pay them the "reasonable" price of $1,000,000/year, what is to stop 100 other ISPs (AT&T, CenturyLink, Time-Warner, Verizon, Time-Warner, T-Mobile, Sprint, Frontier, etc. etc.) from each demanding the same "reasonable deal" as ISP X (AKA, Comcast) and effectively eating the entirety of Content Provider Y's Net $100,000,000 in profits for the year reducing profitability to $0? Paid prioritization is a ridiculous notion. It is a double dipping money grab from LAZY NON-COMPETITIVE ISPs trying to stifle competitors by denying them access to their networks or degrading their performance on their networks in order to force customers into the ISP's own services (one of the problems with allowing companies to own BOTH data transfer AND content provision capabilities is that they can use the one [data transfer] as a hammer to drive people into the other [overpriced non-market-competitive content provision]). ISPs need to be reclassified as what they are. Not as "content providers" but as DATA CARRIERS, and regulated as such. Wheeler has already said that "if ISPs ever abused the new system, he'd resort to reclassifying services as common carriers." Frankly, ISPs have always demonstrated their propensity for violating both the letter and spirit of the law in anti-competitive ways. Why hold their hands, or throw them free money which they have not earned and in no way deserve, in a way that will probably end up stifling innovation due to an increased "barrier to entry" for new services? Just make the leap and reclassify them, and avoid the carnage that will most likely ensue in the meanwhile if you DON'T reclassify them as they should have ALWAYS been classified? Skip the middleman and have the balls and political will to go straight to the final solution and a STRONG net neutrality rule...
—Michael Gmirkin, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality is a MUST. No one should control this, it must remain free.
—Ann Marie Lahaie, Lynn, MA

Large, powerful corporations have no right to better access to the internet than individual human beings. Such a scenario would stifle innovation, and the corporate bullies will gain even more power and influence. This is inherently wrong.
—Milton Bosch MD, Napa, CA

I believe the internet needs to remain a level playing ground for all people, not a place where those with money have power and those without are left on the sidelines. The internet has become an essential part of life for most Americans and should be governed under common carrier rules.
—E Parkinson, Warren, NJ

I think my internet days have had their short innings. And that it's (soon) GOODBYE FROM ME.
—David Taylor, ,

Without true net neutrality, I can imagine a day when quality internet services will cost about $220.00 or more per month. Tom, stop serving your corporate handles, stop acting like a little whore and grow a pair.
—Jayna Williams, Pomona, CA

We're falling behind other countries as it is. Creating premiums on already-slow speeds will move us backwards, not forwards.
—Rex Anderson, Baltimore, MD

Do right by the American people!
—Faris Zaman, Renton, WA

Monopolies are dangerous.
—Dana Higgs, Noblesville, IN

The internet MUST be protected for EVERYONE. Democracy will not be possible when corporations will make decisions on what and who will be given privledges on who has the faster and more favorable assess to the public. PLEASE reclassify all ISPs as common carriers. Simple.
—Susan Stephenson, Fort Worth, TX

Without Net Neutrality, the internet no longer belongs to the people.
—Adam Charles, West Lafayette, IN

the internet IS FREEDOM OF SPEECH to censor ,slow or in any way interfere with such is against the constitution!
—Eric Keegstra, Brooksville, ME

Freedom!!
—Brett Grosso, Enumclaw, WA

Because technology companies used fedrel funds[i.e. public monies] to develop the internet, it should be classified a public utility.
—Scott Taylor, Anna, TX

These large organisations will be able to create monopolies, restrict access to startups and will force us to use their products and media instead of us being free to chose. Innovation will be stifled and the net will not be able to grow.
—Stephen Johnson, ,

As a professional novelist at a small press, I would never have the means to compete with large presses who could pay for priority. This will result in an unfair advantage, helping wealthy companies quash competing products services before they can gain popularity. The Internet has become as vital a service as the telephone, especially to independent content producers like me. It is therefore critical that we reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Tempe O'Kun, Bismarck, ND

Everyone deserves to have the same benefits from the internet, same access to information in the same amount of time. I want no censorship through this ill-conceived pay-off to business or other interests who wish to pay more or limit the information I receive. If you believe that freedom is a concept that should be honored, you will stop all efforts to move ahead with your 'new' and illegitimate rules. All ISP's should be classified as common carriers.
—Vivian Hildebrandt, Minneapolis, MN

Take back the power to regulate that the 1996 law provided for, by reclassifying internet service providers as "communications service" providers. Do it now!!
—Charlotte Pirch, Fountain Valley, CA

ISPs already have too much power, in my own opinion, being able to bully their customers with ridiculous prices and contracts without repercussions. If companies were given the power to pick preferred customers and give them faster internet speeds, it would simply add to the already hardly moral treatment of the consumer. Consumers don't have a choice when it comes to internet. If we want it, we have to pick whichever of the big three is in our area. That's it. Because of that, companies are given a monopoly in certain areas and abuse it. I don't want to be abused more than I already am.
—Jeff Harding, Severna Park, MD

freedom to use as I want
—W P, overland, MO

Technology has been getting ahead of our collective management of it. We must slow down putting technological power and resources into the hands of huge business interests.
—Naomi Myrvaagnes, Newton, MA

Please classify the Internet service providers as common carriers and avoid stifling innovation. The market is currently moving towards a more efficient way of distributing content. While this might result in lower revenues for Cable TV providers, the consumer and society as a whole will benefit in the long term from better service at lower cost. TV is dead, long live TV.
—Tom Cohen, San Diego, CA

This should be an even playing field, America is supposed to be all about free markets not corporations who bend the rules to favor them.
—Jonathan G Norris, largo, MD

Stop being a cable lobbyist shill and work for America!
—Dakotah Pena, Los Angeles, CA

What matters to me is that net neutrality remains in place, so that all internet content is treated the same way, at the same speed. Company "A" should not be allowed to create fast and slow lanes based on their customer's ability to pay more money. Reclassify the internet as a common carrier, or public utility, under Title II, since that is what it really is anyway. It is the only way to adequately protect the internet from two-tiered schemes that will stifle innovation, and discriminate against small businesses.
—Michael Grish, Austin, TX

These rules give ISPs an unnecessary amount of control over the internet services we have access to, and take the attention away from a problem we really should be focusing more on: improving our infrastructure. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jeremy J Matias, Flushing, NY

An internet without Net Neutrality would be illegitimate. The idea that corporations would have superior access/use/availability to the internet brings to mind the old "separate but equal" laws used to justify racial prejudice in education. Defend democracy and do the job entrusted to you as a regulatory agency!
—Gina Clemens, Panama City, FL

Without an open internet, freedom of speech is limited to the rich. Economic improvement through development stops.
—Dennis Murphy, Taylor, PA

The proposed rules would stifle innovation by making it much more difficult for incumbent companies to compete with the big guys
—Timothy S Conkling, San Francisco, CA

The internet was meant to be free. Only greed is driving this.
—Stephen Moorehead, Carrollton, AL

We need REAL access to information - not just more ads!
—Elaine Fischer, Roanoke, VA

Our Founders were careful to add communications as part of the commons in the Constitution. The Post Office and Post Roads were the 18th Century version of the Internet, which we use for postage and information conveyance. ALL citizens need equal access to information.
—Russell D. Ryan, Portland, OR

As a small business owner I depend on the open internet to be competitive and linked to customers
—Becky D Wharton, Campbell, TX

I work for a small Michigan manufacturer and we can't afford to get pushed into the slow lane by those who wish to become monopolistic gatekeepers. And as a private citizen, I'm afraid they'll never let a comment like that (or anything they disagree with) even get through. The fact that my comment as citizen to my government is going over the internet is proof enough that the internet is indeed a common carrier - classify it like that!
—Greg Collins, Coopersville, MI

Revise your rules to reclassify ISPs as common carriers
—Lance Ofenloch, Chicago, IL

Hey, it used to be : The Russians are Coming ! Now, it's Half the Aspirants to US Govt. and within it Many Powers That Be Want To Do Away with Democracy and Drag In Tyranny !
—Joe Gonzalez, Miami, FL

Giant corporations need to play on a level playing field. Why is socialism always bad unless it benefits a corporation?
—Bradley Colden, Whittier, CA

I want to have the same access to the internet as any other user, no matter how big or small they are. No special deals for those who can pay more (and who will pass these added costs on to consumers like me. That's what democracy is about - equal treatment for all. The most sensible way to provide equal access is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—John Flick, Redondo Beach, CA

As one of the 98 %, I rebuke the 1 % that control everything already. They are the reason the US of A is under the threat of terrorism forever!
—E M Knight, Park Forest, IL

freedom is the future
—Michael Ringqvist, Bronx, NY

I use a plethora of services on a daily basis; getting rid of net neutrality implies that ISPs want to control what we can see or engage in, inadvertantly creating a propaganda tank for the super rich that can afford it.
—Allen Francisco, Hayward, CA

Giving over control of the internet pretty much means that it is the end of free speech. When content of a public service can be controlled, it amounts to censorship.
—Suzanne Bremmer, Dryden, NY

Do not mess with our internet freedoms.
—Allison Hildebrand, Colorado Springs, CO

Letting big corporate companies discriminate against its own users is a bad idea. Having two-tiered fast and slow internet lanes would allow big companies to put whatever price or extra fees on the top notch lanes. This would only allow the rich and above middle class to get the fastest speeds possible while allowing the middle and lower classes to suffer while in slow bogged down lanes. This as well as the merger of Time Warner Cable and Comcast being one of the biggest internet company in the US would be very damaging. Citizens are at the mercy of very little choice of carriers and big ISP's would dish out outrageous prices to have only the rich being served with the best internet. The internet should be affordable and used by everyone with the same exact access and same services without being bottle necked into a slow lane. Please throw out these rules and have ISP's be reclassified as common carriers. In 1934 Telecommunications Act gave the FCC broad powers to regulate telephone companies as common carriers. Why are ISP's so much different as they give us "Access" to the internet. Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers and save net neutrality!
—Branden Tolbert, Lexington, NC

As a librarian, I am aware that large numbers of our population have either no access or barely-adequate access to the internet. Libraries of all sorts have provided an option for these people to participate online, have access to online-only information on health care, nutrition, government sites, etc. Libraries cannot afford to pay premium fees for fast internet, yet our computers are so heavily used that we have to impose time limits on time on the computer for any individual user. This policy only impoverishes our users the more.
—Brenda Dingley, Kansas City, MO

Protect Net Neutrality above all else. Classify the internet as a public utility and service providers as common carriers. Nothing short of the above is acceptable.
—Richard Law, Youngstown, OH

Net Neutrality lets us access the internet at the quality we deserve for free. We should not be unfairly charged to get what we already have for free.
—Paytyn Bradley, Grand Rapids, MI

I'm a web developer at a small company, and we're developing a new product that will directly compete with some established competitors in our space. If the FCC's proposed rules are approved, our larger competitors could simply outspend us for improved transfer speeds, and our product would stand no chance in the market – regardless of its merits. You're the FCC. I thought your job was to regulate these things so that a situation like I just described *doesn't* happen. Your proposed rules would do the exact opposite.
—James Scariati, Monroe, CT

Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers is the only way these companies can be held accountable in court, as has been demonstrated in past cases.
—Robert Fiebing, Spokane Valley, WA

Net neutrality is an all American value
—Ivan Storck, Seattle, WA

Internet must be like laws: the same for allí
—Fernando Manso Manso, ,

Because It upholds Freedom of speech!
—Andony Escudero, beamsville,

Without true net neutrality, access and use of the internet will become skewed in favor of the more affluent in society. The major ISPs and carriers are making more than enough profit already. There is no need to cave in to their one-sided view of the internet's future in America.
—David Burke, San Francisco, CA

People who work at home need reliable, fast internet. This would crush small businesses.
—Kathy Moseley, Chicago, IL

Pensioners and Jobseekers.... that's already half of the adult population can NEVER afford an Internet whose providers have already created huge wealth for everyone involved. Deprive your core base and you will have NO customers and what were once profits will become criminal and moral liabilities unless our Russian and Chinese friends buy you out.
—Robert Hooper, stamford,

Without Net Neutrality, the internet will no longer help the USA innovate and compete with the world.
—Charles Aylworth, Salem, OR

If I'm not going to be able to quickly use sites there is no point in having wifi at home. Won't it be fun to order stuff from a little shop at one AM? Or I can call them to order. Is this the plan. Don't make me or anyone else a second class citizen.
—Cheryl Lawrence, Cloquet, MN

Your contemplated actions will contribute to the ongoing creation of a two-tiered society - one designed for the rich, and designed AGAINST the rest of us. STOP IT. Keep the Internet NEUTRAL.
—Dean Robb PhD, Plainfield, NJ

Hello, Net Neutrality is specifictly important because everyone deserves a fair chance at success and playing to the larger bigger companies is not only favoring larger companies but you're hurting the smaller man and it is largely unfair to give one with more money the power of faster connection, these companies who also started out just as small please think and stop this horrible proposal.
—Hadley Nelson, Boise, ID

The internet should be open and free to all citizens of the world. Corporations should not be allowed to take it over as they have the US government!
—Gayle Rogalski, Delray Beach, FL

Net neutrality is important because the internet needs to kept a place where all information has an equal chance to reach people.
—Vivian Garcia, Inver Grove Heights, MN

This is a change that will affect the entire history of the internet, and it's a very bad turn for everyone besides the coporations making money off of it. This does NOT represent America and FREEDOM of speech! Please don't do this!
—Kyle Davis, San Diego, CA

Please dont adopt these rules!
—Todd Mc, Austin, TX

If the becomes a commodity to be bought and sold to the highest bidder, the innovation and creativity we have grown to admire and love, will no longer exist. There would no more small business that could compete on some level with the major corporations. This would destroy the American economy in a short period of time. The internet should be neutral from all attempts to turn into a commodity. It must remain neutral for the sake of current and future Americans.
—Nahchon Guyton, Minneapolis, MN

Net Neutrality will make sure that small businesses, start up companies, and independent creators will have the same access and visibility that big companies and corporations would have. People already pay for access to the internet; they should not have what they see controlled by big companies.
—Rachel Simmons, Taylors, SC

I want the freedom to make my own choices; keep it FREE!
—Mr. Roderic G Stephens, Redding, CA

Freedom of speach is at stake, small businesses and start ups would be hurt, keep a level playing field on the Internet, every other medium is controlled by corporations. Most providers already have or pactically have a monopoly and are charging much higher rates than in Europe, for example. We the people gain nothing from a two tiered system, while all back end costs will be passed down to us. ISP's are in direct competition with other Internet video services, this new system gives them way too much power and will result in higher costs, less competition and a very unfair advantage for ISP's who already controll too much of the market and WA agencies such as the FCC.
—Rob Wells, milwaukie, OR

First, I'm an educator who believes that net neutrality will pave the way for schools and students to be better served by access to internet at reasonable speeds no matter where they live. Second, I have a number of grandchildren who will suffer higher prices, poor access and possibly content controlled inappropriately if the monopolies are allowed to create a two-tiered internet.
—Dr. Judy G. bramlett, Meadows of Dan, VA

I'm the self-employed owner of a very small business. The only form of advertising that I can afford is the internet. Fortunately, I can compete with much larger rivals because the net is a level playing field...for now. Mr. Wheeler, I will consider it an attack on my rights as a citizen if you allow me to suffer due to an unfair advantage by larger companies. I promise, I will write my congress me, senators, and the president to demand your removal as FCC Chairman. Clearly, you've been bought-off by big business. That makes you a servant to special interests only, not to the public...and that's disgusting. ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers, or we'll see you thrown out of your position.
—Charles McKibben, Philadelphia, PA

In France the internet is free. In the US we are lagging behind in internet speed. I believe the internet should NOT be an idea that costs money to participate in. Do not allow the telecommunication companies own the rights to what amounts to a legal right and freedom in another. Please do not sell out to the big corporations. As a legal tax paying citizen I am against companies choosing to exploit the internet.
—David J. McLay, Foothill Ranch, CA

Net Neutrality might not be such a big deal now, but giving that kind of power to corruptable (or already corrupt) ISP's can only mean trouble in the future. The internet has a huge advantages for a true democracy and is one of the most promising phenomena of our time. Please keep it open and equal.
—James Atin-Godden, ,

Please don't let the internet become a victim of profit driven ethics.
—Marquis Chamberlain, Clifton Heights, PA

OUTRAGEOUS DECISION against citizens and pro greedy profiteers
—Maryann Ann Leitch, Phila, PA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Daniel Litvak, ,

With out action, isps are going to charge more to people just for doing that same thing they are doing now. It will cost consumers a ton down the road. Also will make it difficult for small companies to try to get started online because they will not be able to afford to pay the fees for fast enough internet. And all the fees are going to going to get pass along. With out appropriate action, the internet is going to change from something to help with growth, into being treated just like cable tv is now. Having to pay extra just to go to different sites. If a site is not in the package i am paying for, i can't go to it.
—Scott Eberle, Corry, PA

The Internet is the last truly free and equal market left in the world, where start-ups and big corporations sit on a level playing field. In every other instance, the uphill climb for a new business is almost insurmountable for individuals without investors (which, are fairly hard to come by these days, certainly as a new guy). Don't take away the last land of opportunity from entrepreneurs, artists and free-thinking individuals all around the world. The big corporations have a huge leg up in every other market in the world, they DON'T need it in this one. We, the people however, do! You take away net neutrality, and you completely remove the opportunity for self-made men and women in this world. PROTECT NET NEUTRALITY.
—Jacob Bension, Los Angeles, CA

The new internet rules would backfire.
—Michael-Vincent Robinson, Topeka, KS

Under your plan, Chairman Wheeler, corporate and plutocracy-serving internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon would, with profit, seize effective control of the internet. Their plan is to allow faster service to similarly motivated, wealthy corporatist and plutocratic, right-wing leaning ("conservative") web domain holders, restricting those lacking the demanded money and malignant, "conservative" policy goals to intolerably slow internet access, with the deliberate corporatist objective of reducing their user audience and outreach capacity to constructively and progressively shape public opinion with honest and truthful information and opinion. The corporatist objective in so doing is, of course, to eliminate any real alternative to the non-stop 24/7/365 dishonest and tendentious, "conservative" messaging typical of right-wing Republican AM Hate Radio. In other words, the objective is to pervert public opinion by restricting public access to alternative political, social and economic perspectives and commentary. The ultimate aim is to use this monopoly of commentary and interpretation to politically and economically secure a dictatorship of the 1% over everyone else---the death of democracy in the United States. Therefore, your plan is intolerable and unacceptable.
—Michael Dervan, Arlington, VA

I am planning an online business for counseling webinars, and fear the high speed fees would obstruct many potential clients. This is terrible for small businesses and a huge unfair handout to the giant internet corporations, who don't need the help.
—Jannah Goodell, Decatur, GA

I don't like to be force fed information, products, news, etc. from big companies. I want to be able to make my own choices when it comes to internet content because I can't easily anywhere else. As the consumer, I want net neutrality because I'm tired of the monopoly. Give us some credit and let the people decide for themselves.
—Lauryn Bertke, New Bremen, OH

The idea of charging for fast lanes or express lanes on the internet is a horrible one that will only lead to fewer choices, fewer available options and an internet that is less accessible than it is today. I depend on Net Neutrality.
—Rochelle Chisum, Las Vegas, NV

Please don't turn the internet into a corporation cash cow. Its for the average person just as much as it is for corporations.
—Marjorie Blignaut, Kingsford, MI

Wheeler is an insider who worked for the very people he plans to give these sweetheart deels. It is a prime example of the revolving door between (poor) Government and Business. It smacks of a lack of transparency and oversight, that has become the hallmark of the current administration.
—Karl Baldwin, Bridgewater, NJ

I don't know you keep sending out automatic responses to these e-mails, with the LIES that you are considering all the comments from us citizens. You have made it very clear, that you plan on doing the bidding of your corporate MASTERS, and that you don't give one hoot, what The People have to say about it. I have one question for you. How soon after you try and make this decision final, will it be before you quit your govt job, and begin your new job, at one of your master's companies?
—Thomas M. Cannon, Haslett, MI

Destroying Net Neutrality by adopting the FCC's proposed rules would promote more inequality and discrimination on an Internet which was designed to be free, open and democratic. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers -- throw out the FCC's proposed rules!
—Katherine McNeill, Sacramento, CA

Verizon & time warner already make a fortune off internet service. Leave well enough alone and everyone wins.
—john Alicea, New York, NY

Internet is a płace which allow many people to comunicate and spend thiere time and it should not be restricted by any means. Internet is not someones property.
—Łukasz Grygier, ,

As powerful as they are, the last thing we should start doing is giving mega-corporations more say and more control in how traffic is managed on the internet. That sets a very, very, very dangerous precedent for free speech and democracy. Whereas net neutrality has served us so well for 45 years, please also consider the unintended consequences of changing it now; the bad things that we know could happen as a result, and the things that could happen that we can't even anticipate from where we are. Do something for citizens of the United States, for its people, for once. Preserve the internet as it is!
—Ryan Provonsha, Lynnwood, WA

The US is already an embarrassment in terms of internet service, with third world countries doing more to improve their infrastructure. Now you want to make it possible for ISPs to totally ruin any chance of our country being a hotbed of innovation. Are you people so far in Comcast, etc.'s pockets that you're willing to hamstring the entire country's future so some cable executives can get even richer?
—Jason Curran, Somerville, MA

Without net neutrality the age of innovation on the internet would be over. Throw out these new proposed rules in favor of true net neutrality.
—Stephen J Rhea, Denver, CO

Net Neutrality is basic to a healthy Internet. And, please keep in mind that now you and the rest of the commissioners are not anymore been paid by other interests but by the tax payers money of the American people. Start working for us and defend "our interests". The money interests did not create the Internet, it was the ingenuity of the people that made it. Do not allow the money interests and its greed steal it from us. Net Neutrality belongs with the people!
—Graciela Huth, LOS ANGELES, CA

Net neutrality gives everyone an equal chance to communicate and compete. With preferential treatment ISP and Telcos can squeeze out small players and build defacto barriers to entry. Net Neutrality is the reason that the internet is so much more interesting than all other traditional media.
—Paul Duke, New York, NY

Please do what is right and give our internet net neutrality. Make the internet something that all people in this country can use and use equally if you implement net neutrality and make it equal for all.
—Sharon Doggett, crooked river ranch, OR

I depend on having the same rights to be seen as big business. Having small pages throttled back is unfair and not right. Preserve net neutrality.
—Jana Brown, Riverton, UT

You are supposed to work for the People of the US, Not for your Bribers, stop screwing us over and stand for net neutrality, YOU are not to big to jail.
—Elizabeth Havens, Oxnard, CA

Large corporations do not need further advantages over smaller groups. Sure, they can pay the extra fees, but it effectively silences smaller competition, in other words monopolizes the bandwidth. Of course, the consumer is the one who pays the extra fees ultimately for services such as on line video or content, creating more of a profit margin for larger companies. There is also the distinct possibility that an ISP can be owned by one of these companies, and can virtually eliminate choice by slowing down a competitors service. Reclassify ISPs as a common carrier and protect the internet for all!
—Kenneth Miller, Salem, VA

To have online services that discriminate, is so wrong. When Democracy is the word of the day, maybe we should walk the walk and not just talk the talk. Even the NSA should have the same access as the common Man. Net neutrality is crucial to everyone I talk to, Lets do the right thing by our people. Thank you.
—Joaquim Cerqueira, Mansfield, MA

The internet is an essential common wealth and it is foolish, unjust and dangerous to give control to a few corporations. The health of the global community and economy depends on the maintenance of Net Neutrality. ISP's should continue to be classified as common carriers!
—Toshi Hoo, Berkeley, CA

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—Erika Logie, Boulder, CO

FCC STAY OUT OF THE INTERNET. YOU ARE NOT NEEDED OR WANTED.
—John Mazula, San Diego, CA

The rich have already taken so much of what is owned in common. Please, Please, Please, do not let them take our internet as well
—Arnold McMahon, Arcadia, CA

DO NOT ALLOW THE SERVICE PROVIDERS TO DISCRIMINATE ON THE World Wide Web EVER!!!!
—Dorothy Piper, McKInney, TX

We demand an open and free internet... stop the corporate pandering already!
—Matt Johnson, Minneapolis, MN

Is there any other reason to do this beyond $$$ and power?
—Stephen, Georgetown, TX

You killed analog TV for digital. As a Time Warner customer, our service now is worse than ever. Missing audio, pixelation, freezing, not to mention the constant battles between the networks and TW, dropping channels and barring networks in dispute, with we customers suffering from all angles. I can't wait to see how bad you can screw up the internet in light of your past performances and their net results. Time Warner and Comcast are the worst companies for customer satisfaction and you are ready to give them the green light to do what they want with us? Unbelievable!!! At least if you were politicians, we would have half a chance to vote you out. As such, we are trapped.
—Jim Albrecht, Saugerties, NY

Corporations are controlling everything in our daily lives , from food to information , we need to have an outlet that's free of their control !
—Carole Smith, Brooksville, FL

The net isn't just about commerce - it's also about the global sharing of ideas, events, news. It's a place to educate oneself without having to go to a traditional school. It's a way to research one's family and origins. To travel without leaving your home. To meet people around the world. Why should anyone have control over who can access ideas, thoughts, experiences, news?
—Karen Abrams, Arlington, MA

It is really important cause the internet has alway been a free place and not controled by any big companies and i really wouldnt like companies like T-mobile etc. to control wich websites i can view and with what speed so i want it to stay free
—Izidor Bunjac, ,

Dear Tom Wheeler, I like the internet the way it is. Billions of people like the internet the way it is. And you don't? Why? Leviticus 19:15 New International Version "Do not pervert justice; do not show partiality to the poor or favoritism to the great, but judge your neighbor fairly.
—David Flowers, Brentwood, TN

NO discrimination online!!!
—James Moore, Jackson, TN

It is a money scam plain and simple. As a customer I should get what i'm paying for!! Mbps not sites. I may want to download from some tiny website across the world that no one has ever heard of and why should they have to pay more to get DATA to me faster?? If they have and upload speed of 100Mbps and I have a download speed of 100Mbps then that is the speed I should get. It is NO ONES right to limit that speed because that is the speed I PAY for!!!!!! by : MICHAEL SCOTT HAMILTON in Odessa, TEXAS
—Michael Hamilton, Odessa, TX

I want to find obscure sites and little known products - not get guided to sponsored content and see video content only of preferred sites. With two speed internet there will be no need for censorship, slow service will get the job done.
—Jeffrey Tischler, Monterey, CA

Please throw out the rules, we can only be truly safe when the internet is reclassified as a tier 2 telecommunications program, because otherwise ISP provider companies can go through the loopholes that are created from the cheap wire forged by lobbyists who have created these openings for themselves. Get rid of this notion of fast lanes and slow lanes, all lanes should be equal and no one should be charged more or less for using any road that he wishes compared to others. Do whats right
—Dmitri, San Jose, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Nicholas Cobb, Collierville, TN

Please do not let the ISP's do this to us. Keep it the way it is.
—Mary Gabrielson, Flagstaff, AZ

I already have to pay Comcast twice their base fee just to keep them from running my net connection through antiquated, slow modems. Other than feathering Mr. Wheeler's nest for when he goes back to openly working for cable companies, this will discourage every ISP from providing better service through infrastructure investments and software improvements. The US will completely lose dominance of the internet - all so certain people can be well paid once they leave public employment.
—Rosemary Williams, Westport, WA

As a software engineer intent on making it in this world, the proposals by the FCC on Net Neutrality are worrisome. These proposed rules would make it impossible for start-ups to compete in the same space as monopolies like Comcast and Verizon. These start-ups are needed. Innovation is key in the ever-changing world we live in. The huge companies don't care about me, they care about making money at my expense. Take your telephone for instance (voice only). You pay a company to connect you with another person. Phone companies will do this without degrading your service if the recipient of the call is on another network. They are a utility. The Internet should be a utility also, under Title II of the Telecommunications Act. It wasn't classified as that at the time because no one knew what it would turn into.
—Alex Vernacchia, Indianapolis, IN

These new rules place us on a slippery slope to a purgatory where the big internet providers dictate what we read and watch. They will have too much power to manipulate internet content to suit their own political and financial interests. This will ultimately destroy the free sharing of knowledge and discourse among people. It is imperative that the FCC reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet must remain absolutely and entirely free and neutral, or risk a censorious dystopia where news and history go to the highest bidder.
—Michael R Maughan, West Lafayette, IN

With big corporations having an advantage in all other fields of communication and business, an open internet is the only place where everyone is on an even playing field. This encompasses the "American Way", if you will, and getting rid of that is very unpatriotic and very rude.
—K, Gastonia, NC

As a concerned citizen, I am writing to urge the Federal Communications Commission to protect Net Neutrality. I agree with the FCC in that an open Internet promotes innovation, competition, free expression, and infrastructure deployment. However, I do not support the underlying context which allows corporation and ISPs to implement paid prioritization. The idea that the proposal can allow restrictions to the benefits of fast internet to consumers is disgusting. We're already faced with having only one or two options for internet service, who charges us whatever amount they choose, which increases the power of that ISP. The internet is essential to American business, innovation, and democracy. As such, Net Neutrality principles must be protected. Please protect the open internet, scrap paid prioritization, and reclassify the internet as a telecommunications service to ensure Net Neutrality.
—Sarah Williams, North Hollywood, CA

Allowing huge internet providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon "the fast lane" for only those who can afford it is not fair to those who can't. Why would you and the FCC even consider these proposed rules? Internet Service Providers should be common carriers for all. Cynthia Byrd San Francisco
—Cynthia H Byrd, SAN FRANCISCO, CA

I live in a country that should be proud of its accomplishments and in which if we had a government for the people we would have broadband coverage for everyone, instead this country is now run only for the rich. You are supposed to help the people not destroy us by caving to the amoral, greedy ones who must have you in their clutches like the game of mafia protection.
—Kenneth W. Winkle, Kenosha, WI

ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers because they are common carriers. They should not be able to chose the speed of my connection depending on whether I am reading my email, watching videos or buying from online stores.
—Flamur Kasa, ,

The overwhelming majority of Americans are opposed to this takeover, but it's still happening with no powerful opposition. What's wrong with that picture? Nothing? Perhaps in China or Iran, yes however here we are supposed to have adequate representation behind the majority's voice in America! This is not happening during this administrations reign.
—Rod Azar, Antelope, CA

The Internet is great, because it just takes a good idea to become successful on it, unlike mediums like television, where it takes a lot of money to become successful. Destroying net neutrality will destroy what is great about the Internet. Don't destroy what is great about the Internet, because we will have to build a new one.
—Dan Wysocki, Poughquag, NY

internet access is the road to learning. letting big corporations get bigger with faster lanes while average people may not be able to afford access, is not what the FCC should stand for. fairness to users should be the goal. please. please. Net Neutrality is a must in today's society!
—Dianne Kennedy, dallas, TX

It is critical for democracy to be a real democracy.
—Patricia Hackney, Ann Arbor, MI

The internet should not be owned by the rich. It is for all and limiting access only goes further toward ending democracy.
—Beverlee Patterson, Ballston Spa, NY

FCC...KEEP NET NEUTRALITY...the proposed change is just another attempt at complete control by the Global Elite over the so-called "dumb-masses"...drop the m and it further reveals the elite-attitude. THINK ABOUT..."Without Prejudice (UCC 1-207)" T. Mack Jennings
—Thomas Mack Jennings, Sulphur Springs, TX

In this day and age we all need a freeand open internet without big corporations picking deciding whose sites load faster
—Ms. Suraya Karjeker, Plano, TX

Equal the playing field! I enjoy visiting websites off the beaten path and i want fair access to all the websites available.
—Helen Douglas, Washington, DC

It is important to me that the fcc in collusion with commerce does not decide who gets heard on the internet. This is a free speech issue.
—Karel Driesen, Los Altos, CA

Get your hands off the internet, or we're coming for you with an eviction notice. The FCC will be dismantled and abolished if it continues to work against the will of the people and to work only for corporate interests.
—Elizabeth Devine, Norcross, GA

Like the airwaves for radio, which is the same for everyone, the internet MUST be kept equal for everyone. Since the means to make it faster exists, please make it faster for EVERYONE. It is the only way for communication for many, if not most, people. Thank you.
—Willa Rolfes, Las Vegas, NV

If you do this many people, who either barely afford internet or cannot afford the higher prices, will drop you and hurt your precious profit.
—Skyler Davis, Fayetteville, AR

Net Neutrality is what makes amazing the Internet. Please, don't contribute to destroy it for the benefit of a few very, very powerful companies
—Israel Vela, Berkeley, CA

When making regulations on behalf of the government, it is the duty of an agency to consider the public's interests over special interests by which they may be "captured." Please prove to the citizens of the US that corporate interests do not trump those of actual people!
—Linda Immler, Mechanicsville, MD

Net Neutrality is important for so many reasons, that I can not possibly hope to consider them all. I do know that the internet is a source of information, resources, and networking that needs to be equal access for all. It's a simple matter of doing what is right, and supporting freedom of speech and press, by not restricting who gets access via the internet, while promoting others. Please, please, don't implement rules to create tiers of internet!
—Amanda, Ithaca, NY

the companies who provide access should be classified as common carriers and not discriminate
—Eric Greenbaum, San Diego, CA

Quit stripping us of our rights, you greedy turds!! The internet should be equal across the board regardless of financial status.
—Jeff Grubesic, Denver, CO

For several months before Comcast bullied Netflix into paying it extra to not send the Netflix signal through know congested Comcast servers, I couldn't even watch Netflix at night because the download speeds were typically below the 0.5 Mbps that was needed for successful watching. The surprise, surprise, surprise after Netflix paid Comcast's ransom the download speeds went up to 6.0 to 10.0 Mbps. I kept a record of the download speeds which are displayed by my SMP-200 Sony Media Player for almost 5 months to prove this.
—Richard Lambert, Roseville, MN

The best interest of monopolized companies will never align with that of it's users. We have given rights to all these companies so their businesses could succeed in local markets, this is ours to keep.
—Chris Erickson, Milwaukee, WI

All ISPs (landline and wireless) should obviously have been classified as common carriers in the first place. Their role is just like that of water and electric utilities. They should never have been allowed to own content providers. The FCC needs to man up and admit it got this wrong years ago and fix it now. Yes, we know they'll lobby and sue and bribe. It's not going to get any easier next year.
—Jeff Barlow, Bend, OR

I depend on the Internet to work. I'm not wealthy or one of the 1% that would benefit/can afford to pay more for a faster lane. To me, it's a utility as important as power. Leave the net as it is!
—Maria Gonzalez, Chicago, IL

Why would we slow these businesses to do this? Are they not already making enough money of their customers? This is political posturing at its finest. Obviously Tom Wheeler is in the pocket of several organizations...
—Dan Divirgilio, Pittsburgh, PA

I think alternative media needs to have no new disadvantages besides the lack of money and exposure they already have.
—Paul Nehring, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality is vital for fair opportunities for businesses, access to political speech and protection of Freedom of Speech.
—Bill Brown, Clovis, CA

The members of the FCC as government employees took an oath which included "promoting the general welfare," not the corporate welfare, not the investor-owned telecom welfare, the "general welfare." I expect no less from the members of the FCC. The internet ought not to be a tiered service which costs more at each tier. The U.S. is behind the rest of the world in the area of bandwidth and everyone, telecom companies, internet service providers and the FCC need to clean up their acts, in my opinion.
—Oliver Seely, Lakewood, CA

Without net neutrality, large internet service providers can manipulate end user's bandwidth in a way that is not apparent to them. It allows ISP's to control what consumers see by adjusting network speeds based on any factors they want (customer, domain, time of day, etc.). Restricting the speed at which consumers can access a site is effectively permitting ISPs to censor content at their own discretion since consumers are not going to wait an arbitrary amount of time to access a site. Allowing ISPs to put speedy access to websites behind a pay-wall ensures that only the wealthy would get free and unfettered access to the internet. This would be destructive for libraries, schools, and disadvantaged consumers.
—Shawn P Hill, Garfield, AZ

A fully functioning Internet is the right of all people, not just those who can pay extra for access. It should be a public utility, not a private commodity for sale to the highest bidder.
—Robert Cattle, Belleville, NJ

I believe the free-reign of the huge internet companies is a very dangerous way to go. The internet affords so many life-sustaining activites and connections that I believe the internet needs to be treated as a PUBLIC UTILITY. For the elderly, believe it or not, the internet is essential for many ADLs, which includes communication with doctors and medical info and services.
—Caitlin Mac'Iver, WELLS, ME

Please, please move toward what is good for the majority of the population of the United States of America not what is good for corporate profits.
—Tobin D. Jeffery, Tucson, AZ

The open internet is one of the most democratic playing fields to have existed in our age. It provides access to information, the ability to innovate, and the prospect of creating new businesses and services at a very low barrier of entry. The very people now looking to lock-down and segregate the internet would not be as successful as they are if they had to compete in the environment they are now trying to create.
—Kevin Liuzzo, East Lansing, MI

It is undemocratic to divide what is essentially public domain into financially skewed partitions.
—Edward Rosenthal, Brooklyn, NY

Heck, we need some 'neutrality' in this country.
—Ellene Shapiro, Highland Park, IL

Net Neutrality needs to stick around. The world, especially the internet, is full of underdogs, who deserve to have their freedom on the internet. The Internet is wonderful because of its limitless freedom. If restrictions are put on it. it loses what makes it so great. So please, keep Net Neutrality around, so the Internet can remain the wonderful bastion of freedom it is, and so people don't feel like they're being targeted or discriminated. Which is definitely not the American way.
—Michael, Salem, OR

STOP ALLOWING THE GREEDY CORPORATIONS TO HURT IS MORE THAN THEY ALREADY ARE!
—Anthony Schmidt, Carrollton, TX

The internet should be fair and equal
—Caitlin Hogg, ,

Net neutrality is important to me because it is one of the only systems that has not been plagued by corporate interests...yet. The internet has thrived and become the amazing entity it is today not by corporations picking and choosing how it should be developed, it was an open free market that allowed innovation to take place. Listen to the millions of people who are standing up and voicing their concern over the future of the internet. A democracy is run by the majority of people, not the majority of deep pockets. Do what is right.
—John Schmidt, San Francisco, CA

Already there are artificial data caps in place that shutdown my modem if I use the internet too much. My ISPs help desk said in order to avoid hitting the cap and having my modem shutoff I can only watch one movie per month online and that's if I use the internet for nothing else except watching that one movie. There are no other ISPs in my area so I can't change companies. These issues are only going to get worse until real net neutrality is enforced.
—Shane Shane Davidson, Auburn, CA

We deserve the free flow of information. Everyone deserves the ability to share information.
—Sean Palmer, New York, NY

come on
—John Cabe, Lenoir City, TN

The open Internet is the reason the Internet is what it is today. To limit that in any way shape or form is absolutely immoral and unacceptable.
—James Krug, Rochester, NY

Please classify the internet as a Title II common carrier. Democracy depends on the free flow of information. We must not slow some sites down to increase the speed of others.
—Dana Wylder, Naples, ID

It matters to everyone. The internet is one of the few remaining places where equality still exists.
—Jay K lawson, ,

The internet has evolved as in integral part of people's lives, not unlike the telephone as the technology evolved. Many people, such as myself, depend on the internet to communicate, conduct business, study in (grad) school, network, stay in touch with families and friends in ways that the phone cannot, and to do daily and important things like pay bills. Because of this, I am dependent upon it and to create this "two-tiered" system is not only unfair to consumers like me, it further broadens the divide between the "rich and poor"; those who can afford additional fees, and those who cannot. There is no practical reason to create this system except to generate more profit for these large telecom companies. They already generate tremendous amount of profit for themselves: how much is enough? How much is too much? Lastly, not reclassifying the Internet and allowing this new rules to remain weakens the credibility of the FCC and those who over see it. In other words, Tom, it seems that you are "in the pockets" of these big corporations and NOT working in the best interest of the American People. So, what kind of person are you?
—Coby Lyons, Las Vegas, NV

Information should be an open resource!
—Quinn Bayola, Lombard, IL

Net Neutrality is the single driving factor driving innovation online. To take it away is simply to deny our human right to free flow of words and thought made possible by the use of the Internet. Extortion comes to mind when I think of this subject. If a government agency were to allow such a thing, government policies intact for over 100 years would be nothing but dust. I give this comment because I want my voice to be heard, even if it falls on deaf ears.
—Nicholas Allen, Annapolis, MD

It has already begun. Netflix having to pay Comcast and others to stop throttling their data. We need an open internet!
—Damon, Houston, TX

Because I believe that every website should have equal priority. No sites should be allowed to pay for higher priority. That's corruption.
—Caleb Rodgers, Westminster, MD

We are in an age where continual increases in corporate control is eroding the very fabric of our society. The internet is providing the air and blood of society. Don't allow that to be sacraficed on the alter of corporate greed!
—Leonard A. Williams, Chino Hills, CA

Millions of people, like me, no longer use television or print media for news, and to follow worldwide events. I am a disabled senior, very limited income, and it is difficult and challenging to find the funds to use a web service that I can afford. I do not own a television, I have become accustomed to relying on the Internet for communication with friends and family. Limited access, or increasingly expensive access will affect many of us in detrimental ways. Eventually, it will be you, as web servers, who will lose. Because people will not be able to afford to meet your demanding prices, if it comes to a choice between food and internet.
—Ms. Pamela buckingham, Seattle, WA

i am asking my congress to hold investigative hearings fot only one so corrupt could not only negate public willbut also screw them at the expense of greedy corporate america
—James Harland, Pittsburgh, PA

Broadband internet has become more vital to daily life, interaction with government, business, workplaces, and places of education than phones were once upon a time. To not guard against monopolies stomping all over consumers and to give them free control over the world's most important medium for exchange of information is more than absurd in this context. It would be like going back in time and handing the robber barons a blank check. It is irresponsible in the extreme, detrimental to competition in the marketplace, and damaging to the ability of Americans to interface with their government, employers, schools, and businesses. Forget about the entertainment industry. Forget about video games, movies, and TV shows. Those are not what are important here. What is vitally important is that the FCC is now allowing rampant abuse of infrastructure that our entire society relies on. This cannot, in any way, be construed as the government working for the people. This is, without question, the government working for their rich friends and their own bank accounts. Please stop this and actually do your jobs.
—Ryan Alber, Gainesville, FL

One speed for everybody, rich and poor. Everybody is equal. Common Carrier must be the rule.
—Don Bay, Östersund,

Net neutrality is important to me because it promotes competition to improve websites and products rather than allowing companies to pay off ISPs while sacrificing the quality of the product.
—Justin Patton, Dallas, TX

I'm a Web Services Executive at a telecomunications company. The fact that my job exists is by itself a sufficient case for reclassifying Internet Service under common carriage. As a person whose professional career and personal hobbies predicate on an educated understanding of the Internet, I find the FCC's proposal completely ludicrous. It's very kind to ISPs, but hurts just about everyone else, with stated reasoning that clearly aspires to avoid subjection to logical analysis. ISPs can deal with common carriage, but the public cannot and will not recover from this plan if it is passed. Listen to your taxpayers. Kill the FCC's proposal with extreme prejudice.
—Seth Dunkin, Littleton, CO

The internet is fine just like it is. Stop fucking with it and get your kick back money somewhere else.
—Ed Hallman, Thomaston, GA

The internet should be the same for all. This concept of equality regardless of $ is the basis of our founding fathers dream for this country. They would be so dissatisfied with the trend in this country of preferential treatment for those with money.
—K Martin, Davis, CA

Net neutrality is important for jobs, startups, charities, etc as well as for social equality. The internet is an important way for news to get disseminated through channels that are not controlled by entrenched interests. The congress and supreme court have already been bought by the powers that be--don't let the same thing happen to the internet.
—David Windrem, Sunnyvale, CA

PLEASE ENSURE THAT THE INTERNET IS CLASSIFIED AS 'PUBLIC AIRWAVES' - big money companies should understand their access to the American public is a PRIVILEGE NOT A RIGHT. This must be established NOW.
—ML Fowler, Lynnwood, WA

Do not let big corporations and ISPs control how and what we see.
—Tony Konzal, San Diego, CA

My family and I depend an open Internet for our news (not just fox's spin), our phone and other communication with family, friends and others. Please don't make it harder for us.
—Cindy L. Ferver, Eau Claire, WI

The Internet is a utility not an entertainment company... In the last decade we have seen the emergence if new economic modelas all predicated on neutrality. Crowd sourcing methods , charities, and start ups would all get pushed to the side when they can't pay for visibility. The proposed new rule is terrible. I bet you can't find anyone in favor who isn't affiliated with a multimillion dollar company... Enough said.
—Jonathan Thayer, Greenwood Lake, NY

I am a retired school teacher with a modest income. If you allow ISPs to provide faster service to can afford an extra fee, that extra fee is going to be passed along to people like me.
—Brian Larkin, Washington, DC

The internet is the only open source of content left that is controlled by the people rather than the corporations. To take that away would be Orwellian and abysmal. Don't be a dystopian stereotype.
—Jayme Warner, Midvale, UT

I am a small business owner, who cannot afford to pay more for internet service. My business has taken a loss for two years. I do a very specialized thing, and people mostly find me on the internet.
—Jane Reading, Phoenix, AZ

Having come from a family in poverty, it was very important that I could not only access great content from the Internet, but also have the opportunity to share my own and have it be seen (at the same speed as anything else out there). By placing tiers on the Internet, it becomes more one-way, as only those who can afford it can effectively shut out those who cannot. Tiered Internet stomps out possibility and creativity that currently thrives, and creates a bland, corporate, one-way, paid transmission service. Very few of the overall population get to create and present the content on one-way services like radio and television. Don't make Internet into another corporate advertising tool, keep it open and free.
—Isaac Furniss, Sandy, UT

Fuck corporate america
—Max, Austin, TX

"Yes, Your Internet Is Getting Slower" by David Auerback http://www.slate.com/articles/ technology/technology/2014/05/ network_neutrality_dinosaurs_l ike_time_warner_and_at_t_have_ nothing_to_worry.html Deregulation of the internet utility in this fashion is akin to what happened in California with the public utility deregulation that Enron preyed upon and will lead to similar negative results. The inherent conflict of interest for private industry in the public utility sphere: private companies seek profit first and foremost (i.e. monetary surplus, or waste), whereas public utilities seek what is in the best interests of the commonwealth (i.e. maximizing the impact of every dollar spent). When we deregulate commerce which participates as a public utility, we are shifting from the latter to the former in terms of interests--that is, from public to private. If we have learned nothing from the past two decades, it is that the private interests do not align sufficiently with public interests to remove the rules which enforce public interests. If we fail to learn from the mistakes of history, we are doomed to repeat it ad nauseam. The United States of America cannot afford to pretend that these things no longer matter. We must practice salient policy-making now if we are to stand a chance in the future as any sort of global competitor or technologically relevant society. If we do not start taking a stand, we will not be given the chance to make up for it later. With most sincere regards, Joseph H. Gorse, IV
—Joseph Gorse, Columbia Station, OH

The proposed rules are unacceptable. It's the minority dictating to the majority, the rich dictating to the rest. In "the land of the free", this is not democracy. Criticism of other nations' behaviour cannot be against a background of unfair treatment of Internet users. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Michael Young, Barnet,

The internet as a free and open forum is crucial to the American people, as freedom of expression is a central part to our sociery.
—Jeff liggett, Plant City, FL

I want to be able to keep using the internet as the greatest tool for free speech that it has become and if it is not reclassified to be handled as a title II common carrier telecommunications service it will become the exact opposite. I am tired of the interests of only the rich and powerful being heard while the masses are ignored for profiteering. Allowing the telecoms to determine legislature that benefit only them and does not improve America is a terrible decision and not in line with what the FCC was created to do
—Peter Rennolds, Wilmette, IL

The Internet is our last platform. It's the last possible way or voice can be heard. Unbelievable that in the land of the free corporations are allowed to buy elections, because it's supposedly free speech, and now these same corporations are allowed to silence the public. I guess money really does talk.
—Roman Samul, Sandy, UT

I belong to a minority religion and I don't want larger churches who can hog the "fast lane" to steal my bandwidth.
—David R. Burwasser, Oberlin, OH

Ever hear of free speech? Net Neutrality protects our ability to share thoughts in the modern world. It is our RIGHT!
—Karen Kirchdoerfer, Orefield, PA

Net Neutrality is important because the internet should be treated as a public utility that is available to everyone equally.
—Amy Herren, New York, NY

You are assholes!!! I am sick of your lies!!! Fuck you!!! The American Internet situation is beyond messed up! The corporate favoritism, mistreatment, underpaid employees, and skyrocketing prices for an already terrible internet controlled by one of 4 giant monopolies who choke our bandwith and provide shitty service is not acceptable!!! You are going to make it even worse with this legislation. I am disgusted by you and the sick politicians and wealthy who are ruining this country and the world!!!
—Andrew W Lazin, Winter Springs, FL

The SCOTUS has already given elections and essentially government to the wealthy elite. Must we give them the internet too?
—Lawrence Severt, Brainerd, MN

The internet must continue to be free for all. not just those who pay extra for broadband.
—Nancy Mueller, Chapel Hill, NC

The web is once of the most precious resources available to mankind. It is a repository of knowledge and it should be open to all without restriction. Whilst there can be abuses perpetrated by a minority, the greatest abuse would be to restrict access to those that can afford to pay. The www was established as a resource for all and to be used free from prejudice and restriction, it must remain that way.
—Dr Chris John Newton, ,

It allows information to flow freely and not depend on how much you can pay....
—Gordon Kircher, Lakeland, MN

It allows for innovation
—Aleksander Berg, Los Angeles, CA

The internet should remain equal for all. Bible Study ToolsBible VersionsDeuteronomyDeuteronomy 16Deuteronomy 16:19Compare Translations Compare Translations for Deuteronomy 16:19 Compare Translations Deuteronomy 16:19 ASV American Standard Version Thou shalt not wrest justice: thou shalt not respect persons; neither shalt thou take a bribe; for a bribe doth blind the eyes of the wise, and pervert the words of the righteous.
—David Rawlings Flowers, Nashville, TN

internet access is no different then other fundamental service in our society. Access to it should be treated equally.
—Scott Kavanagh, Apex, NC

freedom to innovate and compete
—Jesse Fitzjarrell, Portland, OR

EVERYONE deserves equal access to the internet. I can't put it more simply than that.
—Cheryl Conklin, Austin, TX

We need a fair and honest internet.
—Alex Oshiro, Honolulu, HI

Most of my life revolves around the internet, as do most peoples even if they do not know it. I communicate with family, perform tasks at my job and even opt into things like this using open internet. I grew up in the age of discovery and always had a front seat to the newest technology. By having tiers of the internet we literally take away the ability to learn anything at our own pace and put a speed limit on gaining new knowledge. Nowadays more than ever kids use tablets and phones to answer questions that some parents don't know the answer to. The internet is everything and it's a place if used right that could expand our minds to unknown universes. Please keep the internet open and free!!
—Thomas Ressa, San Diego, CA

Net Neutrality is Free Speech in Our Time.
—Charles Brobst, Binghamton, NY

Because freedom of speech is a fundamental human right,
—Dee Roye, Cromer,

Corporations always try to make a commodity of whatever doesn't cost basic fees (like a cable connection)... Next they'll find a way to charge for plain drinking water. Oh, wait -- they have. Please keep the internet free and open for ALL Americans.
—B Cole, Shelter Island, NY

It is essential the internet remain free. It's a basic human right.
—Margaret Redus, Denver, CO

Let free market competition thrive. Ending net neutrality will create an un-level playing field, favoring deep pocteks and discriminating against small innovative players.
—Dan Rodgers, Cincinnati, OH

The Net has been a valuable tool in giving me access to magazines and blogs that are not part of the big entertainment corporations. By eliminating Net Neutrality, the FCC is devaluing information that is independent.
—Peter Wong, San Francisco, CA

My job involves researching new technologies. The best tool I have is the internet. Companies should not have the power to dictate the future of such an important and basic utility for their profit. The only way to ensure the protection of internet jobs, freedom of speech, and individual expression is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Other wise the best technology and communication tool since electricity will be striped of its (internet) best qualities... NON-DISCRIMINATION!
—Bryan LeBlanc, Cary, NC

We need REAL net neutrality - not another lie that strengthens the powers of the telecom monopolies. We need an internet that will allow for innovation and education of ALL, regardless of ability to pay. Protect those of us who work and study online. Anything other than true net neutrality is unacceptable, as the hundreds of thousands of voices you have already heard proves.
—Sara Crane, Seattle, WA

Enriching Comcast, AT&T and a handful of corporations who have only their shareholders interests in mind is poor public policy. The Internet is huge for my business and should be left neutral to encourage innovation and social evolution. The Internet should be run like a good public utility.
—Dwight B. Hilpman, Lawrence, KS

Free and open internet is a vital source of communication about world events, local news, and simple, person to person conversation. We have seen it change the course of history, on more than one occasion. Please do not let big corporations take over THIS mode of communication too! It is a priceless tool that can change lives and should be open to all, equally, regardless of ability to 'pay to play' at higher speeds.
—Jacqueline Pomranky, Clio, MI

It should be about truth and fairness not money!!
—Greg Bint, ,

DON'T TAKE AWAY OUR FREEDOM!
—Mark Piontek, Milwaukee, WI

1. I am about to start photo business that would use a web site, but a quite low cost site that my fixed SS income would allow. I will never be able to afford increases in order for me to get my product to the public. 2. The internet service I now use is almost beyond my budget..... and I depend on the internet for personal communication, education, news, and political participation.
—Bruce Cox, Brevard, NC

The FCC should throw out it's proposed rules and should reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—David Dufour, Irving, TX

With these rules, America's Internet will turn into the wasteland that is Canada where the major ISPs force everyone to kowtow to their power. I know something about this as I am a citizen of both countries and have actually submitted official comments to that country's regulator on a similar issue. These new FCC rules must be thrown out.
—Jonathan Blaine, Mc Lean, VA

The American PEOPLE are sick of being treated like replaceable parts by megacorporations and their big bucks. The Internet is not yours to give away; it belongs to the PEOPLE.
—Stefan Berger M.D., East Setauket, NY

I use the *whole* internet, not just the parts AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon like.
—Bridget Magnus, Las Vegas, NV

Giving certain providers preferential internet access will open Pandora's box on consumer choice.
—Don Bursch, Nashville, TN

Make ISPs common carriers so prices stay fair for everyone.
—Michael Pittman, Marion, IA

Allowing money to control our internet access is a form of thought control. Please respect the intelligence and freedoms of the American people by protecting the open internet. It is one of the reasons our country is as great is as it is.
—Cassandra Koslen, Portland, OR

As an American, I believe equality is for everyone - not just those who can afford it. The Internet means access to information and education - we all pay the same amount for water and electricity, so should be the case for a universal service such as the Internet.
—Dennis, Elgin, IL

A strong and free internet is vital to our economic future. Adding fast lanes will only stifle competition that could continue to allow us to lead the Internet.
—Erik Peterson, Manteca, CA

>>>>>>>>>>DO IT NOW>>>>>>>>
—Dennis Shea, Evanston, IL

Net neutrality is essential to the free flow of ideas, and corporate America, particularly the telecom sector has already shown itself to be unconcerned with the rule of law or free speech.
—Sabrina Wojnaroski, Pittsburgh, PA

Do not change a thing. It's not perfect but it's good enough. What you propose surely would not improve it.
—Nick Bricteux, Lake Forest, CA

What happens when a competitor to Netflix, or Amazon, or eBay, tries to compete but can't afford the higher fast lane speeds? Their service will by default be lower quality than the establishment. You're putting competition and innovation at an automatic disadvantage in relation to the old and status quo. That is blatantly un-American.
—Krzysztof Chorzepa, Norwalk, CT

our lives have become dependent on the internet and you've got a lot of nerve trying to restrict it now that we dont have a choice... I cant wait to move to Canada, I'm so sick of this damned country.
—Scott Spradlin, Highland Park, IL

I depend on fast communications for connecting with friends and online orders. I am also retired and need to keep my spending as low as possible.
—Glenn Wright, Oneonta, NY

I WANT A FREE AND OPEN INTERNET. NO FAST AND SLOW LANES. NO PREFERRED SERVICES. FREE AND OPEN!!
—Pat Frederick, Downingtown, PA

Corporate hands off our Internet!
—Andrew Kearney, ,

As an engineer and inventor I find myself using more obscure internet resources to aid in the creation and innovation of all of my projects. By limiting bandwidth to sites it will greatly affect the pace of innovation I am capable of. If the government truly cares about creative technical thought in this country it will support net neutrality and allow for the truly free flow of information
—Michael Huber, Milwaukee, WI

Much like our roads, traffic on the Internet is generated by all users. Content results from this usage, not just by a few content providers. The Internet is a shared asset, its value created by the users who share it, and it must be recognized as a common carrier.
—Gail Heylmun, Boise, ID

Ethics over profit!
—Rick Brott, Fort Lauderdale, FL

Without Net Neutrality, nobody wins. The Internet will be divided and segregated and it will become a shriveled shadow of what we have today. Innovation will be stifled, upstarts will be squashed, and those who rely on the Internet will be forced to pay out the nose just to maintain the same level of performance that they have today. This cost will be passed to the consumers, and will hurt e-commerce greatly. It's absolutely mind-blowing that the government would take stance - just a few months ago! - to vow to protect Net Neutrality, and then propose these ridiculous rules that would throw it out the window! Please stop the corruption, the personal agendas, and the "politics" and just do what is right for this country and its people!!!
—Emily C., Salt Lake City, UT

Net Neutrality is the only option worth following. Public utility is what the internet was designed to be.
—Jeremy Lefevre, Silverthorne, CO

Since the early days of the taxpayer-funded DARPA Internet, I have enjoyed unfettered access to online information, which proved critical in my abilities to serve the academic community in a taxpayer-funded university library. Your refusal to reclassify ISPs as common carrier utilities is a gross betrayal of those same taxpayers and a deraliction of your duty to protect the public interest. Please do your damn job!
—Spencer Hunter, Tucson, AZ

People and organizations without a lot of money need to use the Internet, and we need them for the information they provide. Especially organizations that expose problems in government.
—Ray Kronquist, San Jose, CA

I believe in an America in which all voices, no matter their monetary value, have an equal voice with which to speak in a public forum. Discrimination against online content and applications by ISPs goes against our First Amendment rights to free speech.
—William Lee Anderson III, Augusta, GA

Equal access to the Internet is very important in a democracy. Information access, education , and entertainment are but a few of the important areas. Just do it. Keep the net neutral!
—Kari Andrikopoulos, Santa Fe NM, NM

I, like most Americans, depend on the Internet for many things. It is really undemocratic and unfair If we the many are forced to get into a "slow lane" because a few rich folks feel they are "entitled" to go ahead of everyone else in line because they are rich.
—Faith Franck, las vegas, NV

This is the first step in a slippery slope towards internet being slower for those of us who rely on it's quickness. It's also the beginning of being boxed into having a certain carrier simply by cost. There is no reason why my internet should be slower because it's less expensive than someone else!!!!!!!!!
—Erik Ortiz, Thornton, CO

ISP's use a shared system which must be considered a public utility and they should be classified as common carriers. The two tiered system would be destructive to business innovation, artistic creativity and the free exchange of ideas. It will further disadvantage persons with lower incomes and cause de facto segregation of many communities, creating even more limited opportunity to change one's circumstances than now exists. It also puts far too much power in the hands of a few corporations who already have demonstrated their alliance with political groups who strive to deregulate all aspects of government in order to increase corporate profits. Often this deregulation is harmful to the public welfare. You are sworn to work for the general welfare of all citizens of the United States, and this will not promote the same. In my own personal case, I am a low income senior. The amount that Comcast wants for internet even now is far too high for me to pay. I am able to use my landlord's internet at this time, but if they begin to be charged more for amount of data usage, I may lose this. And most people at my income level do not have this opportunity at all. More and more one must get news, access to health, social services, and goods via the internet. The disadvantages of poverty are currently sufficient; they do not need to be increased by government rules.
—Thora Reynolds, Minneapolis, MN

THE INTERNET IS OBVIOUSLY A PUBLIC UTILITY! ANY ATTEMPTS TO SAY OTHERWISE ARE BLATANT CORPORATE PUPPETRY MOVES!!
—Paul Palla, Waynesboro, PA

Don't take us back to the gilded age. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Darren, Elgin, TX

I'm with Tim Berners-Lee the true creator of the Internet who said fittingly as concerns the importance of Net Neutrality: Freedom of connection with any application to any party is the fundamental social basis of the internet. And now, is the basis of the society built on the internet.
—Deborah D'Amico, Reno, NV

The internet needs to remain a neutral place for information to travel.
—Zachary Spratt, Puyallup, WA

It is essential that the government provide these small bits of a quality life to the slaves.
—Thomas Moses, Sierra Madre, CA

internet providers must be reclassified as common carriers. A two-tiered system will only let us slide farther away from "free" speech and actual democracy.
—Rosemary Fritz Grabowska, Poughkeepsie, NY

Living in a small rural community, the Internet is a valuable tool. Don't let AT&T, Comcast, Verizon, and any other provider create fast lanes. With the disappearance of many small local newspapers, the Internet is becoming my major source of news....
—Carol Cate, Ripon, WI

So how much money has Big Telecom spent on bribing you to take this despicable action?
—Ole Nielson, Abbotsford,

Besides entertainment procured online, I use the internet to work from home. Allowing ISPs to create a tiered structure and only provide fast internet to those who have hundreds to pay for it hurts those of us who rely on stable, fast internet for our livelihood. Keep true Net Neutrality and treat ISPs like common carriers.
—Andrea Moore, Dayton, OH

The internet is the people who use it. Allowing any one person to have control over how it is allowed to function is the opposite of how it was designed to work. It is a tool, when used properly, a powerful and useful tool. Education about proper use is what is needed not persecution of all users.
—Peter Ekstrom, lincoln city, OR

Net Neutrality favors large companies and those with money over newer companies, essentially eliminating the open playing field of the internet.
—Allyson Hamacher, Phoenix, AZ

As a silicon valley entrepreneur, I believe it is essential that new startups have the same access to internet bandwidth as the larger companies. We need to ensure that maintain low barriers to entry for innovative (under funded) startups.
—Tamir Scheinok, Oakland, CA

Keep the neurtal so all Americans can compete not just those who can afford it. Other wise the market i not a free market is it.
—Ivan Womboldt, Palm Springs, CA

This is the most important way to keep the internet neutral and fai. Please quit appeasing big business and fight for the real desires of the people.
—Megan Verno, Lehi, UT

Why do you want to destroy our American way of life, just so fat cats can make more Billions. This is exactly what you are doing, to me and every other American. Fred Belt
—Fred Belt, Sunland, CA

The internet is an undiscriminating, open place for everyone. It's unique in that everyone is equal. Everyone has to be on the same plane for the internet to carry on being a safe place for all.
—Serena O'Shea, ,

The internet is our only way to get information to keep us informed about what's 'really' going on. Or what's "really" good for us". Or what "really" works medically, etc. This is America's last chance to stay a free country.
—Jeff Pokorny, Bend, OR

Net Neutrality is important to me, as it should be to all the citizens of this great nation. Please reclassify internet service providers as common carriers, and regulate them accordingly. Thank You Peter Hoyt
—Peter Hoyt, Medford, OR

If your proposal is approved the Internet as you know will be drastically different than it is now. Not just will there be a fast and slow lane for those who chose not to pay extra, ISP's will be able to filter content and block access to certain websites. Right now the Internet is not just a form of entertainment, it is a way for people to share ideas, get news, share new, uncensored information. And that is why I love the Internet, it is an open wonderful community of people! And by blocking and censoring parts the Internet you are crippling it. Not only will it prevent the spread of ideas and information, it will have a huge effect on the economy, new startup tech companies or really any field which relies on fast Internet connectivity will come to a halt. So I urge you, do not let these proposals ne approved and classify the Internet as a common carrier.
—Tyler Henderson, Canton, MI

Free internet is the only place to receive truthful and both sides of information and issues from both sides. The monopolies we have today are not bipartisan and follow their corporate and individual owners agendas.
—Steve Irwin, Melbourne Beach, FL

I work for UNICEF in Africa. I know what it means to work with throttled bandwidth. You'll be turning something egalitarian into a stratified, classist mechanism. Why would you want that to be your legacy? That moves us all backwards. Don't be shitty people.
—Nathaniel Calhoun, Needham Heights, MA

I like things the way they are...
—Kenji Clark, Memphis, TN

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Richard Kiskis, Salinas, CA

Net Nutrality matters because we should all be striving for the world to be an equal place for everyone and creating a two tiered internet would be a massive step in the wrong direction so please keep the internet as it is, neutral and fair!
—Alex Buckley, Preston,

It's important to keep information and access to information neutral. We don't give people preferential access to library books just because certain individuals could afford to pay more for a library card . The same should hold true for the internet.
—Raenell Soller, Atlanta, GA

Net neutrality is required for the continued innovation of our internet. By allowing 'fast lanes' for ISPs, the internet will no longer be a free source of information and the greatness of the current internet will be destroyed. I depend on net neutrality almost daily to do my job. Please do not make this system a pay to play cesspool.
—Nathanael Letchford, Austin, TX

I absolutely don't trust the government or the corporation! Net Neutrality must be maintained to protect the people and preserve our freedoms. Please keep the Internet free! Thanks for listening, Jeff Mauney
—Jeff Mauney, Lincolnton, NC

We can not lot companies in monopoly position determine the winners in the future of the internet. I have a start-up company that leverages the internet to provide services to consumers. An ISP could easily put me out of business by blocking my traffic. The internet is to our economy as water is to life. We can not trust an ISP to be fair. They are only looking out for their own self interest and stock price.
—Dan Goodman, Needham, MA

Chairman Tom Wheeler. May I remind you sir that you do NOT work for the ISP. You work for the American Citizen who will indeed feel the pinch or vice grip of this terrible plan. NO sir to Net Neutrality.
—Ricardo Trinidad, Milwaukee, WI

It is important that the internet remain an open and equal global communication resource for all people regardless of financial or any other means.
—Collin Smith, Westminster, MD

How else will we able to express our opinions on certain issues, much less our feelings, if it wasn't for net neutrality, I grew up with the internet and would appreciate it a lot if you put yourselves in the shoes of someone who couldn't live without the internet, supporting her needs as well as the needs of others. Then, tell me how would it feel, to have that all taken away in an instant, like an ocean dried up except for the ones, who only need it to make money. Now tell me, wouldn't that be unfair. Did you think, even for a second, that there is more than one way to save net neutrality, without giving in to lobbying demands, from ISPs or Internet cable companies, they're only in it to make money anyway, they couldn't care less about the fate of the internet at stake, much less it's freedom.
—Danielle, Whitestone, NY

True Net Neutrality is the keystone of the Internet. Without it, the entire network will just collapse into a pile of garbage. If Net Neutrality is destroyed, people will stage boycots, cutting off a large chunk of money from ISPs. The laws will eventually be repealed anyway, but it is better to prevent a problem before it starts.
—Connor Lowe, Phoenix, AZ

You must take action to protect a free and fair internet.
—Mr. Larry A White, Clinton, CT

The internet is one of the PINNACLES of freedom in this country and of fundamental importance to our national identity. The move to stamp out Net Neutrality sends a clear message that powerful interests are not content to be part of and benefit from the openness and creativity of this society... they simply want rig the game and RULE the society. These interests are crossing lines never meant to be crossed and We the People will not tolerate it.
—Stephen Hahn, Tucson, AZ

it's a PUBLIC UTILITY, for christsake, anybody with half a brain can see that.
—Julia Kuhn, cincinnati, OH

Under the proposed regulation it is only a matter of time before extra fees are implemented. This is not fair. This is not morally correct. This is yet another example of the actions that will drive the 98% to rebellion. Take heed.
—William Fleischer, Akron, OH

Chairman Wheeler's plan would let ISPs like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees — and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—David John Ulibarri, Chicago, IL

Families can not handle anymore fees. We already pay for access to internet. I got my first paycheck when I was 12 years old and I have had to postpone retirement due to rising medical cost. I enjoy staying informed on the internet. If I have one more fee to pay, I will not be able to enjoy my well earned retirement.
—Karyn Herman, Honeoye, NY

This is truly a common carrier. I, like most of your constituents depend upon the Internet in both personal and business.
—Ralph M. Shannon, Hudson, FL

The internet was conceived of and has developed as an open source resource that is available to everyone with an internet connection regardless of their 'status' or ability to pay. It would be a tragedy and a betrayal of the vision and far-sightedness of the internet's founding fathers for it to be commodified and carved up by corporate profiteers. I can't believe that the ISP is proposing to jettison the most valuable attribute of the internet and in effect privatize it, to the lasting detriment of all internet users. It is not too late to withdraw these damaging proposals and reaffirm the principle of genuine net neutrality.
—Jim Dignan, ,

We should not allow companies to provide access to some content, while blocking other content. It would ammount to a corporate take-over of what was once a haven for information to flow freely!
—Jessica Tomlinson, Saint Petersburg, FL

The openness of the internet is fundamental to democracy. Is democracy not what your country and mine fight for, be it in Afghanistan, Iraq, or at home - or indeed almost anywhere in the world?
—Marion Geddes, ,

My life is so embedded into the internet. I do all my banking, pay my bills, receive and send correspondences, share photos and videos with family and many more things that require a fast internet access. I pay a high price for this access now. I cannot afford to pay more.
—Gary James Olson, Port Orchard, WA

Doing this takes away our first amendment rights, and allows companies to censor what they consider inappropriate.
—Travis Dieringer, Vancouver, WA

Net Neutrality is important because a free internet allows everyone to have access to everything, I don't want a plan where the rich can have access to everything they want and those who can't afford it are left out.. Our country is already divided between the poor and the rich.We don't need another avenue that tends to divide.
—Bernadine Baltrinic, Batj, OH

These rules will hurt the average American while benefitting big business. These are the kind of things we should expect our govt. to protect us from.
—Todd Fundaro, Royal Oak, MI

Your decision is intolerable. You work for Atilla The Hun, not for the people you are supposed to protect. Shame on you.
—Linda Owen, Loveland, CO

Education the truth would be a victim of these new rules.
—Warren Steven Cushway, bay city, MI

A free unrestricted internet is essential for innovation. With tiered internet it allows cable companies that already have a disturbingly monopolistic control over the internet, to make further profits by controlling who succeeds in what should be an open market. Don't let their lobbying ruin what so many have worked so hard for. If you can't see how money is becoming more powerful in this issue than organized criticism by a much larger portion of the public than you have already sold yourself...enjoy being their whore.
—Axel Olson, Tempe, AZ

Allowing companies to pay more for a "fast lane" internet is the kind of elitist plan that middle America will not stand for. Please keep in mind that even if this horrible plan is enacted, all it will take is one major ISP to not follow the greed and become the number one carrier in the world because of it. I personally plan to boycott every site and business that conspires with this current FCC plan. You have a chance to make things right. You are in a position to do something great. Give the people and their descendents a free internet regulated as a public utility.
—Steven Gauthier, Cincinnati, OH

Save the internet! It is more than a way for many companies to make money - it is the lifeline of We the People to the world. It MUST be regulated to avoid tier services! Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you!
—Clyde P. Schaff, Oak Harbor, WA

The ISP's do not need a new profit stream to keep the Internet going. We, however, need the equality of access for all content that has been one of the great hallmarks of the Internet Age. Equal quality of service for ALL content must be assured on the permanent basis. The ISP's are de facto common carriers, and should all be regulated as such.
—Cary B. Cornett, Lincoln Park, MI

The Internet is my basic connection to the world. I can't afford to travel to see it personally.
—Esther Stanley, Framingham, MA

The proposed internet rules provide way too much opportunity to be abused by the largest ISP providers. Judge Green's original decision keeping carriers and content providers separated was correct. Please classify the internet as a common carrier, otherwise the internet just becomes another cash cow for the rich in control of the big Telecoms.
—Tom Voorhees, clioton, WA

The free market works most of the time, but there are certain situations where a company can earn more money by treating its customers unfairly. In this case, without net neutrality, ISP's have a financial incentive to create fast lanes for their wealthiest customers and slow lanes for everybody else. This is unfair to the vast majority of internet users, including many small business that will now have a harder time competing with the big guys. But you can prevent this by reclassifying ISP's as common carriers. This won't stop them from doing business. It'll just ensure that they play fair with ALL of their customers.
—Stephen Hawkins, Pensacola, FL

By doing away with net neutrality you are in effect stopping internet innovation as we know it today. Other countries have faster internet and no such rules in place like you are trying to impose on the American people. By the way, it was the American people who paid for the development of the internet (DARPA), NOT the internet carriers. The internet carriers make enough money as it is, so what you propose is not only unnecessary, but seedy and suspect. Start representing the American people, not big corporations. WE are the ones who pay your saleries, not Verizon or ATT.
—John Williams, Durham, NC

Dot coms should be on level playing field and internet really should be classified as a utility because every student needs it and really everyone uses it every day.
—Catherine Lambeau, Huntington, WV

The internet grew into the amazing force it is today exactly because so far its content has been mostly free of preferential treatments by carriers. Allowing carriers to give preference to some content or services based on financial incentives, or any other benefit they could derive from it, can only benefit those tied to those incentives: carriers and the deepest pocketted content and service providers. It's pretty much only the old-school content providers, those who grew with no internet, who only moved later online when the net was already hugely successful, who are lobbying to be permitted to become non-neutral. Regular citizens as well as most modern internet-based companies clearly see the danger ending net neutrality poses, and have even banded together to make sure the FCC does not fall prey to the illusory belief things will be better with a reduced or absent net neutrality. The internet didn't grow into what it is today thanks to the lobbying corporations that want to end net neutrality, far from it. Don't mistake their advice on the matter for expertise. It is not. Listen to actual experts instead, like Google and Microsoft, and the countless alarmed citizens who clearly see what's going on here.
—Nicolas Cadou, ,

I use the internet for information. Not interested in waiting for someone watching a movie.
—Marsha Shaiman, Seattle, WA

I make my living and find my entertainment with services over the internet. Manipulation of my data by choosing which services reach my house in a timely manner by my providers should not be allowed.
—Ricky Casey, Birmingham, AL

I think the internet should stay at Net Neutrality for many reasons. For ex: •Almost any job that you apply for requires an online application, and not all companies have an open computer to which you can apply on site (so if you don't have a job, how can you afford internet to look and apply for one?) •Almost all schools require some sort of research that needs to be sourced from the internet. (which not all families can afford) •There are people that work online for a living: people who sell goods through their shops online. They already have to pay a fee for selling (also a percentage of what they do sell) and now they have to pay for decent internet on top of that? I think there are many more reasons, but these are very important ones, that will hopefully have an impact on everyone's opinion.
—Jessica Harvey, Deer Park, TX

Keep net neutrality and do not help to create internet monopolies
—Karen Thaw, Boston, MA

Please don't kill Net Neutrality. People need a free and open internet.
—Dave Smith, Blaine, ME

Net Neutrality is important to me because big business's are already making so much money why do they need more? So the rich 1% that pay under 5% in tax for the billions they make can have millions more, and the poor and middle class get poorer? Here let me put it another way. Would the FCC like to pay everyone that uses the internet $1000 every month, so ISP's can have the right to charge their users different prices to view different websites? Because it's pretty much the same thing as asking normal everyday internet users to be more out of pocket just for visiting some websites. Also killing Net Neutrality will infringe on everyone's right to freedom of speech. Because you can't spell freedom with out free.
—Joseph Reiher, ,

I depend on the internet for my farm and small business. Any changes to the internet can adversely affect my businesses.
—Mr. John Erdmann, Christiana, TN

Allows me to stay connected with my family, friends, and school. There are more reasons but this is the most important to me.
—Andrew Torres, Bronx, NY

A tiered internet will undermine the fundamental openness of it. Do not let corporations like Verizon to flip flop between Telecommunications and Information Service take control. They have already done enough damage by over chagrining for terrible service and getting away with merging into massive monopolies. Stop the consolidation of providers. Make the Internet a public utility and make companies that offer and telecommunication or "Information Service" a Type II service provider, free from discrimination.
—Nicholas Williard, Chagrin Falls, OH

Because internet is for people, not for companies
—Camelia Camelia, ,

The free interchange of ideas is one of the hallmarks of our society! Net Neutrality MUST be preserved!
—Eugene J Cahill, Hackettstown, NJ

Thank you for your attention to this matter.
—Zak Zebrowski, Arlington, VA

Everyone deserves the same access to the internet. It does not belong to one corporation!
—Stephen Lara, Katy, TX

Please protect net neutrality. A free Internet is best for the world.
—Jason Gleason, Rio Rancho, NM

It shames me to even think that the FCC would adopt rules that establish the Internet as anything other than a common carrier. Through pursuing feckless lobbying rather than consructive R&D, the large last-mile ISPs have already compromised the full potential of the net far in disturbing ways--- price gouging; inequitable access e.g. rural vs. urban; bandwidth not keeping up with technical advances, IP rationing. We definitely don't need or want them prioritizing or throttling content.
—Lloyd R. Prentice, Marshfield, MA

Please don't let the internet be hijacked by corporations that can afford the price only!
—Christine McGillen, Berlin, MD

I'm an early adopter. Today, I cannot imagine internet access being less ubiquitous. Looking back, it is hard to imagine what a difference the impact on Internet-related development would be had the Internet NOT been freely accessible. It is like telling me that the water I drink can come to my house slowly or quickly, pristine or passable, depending on how much I am able or willing to pay for it. There are so many ways for mega corporations to capitalize on services. Please don't sell out the public's interests.on this matter. Has the day arrived that the FCC's very reason for existence can be subverted? Well, yes, since one would be hard put to declare the airwaves belong to the people any more. The airwaves might be, but try finding a signal one could receive and transmit for free.... The FCC mission statement plainly and clearly states the Office is supposed to be consumer focused, an agent of positive change. Consumer DOES NOT equate to PAYING CUSTOMER. Nor does it equate to Corporate entity, no matter what the Supreme Court suggests. I believe the FCC has fallen down in its mission to protect the interests of the individual citizen consumer, the right of unencumbered access to broadcasts that have already been paid for by advertisers. Now is the chance to rectify that grievous error. I support media-ownership caps, network neutrality, public broadcasting, and seeking active means of increasing minority ownership of broadcasting and print outlets. When it comes to fairness, I would support rigorous re-visitation and debate of the INTENTION of that doctrine. I seriously doubt that anyone in the 1940s, even a decade ago, anticipated the nasty vitriol infused in "public" debate these days. I would vigorously support debate over a doctrine addressing a requirement of responsibility for truth, one that addresses blatant falsehoods disguised as opinion. Alas, however,we cannot seek to legislate manners. But you are in the catbird seat. You CAN address and protect net neutrality and public access. Please do so. Your grandchildren will thank you.
—EC Goller, St Petersburg, FL

Please keep the internet neutral. Cable and phone companies have too much power now and we all pay more than our fair share to them for TV, Phone and Internet access. Creating the opportunity for them to charge more for faster connections to their customers will put many small internet companies out of business. The Internet is the Epitome of American ingenuity and entrepreneurial spirit. Please do not limit that spirit by giving more power to the media monopolies!
—Eric Semmelmayer, Pleasanton, CA

This will stifle innovation and economic growth. It is short-sighted in the extreme.
—Daniel Cox, ,

DONT STEEL OUR RIGHT! IT IS UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND PREJUDICE.
—Edward F. Kapun, Yonkers, NY

The internet is a form of free speech and your ability to share your views, opinions, facts, and data on the internet with ease should not be severely limited based on how much money you're willing to spend.
—Archaa Shrivastav, Roselle, IL

The Internet was started as an open entity and it needs to STAY that way. There's way too much MONEY control in the U.S. as it is. Your proposal will ruin the Internet in the same way as corporations ruined over-the-air radio.
—Mr Jack R Smith, Ashland City, TN

Neutrality the net remember we are the people we are the majority hight speed for all
—Ferold, Columbia, MD

Stop trying to take our freedom away from us!
—Sylwia Wasilewska, ,

The smaller companies as well as will not be able to pay the higher fees for fast track streaming or even for getting their products out to the public..thus once again big business would win out agains the smaller guys...a very bad idea!
—Lynn Bengston, Belchertown, MA

Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. and I don't want that.
—Alex Pomorski, Whitmore Lake, MI

I am low-income senior, TOTALLY dependent upon internet...but I am tied to TWC & its abuses. If my ISP were independent, I would feel free to be able to mak better (& cheaper) financial decisions. P.S. My ISP was independent until TWC BOUGHT it out fm under its customers.
—Barbara e. Hollis, san antonio, TX

Keep the net neutral. Allowing the big guys to basically block the little guys will have the long term effect of killing internet development. Neutrality is what made the internet great.
—Shawn Regan, Tampa, FL

As the owner/author of a small niche website that pays its bills, I don't want anyone to have more or less access to the Internet and its contents than anyone else. I want my website to be immediately available to those who want to explore, but I don't want these bits and bytes that I have labored over to be sitting in some "slow content cache" lane because my provider hasn't ponied up the dough to get his "premium" package of preferential bandwidth or traffic treatment. Don't think it won't happen. The Internet is what it is because of the ability of nearly anyone to share, access, pioneer, profit... it's there because huge company or small start-up, when you click on "Lowe's Hardware" or "Mom & Pop's Hardware Store" the bits for either are delivered with the same priority. Take that away, create fast and slow lanes for traffic, give an ISP the legal ability to choke bandwidth any way they see fit, and you begin to dismantle the essential freedom that the Internet's success was built on.
—Randy Holmes, DUNN, NC

DOES NSA RING A BELL?
—Dale Reynolds, Salt Lake City, UT

EVERYONE should have equal access to the Internet. The FCC must throw out its proposed rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Mark Freeman, Saint Charles, MO

It is the last, best hope for democracy and freedom.
—Dagny Phillips-Stumberger, atlanta, GA

As both a consumer and a businessman that consults and works with many small, emerging Internet companies, it is critical that the Internet be accessible to all without any special classifications or inherent discrimination (i.e., the tiered approach you are considering). One of the core principals of our democracy is the notion of a "level playing field." one of the core strengths of our economy is that creativity and different points of view and techniques are valued. With all due respect, the proposed guidelines will gut both our democracy and the economic engine that both feeds and is enabled by it.
—Michael Kagan, NY, NY

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. ANy other course of action is unacceptable
—Candace Hibbard Lillie, Eucha, OK

Please protect consumers by protecting the internet.
—Jessica Janecki, Durham, NC

I use the internet at my local library to do community activism and to organize grass roots activities, without internet neutrality, I couldn't do this.
—Joel V. Johnson, Vancouver, WA

We have enough inequality don't start it in the internet
—James L Sellers, St.Louis, MO

Everyone should have an equal opportunity to access the internet without paying for what was designed for the public. Even the creator of the internet knew that it shouldn't belong to any one person.
—Jessica Price, Monroe, OH

The internet I believe is protected by the first amendment of the Constitution of the United States. I see this as a matter of free speech. To allow internet providers to create a two tiered internet is just plain wrong. Please leave the internet alone and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you...
—John, Juneau, AK

Net neutrality is of critical importance to the development of new companies of unforeseen technologies. Please don't stifle the growth of new businesses by artificially protecting a few (large) existing companies.
—Chris Friesen, Mount Gilead, OH

As a young college graduate who is only a few days fresh out of school and attempting to find footing in the job market on a very small, very tight budget, having access to an open internet is a necessity. My peers and I cannot afford to have our wallets (already stretched so thin by tuition fees and loans) stretched even more in order to pay for the internet, a piece of technology which has become a staple of everyday life for millions of people across the country. The internet is no longer a privilege, and people don't seem to understand that. It is a necessity, an important resource and means of communication for everyone, from government officials to students to the unemployed seeking jobs. It is essential that the internet remain free, fast, and accessible to EVERYONE who needs it, not just the people who can afford to pay twice as much. The internet is a tool, an outlet for creativity, and also a source of income for more people than just internet service providers. Business owners, small or big, corporate or independent, rely on the internet to help them earn a living. And when only large corporations and businesses can afford to pay for the right to make their websites and products available online speedily and efficiently, small and independent businesses, many of whom may be just about to start up, will not be able to compete effectively. Our market revolves, for good or bad, around competition, and this move to allow internet service providers to decide who is allowed online and what they're allowed to put online is only going to hurt the parties who matter most: American citizens and internet users. I sincerely hope that the FCC will do the right thing and start putting American internet users and their rights and needs first, rather than let corporations who want to turn the internet into their own personal money tree have their way and ruin a valuable tool for the rest of us.
—Briana Tiano-Mohr, Forest Grove, OR

I'm a retired school teacher and I just now paid my internet bill: $176.35. That is outrageous! Your plan is only going to cost me more, since internet content providers are going to pass the extra cost along to people like me. Don't pass your rules. Keep net neurtrality!
—Elizabeth VanderPutten, Washington, DC

The 1% have enough $$$ without taking more from the rest of us. We want to keep our rights without paying extra as privilege. ISPs ought to be classed Common Carriers.
—Robert Ridgard, The Villages, FL

The open Internet is the only level playing field left to non-corporate interests. If we don't have money, we still have voices--voices that will be silenced if open access is available only to those with money.
—Karen Chalfen, Boston, MA

Across-the-board equality for WWWeb communications is imperative. Only an equal playing field can produce the diversity that keeps societies, nations and people strong, and together.
—Hal B. Anthony, Grants Pass, OR

If the ISPs are able to create "fast lanes" and slow lanes, they will be able to control the research that is easily accessible. In order for scientific discovery to progress, all information needs to be accessible, even that which is not in the spotlight. Sincerely, A Doctorate Student in Medicinal Research
—David Baggett, Seattle, WA

Seriously, though--our nation depends on innovation, and allowing companies the ability to limit access based on cost will only hinder that innovation. Please don't implement these new rules; reclassify internet service providers as common carriers.
—Jared Klundt, Provo, UT

FCC- I should control the online content in my house, not Comcast or Verizon. I already pay a delivery charge for internet at my house, I should not have to pay more to access one kind of data over another. It is not costing the internet provider more to deliver the data why do they get to charge me more?
—Kara Quinnan, Fredericksburg, VA

Net neutrality is about the best thing humankind has got going for it. Please support the will of the people.
—Marian Volkman, Ann Arbor, MI

As a house bound veteran my computer is my access to the world, if I'm forced to pay for a better speed to do my routine actions on the internet, I won't be able to do it and my screen may as well be shut off. I already have one of the better cable speeds in my area which I can barely afford as my small social security check never comes close to the rise in inflation.
—William Haley, Tye, TX

I am concerned about any Internet structure that censors or restricts my access to information I want to see as well as censors or restricts other's access to information I wish to share. Is 'censor' too strong a word? Any scheme that analyzes content for origin before passing it on is a type of censorship. Don't let the genie out of the bottle.
—David Jabs, Boring, OR

In today's world the Internet is an essential too for not just me, but for millions of people. Up to this point I have been given the choice to do what I will with the access I have. Some would be content to fight for that right alone, but that would ignorant. The services I use on the Internet for like Netflix, YouTube, and Amazon only exist because of the freedom of the Internet. I shudder at the thought if a upstart company like Netflix had been forced to pay an ISP higher for faster speeds in its infancy before it had a wide audience. It might have never come to be. It is so blatantly obvious that ISP's are in a position of power and quite frankly if they are given a chance to abuse that power I have no doubts that they will. To beleive otherwise is wishful thinking at best. Access to the Internet has become an essential utility to both the consumer and to start-up businesses. Reclassifying the ISP's as a common carrier would be a great step in continuing the open Internet. Handing over the keys to the Internet to ISP's is the first step down a slippery slope of higher prices and lower quality services.
—Mitchell Brown, Connersville, IN

We need balanced information on matters. People are losing trust in government and the systems with this type of internet censorship. Free press Index shows US is very low in rankings. Shameful!
—Jennifer Jeffrey, Calgary,

As a rural resident who depends on adequate online access and speed for college classwork, I am opposed to any tinkering by telecom giants unless it is to improve my access.
—Linda Inness, Philadelphia, TN

I use my internet connection for both business and pleasure, and pay too much for too little as it is. Removing 'Net Neutrality protections gives corporate "gatekeepers" a way to charge even MORE for services. In the E.U., Internet service is treated as a public utility and they pay less for faster speeds and better service!
—Amy Carpenter, Eugene, OR

Every citizen should have the right to information that is not chosen for us. We have the right to either choose to read something, or move on to read something else. Keep open access. I do NOT EVER want to be part of a country that treats its citizens like sheep. China. Saudi Arabia, and others do not allow or honor freedom of access to information. Do not make us like them. The internet, for all its warts and foibles, should remain open and unfettered by both government and the corporate world. Keep the net open and neutral!
—Melissa Bell, Cabin John, MD

Protect equality FOR ALL, net neutrality has ALREADY been shown to work well. Don't let corporations take over our lives to increase THEIR bottom line. My internet bill is already out of line.
—George Zirfas, Colorado Springs, CO

Please support more competition not less.
—James Janus, Sturgeonbay, WI

We shouldn't have to explain to you FCC pawns why an open and free internet should not be compromised by corporations only interested in more profits at the expense of the public. The internet is a tool that allows the public to communicate to others and back to government that no longer permits any feed back or protest against its destructive and non democratic policies which are destroying the country and the world's economic system and leading us all to a livng hell.
—Cedric Ward, Athol, ID

I am a web designer and I want to make sure that innovation is not hindered by giving certain content providers preferential treatment.
—Jessica Sideways, Longmont, CO

My ability to determine what information is important for me to have access to and receive my selected information at the same speed as any other information on the internet is paramount to open and free competition of the internet market place. I do not need a bundle decided on by a third party as the way to get (pay for) the information I want. Simple classifications are a much more preferable option than rules that would eventually need to be interpreted on a case by case basis by the courts.
—Robert Crawford, Longmont, CO

There should not be a "price for bytes".
—Michael Muylaert, Lenox, MI

We need equal access for all users.
—Ron Williams, Travelers Rest, SC

Everything we do is increasingly online. Commerce, communication, information, political debate. And if there is not a true open Internet, the gatekeepers become the ones in charge. They set the fees, they reap the rewards, they control the conversation. For the sake of our open markets and our democracy, it's YOUR JOB, Chairman Wheeler, to make sure that the Net is open. If you're not in the back pocket of the ISP's -- and by virtue of your position, you certainly better not be -- then why is this so hard a decision?
—Clay Anderson, Wheaton, IL

To whom it may concern, It is imperative that you reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The reason for this is that it is the only real way to protect Net Neutrality. The open internet is vital for anyone who goes online. Thank you, Yehuda
—Yehuda Greenberg, Saint Albans, VT

As a small business owner, my livelihood depends on the open internet. Killing it would be a mistake for the both of us.
—Ryan Dougherty, Morristown, NJ

Wheeler is going to cripple the free market for the corporations' and his personal gain. Please don't let him do that.
—Caleb Szalacinski, Gallatin, TN

I've been creating some web applications of my own. Independent developers don't have a chance if you allow the biggest companies to buy up the bandwidth. You are breaking the internet, please fix this.
—Ben Brophy, Cambridge, MA

If there are not enough to convince you not to kill net neutrality than think of all the people that use the internet but don't even know about net neutrality and aren't interested because they aren't aware of the consequences. So listen to those who fight and show us that we live in a modern world with democracy and EQUALITY!!
—Lachner Lachnet, Gaimersheim, AZ

Net Neutrality gives us the right to speak our minds about things we do or not like. Net Neutrality has paved the way for hotels, restaurants, airports, etc., to have internet at no extra charge to consumers all over America and not to mention shopping. The people of America & around the world demand that you save Net Neutrality so we can all have the fast lane without paying additional charges. Failure to do so would destroy the open internet that we work so hard to make popular all over the world. It would rip off finances for our families and it would put the people to the lowest road we could even go. We demand that you save Net Neutrality now so we can keep connecting to friends & family before it's too late.
—Jerren Reid, Cleveland, OH

I am a small business and always will be. I cannot afford a "fast lane" on the internet. I would rather spend my time and money innovating my product. Best wishes, Bruce C.
—Bruce Childress, Kennebunk, ME

Restore net neutrality. No one has the right to own t he internet.
—Peter Butt, Los Angeles, CA

Toss your rules. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Serve the peoples' interest rather than that of ISPs.
—John Clark, Warren, NJ

Our Politicians are always ready to fix something that is not broken. Leave the internet alone.
—Johnny Matos, Orlando, FL

Net neutrality is a means to preserve democracy.
—Selma Lynch, Arlington, VA

Personally, I don't believe the FCC should have any influence or connection, no pun intended, to the Internet, period. Other "first world" countries hav deemed access to the Internet as a necessity. Shame on you who would put the monetary, and information interests of Big Business begore the needs of any American citizen. Internet neutrality must be doggedly maintained. Get on the ball!
—J Kosoff, Newtown, PA

I don't want a fast lane for the rich and the slow lane for everyone else!
—Mr. Michael Weaver, Bethesda, MD

I rely on the internet and am tired of having big corporations take over so much of our business world.
—Carole Burns, Arlington, MA

Selling out the internet to a handful of corporations is wrong. Redefine it as a utility so it can remain the way it is.
—Tracey Fleming, Fort Worth, TX

The radio spectrum is available to all as a public good. Radio stations can't buy more spectrum just because they've got more money. The internet should be no different.
—Jeff Harrison, Worley, ID

Government doesn't have any place in my Internet.
—Jacques LaRose, ,

I AM SICK OF BIG BIZ OWNING ALL OF US! PLEASE, LISTEN TO REAL PEOPLE, NOT BIG BUSINESS!!
—Lou Pharo, Calistoga, CA

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Thanks, Dilip
—Dilip C Louis, Tempe, AZ

No more Wheeler lies. He does NOT support net neutrality no matter how he tries to spin his talk. FIRE HIM!
—Harry Swensen, Pensacola, FL

The ONLY reason for having a two tier service on the internet is to satisfy Wall Street greed for 'profits'. The internet is an essential in today's society and ,just like a phone is needed in gaining employment,so is the internet. Therefore it is in the public interest for ISP's to be considered common carriers.
—Bruce Sims, ESCONDIDO, CA

Dear Chairman Wheeler, Please reconsider the FCC proposal to allow ISPs to create multi-tier plans for their services. By not reclassifying ISPs as common carriers, the internet stands to be weaker, more mercenary, and less accessible to all US citizens. As a software developer, I find it beautiful that information is so readily available for those with working internet connections. The internet is a great equalizer! Please protect the open internet and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you! -Weien
—Weien Wang, Lemont, IL

I want to have the freedom of the online world. A world where knowledge and friendship and everything in between runs freely without the overbearing rules of other entertainment services. I need to have a plae for creators to make new and exciting things; a place for others to share and enjoy themselves. Without net neutrality, online freedom will be a mere facade.
—Bianca, Dalton, GA

My family isn't very well off, and my situation is abusive. All my friends, all my support and the people who care about me, I can only reach through the internet. I couldn't afford any extra fees, effectively cutting me off from my support structure. I've been on suicide watch repeatedly, and my friends are the only reason I haven't succeeded in killing myself. Please don't do this.
—Emily Daniels, Tomball, TX

You are going to contribute to the deficiency of social mobility and creativity in the U.S. The American Dream has died, you have killed it! It is looking at your face; it is saying "Et, tu Wheeler?" Many people win money and aspire a better life through sharing their creativity through the internet. Not only are you going to make it harder people who can't pay for a faster internet, you are going to judge their product "objectively" (because creativity is objective right? right?!). All those Internet service providers should be thanked for "providing the internet", yet, I wouldn't let a businessman judge what is truly good for everyone else. A businessman of the amoral market is just going to choose what is most profitable; and the geniuses of this world are quite averse and disadvantaged when judged under such a stance. As if everything great is economically profitable... Even though silly sounding at first, hypothetically, if aliens invaded the earth, the only thing you could show them for them to think we deserve to be free and not their slaves would be our philosophical, scientific, artistic, and cultural ideas; not our business statistics, our CEOs, bankers, and marketing strategies... All those just would prove that humanity is just good as a tool! Not as a thing that can do good when free! Giving privileges to those who have the money shows well your true intentions! The world is beautiful when you have the money right?! You just were born in the "right" family, idiots! "Because daddy and mommy come from wealthy and privileged families, I Tom Wheeler declare, let the others eat shit!" Right? You hyperpriviledged people recognize merit as good as an insect recognizes itself in the mirror! If there was a 100% inheritance tax you wouldn't have been anything but mediocrity. How come somebody who doesn't deserve his position is to judge who deserves his/her position? "This is madness!" All say > "This is... USA!" you say by kicking the populace inside a hole as deep as your fucking cash... Sorry, but sooner or later, the internet will stop being your plaything. You want proof of your mediocrity Wheeler? These rules you are pushing for are a great example to start with!
—Jone Sang, Bentonville, AR

The people own the airways and our access should not be compromised.
—Ann Hollyfield, Seal Rock, OR

The internet has become an essential, not an option, a required part of the infrastructure needed to function in today's world, not a luxury that can be chosen or not by those who can afford it. Protecting net neutrality, therefore is essential, and the FCC's current proposal does NOT do this. Reclassify IPS's as common carriers. Do the right thing.
—Dan M Keusal Jr, Seattle, WA

The only ones to benefit from a tiered internet service are the providers. They get to charge both directions despite the fact that each side has already paid for the bandwidth necessary with their respective providers. Don't give the telecoms this pork barrel of a decision.
—Kevin Potter, Rio Rancho, NM

Egads, how much pandering to the rich and powerful is this government going to do?!?
—Robert Sink, Odenton, MD

I'm not an ISP's commodity. I do not believe ISPs should be able to sell access to me. The ISP is my already-bought-and-paid-for-se rvice and I expect them to deliver the entire web to me, efficiently and uncensored. The only excuse for a website or web-based service to be slow or unreliable is if the service itself is underpowered - it should never be slow or unavailable because my provider has chosen to throttle certain content as a shake-down for preferential delivery fees. Once that starts, I expect *ALL* my favorite sites will get throttled in turn until everyone is paying for the privilege of getting through to me. To prevent that, I am in favor of the FCC treating ISPs as utility service providers - who should be regulated as to the types of services they may (and may not) offer. My electric company doesn't offer me brownout-prone, inferior electricity unless I pay for a 'premium' service - my ISP shouldn't be allowed to do that either.
—Paul Thompson, New York, NY

The neutral environment we've enjoyed is what has lead to the internet being as popular and innovative as it has been for services, etailers, etc. While ISPs claim regulation would be harmful, they'd effectively be regulating it themselves, raising costs for consumers, online businesses, stifling innovation and competition. Ironically, this is exactly what they're predicting would happen if the FCC regulates them! ISPs are simply pipes and carriers from the web services to consumers, and nothing more. They're functionally the same as electricity and water/sewage providers. As is the relative lack of competition and investment has hurt American broadband compared to the rest of the industrialized world, resulting in slower, more expensive service as well as virtual monopolies in many areas. Please classify ISPs as common carriers.
—Sam Takara, Kahului, HI

Taxpayer money from real people, not faux-Citizens- United-people, developed the Internet. So, the Internet belongs to the people, not corporations. Stand up for people and Net Neutrality or stand down from the FCC and allow real representatives to fill your seats.
—James & Elizabeth Davies, Aurora, CO

Internet access should be treated the same as telephone access is! With every year, the internet becomes more and more necessary in our society. Allowing providers to give the best internet access to the highest bidders will only leave people in the dust. People trying their hardest to take online courses to get a college degree, new and small companies trying to get their presence known, these are the people that will suffer, and yet they truly need the internet to thrive. Declare ISPs common carriers!
—Jeremy Ondov, New York, NY

big business interests do not have a free functioning democracy or free media model in their best interests....gee, too bad.
—Michael Quick, Newport, WA

An open internet provides the opportunity for innovators and communicators to contribute and grow business and ideas. Nothing is more important than the widespread sharing of ideas. A two tiered internet only gives added advantage to those who are already established and closed to ideas not directly in their self interest. It is important to acknowledge that corporations are in the business of making money for the sake of their investors. That duty leads to a certain kind of decision making. The health of a society demands more these rules you have put forward can only be destructive to out society. The internet must remain neutral. Define it as the public utility it is with ISPs as common carriers. Establish rules to keep it open with equal access not censored and managed for the advantage of the few.
—Thomas Walther, Longmont, CO

In a world regulated by those who have, dictating to those who do not, Net Neutrality is imperative. Access to premium paid services does not belong on the net. It will be the virtual death knell to free expression for disabled individuals, who by our societal rules, are consigned to poverty. It will bias and skew the Net as people of color and low income are excluded. It will destroy equality and entrench the already empowered in a falsely-protected space, away from anyone deemed not worthy. The idea behind the Neutral Net is to create a universally level form of communication. The destruction of net neutrality will eventually lead to a communication revolution, as people find newer, unrestricted access to other forms of expression. As these forms will negatively affect the net, Your creation of two- or multi- tiered access is the first step towards the demise of the PC, and other businesses and innovations which rely on net neutrality. When you hold on too tightly to water, it slides thru your hand. Freezing it so you can hold it means the water cannot be used. And mix it with the fire you are stirring up in the general public will sublimate it into steam, and no one can use it then. The Net is a modern-day public commons. You are entrusted with its stewardship. Do you REALLY wish to create a sectioned public commons? How well has that ever worked? Keep the Net free from tiered access.
—Stacy Levenson, San Diego, CA

I value a free and open internet because one price gets me access to anything I want, no matter what it is or how different it is from what someone else wants to access. Take away Net Neutrality like you're planning on doing, and I'll unfairly have to pay more for the things that matter to me.
—Joel Farris, Solana Beach, CA

Stand up for Net Neutrality.
—Catlin Spargo, Lakewood, OH

We need the net to access wise and timely information that allows us to make good choices as world citizens.
—Mich Doyka, Santa Cruz, CA

The only thing holding our world back is the limits we put on it. The internet is a power that does not need restrictions to who can use it and how much they get. Equality to all who show up.
—Christopher Skylar Bolton, Durango, CO

The future is so much bigger than this. Please don't create any precedent that is not perfectly optimal. Your grandchildren's future may depend upon it.
—Mr. D Boller, Fountain Valley, CA

True Net Neutrality is necessary to foster innovation to keep our county competitive and stop global corporate conglomerates from dominating the marketplace.
—Andy Drake, Somerset, NJ

No matter how much you think your can "protect" the little guy with a set of complex rules, the guys with deep pockets will always find a way around them. The only solution is to keep it simple: classify them as Common Carriers. Those rules have been proven to work; why do you think the deep pockets are lobbying so strongly against them?
—Kay M Purcell, Carbondale, IL

ISPs say they allow UP TO a certain amount of speed. That means they could send you 1 byte a year of data and still be compliant with what is in their contract. Don't let them fuck over their customers that way and make them a common carrier for fuck's sake.
—Greg Pritchard, charlotte, NC

SICK OF BEING BULLIED BY PSYCHOPATHIC CORPORATIONS!
—R Palm, DRIPSPGS, TX

The internet is an important place where ideas flow freely, and it should stay that way.
—Sawsan, North Olmsted, OH

We all depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Conor Woodard, Henderson, NV

Access for all at the same speed and rate is essential in America's democracy. FREE speech. Not more free speech for a price, a price that billionaires and powerful corporations will be able to pay while 95% of us must accept less access. Keep the internet open to all. And, by the way, when will FCC demand that our rural friends get any access!! The internet should be deemed a public utility not sold to highest bidder.
—Ali Vorhies, Petaluma, CA

att already charges me extra for "faster" internet. others i know dont pay for the extra speed and their service is faster. this is what your rules encourage. net neutrality means no discriminarion of what services or sites i use online. i pay to use the internet, not to be told what i can do with it.
—Truman Fugle, Bandera, TX

Our Gonernment is notorious for an unsatable appetite for growth. Unfortunately as it grows it absorbes more and more of our freedoms. Enough already! What will it take for us to regain our freedoms? Lincoln Fox
—Lincoln Fox, Paonia, CO

Net neutrality is one way to protect our right of free speech and give all the same opportunities that people with money have to deliver a message. Human knowledge belongs to all the humans and shouldn't be restricted by greedy rules that discriminate and bully websites and users on the internet.
—Ricardo, Portland, OR

stay away from the internet. Yall are nothing but PARASITES!
—Jon VanBeber, El Dorado, KS

No Matter what big business says it is going to cost the consumer in the end. PROTECT NET NUETRALITY
—John W Haney, Ft Pierce, FL

Televised news content is already dictated by their advertisers. Imagine McDonald's telling a library which books it can keep, or Disney Inc. determining which medical treatments are available to you. Corporations already control too much media content, and what they condescend to let us view is pathetically banal at best, tyranny an censorship at its worst! Tell "Giant Corp." to play nice, or go home!
—Elinor Higgins, Oakville, CT

Net Neutrality is a huge deal to me and my family. We've taken action, now we want to see you do the same, and PROTECT the open internet.
—Sophie Willborn, Oak Ridge, TN

Net neutrality is important because I want to be able to start a new business without worrying about competing with larger companies. If small businesses are a Priority then net neutrality should be a priority too.
—Paul C Shuey JR, Arlington, VA

These rules are terrible and would crush independent websites. The only reason I can think of for even wanting to this is if you, Chairman Wheeler, are receiving financial incentives from the Internet service providers, a gross conflict of interest and misuse of your position. Your job is to represent the people and not big business--don't forget it.
—J LeBlanc, Lebanon, NH

This proposal would in effect turn control of content over to Comcast and essentially amount to a monopoly.I always thought that was ILLEGAL. it should not be allowed. You are aiding and abetting a felony, in my opinion.
—clayton ford, Albuquerque, NM

A free and open internet is the single greatest, and most democratic technology of our time, and control of it should not be at the mercy of corporations. A free and open internet stimulates ISP competition. A free and open internet helps prevent unfair pricing practices. A free and open internet promotes innovation. A free and open internet promotes the spread of ideas. A free and open internet drives entrepreneurship. A free and open internet protects freedom of speech. To end Net Neutrality would be to destroy these things. This would be the most grossly irresponsible, selfish and greedy action any governing could enact. It would promote the spread of ignorance and massively widen the gap between the rich and the poor. I urge you in the name of humanity, please support Net Neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—George Forrester, Bristol, CA

I do not want my internet access cencored of made financially impractical by Corporate interests.
—Craig Browning, Alameda, CA

A free and open internet, being essential to free and uncensored speech, being an essential means of communication for a free, well-informed, populace cannot be encumbered, cannot be restrained by placing the means of access to such a medium within reach of only those who can afford it. The Internet, and the wires that carry the data that comprise the internet, is a public utility, are a part of the public commons, and should not be constrained or encumbered by any means. Classify the ISPs properly, call them what they are: common carriers of the peoples voice.
—Christopher Andrews, N. Fort Myers, FL

I work on web content for a public university competing with other institutions globally for students. If "fast lanes" are developed, our work is impeded - either by drawing away funds from other necessary uses to pay off ISPs for fast access or slowing down access to the information on our programs, which makes it more difficult for us to compete globally.
—Tina Ray, Haslett, MI

This decision reeks of corporate greed. You're already part of a country where the rich take most of the money and rule. Don't descend into Judge Dredd levels of corruption.
—Olivia Martin, ,

As a small business owner I value the reach to my customers via the internet. Everyone in government has been saying for years that they value and want to protect small business owners - well this is one way to do it!
—Kate Savage, Los Angeles, CA

For every citizen, access to information and services via the internet is a critical resource needed to function in society, almost as critical as basic literacy or having gas and electric at home. You do not want to be responsible for creating a two tiered society, restricting access to those wo do not have the money to pay for adequate internet speeds. Please do the right and sensible thing and classify the internet as a utility.
—Rachel Stevens, LIC, NY

Common carrier status for the American commons
—Jan Kravitz, Cotati, CA

I have worked in internet development for 20 years. The internet would be nothing today if net neutrality had not been enforced throughout that period. Removing it will be akin to hitting the pause button on internet development and innovation. Restore net neutrality immediately and in perpetuity.
—Aidrian O'Connor, Purdys, NY

This needs to stop. Companies are not supposed to rule the people....
—Trevor Cox, Bloomington, MN

The open Internet is valuable to everyone. Destroying Net Neutrality would ruin everything. People rely on the open Internet every day.
—John Zachery Carr, Roxboro, NC

The internet has replaced phones and faxes as the default communication system it need to be classified in way that the FCC can have regulatory access.
—Patricio Dominguez, Albuquerque, NM

a free speech is very important in this country don't let it go away
—Christopher riehl, warren, MI

internet costs are already a joke in the USA. make it better and cheaper, not less useful and more costly.
—Paul Neujahr, Appleton, WI

Stop discrimination! Now
—Lachner Lachner, Gaimersheim,

Why would this, or any country, allow privatized agendas to run what is currently 'open information'? Why would this be allowed to be allowed? As our individual freedoms are whittled away, is this to be the next? This is completely unacceptable. Why would a few corporations have the right to dictate who/what has bandwidth, how much, and how available can that who/what make itself? The internet is currently a representation of 'free market' - 'open information'. Why would this be censored by private interests only interested in furthering their own profit? If this is to be allowed, then why do we need an FCC???????
—Mary MacNab, Crestone, CO

We need REAL Net Neutrality, we don't need "fast and slow" lanes.
—Larry Kimball, Cotopaxi, CO

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Juan Camacho, ,

No one should have to pay more for access to the internet, either as a subscriber or a provider of content.
—John Pivovarnick, Dunmore, PA

A two-tiered Internet will further exacerbate the inequality faced by Americans today. Much of the innovation and commerce that have created this country has been built on the foundation of a strong middle class, access to education, etc. This will only exacerbate the problems and intensify the issues we face. WHY does it make sense to treat the internet as something that only the few should be able to access at its most effective? Treat ISPs as common carriers and allow the Internet to serve as the economic and educational innovation it can be. Giving further power to large corporations will not further the interests of the typical American. I am an American who has a significant investment in Wall Street (including AT&T, Verizon and Comcast) as well as other American corporations through my investment portfolio and I still think this is a terrible idea!!
—Kristin Kiely Pearson, Portland, OR

The internet must be free and equal for all. Anything less would undoubtedly have genuinely frightening consequences for democracy and free speech.
—Amanda Adams, Tacoma, WA

The internet belongs to everyone. We need to choose what we see and how we see it.
—Marilyn Stern, Fort Lauderdale, FL

The internet neutrality is part of our freedom, according to the Constitution, of choice, personal expression and peaceful action.
—Herald James Johnson, Albuquerque, NM

It's important to me because the internet is our the Users domain not to be bribed by the lobbyists who just want to corrupt it by their own selfish ulterior motives.
—Joel Greene, Fall River, MA

To keep rates reasonable!
—Arlene Thompson, Glenview, IL

If you appease a model that essentially allows ISPs to create an Internet fast lane for the consumers and vendors who can pay for it, you will severely encumber my small business's ability to compete in the open market. We can't afford to pay for the exposure that the current Internet provides. I urge you to prevent Big Internet from segregating the thousands of businesses like mine to an online ghetto and rewarding the financial elite. Please, act now!
—David Hernandez, Cloverdale, CA

I am disinterested in Big Corporations regulating what I can read, hear and do. Their goal is profits - one of the easiest ways to protect profits is to suppress competition. Please do not allow this to occur. Unfortunately, despite even the best intentions, it is absurd to think that any government agency could be a watchdog over the duplicitous and greedy behavior exhibited by the major service providers. It is also absurd to think that innovation will NOT be slowed by these absurd rules. Innovation is America's future - it MUST be protected.
—Thomas St John, Woodway, WA

Everyone should be able to access everything on the Internet equally. End of story. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Ryan Littman-Quinn, Sarasota, FL

Come on. This is important business. But the governments role should be ensuring the same rules apply to anyone for what is turning into the default way of communicating for many.
—Wade bowen, Brooklyn, NY

The internet is vital to citizens, schools, businesses and nonprofit groups. Any "tiering" of the Internet is unacceptable and a recipe for discrimination--even more so than it is today with some households still able to have only dial up. Do not throw out the rules--keep the Internet equally accessible to all.
—Marilyn Jasper, Loomis, CA

The sharing of ideas needs to be open to all not only big business.
—Wilma Davison, Vincentown, NJ

I'm sick of the widening gap between the haves and the have-nots. I'm also sick of the government trying to regulate things they have no business in. Back off!
—Camilla, Riva, MD

I am paying the ISP for the internet and not for specific services. ISP has no business in what I use internet for and they have no right to meddle with or to control the traffic. Let's say I am paying for 10 mbps speed, they better provide me that 10 mbps for everything and anything I want to use. Please protect Net Neutrality.
—Naveen Thallati, WADSWORTH, IL

The reason is simple: If it ain't broke, don't fix it! If the power brokers need more money, let them mow lawns.
—Mrs & Robert Levins, Clayton, GA

What a joke, Tom Wheeler is obviously some revolving-door scumbag. How much money did they pay you TOM???!?!!? FU!!!
—Edward Tilbury, Las Vegas, NV

The internet is my only window to the world. When you have medical problems you need something to do, the internet fills my day that would otherwise be empty.
—Robert Guzzy, shavertown, PA

The internet is for online businesses, buying, selling, talking with friends and family, job searching and, banking. It works best the way it is now.
—Adam, Rock Island, IL

Internet is a service just like water and sewer and phone. It should be open and equal for everyone.
—Anne Barrat, Shenendoah Junction, WV

The proposed 'rules of the Internet' stand to inhibit free speech, a fact which is unspeakably heinous. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and give everyone the freedom of cyberspace that we not only demand, but should be our RIGHT.
—Asher Brown, Lewisville, TX

I depend on Net Neutrality to keep my content providers giving me first class service.
—Emil Reisman, Encino, CA

The Internet should remain a free and open place for every user, not just ones who can afford to pay more for extra content. Someone who has access to the Internet should have that access be unrestricted. The Internet is an important tool for learning, a place to connect to others, and a form of entertainment. Something as integral to the country as it is shouldn't be dominated by big business. Every time companies get their way, little people lose. Stand up for the little people by standing up for Net Neutrality.
—Chel George, Orlando, FL

Reclassify ISPs as COMMON CARRIERS, we need net neutrality. In this day and age, the internet is an important part of everyone's lives, we all use it for day to day needs. These companies are paid to give people internet, not decide what's okay or what isn't. Some people don't have a choice in what providers they can use, and are already stuck with unfair costs. Allowing big companies like Comcast, AT&T and Verizon to also further impact prices based on what they like or don't like is horrendous. Monopolies are supposed to be illegal, step up, actually listen to those you represent, and force ISPs to reclassify as COMMON CARRIERS.
—Jordan Rushing, Paris, TX

Please protect the public! I don't think you need an explanation on WHY ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers. Americans are watching this carefully. Please do the right thing.
—Chris Meredith, Sunnyvale, CA

Net Neutrality is very important for many reasons; sure we have our little things that people do like youtube, facebook and such, but the internet is a great communication device and one that many people worldwide have come to rely on, and it would be unfair to put the power of the web to people who can pay extra for it.
—Connor, Helena, MT

Giving internet providers the option to discriminate against certain content is fundamentally wrong in the American way of life and fundamentally wrong against free speech in America. Keep net neutrality alive and give the American people what they want.
—Ethan, Saint Charles, IL

I would hope that the FCC would not allow a corporate take over of the net. Please think about the millions of folks who use the net and enjoy what it has to offer. Please classify ISP as common carriers. Earl Keefer
—Earl Keefer, Naperville, IL

There will be no way my small business will be able to compete without net neutrality. The people are the real backbone of this country from working the menial tasks that keep society moving to buying the majority of goods and services big companies produce. However, the backbone can and WILL break. Allowing big corporations control over the internet for no other reason than profits will go a long way towards crushing that backbone. Of course, you already KNOW all of this and that means only one thing... you, too, have been bought and don't care.
—Cathy Spalding, Olympia, WA

A two-tiered internet would not serve the highest good.
—Winnie Durdant-Hollamby, forest row,

Net Neutrality is important for the future of communication within the world. The Internet is a great resource and its openness must be preserved.
—Mr. Faraaz Sareshwala, Pleasanton, CA

Schools and education will suffer the most when you deny them access to education videos from around the world via the Internet because many schools have old and slow equipment that will make using a slower Internet impractical and unjustifiable. Stop working for corporations and start to work for the people.
—Kevin FitzMaurice, Portland, OR

When I first made a comment on this topic, I received a reply ostensibly from Tom Wheeler in which he indicated that he was on the side of Net Neutrality. What a shock and disappointment it was to learn that apparently, he was lying to me. Keep the internet open to all. No service provider should have the right to limit my access to the internet.
—Esther M. Leonard, Huntington, WV

The Internet is a Public Utility. Please make it so!
—Jim Snee, Center Rutland, VT

Please reconsider the action you want to take.
—Matthew, Manhattan, KS

The internet should not be bastardized by corporations like the rest of America. Its a necessity in today's society and should be treated as such.
—Keeley Augsburger, Cuyahoga Falls, OH

i make part of my living from internet traffic. if you go ahead with the proposed changes i lose that part of income. then i shall be at poverty level. do you want another person on food stamps????
—Cheryl Kumiski, buxton, ME

My phone bill costs enough for just DSL speed internet. I can't afford to pay more and it's unfair for this kind of two-tiered internet to even happen in out country.
—Susan H. Jackson, Columbia, NC

A two-tiered Internet sets up the "haves" and the "have nots" once again. The Internet should be accessible to all at the same speed. The Internet Service Providers should be building the system to allow more access to more people in more regions rather than restricting access.
—Barbara Perea, San Francisco, CA

We already have inequality in internet speeds. Just go to a library at a College or University and see how much faster the internet loads than us private resident users. We expect equal access without having to "buy" speed.
—Kris Snider, Moses Lake, WA

FCC Chairman @Wheeler: If you follow through and change the Net Neutrality Act I would have to question your intelligence, Your fairness and the depth of your Americanism. Apparently you are not aware just how unfair our country has become because of people like you work for the benefit of Wall Street, Big Business and Big Government. If you present and pass this proposed two level neutrality act, you will not be serving We The People rather you will be serving Selfishness, Unfairness,and will be taking a citizens right away from them. You Sir are serving the devil.
—Duane O. Jackson, Saint Croix Falls,, WI

The internet NEEDS to be treated like a public commodity, available to all equally. This is essential to both democracy and technical innovation.
—Bethany Morse, Louisville, KY

The Internet's openness and egalitarian nature has fueled innovation to a degree never before seen in this country. It's had a tremendous impact in commerce, education, entertainment, and virtually every aspect of human endeavor. Let's not be shortsighted. It is important that we keep the Internet as it is, a one-tiered Internet, an Internet for all.
—Edison Thomaz, Atlanta, GA

I make my living by making multiplayer games. If the internet is not protected, only big corporations will be able to afford to make games that are played over the internet - and the best, most innovative developments in gaming have always been driven by small developers with nothing to lose and everything to gain
—Leonard Boyarsky, Lake Forest, CA

you must reject these rules and instead move to protect real Net Neutrality.Net Neutrality is important
—Elmer Verguson, mercer, PA

Net Neutrality allows the free exchange of ideas and content between people that would be taken away if you were to enact this plan. No corporations should be in charge of what goes and what doesn't. This would be a dangerous precedent.
—Jovan Gauthier, Albuquerque, NM

I, like 90% of the people, cannot afford your love of (or kickbacks from) big business. We cannot afford the extra costs and should not lose or ability for a fast internet while you bend over and kiss big business's south side. Start thinking about the average person (the majority).
—Gerald R. Westfal, Plymouth, MI

In fear of the new proposals, Venture investors are starting to back away from new projects that feature high bandwidth use. The proposed rules are already having a negative effect on the economy that I make a living in. Please, do not back the new "Fast Lane" regulations.
—Thomas Rideout, Cardiff by the Sea, CA

Chairman Wheeler's plan is JOKE, a SELLOUT. How pathetically disappointing. Will no one stand up against GREED?
—Thomas Matthews, Ben Lomond, CA

We already pay too much for Internet access. Why should we pay more for a fast lane? Please require Internet service providers to do what we pay them to do: give us fast and open access to the entire Internet. Don't mess with net neutrality.
—Ms. Cathy Lundmark, Galesville, MD

A democratic country needs as much transparency from a wide variety of news sources to thrive . If 2 or 3 internet providers are running the show they will promote their preferred sources to the detriment of all other sources by charging a extra for those not favored by them or simply slowing them for down
—Gene Ankli, Tacoma, WA

So it doesn't cost me $1000.00 a month for my computer!!!!!!!!!!
—Mercy Drake, Mesa, AZ

Broadband it already a monopoly and only available in most areas from a single carrier and our costs have tripled in just the last few years. There is no other option and as such cable should be regulated under antitrust like any other public utility and certainly not allowed to create a multi-tiered internet with separate speeds for different communications co's.
—Camille Ellis Vickers, New Orleans, LA

Please keep the internet open. Don't make communication a privilege of the rich.
—Sebastien Lavoie, Phoenix, AZ

This change could leave many internet goers in very unfair and probably very overpriced situations. Keep the net equal like the way it has been.
—Solomon Branch, Toledo, OH

Important to all small business!!!
—Judi Duncan Yantiss, Royal Oak, MI

The Internet belongs to the people, not the corporations. To make common users pay more for Internet fastlanes is grossly unjust and we will stand for it!
—Michael Camp, Winooski, VT

Net neutrality is the only way to globalisation, fair markets and international development
—Mikael Laine, ,

My provider offers a few different tiers—or speeds—of Internet service, so I choose the one that makes sense for my household and that’s the end of it. It is none of the broadband provider’s business how I choose to use the pipeline, or which sites or services I stream content from over the pipeline, and the broadband provider shouldn’t be allowed to extort additional money from those sites or services for the privilege of delivering that content to me. In my opinion, that is the sum total of the role of the broadband provider—to build and maintain the pipeline. I don’t think Comcast CMCSA +1.25% should give priority access to NBC content just because it owns the network, and I don’t think broadband providers should be allowed to throttle or limit any specific types of content, or content from specific providers.
—Dakotah Morgan, Plant City, FL

Our internet speeds and access are already sub-par, given what is available in other countries. We will not stand to be held back further by corporate and governmental greed.
—Patricia Willenborg, Glendale, CA

Net Neutrality will assure that communication is free and clear of interference or control by a third party. We don't need peer to peer communication being intentionally slowed or any type of discrimination that would discourage those who are not in the "fast lane" from using the Internet. ISPs should be classified as common carriers which would give us only one tier, not two.
—Lea Harlow, Shavano Park, TX

A free and open Internet is vital to the future of democracy and the interests of corporations should not be put ahead of the people. My business too depends upon free and open movement of data across the network from providers to clients.
—Brian May, New York, NY

By abolishing Net Neutrality we take another step away from fair play and add another feather to the oligarchical cap.
—Phillip Frey, Los Angeles, CA

ISPs need to be classified as common carriers for the United States to remain a decent nation. Failing to classify the ISPs as a common carrier would create a caste system of the internet where small start-up companies will never be able to compete with the larger ones. Please classify ISPs as common carriers and make the United States a world class innovator again.
—Conor Keilty, Scottsdale, AZ

The inter is a free place When having the neutrality it open up a monopoly for Big Business
—Andrew, Pittsburgh, PA

Dear Mr. Wheeler and colleagues, As if the millions before me haven't already spoken clearly enough, you MUST protect our 1st Amendment right to free speech. It is your responsibility. It is your duty. You have been tasked with keeping the communications market safe, fair, and open. You are the sole protector of our rights as citizens to operate within a free market and not be pushed asunder by the rich and powerful. The FCC alone stands between a fair market, and a complete monopoly. The internet has become tantamount to existence in this nation as of recent. You will be hard pressed to find a job that doesn't require you to apply online instead of in person. Our children rarely get paper report cards anymore and parents must check the status of their progress in school online. Much of the banking we do, and bills we receive are online as well. An email can even be held as evidence in court. Bearing that in mind, how can you allow the word wide web to be bought and sold by the powerful? How can you allow corporations to dictate who makes it in this world, and who does not? Everyone deserves an equal opportunity to access the wealth of information the internet contains. It is how we connect and share our lives. It is how we receive news and current events. It is how we shed light on human rights violations, environmental destruction, and many other atrocities that would never be brought to light without the internet. It is how we will unite and produce a better world. Internet access is so crucial, so all encompassing to our existence in this day and age that it was even deemed a basic human right by the UN in 2011. How can you deny us this right to a free and open internet? Reverse your decision. Be a hero. Be a patriot. Be an American. Declare Internet Service Providers (ISP's) common carriers. Bring an end to this madness once and for all!
—Marc Whitmire, Morristown, TN

This idea is simply a bad one all around if anything based around the fact these companies like Comcast, AT&T are already in violation of many of the Anti-monopoly laws the Federal govt. has set forth yet refuse to take action to stop and break up these companies into much smaller ones. This would only allow those monopolies to grow even further. This time action must be takes to strip the power out of the hands of these corporate hogs and greedy CEO's and the FCC and put it back where it belongs and that is in the hands of the people not these greed driven corporations.
—Chris Worthing, Littlestown, PA

When I pay for my internet connection, I expect to get the advertised speeds from my ISP regardless of whatever content source I am viewing. What I do not expect is that my ISP will intentionally throttle and lower my download speed because the content provider is not also paying for that same speed I HAVE ALREADY PAID FOR. ISPs are already doing this by asking content providers to pay more. This amounts to corporate extortion. This is why Net Neutrality is important to me!
—Peter Chen, Torrance, CA

Because the people funded development of the internet and it should benefit all users equally, not just be a cash cow for monopolistic corporations.
—Armin wright, Oakland, CA

I want internet to be how it is now.Why people always destroys what they have built.DON'T CHANGE THE INTERNET!
—Aivars Vilks, ,

The Internet is a public utility! It is also a crucial safeguard for democracy, which is why the oligarchy wants to BUY it. Come into the 21st century.
—Carol Fusco, Berkeley, CA

The internet is a utility and should be reclassified under Title II as a common carrier, thus giving it REAL net neutrality, not this loop hole filled doctrine.
—Ian Caronia, Queens, NY

Keep the internet free for all! Once we provide partiality in any way to big corporations it's a slippery slope to losing access and along with that information and knowledge that should be available to anyone who seeks it. Don't let big business decide who can access the internet
—Daniel, Edmonds, WA

To me it seems like more of the same; Widening the gap between Wall street and Corporations and Main street. Keep the Internet open and equal to ALL!
—Paul Cobb, Tucson, AZ

ISPs should be classified as common carriers to avoid monopolistic conflicts of interest that stifle innovation and prevent tech-sector start-ups and small businesses from growing the economy.
—William Luebke, Fairfax, VA

it is already hard enough for those without deep pockets to do business or make our voices heard -- do not endanger the open internet. Your legal jargon to the contrary, it is plain to see the direction the FCC would like to take in the proposed internet rules. Please listen to the people who are demanding that ISPs be reclassified as common carriers.
—Linda M Thomas, Cornell, MI

The internet should be equal for everyone, making customers pay for faster internet (instead of the slow lane) ontop of the monthly fees they already have. That would be outrageous.
—Harris Hubert Rothaermel, Cumming, GA

Leave the Net neutral...
—Tom Gledhill, ,

The U.N. declared the internet a basic human right. Stick up for we the people instead of the corporations.
—Alan Hoffar, Muskegon, MI

I believe that the FCC should throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This proposal would kill the open Internet.
—Johnathan Pringle, Lawrence, KS

Please do not take the open internet away from American citizens and give it to corporations who will charge more and more as the years go by and pass the costs along to American customers while raking off a new source of profit. Why should government give this to big business?
—Robert McAndrew, Boise, ID

More Freedoms
—Avner Wareheim, north miami, FL

The internet is for everyone not those who can afford it. These new rules are limiting how much we as a PLANET can develop. Lets remove the breaks an push towards the future.
—Nicklas Steffens, Chicago, IL

I deplore an internet that goes to the highest bidder. It is unAmerican to hobble this public utility. Don't kill Net Neutrality!
—Patricia McRae Baley, Las Vegas, NV

Television and radio are already controlled by major media corporations. Internet is the only place where the common people still have an equal opportunity to have a voice--that is why the internet is so popular, because anyone can participate. Please don't take this away from us too. Represent the desires of the common people. Please. Thank you
—Amanda Ashley, North Hollywood, CA

Giving preferential treatment to certain content providers is dangerous and undermines the power of free speech that the internet has given us.
—David Berk, Waupaca, WI

The first law in our Constitution is that discrimination is illegal. And even though the Internet did not exist at the time this law was written down I am sure the makers of that law intended it to work for all (future) cases. So discrimination is illegal, also on the Internet. Meaning that the Internet should be open as it is now.
—GPM Buiskool, ,

The internet is the one world wide neutral zone where everyone can be without being affected by things like wars, or fighting, or constrictions. It's where the world thrives, where the world comes together as one being and coexists, humanity has made it clear that we cannot do this in person, so why take away out bonds from the rest of the world and basically make us slaves again? The Internet is something that no one should control, and SHOULDN'T control, it is free, free from government control, free from war, free from pain and hatred, taking that away from us will take away our rightful freedom to be who we are and do what we want within reason. Taking that away would ruin the beauty that programmers, and designers, like me, have worked so hard to create and perfect. You aren't just hurting those too poor to pay for the fast stuff, you're also hurting those who create what the web is, please, don't take away out freedoms like this, it's not right, it will never be right, we have a right to be free.
—Charles Heller, Sabina, OH

The US is already behind on internet speeds, please don't divide and marginalize us even further. My future as a ux designer and innovator depends on net neutrality.
—Rachelle Adams, Seattle, WA

If the new proposed rules are implemented, new internet business will be at a significant if not unsurmountable disadvantage compared to established businesses. This to me violates the whole concept of the internet, changing it into another tool for the rich and well-heeled instead of the tool for all of us as it should be
—Duane Hall, Sandy, UT

Creating a two-tier system would further discriminate people who are poor and prevent them from information which can help them find jobs, be used in their education and in processing college applications, and even help them stay connected with family and friends. Plus, we are already behind what people in other countries already are able to access in terms of speed, reliability, and cost.
—Cecile Adams, Iredell, TX

As a senior citizen, I have only modest resources upon which to draw for my daily, monthly and yearly expenses. Should big Internet providers such as Verizon, Comcast and AT&T create a two-tiered Internet, I would be unable to afford the extra expense. I believe it is fair and just to EVERYONE who uses the Internet to have equal access to its capabilities. This is why I am requesting you to eliminate rules to create a fast-lane, slow-lane Internet and to reclassify Internet service providers, noted above, as Common Carriers. Please remember that you and the men and women of the Federal Communications Commission work for and on behalf of everyone in the United States and not just very wealthy corporations. Thus, I believe it is your duty to provide equal access to all of us who use the Internet. Please contact me with any questions or observations you may have. Anne B. Ruud abruud3300@aol.com Tel: (415) 668-6086
—Anne B. Ruud, San Francisco, CA

Net neutrality is critical to ensure that content from providers such as non-profits or organizations that might not be popular with ISPs and backbone providers isn't "downgraded", making it harder or impossible to access such content.
—Bruce Lott, Cincinnati, OH

Well if this rules go through I will dropping my provider I have emailed this information to them as well and am going to start a campaign to get more people to boycott isp's this will hurt their bottem line god forbid that.
—Brendan Kenny, Milwaukee, WI

The Internet is the greatest communication network of modern times. There is no good social reason to subdivide it into a hierarchy of access based on capital resources. That would only benefit major businesses and perpetuate the dominance of big capital enterprises to the determinate of smaller businesses and consumers.
—Robert Sacco, New York, NY

Please help keep the playing field even for small business owners & start ups.
—Joe Tatro, San Diego, CA

The ability to get unrestricted access to information and communication in all its forms through the WWW is important to me as an information specialist, working in a public library where access is of dire importance for those with limited means. I also value it as an individual that spends a great deal of time communicating and streaming entertainment from the web.
—Patrick Brennan, Medford, MA

The internet is an amazing force for democracy in the world today. Equality of access to media and equality of access to the means of distributing media are central to this kind of democratic Internet. Please do not allow America to fall behind in this respect by allowing a corporate take-over of the Internet. Please protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Kevin Harriman, Portland, OR

Right now we pay for speed of access, but not the ability TO access certain sites/businesses. Please do not take that away.
—Julie Luxenberg, Montgomery Village, MD

Don't kill thousands of small businesses and business opportunities. Keep net neutrality. Let not the rich get richer and more powerful always.
—Stephen Gregoire, Mill Valley, CA

Don't you have enough money? Stop allowing corporate special interests groups to monopolize the internet.
—Joe Donnelly, Anderson, IN

I stand for Net Neutrality, I want the FCC to throw out it's rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—James Vincent Gomez Jr., San Antonio, TX

I view the internet as a place where everyone can interact, don't take that away or even try to limit it.
—Patrick savill, Wellington, NY

I work with a number of small businesses and start-ups, many of whom struggle just to survive. They are learning the many ropes they have to jump through, the staff they need, the operational structure they need. And one thing they all desperately need is a free and open internet that doesn't give an immediate advantage to larger competitors. To put up yet another barrier to entry for businesses by establishing a world of fast lanes, which by it's very nature means slow lanes, you will be stifling both innovation and small business America. Our roads are used for transporting goods across the country, our phone system is a communication backbone and by and large that traffic is treated equally. The internet, does the same things, and should be treated and seen in the same light? Why exactly is it any different than a phone line? This is especially hard to fathom in an age where the internet has become a lifeblood of businesses and individuals both. How will small business compete in an era where fast lanes are created? Many small businesses depend on internet traffic, and using content to drive traffic to achieve success for their business. Shut that down or start to control that and you are in effect shutting down numerous small businesses across the country. This seems like a very slippery slope. And due to the money and political clout of the ISP's, a slope I have no doubt they will continue to go down. Chairman Wheeler has mentioned that he won't let the ISP's start selecting the have and have-nots, not under his watch. Even if that is the case, at some point there will be an FCC chairman and board who will reflect the values of these large corporations and be blind to the wishes of small businesses. How does the FCC factor for that happening? What will stop all the small businesses and all of us from in the end being on either a fast and slow lane? I have yet to hear what will stop this evolution from taking place besides having a proactive Chairman. Either way, I hope the FCC can seriously consider the dramatic step they are considering taking and the long-term harm it may do to business in this country and equal opportunity. Is it really worth the risk of making a few ISP's happy when it could evolve into being the death knell for many businesses across the country? Thanks for your consideration.
—Kevin McGoldrick, San Diego, CA

The internet is not a private privilege. It is a modern day necessity. Please make it a utility service we can all use.
—Mark Arntson, Seattle, WA

Plenty of people get all their information from the Internet. By enforcing non-net neutrality rules you are discouraging the free exchange of knowledge and growth of the human mind.
—Jason Hyman, Kiefer, OK

Stop giving more power to corporations who put money and shareholders interests above the common good. Bring back DEMOCRACY and TRANSPARENCY to the USA instead allowing corporations to re-monopolize, i.e. ATT and Direct TV, in order to control content and speed to squeeze more money from those of us who most need and can least afford the services.
—J Agata, Sebastopol, CA

The Internet is an increasingly important part of our world, and it is very important to me that it remain open and neutral. This is a matter of free speech and, therefore, it is integral to democracy.
—Rebecca Connor, New Orleans, LA

neutrality of the internet is vital to our interaction as a society and to my professional activity conducted via the internet site of my employer.
—Doris Thurber, TEANECK, NJ

Let Net Freedom RING!!!
—KJ Nelson, Port Charlotte, FL

I'm a teacher and I have seen the way that web access has transformed education. I believe that it is important for these companies to be considered common carriers. This will allow for the net to remain affordable and accessible for students and all of us to get the access to information we need to be competitive in a global market.
—Lauren L Shetler, Rockville, MD

Please act in the interests of the American people, not the carrier profits.
—Bill Sorem, Minnetonka, MN

The American public paid for the infrastructure the internet is running on in the 1990s. More than half that infrastructure is sitting idle. Please stop giving it away to Comcast. It belongs to the Public and should be treated as a National resource.
—Lawrence R. Beauvais, Portland, OR

My easy, speedy and affordable access to the internet is necessary to my activity on a free and open democracy. I should matter than large corporations.
—Diane Verhoest, San Antonio, FL

Please, everyone depends on the internet for their own personal success. Its obvious to everyone that this will only result in increased pricing for everyone, even you. How will i get people to view my website when i'm looking for work? how will I get possible customers to come to me if i start a business? The internet isn't just for those who can pay to use it. Please, Please fight for us. This country was not founded on capitalism and greed, but rather freedom and action.
—Zachary Asher, New York, NY

A neutral Internet is a prerequisite for REAL DEMOCRACY. Shame on you Mr. Wheeler for subverting it!
—John Witte, Portland, OR

I believe that true net neutrality should be kept, to keep the ideals of america strong. Please stand with me in saying that this proposal must not pass.
—Chase Gilbert, Las Cruces, NM

I am a retired senior with a fixed low income. I do not have television, don't receive newspapers or journals. This is my primary connection to the outside world. I'm trying to understand your motivation- besides money- because I know you don't need that. Unless you are in the category of where enough is never enough. In that case you'll leave this earth an unfulfilled person. There are some folks who are simply insatiable, and operate under the illusion that taking away from others make them, somehow more powerful. If this is the case, I suppose I might feel some sympathy for you.
—Caro Lorber, Kelseyville, CA

Free speech in the US has been severely compromised by media consolidation. Further destroying it in the last place it effectively exists is unconscionable. There is no excuse for this rule; it is bowing to the wishes of huge corporations who have no interest in the welfare of the US or the people of the world.
—Jeffrey H. Cope, San Pablo, CA

The end of net neutrality would disadvantage a number of small-medium businesses and effectively amounts to an assault on freedom of speech.
—Kapil Amarasinghe, ,

This would do nothing more tan give the isp's a license to screw the public. For once how about doing the right thing?
—Albert L. Wiest, Birbsboro, PA

Open internet is a right. Not something ISP can toy around with and take away just for irrational financial gain. Keep the Net Neutrality and keep the internet equally open. This country doesn't need something else to be unequal. Don't take more from the lower classes. I need Net Neutrality.
—Madison Reardon, San Jose, CA

ISP's are common carriers and need to be classified as such. I am counting on you to make the right decision instead of caving in to special interests.
—Steve Collins, Tijeras, NM

The proposed actions by Chairman Wheeler are preposterous. THERE IS NOTHING BROKEN HERE TO FIX. Unless he is in the pocket of some seedy backroom lobbyist there should not even be a discussion. Please designate the open Internet as a utility and end the very real possibility of destroying a magnificent creation which presently is one of the few privileges left to people of all socio-economic classes.
—Amy Ettinger, Phoenix, AZ

This is yet another attempt by the rich to get richer, making people pay for what they already purchased. MSKE ISPS COMMON CARRIERS. Don't pave the way for them to abuse their position and extort more money from subscribers.
—Jared Christensen, McKinney, TX

Don't let Congress let big business do to the internet what they did to the banking system!
—Barry Gillogly, West Brookfield, MA

It s wrong to let a few corporations ambush and aquire for their own interests something that has developed organically with the people of the world. I have met many interesting and positive people from many cultures and had access to purchase goods from companies of my choosing. If this is controlled by limited number of companies, development will be slowed and access to any products not controlled or approved of by those claiming ownership will become limited. I thought America believed in freedom and free trade not closed shops reeking of totalitarian oligarchies
—Bryan Meloy, ,

Let's keep the Internet fair and accessible to everyone.
—Aniket, Morrisville, NC

With America already in hardship and still reeling from the economies downfall. It would be an added burden to our society. We also want the internet to be available to all as it is even used frequently at school and at home for children to learn and finish assignments but with high cost and useless service this could be detrimental to their education. It is in my own home that my boys needed the internet for school assignments. It is also a very social format for my wife and I who use the internet for socializing. As we are not comfortable and experience anxiety around others and crowds. It is also a very free speech arena where you can voice your opinion, share ideas, discuss issues, watch videos, listen to music, download info or the aforementioned. It is a tool for a wide variety of things. From entertainment to shopping. My wife buys clothes online. She doesn't like stores and crowds and they have her size at online stores. Please do not let the internet be two tiered and keep the internet open to all. Even this message is online!
—John Stephen Melland, Boise, ID

The internet shouldn't be capitalized it is a innovation that should be for the people by the people not corporations for money.
—Alex Bishop, Ambler, PA

Some cannot be more equal to others on the internet. To have the internet otherwise is just another scheme of " pay to play". Please preserve true net neutrality.
—Susan Watson, Orinda, CA

The internet is based on open free access...please don't commercialize it.
—Adam LaFever, Cumming, GA

I am a teacher and my students use the Internet to research and complete their homework. Other students take classes online. The Internet is a critical part of our education system. Please maintain a fast and fair Internet; it is critical to being competitive with other countries.
—Hazel Rozema, Manchester, MO

Net Neutrality is what has kept innovation going- a two-tiered system will stifle new initiatives, and make free speech more difficult.
—Nils Ohlson, Alameda, CA

The internet has become the single most important resource for the entire world. With the new laws in action, my company and any other companies I may start/work for in the future will suffer because we can't afford a "Super Fast Lane" on the internet highway. The internet is one place that freedom and equality continue to prevail, and this plan would ruin that for all of us.
—Mike Cunningham, Providence, RI

The Internet should be an example of and for democracy. It should be equally available to all.
—Frances Bicknell, Madison, WI

These proposals are unconstitutional and against the ethos upon which the interne is based.
—Adam Capps, Davis, CA

It gives everyone more freedom!!
—Dave Smith, Prineville, OR

Net Neutrality is what allows our nation in these modern times to resemble anything close to a democracy. Without it, we are lost.
—Paulette Yousefzadeh, Southlake, TX

I am not just a consumer on the net - I am a provider. I provide content for other consumers and provide items for market places. I am a craftsman and a creator. I surely could not afford extra fees to make my website easy to use for my customers and viewers. I rely on the equality on the net to give me a chance to run with big corporations. It is the only way I can stay in business, and without access to high speed traffic, my business will die.
—James Clark, Glenside, PA

Your job is to protect the rights of communication access to all Americans without bias to ensure the same access for everyone. The only reason anyone can see for you taking an action giving exclusivity to some via the internet support providers is based solely on greed. Someone at the FCC is obviously getting a kickback of some kind. There is no sound reasoning behind allowing ISP's to segregate access to internet streaming speeds for additional funds as money should not be an issue. Access for all is the issue. Shame on you for sponsoring discrimination. There will be consequences such as a class action suit by every American out there that believes in common ground for the common man. That's what this country is supposed to be all about. Sadly, with actions like yours it is becoming more and more have and have nots!
—John Booth, Pensacola, FL

A tiered internet is bad for our economy and bad for consumers. Supporting yet another give away to big media is poor stewardship of the internet highway which belongs to all Americans and is only rented to corporations.
—Mrs. Jean Waller, Chicago, IL

nothing is broken so nothing needs fixing!
—Blake O'Quinn, Mount Pleasant, TX

I used the internet to complete online assignments and take quizzes while obtaining both my Bachelors and Masters degree. Without net neutrality I wouldn't have been able to access the information I needed quickly. The threat to net neutrality is a threat to the ability to access higher education.
—Kira Younger, Carmichael, CA

Life in the fast lane is only for the rich and corporations. This plan is anti-democratic. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Susan Haywood, Portland, OR

I cannot believe this "fast lane/slow lane" delivery method is even being seriously considered. It benefits corporations at a huge cost and loss to society at large. Net Neutrality is critical and it is up to the government to protect it. In case anyone has forgotten it was tax payer dollars that paid to develop the Internet and World Wide Web in the first place.
—Anne Menzies, Salt Lake City, UT

ISPs should be classified as common carriers - that is, in fact, what they are, and they should be treated and regulated as such.
—Jonathan Head, Raleigh, NC

Keep internet servers/ISPs as common carries. Throw out your ruling.
—Linda Tift, Chapel Hill, TN

It is anti-competitive for big companies to be able to effectively block smaller competitors by buying bandwidth.
—Robert Garlough, Renton, WA

I'm elderly, disabled, very low income, and depend on a reasonably priced internet for much in my life including communication between me and my doctors. A grandson needs it for research for school. Be honest and fair.
—Sonja Stahlhut, Durham, NC

Everyone deserves fair and equal access to information.
—Julia Duvall, Oakland, CA

As an artist and musician, in the early stages of my life and career, like many others, I need Net Neutrality, We need the open internet. Without the ability to share my content online where anyone, anywhere can freely access it, myself and many other self starter business owners will immediately suffer. Having a closed and restricted internet will only be detrimental to our society. Many people depend on their access to the internet not only for information but also to supplement their income. This is a war on the citizens of this country, being waged by those in power. Those who have more than enough money, have no need for more and have no place in making any decisions that would greatly impact the function of our society. What they truly are is a conglomerate of bloodsucking, selfish bastards. The ability to access information does not belong to the ISPs. Access to Information belongs to the people. Remember, the ISPs work the people. We pay them to ensure that the internet continues functioning, we are not here to pay them to separate it and make it more difficult to access. There is no need for a "middle man" to dictate who can do what. How can we function as a worldwide, and at this level, national community if our internet access is cut off and dictated by who has money and who does not? Our civilization has come to point where it depends on our access to communication. We need to work together to ensure that this happens, not be fighting each other about who gets to do what. It is not your place to allow these companies to have their way. Access needs to be equal for everyone, and free. It is not their place to take a resource that belongs to everyone and try to restrict it. This is an infringement on my rights as a human being to have access to information, so I demand that the FCC save the open internet and do the right thing for Net Neutrality.
—Ruben Alvarado, Kennesaw, GA

Because of corporate monopoly, U.S. internet service is slow, unreliable and expensive. Ending Net Neutrality will only worsen this. You must reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Marco McClean, Mendocino, CA

Internet service providers should not be able to restrict what legal internet content their customers have access to, by either cost or speed. The internet is the forum of opportunity it is because there was equal access for anyone. Allowing ISPs to charge for faster service will eliminate opportunities for small businesses and nonprofit organizations, reducing competition and variety of services. Protect net neutrality and reclassify ISPs as common carriers, which should have been done years ago.
—Rebecca Schuetz, North Syracuse, NY

The Internet was invented on public dime. It's time to remove the 1% from their thrones and to stop their assumption of priveledge and greed.
—Bob Gaffrey, Southfield, MI

Because I believe in freedom of business competition and without ao neutral net, I fear it will be gone.
—James Taylor, Columbus, IN

If we believe in "freedom of speech" we believe in "Net Neutrality"!
—Chuck Smith, Sandpoint, ID

ISPs are common carriers and shall never be anything else. WE are the content providers. Period!
—Ivan Vedic Ai, ,

Preventing the underprivileged from having equal Internet access to the rich is a discriminatory policy. Everyone should be able to use the Internet without being segregated based on economic status.
—Josie Walker, Austin, TX

Internet competition in the US has come to a standstill, as a few companies purchase their competition and leave most markets with no competition for broadband. The US pays more money for lower speeds than any other first-world nation in the world — and quite a few less prestigious nations as well. Comcast, Time Warmer, etc, are rapidly becoming de-facto monopolies in their markets. While monopolies are not illegal, abuse of monopoly power is — and enforcing net neutrality is a simple way to prevent abuse of power. We've already seen Comcast choke the life out of Vonage and other VOIP competitors, and extort money from Netflix to transmit data to Comcast's own paying customers. Where next? Thank you for your consideration.
—Robert Mohns, Newburyport, MA

The internet is not a corporation stop trying to make it one. The internet was meant to be a free place that anyone could go and see anything.
—Bryan McCray, Clackamas, OR

Please save the USA from total fascism
—Francis Hall, Duluth, GA

protect equal rights for all!
—Michael Keene, Nevada City, CA

Television is a one-way medium that overcomes democratic, participatory debate with spectacle. The Internet has countered that by being open, participatory, and neutral. It is vital to the future of American participatory democracy that the Internet not be turned into another profit-making medium for one-way spectacles, and that ISP's be protected as common carriers.
—Richard Herskowitz, Eugene, OR

The Internet is a public utility now and should be treated as a common carrier.
—W Flanagan, Oakton, VA

Net neutrality is vital to the economy because small business have enough on their plate. Separate but equal didn't work before it certainly won't work in this application either.
—Anastacia Stone, Charleston, WV

Net neutrality will only help people who make their living on e-commerce, as it seems most people who do can barely get by paying their bills instead of needing to pay more for a decent connection. Furthermore this two tiered internet is pointless aside from sucking money from everyone and will kill web services such as Amazon, Ebay, Second Life, Craig's List... The list is practically limitless.
—Mr. James Caraway, Des Moines, IA

reclassify ISPs as common carriers!!!
—Laura landberg, Lancaster, CA

I am already poor, surviving on $770 a month for a family of two. The internet has become an important source for news and I use it to communicate with my granddaughters doctors. If you do not keep net neutrality, I will no longer be able to use the internet. You will effectively kept people from applying for jobs online and the other services that are now just through the internet. PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THIS TO HAPPEN. WE MUST KEEP NET NEUTRALITY!
—Virjeana Brown, Belgrade, MT

Stop the greed.
—Raul Ruiz, Sun City, CA

Leave this alone. What point are you, chairman Wheeler and the FCC, trying/attempting to make? The internet is a free place and there's no need to pay for carriers; common carriers are just as good.
—Ashe Brock, Plain Dealing, LA

Your job is to serve the American people, not the big businesses. Do what is right for America and do NOT end net neutrality.
—Erin McElwee, Annapolis, MD

This will be yet another major blow to anti-trust and continues the hopelessly flawed policies of the FCC to allow a few very powerful companies to control all the media. This needs to immediately enforce net neutrality as well as anti-trust policies for all media owners going forward or the head of the FCC should step down.
—Mr. Evan Hughes, Northridge, CA

You appear to have a misunderstanding between net neutrality and revolving door. I would assure you that they're not the same thing.
—Enzo Piccone, Clearwater, FL

por favor.
—Michael Hoopingarner, Torrance, CA

Concentration of media ownership has removed most independent voices from main stream media. The net remains a vital tool for providing balance. Allowing money to decide which voices are most easily heard will discourage diversity.
—Dirk DeLu, Santa Cruz, CA

Reclassifying ISPs as Common carriers is important so that the Intenet can continue being the completely open platform it always has been.
—Noah J-Cook, Camden, ME

To charge extra fees to get a "fast lane" connection to the internet would discriminate against users that can barely afford the service such as myself. Please reconsider this decision that would end Net Neutrality. Thank you
—Gino Picart, San Juan, PR

I currently pay an internet provider for X bandwidth that they make a best effort to meet. What right do the ISPs have in determining what or at what speed I use my connection for? If I purchased a 15MB connection then I expect to be able to use that 15MB for any kind of content I want. The ISP often over allocate bandwidth. So, instead of whining about infrastructure costs and then spending billions on mega sized mergers how about enforcing net neutrality where the ISPs have to actually deliver on their obligations. Netflix may be the epicenter of the conversation however this issue can very easily be applied to the next start up that fails because the ISP either won't fulfill their obligations or will purposefully choke the bandwidth required to deliver this new product. In the end everyone looses except the ISP who's getting their cake and eating it too. The ISPs offer a service. Why the hell are they being allowed to be the power brokers of that service and the emerging technology markets that rely upon those services. Everyone pays the ISPs for access to the internet. An open and free internet will ensure that everyone wins and not just the greedy owners of the ISP. Please bring some sanity back to this issue and stop caving under pressure from the ISPs.
—James Morse, Gorham, ME

As a small business owner, I am very concerned about net neutrality. Having fast and slow lanes could be the end of many small start-ups. In this slowly recovering economy, putting further stresses on small businesses to favor the huge companies who want this, is bad for America.
—holly Hamilton, Brighton, MA

stop being greedy and leave it the way it is
—Joseph Yenkelun, Paramount, CA

Federal Corporate Collusion really needs to take the side of PUBLIC INTEREST for a change, instead of furthering corporate domination of every aspect of our lives.
—Joel Blumert, Salisbury, CT

An informed electorate is necessary for a functioning democracy.
—Thomas Forsyth, Hooksett, NH

As a college student, I use the internet daily. I use it for research, for learning, for entertainment, and for being able to provide my same materials at home as I do at school. I was once middle class, but you may have noticed my entire social class is gone. Greed has taken over in a very unsustainable economy, and causes people like myself to suddenly have to do without. You have lied to me, in an email. You say the open internet is important to you, yet you're literally pushing for it to be divided. How can I trust you on anything? The American people don't deserve this treatment. This is on par with book burnings and witch trials.
—Jessica Beninati, Chicago, IL

I am one of those retired people on a fixed income you are always hearing about. I don't have a car, so I do a tremendous amount of my life's business by computer. If I can't afford a car, it goes without saying (but I'll say it anyway) that I can't afford even highwr costs for Internet access. My issue aside, this access is now so essential to the needs and even employment of the average citizen as to require the same protection as electricity, water and other basic utilities. Please do your mandated job!
—Edie Cleveland, Absecon, NJ

As a common user of the internet, it would be absolutely rediculous if some websites had to pay more for their services. All websites should have the same service when it comes to its speed. In general, we NEED Net Neutrality.
—Anthony Tang, Honolulu, HI

Do not give away the common wealth of your natiions to corporations. Everyone is entitled to enjoy the benefikts of internet interconnectivty, even the NSA as long as it follows the constitution.
—Doug JAcques, Ottawa,

Would Job Search sites be high speed? Homes where people are using the internet for applications, or libraries, count as fast lane?
—Sammantha Merriman, duvall, WA

The net belongs to all of us. It cannot exist without us. It does NOT belong to Verizon or AT&T
—Carol Davidek-Waller, Mercer Island, WA

I spend my hours working with customers doing commissions, this involves a lot of communication, and uploading to many different sites, I need the freedom which I have currently to not change for me to pay my bills! Keep the net neutral!
—Brandon Williams, Melbourne, FL

The two tiered internet is an obstruction to economic development for small business people
—Andronetta Douglass, Blaine, WA

DO the right thing
—Todd Smith, St. Pete, FL

Dear Chairman Wheeler, While you may have arguably compelling points from large providers that a two-tiered system is good for business and the common folk, please do not believe it. While many products and services are best priced with a "market" approach, access to the internet has become a necessary... necessary... tool for everyone in our society. Hence we need TRUE net neutrality. We need access to fairly priced, reliable, fast internet regardless for all, not just those who can afford to pay for it. I am a business owner, a consumer, a citizen and I urge you to keep OUR internet open! The large ISPs will truly be OK. They will find alternate means to monetize complementary optional services. Bandwidth and speed should not be limited by ability to pay. Competition is NOT served by limiting small, agile, innovative, but cash strapped companies. Well funded, large companies have the means to create good products and services and to market more broadly anyway. Again, I urge you to keep our internet open and maintain true net neutrality in order to foster innovation and true market driven economic growth. Kind Regards, Ann Peterson
—Ann Peterson, Bozeman, MT

I am an independent filmmaker and web entrepreneur. this measure would kill any chance my voice is heard. it would cripple small business entrepreneurship. not immediately after it's implemented, but once the cable company lawyers find all the loopholes and the public is distracted. then they'll start racheting their service down.
—Mr. Lawrence Whiteside, Portland, OR

Open and equal communication is vital to a democratic society.
—Jack Stansfield, Stanwood, WA

Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This is totally unacceptable
—Larry DiMaio, Newark, DE

This is absurd. What don't you get? Its the world wide web! Its very nature is freedom. Please do not let these rules pass.
—Joshua, Simi Valley, CA

Don't allow big business to dictate to internet users! We pay for these services, and this is all the result of greed on their part, which will only get worse if this is allowed to continue. I already give Comcast enough of my money!
—McKenzie F Kleinman, Huntington, WV

I run a small business and I depend on the Internet to make a living. This proposal would kill the open Internet and kill my future. It's already hard enough for small Internet businesses like mine to compete against Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon when they not only provide Internet access, but also provide all of the others services as well. Most of these very same providers also provide cable TV service as well as many others. It is a conflict of "public" interest to allow these companies to have COMPLETE control over how we receive data and other content, especially, since in MANY areas of the country, there is only ONE choice for Internet service provider. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying Internet service providers as common carriers.
—Rob Mayhue, Hudson, FL

throw out its rules and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality. This is important because the internet was created by the US defense department and was given to the people. This should remain in the hands of us not corporations and with out limitations no matter how it impacts there bottom line. They make more then enough money with out rules and limitations.
—Justin Lavoie, davie, FL

The FCC works for all Americans, not just the 1%.
—Timothy Taylor, Los Angeles, CA

The internet was made for everyone and it should stay that way. FOR NET NEUTRALITY!
—Stephen Davis, Houston, TX

The internet has been a force for social good and change, as well as technological innovation since its inception BECAUSE it treats all data the same. ISPs claim that true net neutrality would ruin the internet. This is a ridiculous claim simply because net neutrality is how the internet has always been run and how it has thrived for decades. To change this would be to destroy one of mankind's greatest achievements since the invention of the printing press. You have it within your power to make sure that this great tool remains undamaged. It is the purpose of government, and government agencies such as the FCC, to serve the people, not large corporate interests. Destroying net neutrality would help no one but those corporate interests, and even then only in the short term, and would take away a powerful tool that belongs to everyone.
—Mark Persuitte, Columbia, MD

We need equality!!
—Manjot Chana, Wolverhampton,

Big, powerful corporations are running roughshod over individuals and taking precious freedoms away from us. Please stop them!
—Ann Rettic, San Diego, CA

Do not allow the creation of fast lanes!
—Ikrima Elhassan, College Station, TX

Killing net neutrality with these new rules would threaten our freedom of speech by confining smaller news and opinion outlets to the "slow lane," create a monopoly with very few large companies controlling the internet and finally, stifle innovation which is the lifeblood of this country. Therefore these new rules are bad for the American people and the nation.
—Jonathan P Decker, Baton Rouge, LA

What is the reason for taking away freedom of the internet? That, sir, is a violation of personal freedoms and I am appalled by your willingness to strip us of said freedoms. The country is already unequally divided by classes of wealth, and now, you choose to make the internet a part of that? I have been lower middle class my entire life, and to make parts of the internet unavailable to me and others like myself is truly wrong. We connect with people and find news stories, and work and research topics for school, and gain some relief from the stresses of our everyday lives, and now, you're trying to charge us more for it, resulting in our inability to pay for and subsequently to use it? That is, simply put, rude, and greedy. What can you really accomplish by doing this? Nothing.
—Emily Cummings, Dallas, GA

It's time to quit screwing around with what has determined to be a Basic Human Right. The United States is miles behind other countries in internet resources because it's being sandbagged by companies like comcast and ATT. Mr. Wheeler, you are nothing but a pathetic shill for large corporations, and you need to grow a pair and stand up for regular americans.
—Andy Jonathan, North Aurora, IL

Without Net Neutrality, education would suffer as a result of unequal internet speeds furthering the divide between the impoverished and the wealthy
—Elliot J Pachniak, Wausau, WI

The Internet is the best way for people to share information. It's the best communication system for everyone to use, and should be a fair system. Giving rich corporations further advantages would give them still more power, specially for news corporations, which basically can show us the "reality" they want already on radio and TV, as they own almost everything. Why would the ISPs be given the power to choose what to do with *our* information and communications? I don't want my communications to be delayed just because big ISPs want to have a way to make still more money. If we want a better tomorrow, we need to stop cutting rights to the people to benefit big corporations. We are heading right to a dystopian future if we continue on that path.
—Fernando S Rapetti, Hurlingham,

Its the only place that the media and governemnt can't completely sensor me.
—Logan Ledbetter, Denver, CO

The Plutocracy already controls most media. Two internet tiers would be the last step by the plutocrats towards the complete control of information accessible to us peons. In addition, it would seriously hamper the net traffic of small business, start-ups, the self-employed. Most clicks would take you straight to Wal-Mart. This is a BAD IDEA: Keep Net Neutrality!!!
—Angela Holden, Hopewell Junction, NY

The proposed plan punishes the poor.
—Catherine Hammen, Olympia, WA

I am the owner of an internet retail company and have been doing business for over 14 years. Don't put me OUT of business!!!
—Mary Clement-Hill, Corvallis, OR

The Internet was built on the open exchange of ideas and information. Any ability for one idea to get preference over another erodes at this foundation. Classify ISPs as common carriers and protect the founding principles of the Internet.
—Ragan Webber, Seattle, WA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—David Altmasn, Bedford, NY

For many people dial up Internet is a thing of the past. I am now able to get 4G access on my phone. If we are relegated to certain lane access we will find that institutions that are not favored by the powers that be, relegated to slow lane access. Institutions such as colleges that teach climate science would be relegated to slow lane. Many computers today would have problems with slow lane access.
—J Boucher, North Adams, MA

Dear FCC, you must classify isp's as common carriers. The big cable companies / isp's below occupy 3 of the 4 top ratings for being the worst companies in America according to the 2013 polls by the ACSI (American Customer Satisfaction Index) Charter Communications: #1 worst rated company in America for customer satisfaction. Comcast: #3 worst rated company in America for customer satisfaction. Time Warner Cable: #4 worst rated company in America for customer satisfaction. You cannot put the future of the internet in the hands of these horrible companies whose corporate mantra's and mottos is greed above all! Thanks, Steve Krog
—Steve Krog, Boulder, CO

The free and open Internet is one of the greatest — and most democratic — technical developments in human history. The Internet should be open and accessible to everyone, NOT OWNED AND CONTROLLED BY PRIVATE CORPORATIONS FOR THEIR PROFIT! I urge you to reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers and regulate the Internet as a public utility.
—Adam Goldman, Santa Monica, CA

I am one of many entrepreneurs who depends on the Internet would be bad hurt by a two-tier system. Make the reclassification! The only people who will suffer are the large providers whose profit percentages will be what they are today, instead of larger.
—Pieter Kark, Mountain View, CA

We don't need another thing controlled by corporate America ... everything owned by them , including congress does not function anymore
—Cliff Jordan, Jeffersontown, KY

Net neutrality is extremely important because the internet is the last truly open and equal platform now. Without it we would see the mass monopolization of one of the biggest forms of media,the internet.
—Ravyn Simmons, Hampton, VA

I am a developer and I depend highly on net neutrality. If i start on a project and need to at the very least test on the Web this will cost a fortune because it sure as heck won't be cheap. The isps will hold my connection hostage and throttle it. For some developer that work in a big company this isn't an issue they bathe in money. But for the home developer trying to make the next big thing and get out of debt and student loans. this is going to be impossible.
—Israel Bermudez, Tampa, FL

If this is the new FCC's plan of action you would be better off disbanding as you seem to be doing more than harm than good as of late. I take offense when you shit my face, which are what these proposed rules are effectively doing to all but the one's with the deepest of pockets.
—Tim Sanders, Orrtanna, PA

please keep the net neutral it's important
—Ronald Bougie, auburn, ME

Stop putting corporate control ahead of freedom for all - shame on you for leaning toward fast lanes for big business. In fact, access to the internet should be a right not something you have to buy into. And don't let these 2 big mergers proceed. paid tv is way too expensive now and so is high speed internet access. The corporations are already stealling from us - time to regulate their prices down to no more than $20/month per household. PERIOD! Start standing up for the people not the big profits of corporations.
—Julie Adelson, Santa Monica, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Mr. Paul Ginnetti, Lackawanna, NY

do the corporations really need to take more money from us? i know,i know, its better if we have less access to the truth---for those in power. disgusting.
—Susan Korupp, duluth, MN

What you are doing is illegal and favors the few above the many. You are a regulatory agency. Regulate and remove them as being common carriers as they most certainly are not. Do your job. We pay your salaries.
—Maria Lock, Chicago, IL

Allowing a 2 tier system creates class bias & a lack of democratic freedom. Unethical, unfair & prejudicial.
—Robert Fitch, Leonia, NJ

I have been a in "data processing" (that ages me) since 1972. I have been involved in two technology small companies since 1978. A open, free, and fair internet has accomplished much over the last couple of decades. Net Neutrality and an open and free internet is important to the economy and our country's future. It is not just all about a few big and powerful corporations.
—Gary DeCamp, Eugene, OR

The internet is a utility like having a phone line. Everyone should have equal access to service at the lowest possible cost.
—Donald Cadenhead, Austin, TX

To achieve true net neutrality the Internet can only have ONE tier. The rich already control nearly everything in America. The American People have a right to an open Internet. Please do not take that away from us too. Anything except all ISP's being classified as common carriers will destroy our freedom to the internet.
—Robert Tafanelli, Las Cruces, NM

Net neutrality should remain how it is. The people should have the right to access the internet without fees that would otherwise occur once the net is owned by someone! It's all about money for a few people, not about what's best for everyone.
—Alesha Henson, Mountainburg, AR

Net neutrality keeps the internet a level playing field for all ideas. It is one of the only truly democratic edifices of our society. Without it, only the voices of the wealthy and the established will be heard, and often those are not the sources of the greatest ideas.
—Dominic Forbush, Edmonds, WA

Let me be blunt. The average middle-class American feels he/she is being screwed on just about every front as it is. Do you really have to remove Net Neutrality in a country that already has one of the slowest services? Truly we are a country in decline, with a middle class that continues to be victimized by ever-more-greedy big business interests.
—Annette, Genoa, OH

The internet is America's gift to the WORLD.... Like America herself, it MUST REMAIN FREE.... Like Gill Scott Heron said, "The revolution will NOT be televised", but you can watch the videos on youtube. *FREE*....(well, ok, yeah, there's a monthly hook-up fee to the ISP / cable company, etc....
—Bradford Hutchingson, Keene, NH

The internet needs to be reclassified as a common carrier or utility. Much commerce and communication depends on this, there should NOT be a faster lane!
—Judy Archibald, Verona, WI

This is prof we're living in an oligarchy when these greedy corporations can manipulate the FCC and everyone else in a government position.
—James K. Inkenbrandt, Tennyson, IN

We all deserve an open and neutral internet. Internet belongs to the people,¡¡ that matters!!
—María Carmen Santana del Gil, ,

I want to make sure that the Internet remains an open channel for communication and commerce that is not subverted by large companies.
—Craig McLane, Los Angeles, CA

Do the right thing
—Tim Norton, Gardner, KS

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers for the Real Net Neutrality that will help to keep America competative in a Global Market!
—Paul Whiting, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality is important to me because America does NOT need to turn into Animal Farm.
—Risa Moreno, Tracy, CA

I rely on the Internet to actually do my job, and my company relies on it for our livelihood. Disrupting my service because some large company paid for a fast lane - a fast lane I'm not using! - is allowing the ISP to double bill for the privilege of degrading my ability to do my job or just get service from the providers of MY choice rather than the ISP's. Beyond that, allowing entrenched content providers or networks additional power builds on their already considerable advantages, tilting the field against startups. Comcast, AT&T, and others are not exactly lacking for funds - look at the round of mega-mergers going on. We have an effective monopoly or duopoly situation across most of the country, including where I live. Common carrier status would actually introduce competition and shake up the market instead of the existing situation where Comcast and Charter are proposing to trade operating areas - meaning customers - like so many heads of cattle.
—Brent W. Ezell, Snellville, GA

I've had enough of AT&T, Verizon and Comcast controlling our internet! We need real competition and real new services! The net is the only way to express freely what you believe! I'm urging you to turn down this crazy idea!
—Richard Clifford, Milton, MA

Net neutrality is important to maintain because we have created a culture with the internet as the infrastructure. This has happened with very little regulatory attention, which the FCC seems to be trying to correct but if the proposed measure go forward you will be hindering innovation, employment, education, and business. The internet started as a privilege but has turned into a utility and a necessity. You wouldn't have us charged more for "good" water or "quality" electricity so please keep the net free and equal.
—Jared Ransom, Marshall, MI

Without Net Neutrality, Censorship will run rampant on the lower tiered Internet
—Elliot Pachniak, Oshkosh, WI

As a small business owner who very likely will not be able to afford ISP fees, my website will be relegated to the Very Slow Lane, severely damaging my ability to reach customers. As vital as my website's download speed is, equally important to me is the likelihood, under your proposed rules, that ISP's will impose large fees for fast broadband service on websites of whose content they disapprove. In this day and age, this would be tantamount to muzzling the providers of such content. Free speech issues aside, this would be grossly unfair and would give every totalitarian country food for propaganda -i.e charging the U.S. with hypocrisy when it criticizes information control in other countries. I urge you in the strongest terms to discard your proposed regulations and reclassify ISPs as common carriers, just like phone service providers.
—Fred Nothnagel, North Andover, MA

As an Internet user who believes strongly in the importance of a free and open Internet, I urge the FCC to reclassify broadband Internet access as a telecommunications service, and save Net Neutrality. In addition, the FCC should reject the proposed rules that would allow Internet service providers to divide the Internet into fast lanes for wealthy corporations and slow lanes for the rest of us. Higher education and library organizations released a set of net neutrality principles. Please read them here: http://www.ala.org/news/press- releases/2014/07/higher-education-library-groups-release-net -neutrality-principles Make a decision for the welfare of generations: Save Net Neutrality as outlined in these principles above.
—Don Wood, Chicago, IL

Nobody directly profits and monitors my activities. Orwell, I'm looking at you.
—Eli Vosburg, Poulsbo, WA

This proposed policy is exactly wrong for Net Neutrality and real nice for the big corporations leading to more discrimination for Internet users. Why don't you really do something to provide equality for most Internet users instead of further enriching the rich service providers. Here we go again,providing for the continuation of discriminating between the haves and have nots! This proposal is a sham idea and completely goes against President Obama's promise of Net Neutrality. Shame on you for trying to hoodwink Internet users!
—Ann M Stock, smithtown, NY

The internet is obviously a common carrier. A level playing field enables me to use any source of information I please. I know of no one who is pleased with their internet provider now, and that would only get worse for us who are not part of the .01% or a multinational corporation. Mr. Wheeler is exhibiting preference for his previous employer, and needs to leave his current office to officially resume his career as a lobbyist. Mr. Wheeler, it appears, is incapable of acting in the public interest. It is your duty to do so.
—Cynthia Mace, Lake Forest, IL

I work as a web programmer for my wife's small meeting planning firm. I build websites for Federal meetings. If our federal client registrants cannot access our websites at the same speed as other websites, we will not be considered for future contracts and may lose multi-year contracts we already have in place. I work online every day of the year. It is bad enough to be in a rural location, forced to rely on satellite for my broadband connection. The loss of fair and equal use of the internet would be devastating to my family's way of life. The last thing our economic recovery needs is a tiered internet causing large segments of our citizens to be in the slow lanes. It would reduce our world-wide competitiveness as other nations would not have this "slow lane" barrier effecting their citizens and businesses. ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers. The internet should be treated as a utility since that is how it is used. And it should be the same internet for ALL of us. Small businesses should not be relegated to second class status on the internet.
—John Gammon, Raphine, VA

The people have spoken loudly and clearly. The FCC needs to listen to us. The FCC is supposed to work for us, not the media monopolies.
—Lynne Weintraub, Amherst, MA

The internet is probably the greatest achievement in a long line of great achievements by this country. It's development was paid for by the tax payers and this investment shouldn't be exploited by the telcoms to increase their already ridiculous profit margins while at the same time giving us taxpayers worse service. We made for it and paid for it, they are just riding that initial effort of arpanets coat tails and making billions. This must not go any further.
—Russ Alexander, South Jordan, UT

It is important to the growth and future of our country that we ensure Net Neutrality!
—Adam Rios, Hutto, TX

Chairman Tom Wheeler, I urge you to reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers.
—Josh Peichoto, Austin, TX

I'm one of "the rest of us." My work often relies on the internet and since I am not one of the "big bucks" people, it would kill my living and, naturally let the rich get richer. Whose pocket is this guy in?
—Bob Squires Jr, Albrightsville, PA

The Internet should be a level playing field. This aspect allows all to compete fairly and evenly, no matter what their size. By allowing the increase and decrease of speeds to specific sites, you are ruining the chances for young entrepreneurs. This is a serious issue. Leave the internet a neutral place. -Zachary, 15
—Zachary Lemm, Cork,

I'm an employee of a small company and a consumer of a lot of online services. An equal internet matters to me in both of these roles. As an employee of a small business working to create new services, we need net neutrality to ensure we are not shut out of markets by players much larger than us. As a consumer, I want net neutrality so that I alone decide which services are right for my family, and my ISP gets no say in the matter. A two-tiered internet is the wrong solution for small business and for consumers. Only reclassifying ISPs as common carriers will protect the open internet we need.
—Drew Allen, Phoenix, AZ

Net Neutrality means that everyone's voice - content - is equally valuable and accessible. Discriminating against some content providers by allowing those who can afford it to buy fast lanes is the exact opposite of what Net Neutrality calls for.
—Kristin Kaul, Ann Arbor, MI

If the FCC is on the wrong side of history here, we will all be worse off because of it - even the ISPs themselves. There is only one correct choice here - and it's not the one you're heading towards. While most of the general public may not be entirely clued in, there are a significant amount of us who know exactly what the FCC is trying to do. So please! Make the correct decision, for now and for the future. It may seem this is just an 'in the moment' decision, but it's not. It will have ramifications for decades, if not more. Tom, the US needs you. The world needs you. Your family needs you. We all need you to do the right thing here. Regards, Evan Chicago, IL
—Evan Loftus, Chicago, IL

I don't think it's fair to discriminate against online contents and applications.
—Juan-Carlos Asse, Gainesville, FL

I don't want the corporations to decide if I get inferior service and pay more for it. The FCC needs to understand that the internet is a common carrier and should be regulated as such. No selling out to the corps. !!!!
—Darrell Schmidt, Rose Hill, KS

The new rules are as absurd as making people pay extra to drive in the left lanes on the freeway, we need fair, equal internet.
—Derrick Potter, Canby, OR

Chairman Wheeler, A neutral net is essential to freedom of information and access to same for all Americans. Keep the net neutral and classify ISP's as common carriers.
—Francis Fashing, Palm Desert, CA

If this passes, I will be terrified of the state of the country and what direction we are moving in. I am tired of this oligarchy, and the people are becoming more and more unhappy. Do we need another civil war to get our leaders to understand how their decisions are so deeply affecting the very people they are supposed to serve and speak on behalf of? Obama is entirely failing on promises he made to the people. Our "choice" between horrible person A and horrible person B is not going to hold up for much longer if each time we vote for someone pushing for something in our interest he/she(hahh...) does a complete 180 on it. Net neutrality is important to me, and, well, 99% of the population (which we all know is *exactly* why this is going through. The 1% takes advantage of everyone below them at every opportunity they get. Aren't there any good ones up there? It's quite disappointing...). By creating these "fast lanes" we will in turn stifle creativity and innovation. We will also widen the already large gap between the rich and the poor. We see the noose tightening. I highly suggest reclassifying ISP's as common carriers.
—Katie Azbill, AUSTIN, TX

It's incredible to me that the FCC, which is supposed to represent the people's interest, would back anything but net neutrality. HOW THE HELL can you favor some sites over others?!!! Frankly it's corrupt.
—Chris B. Doob, woodbridge, CT

We served our country and is this how our government is considering treating us?
—Linda I Hixson, Ludington, MI

The internet is something that should not be regulated based on corporate ideals. It's a tool for the common man in this day and age and with the loss of Net Neutrality many of the services it offers will be hindered. The internet is an outlet for art and creativity with it's features like video and audio streaming. If ISPs control the web based on who is paying them an can block services or slow them down based on how much one pays, people would lose touch with many great features provided online that have become integral to a progressive life style. Please, reclassify ISPs as common carries for the sake of free information and the creative expression of the common man.
—Cameron Van Buren, Bradenton, FL

TV could have educated us but was turned into a force for commercial stupefaction. Don't trust the same people with the internet!
—Ronald W Colman, Long Beach, CA

The Internet is a wonderful forum for new ideas and in many ways is a safe haven for people who cannot or do not have the resources to create a physical support network. In letting service providers create a system that prioritizes the rich and provides substandard internet services to those who cannot pay top dollar, you further marginalize these people as well as many others who are unable to pay these fees. Keep Net Neutrality and keep the internet egalitarian and open to all.
—Clarissa Wilson, Shelbyville, IN

The electrical grid doesn't discriminate based on which brand name your TV is. The internet shouldn't either. It's not a product, it's an infrastructure. Our entire country suffers from crippling inequality, so let us at least keep THIS free.
—Rachel Jones, West Paducah, KY

Liberté, Egalité, Fraternité - Democracy!
—Markus Ludwig, München,

I just don't understand how this can help anyone but the very few telecom companies. If this goes through it will mark the beginning of the end for Internet as we know it. Small companies and startups will not be able to compete. Innovation will stop dramatically. I personally don't see the use of the pay for speed or access to the Internet and may stop using it altogether. Please, I urge you keep Net Neutrality alive!!
—Efrain Cortez, Maricopa, AZ

ISP's are an ologopoly. The cable and wireless phone companies cotrol everything.
—Ted Silen, Gresham, OR

I got my first computer and discovered the internet when I suffered from debilitating depression and isolation. Being able to meet like-minded people, and to find my voice by blogging at sites like Daily Kos and Yahoo Voices, was a major part of my recovery into my current remission. I have not always had internet access at home, and at times depended on the library and other public access places. Without the neutrality the internet enjoys, this would have been much more difficult and might not have had the healing power in my life. Equal access matters, even in matters affecting life and death.
—Rachel Port, Catalina, AZ

With net neutrality, we are guaranteed unbiased sources of information, not just the spoon fed garbage that most of the major news media is putting out. I use the internet everyday, to communicate, to learn and to advance free speech for everyone, not just the greedy corporate hydra. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and keep the internet as it is, so the 99% also have a voice.
—Lynette Coffey, Shasta Lake, CA

Net Neutrality has huge implications for First Ammendment rights, our economy and anti-trust situations, and the moral imparitive of freedom. PROTECT IT.
—Jonathan Allen, Twin Lake, MI

I use the open internet! I depend on Net Neutrality.
—Devyn Yurisich, Greenwood, IN

The web is the only place on earth where we are all equal. Please do not let Big Business poison it. Think about the consequences. Please.
—Frances Soosman, Tivoli, NY

I am an INDIVIDUAL who uses the Internet daily for work and don't see why I should have to compete with corporate business abilities to pay for "faster" speeds in order to compete for time and information. I think this process by Mr. Wheeler has been a cheat from the very start.
—Michael Janover, Eugene, OR

How can a Democrat do this to the people of this country? Shame!
—Clifton Usher, Reno, NV

Your new plan is unfair. Americans deserve an internet that is open to everyone, not controlled by corporate interests.
—Roger Goins, Beachwood, OH

I believe that the internet is the lifeblood of businesses in the United States of America. If we are going to continue to compete in a global market, we must allow an open internet so that new businesses have the same access to customers that larger companies have. We cannot allow a handful of companies to control the information that comes to people. An educated population depends on access to information.
—Elizabeth Tyler, Washington, DC

Make you voice heard save the internet
—Eusebio Manuel Vestias pecurto vestias, ,

Internet is our consciousness, no identy , government our secret society should have control of it. It has to be free and openminded and excessable to all out there. We are all creators and the internet unite us.
—Christian Strijbos, Venlo,

In my last oral exam back just before christmas. I chose to talk about the history of the Internet. Im not going to give you the hole story. But looking at the internet back then when it started to now, is fantastic. Allthouhg what is going on now is terrrible... The internet has in all its glory been a free, not owned by anyone and an incredibel tool for all people. Dont screw this up Sry for bad englado pls no copy pastariono
—Magnus Granath, ,

I for one would not really like it if the websites I frequently visit were then pushed into a lower bandwidth tier so trying to access them would take a lot longer. The mere fact that this plan was even proposed leads me to believe that the FCC chairman is not exactly the most intelligent of individuals.
—Taylor Weir, Johnson City, NY

Why reward the big ISPs like Comcast, AT&T, and Verizon, when they provide very little in terms of the entire Internet? Their only goal is to find new ways to gouge consumers while lining their pockets even more. I think this excerpt from an article on The Consumerist says it best: "Collecting Tolls For Roads You Didn't Build "While the Verizons and Comcasts of the world like to pretend that they do all of the heavy lifting in bringing data to your home, the truth is often very different. In most cases, an ISP is only responsible for carrying data the 'last mile' to the end-user. There are numerous bandwidth providers who do much of the long-distance hauling of data. "Much of the innovation and investment that the NCTA claims will be harmed by reclassification has actually been done by companies much further up the stream than your ISP. Verizon is not responsible for figuring out to compress and stream HD Netflix videos to millions of customers at once. AT&T did not create the smartphones or tablets its subscribers use. Comcast is not running multiplayer video game servers that allow players from around the world to square off in real time. ISPs are passive (and increasingly passive-aggressive) conduits through which this data is supposed to travel as efficiently as possible and with no regard for its source. "Interestingly enough, the companies that are responsible for many of the biggest and most innovative developments in online technology have written the FCC asking the commission to rethink Wheeler's proposal. "And speaking of investment, a large number of venture capitalists — the very people who put their money on the line for these new services and technologies — have also come out against the draft. "Allowing ISPs to decide which content gets to users the fastest — and making this decision based not on the most efficient way to deliver data, but solely on who pays the most — is like handing over highway exit ramps to a private toll-taking company and telling it to charge whatever it wants to drivers looking to get on or off the Interstate." Like it or not, the Internet is a modern utility. It's a necessity, not a luxury. People need it to do so many things in their daily lives: pay bills and taxes, bank, get the news, communicate with friends and family, search for and apply for jobs, enroll in school and register for classes, and so much more. The Internet must be regulated as a common carrier, which it clearly has become.
—Jeanine Center, Ann Arbor, MI

I live in the country, with only DSL service available and have no choice, now you want to narrow my choice even more. Make the net a utility and do the right thing, or step aside.
—Ken Deehr, Pahoa, HI

Without net neutrality the internet will be a worse place.
—Bartek C, ,

OI already know what your going to do.Your going to pretend to be for intent neutrality and still side with big business,We demand tha you dump the republican side and take back us populace side and reinforce net Neutrality.If not the hacker will invade these big business and destroy big business intent for revenge
—Michael McGee, montgomery, AL

net neutrality is very important to give equal opportunity to everyone, especially small business. if the open internet dies, our economy will crumble except for big corporate businesses. it is time to stop Corporate America and their strong hold on politicians
—Lisa Bornfriend, Winter Park, CO

Americans already have some of the slowest Internet speeds in the world. Don't take away the incentive for the corporations to build out higher speed on the whole internet instead of just buying higher speed for themselves at the expense of the rest of us.
—David Pyles, Nelson, NH

The internet is the best source of free information we've ever had. DO NOT mess it up for the 99%, just to appease the corporations. This country is now run by corporations, no more democracy. Leave us this one symbol of democracy where the playing field remains level. DO NOT eff it up
—Beerly Foster, Wayne, PA

Simply put, there's too many benefits to keeping the field level like it is now to want to change it. Do you think that things like google and amazon could have come about if they had to contend with fast lanes? Sure they could have! But it would have been Hundreds to thousands of times harder for them to come into being in any state of worth, and very likely they wouldn't be the same kinds of business's and enterprises that they are now. And on the social and informational side of it, it would be childs play to have things set in a way that actually discriminates against people and information that those who WOULD have the money and power here don't like or want to acknowledge. And then there is always the issue of the slippery slope. Certainly as an argument it can get away from you, but it is a well known fact (at least from what i've learned) that if you start with a little bit of something you can end up with a lot more of it. It can be used for good certainly. But it can be used for more malign purposes just as easily. Perhaps now it's just Hey Pay this toll and you too can be on the speedy internet. But later it could, and if we're giving enough time here most certainly will, turn out to be something worse.
—Mr. Christopher F. Kennard, Dover, DE

Because we the consumers have little choice in what we pay and we should get the best internet service for our money, one fee full connection. Period. We have little control of the few companies that provide internet service as is. Do not place us, the American Consumer at their mercy. Keep the internet open for all at the same speed for the same fee.
—Randall Patton, Battle Creek, MI

I think it's wrong to punish e-commerce companies like Netflix, just because they provide a service that a lot of people like. They shouldn't need to be charged more simply because they're more popular... The executives at these cable companies need to understand they can't bully everyone around. Like some of their customer's who don't have options when it comes to cable service providers....
—Eric Milliot, Palm Harbor, FL

Dear Sirs, as an online freelancer I am very concerned about the proposed Internet rules. Such a program would destroy my business and take away my only income source as a disabled adult. Please rethink these new rules and keep the internet available for all regardless of income level.
—Tammie McGlothlin, Wichita, KS

The net should be a place of equality. Not just a place for those who can afford it.
—Dennis Ivy, Atlanta, GA

Net Neutrality is Important because it better and not casue any proublems. Also make sure they don't block any web site services that we pay for. I don't want Fast Net Services because it casue more proublems.
—Charles Roberts, Detroit, MI

The internet should be free and equal for ALL!!!
—Kristina Peterson, Edmonds, WA

I predict that non-wealthy users who cannot afford "the fast lane" sites will eventually drop their internet access due to frustration. I believe the greed will result in revenue loss in the long run. And the FCC will be responsible.
—Russell Ranshaw, Columbus, OH

I don't understand why this is even an issue. Re classify the god damn ISPs as common carriers, the Internet is a utility in this day and age, imagine if the electric company was allowed to charge astronomical prices for electricity, this is the same principle. First the tiered Internet, then what next?
—Andrew, Northampton, MA

Corporations should not control the internet. The internet is a public utility.
—Jeremiah Bostick, Manassas, VA

I am searching for employment if the Internet is allowed to develop into a two teared system my ability to locate employment will be impeded. Content providers are not going to view people in my position as an income source. Net neutrality is the only way to continue fairness for all citizen's net needs.
—Gregory Fredrickson, Green Bay, WI

I (and many other members of the public) are so tired of you politicians and bureaucrats screwing the public just so you can please the industry lobbyists and once you have passed regulations that satisfy their need for more revenue, you are richly rewarded as you go back to work for them. With the internet, the public finally has a way to make it's voice heard without the restriction of having to pay big media to get a message out. Apparently this ability frightens some while others see it as a way to make more money. Restricting the internet speed to those who can pay is not in the public interest. The last time the FCC did something like this was with radio, and as a result, we no longer have local stations, airwaves are filled with more and more commercials. Once upon a time, the government and FCC realized telephones were so important that strong regulations were needed to govern it's use. The internet has the ability to be orders of magnitude more important than telephones, and all you can think about is how can big business make more money. The internet should be regulated as a common carrier. then perhaps we will get faster speeds and better service. But the path you are leading us down will have the opposite effect.
—Dale Janus, warren, OH

As a college student, I often use the internet to find information for papers and stay in touch with my family who live 2 1/2 hours away. By taking away net neutrality, you make such things unnecessarily difficult not just for me but for the millions of other students who also depend on the internet.
—Sarah Murphy, Owensboro, KY

Killing Net Neutrality means the Internet will not be the Internet and all of the creative expression and economic gains from it will be killed. Stop playing to corporate interests. The American public is getting fed up and we're the ones you're supposed to serve.
—Ali Hart, San Francisco, CA

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Thank you for your consideration. - Lizz
—Lizz B., Breaks, VA

Can't stop the signal!
—Christopher Tobias, Pittsburgh, PA

I search for information about my health, my battle with ovarian cancer. I connect with friends and family. I seek and pursue opportunities to learn about many things. I do not want to be kicked down to the way things were when we had only a black and white screen and had to wait for the telephone dial to connect!
—Kathryn M. Smith, Little Rock, AR

The internet is NOT a tool to be used as a corporate means of expanding pockets, it is an information highway, a highway which you have NO RIGHT to restrict with a toll booth. it is absolutely ridicules, that you; a government sanctioned entity are bending to the whim of corporations to tamper with a service that is now a WORLD WIDE project, one with even its own culture, and people.
—Tyler Sturges, Wooster, OH

Common Carrier! Common Carrier! Common Carrier! is the best way. Do NOT take the oligrarch route.
—Bernard R Thomas, Santa Cruz, CA

The internet is like a public utility, it should be equally available to everyone regardless of size or wealth.
—Jeanne Hannigan, Hilo, HI

Do not steal what belongs to the people. I demand that ISP's be reclassified as common carriers. Thank you.
—Martha Keyes, Dallas, TX

Net neutrality is America's way of communicating with everyone and connecting our Nation as a whole in all areas of our lives. FCC, YOU MUST THROW OUT YOUR PROPOSED "INTERNET RULES,": AND IMMEDIATELY RECLASSIFY ISPS AS COMMON CARRIERS. YOU HAVE THE SOLE AUTHORITY TO ACCOMPLISH THIS FOR OUR COUNTRY AND HER CITIZENS. PLEASE, "DOTHE RIGHT THING," AND FIX THIS INJUSTICE FOR ALL INTERNET USERS.
—Elaine Balgemann, Mesa, AZ

The FCC's proposed internet rules create an atmosphere of unfairness, and would harm small businesses. The internet should be fair to all, and ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers.
—Jef Harvey, Palmer, AK

The spirit of the internet is to enable opportunities for everyone equally. Everyone should have the same ability to share ideas and communicate. The internet is the one hope we have to reduce the rampant inequality in our society. Please don't sell whatever is left of our democracy to the highest bidders!
—Raji Harikrishnan, Cambridge, MA

I'm retired and depend on the net for many things. I've cancelled much of my TV programming as it is getting to expensive. I really don't want that happening to my internet.
—Trina Priest, Elk Grove, CA

We are, or were, a Country of the People, for the People and By the People - what is happening is so wrong..
—Mary Mahoney, Boston, MA

Net neutrality is important to me because the only friends i have are on the other side of the world and the only way for me to remain in contact with them is through internet. These rules would make it simply make it impossible for them and me to talk to each other and thus i will lose my friends...please don't do this. There are thousands other people like me,people with problems and the internet is the only place where they can vent or tell their problems. This would make thousands unhappy, possibly depressed even. Please don't push this through, it won't work the way you want it to. Providers should not be able to determine what will go through fast lanes of the internet and what not. My country has net neutrality and it is working out just fine, don't push this through FCC. Don't.
—Felicia, ,

This should happen at all. The internet only works because access is free to all who can get on it. There are already barriers to getting the internet, do not create another more destructive one. This is so blatantly in favor of a few companies that its unamerican
—Rob Hashemi, Culver City, CA

ISPs do not have the right to dictate what websites are "premium" or not. They get paid to be an ISP, not a censor.
—Mary C.G. McMullin, Tucson, AZ

I'm horribly afraid that the loss of net neutrality will result in higher prices for internet service and the restriction of free speech. The internet is no longer a unique avenue for commerce. It is an extremely important and functional tool for the spread of ideas and speech. By allowing "fast lanes", speech will be restricted by driving up costs and reducing the importance of smaller voices. Net neutrality must be maintained. The changes to the internet must not be asked to go through!
—Patrick Hickey, North Las Vegas, NV

Having access to the Internet without extra costs that industry and owners do not have to pay, is a necessity in a true Democracy. Is the US a Democracy any longer?
—Patricia Orlinski, Sun City, AZ

The internet is the road of the future, destroying net neutrality will hurt business and slow innovation.
—Chris Pittman, Little Elm, TX

Equal access to all online content is very important to me. The Internet is for everyone. We need net neutrality.
—Jason Mortensen, Chicago, IL

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—Sol Wieder, New Milford, NJ

I can't really explain it as elegantly as viheart did in her video, however I do understand that it is NOT the job of internet providers such as Comcast our Verizon to control the flow of data. It IS however their job to provide the fastest, discriminatory-free internet that they have the ability to. Just as it would be unjust for shipping companies to charge more to deliver from Amazon than thinkgeek, it is unjust for internet providers to charge more for access to certain sites. One again, it is NOT THEIR JOB
—Leith Conybeare, New York, NY

Please modify your rules to classify Internet Service Providers as Common Carriers. The Internet Neutrality, we have taken for granted provides access to crucial information that enables us to make informed decisions at the polls, optimize our health, make life more convenient. as retired senior citizens on limited funds, my husband and I rely on Net Neutrality. The removal of Free Internet Access, would have a severe negative impact on our lives.
—Arna Schutz, West Hills, CA

I cannot afford higher fees and I use the internet every day like so many others. I want Net Neutrality!
—Ann Thompson, Cypress, TX

Think of the innovations that these rules would have stifled if such a thing had already been in place. This creates yet another barrier between the wealthy, and the majority of the country. Because of the significant downward pressure that is currently upon the middle class, this is a time to defend access to universal opportunity, not to weaken it! And Think of how these rules can and will eventually be abused by the key-holders. These changes will open the door for the implementation of dictatorial powers, such as those we see in China. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet... our internet which was developed with public funding and which runs across public lands, is just too important.
—Jason Greaves, Austin, TX

The internet needs to be protected!
—Andrew Blaikie, Eugene, OR

The Internet is for everyone; its greatest impact it has had is because of its egalitarian effect. Stop this trend of our government handing over to large corporations those things that are in the public's interest. Reclassify ISP as common carriers. Please don't help the rich get richer at the expense of Net Neutrality. The Internet IS a PUBLIC UTILITY !
—Pamylle Greinke, Peconic, NY

Net Neutrality ensures that an immense collection information available to anyone who has access to internet can access it the same as another person regardless of their social and economic standard and allowing providers to limit certain groups of people from viewing information efficiently on the internet. Preserve net neutrality and stop looking towards corporate interests when their interests put the general public's interests severely at risk.
—Samuel White, Willits, CA

We can't afford cable so we have Netflix. Everyone should have equal access to the internet. No one should be able to get a special speed because they have more money. Re-classify the internet as "COMMON CARRIER"!!
—Connie Kane, Seaside, CA

I really do depend on net neutrality it offers quite a few things that if charges go up I will once again be in able to afford internet and my children will suffer with their school work. I do vote and will take your actions on voting into account when I exercise my right to vote! I also talk with friends and family frequently about these matters.
—Desirrae Nilsen, Sheldon, IL

The internet has become one of the foundations of our society, we must protect it from corruption! PLEASE don't compromise net neutrality.
—John Knetemann, Alexandria, VA

Net neutrality is critical to ensuring freedom of speech and fostering of innovation. If big, established, companies can pay a premium to deliver content faster, where does the "low" end of the spectrum end? As the internet matures, this low tier service could make smaller voices and companies unable to compete. Even now, with these proposed rules, venture capital firms are rolling back investments in future companies that would rely on the internet because these rules would put them at a distinct disadvantage when entering what should be a free market. ISPs should be regulated as common carriers so they are subject to Title II of the Communications Act. Rules and regulations should benefit the people, not help line the already thick pockets of telecom companies.
—Eric Ditzel, Tucson, AZ

I have no desire to see my Internet access unnecessarily regulated and dictated by cable companies. Classifying ISPs as common carriers is the common sense thing to do for the American people.
—Joseph Destefano, San Jose, CA

Without Net Neutrality, ISPs will hold consumers hostage!
—Sergio A. Valenzuela, San Diego, CA

Net Neutrality is important since I'm a US Citizen and the internet uses electronic spectrum allocated to citizens, not specific ISPs.
—David Kersten, medina, OH

With the internet split by this tiered system, the internet would cease to be what it is ment to be, and open source of shared information for everyone. Please list ISPs as common carriers and keep the internet the way it is ment to be.
—Adam Osowski, Fargo, ND

the internet should be equal for all consumers; not just the rich.
—Darryl Warner, Far Rockaway, NY

Net Neutrality is the keystone for information and especially business for the entire world. It should be one-tiered lane for everyone to use. This shouldn't be about putting more money into big companies, it should be about better access--a better tool for the consumer to use.
—Ryan Johnson, Poolesville, MD

FCC . Stop Your Rules and Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Gladis Little, Walsenburg, CO

It's wrong to give the big boys such power. Guaranteed they'll misuse it. Keep the playing field level and do not discriminate.
—Dr. Colin MacKinnon, Chevy Chase, MD

the internet belongs to everyone. the internet is not the wires, it is not the technology, it is the amazing content created, most of it for free by us, the humans of the planet. no one has the right to control it.
—C Walker, Olema, CA

No decrease in service or increase in cost is fair to today's users.
—Lynne Vanne, San Francisco, CA

Whatever digital material you wish to keep for yourself is a violation and criminal action against all free speech and progress of mankind.
—Josiah S. Cooper, Tucson, AZ

As a growing content creator I want an even playing field for everyone online. No tiers, no one gets faster speeds than anyone else. Complete net neutrality, nothing less!
—Micah Menefee, Winter Park, FL

These proposed rules will ruin the internet, and there will be no turning back. It will create an unfair advantage and for larger companies and extinguish innovation. We need to reclassify these internet providers as common carriers, so that we can truly protect net neutrality.
—Stephen Welch, Corona, CA

I'm a consumer and a shopper online. I like to visit all kinds of news services and educational websites. The access speed FOR EVERYBODY needs to be made faster - not just for those who can pay more for faster access.
—Roscoe K. Reed, Orlando, FL

Why should my internet slow down so that Verizon et al can make more money?
—Richard Bledsoe, San Diego, CA

the world belongs to people, not the corporations, I want to continue to have unimpeded access to the internet
—Donald Keyser, Johnson City, TN

The internet, like our roads and libraries, was created with public funds. It should not now be sold out for private corporations profit.
—Rachael Atchison, San Francisco, CA

I don't want unfair internet practices interfering with how I am able to access the web. Protect Net Neutrality.
—Tudy Garrett, Glen Ellen, CA

The internet represents free speech in the twenty-first century. Regulating the internet means you are restricting the first amendment.
—Andrew Politzer, Bethel, CT

Without Net neutrality, power will go into the hands of a few IPSs who now control most of the Internet traffic. This is way too much power in a few hands. A free and open Internet means open sharing and more innovation. Telephone companies can't make call poorer quality for cheaper packages. Electricity isn't decreased for certain customers. The Internet is as vital as these utilities.
—Knute Snortum, Portland, OR

It is not fair to consumers, to small business and most of all to net neutrality!
—Slavi Hristozov, Skokie, IL

The internet is how we stay informed about the world and having access to that is important. More importantly the internet is a way for small businesses and new businesses to get the word out about who they are and what they do. If net neutrality ends that will no longer be possible because the smaller companies will no longer be able to afford an effective web presence.
—Gary Simpson, Rathdrum, ID

The airwaves are owned by the PUBLIC not big money. Decisions and policies to create and foster a two tiered system will damage democracy and freedom of speech.
—Mary Mooney, Minneapolis, MN

Net neutrality means equal access to all. The only guarantee for equal access is having all ISP providers classified as common carriers. Please protect the future of the open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Mary Mehaffy, Berkeley, CA

Something as ubiquitous and important as the Internet should not be subject to price-based discrimination. The impact of the Internet has expanded tremendously in recent years and a life without it is quickly becoming an unimaginable scenario. Similar to how water, heat and electricity are expected services to the American people, so should the Internet. This means that it should also be regulated under the same rules as these services, not restricted and operated under the cartel of the ISPs.
—Phil Park, Providence, RI

The proposed plan by FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler is absurd! As customers of Internet service providers, we are paying for a service that should guarantee quick access to any content, not just the content that the ISP wants to push on us. We are already overpaying for a service that is far behind where it should be when compared to other countries around the world and to add more fees on top of what we are already paying is insane! We need to classify Internet service providers as common carriers so that the FCC can enforce real net neutrality so that all ISP customers can at least get what they are paying for.
—Lonnie Cox, Wimauma, FL

I run a small internet business and I would not be able to compete if I have to pay fees to provide fast service to my customers
—Joel Brown, Oak Brook, IL

Granting this kind of power to a handful of corporations at the expense of the majority of citizens is inappropriate in a democracy.
—Irwin Hoenig, Laurel, MD

Big Money should not buy internet access - or speed. Many small businesses depend on the internet. Why allow the richest corporations to have control over the internet??? Our democracy is gone once corporations can dictate what goes over the net. Why aren't you siding with the people on this issue???
—Jerilyn Bock, Santa Cruz, CA

In a free society, it's critical that information that consumers want have unfettered, unfiltered pathways in to homes. Especially when consumers pay for those connections to a universally equal network.
—Emil Rensing, New York, NY

Please stop the proposed Internet rules that will hurt the freedom of everyone using the internet. Please stand up for the citizens of this country.
—Mona Bartoshek, Huntsville, TX

An open Internet insures that all Americans have access to all content without discrimination. This is vital to an open market economy as well as protecting free speech and free information.
—George Mitchell, Winooski, VT

Tom Wheeler, it is real simple- call isp's common carriers and be done with it. Not complicated.
—Jacob Rajan, Shrewsbury, MA

1A free and open internet is the single greatest technology of our time, and control should not be at the mercy of corporations. 2A free and open internet stimulates ISP competition. 3A free and open internet helps prevent unfair pricing practices. 4A free and open internet promotes innovation. 5A free and open internet promotes the spread of ideas. 6A free and open internet drives entrepreneurship. 7A free and open internet protects freedom of speech. Without an open internet, big corporations would have tight control over how we access websites and services.
—Brandon Loi, Clinton, IN

Dear FCC, please classify the internet as a public utility like phone lines. As a college student and an engineer, internet access at home is essential. I often remote login to my campus resources. If you let the ISPs give a "Fastlane" too big companies, I may not be able to access the resources I need. Please keep the internet free and open.
—Liz Cloos, Ann Arbor, MI

Freedom of speech and true free commerce rely on a free and open internet. My livelihood depends on it and I believe that the future of the economy depends on an open internet.
—Elisabeth Garbeil, Bloomfield Hills, MI

We in the remote areas need the Internet to be treated like a public utility, like the rural post. Folks rely on it for education, ect.
—Leslie Moore, Hailey, ID

The main problem with internet access in the United States is that access is provided largely by the private sector and because the private sector has chosen to go for a more geographical monopoly rather than 'suffer' from competition. I believe that true Net Neutrality is necessary and that it is necessary to initially redefine and treat the ISPs as common carriers and avoid a multi-tiered internet, which will stifle innovation and unnecessarily add to consumer costs, as a short-run approach and to remove/repeal laws against municipal broadbands (as you have stated is your intent -- but which may not be legally possible via FCC preemption alone) along with active encouragement of such technology such as a push to get something like the Community Broadband Act of 2007 to become law.
—Dr. Steven Douglas Cochran, Pittsburgh, PA

The Internet must remain totally open to allow for competition and innovation. These ISPes aren't being forced to provide free service. People pay them monthly fees for Internet access and should be allowed to visit any site of their choosing. The ISPes already discriminate in the form of data caps. They limit the usage of data for services like Netflix and Youtube yet their own TV service is unlimited. They limit the data on voice services like Skype and Vonage yet their own phone service is unlimited. These companies are already tipping the scales in their favor and show they can NOT be trusted period. I believe the ISPes have already violated the Sherman Antitrust Act. Why should my Vonage or Skype be limited? Why should my Netflix be limited? All this while their services are unlimited! Reclassify these ISPes as common carriers.
—Jeremy OConnell, Lilburn, GA

We are already falling behind many other countries in the quality of our Internet access and speed. Do not put what should be free under the control of for-profit corporations!
—Julia Glahn, Urbana, IL

You need to make the internet a free carrier. If your current rules go through, major internet providers will be able to discriminate against people and sites, requiring them to pay more. These rules won't create Net Neutrality, they will kill it.
—James, Nashville, TN

The internet should remain open to everyone. No pay to play!
—Lynn Anthony, Elk Grove, CA

Stop siding with the evil corporations against the American people!
—Steve Bock, Santa Cruz, CA

Net neutrality is very important to keep equality on the internet. With the proposed plan, ISPs can create fast lanes which only the richest companies can pay for. This prevents start up companies from being successful, since many people may not want to wait for a website to load and instead leave the website for a faster one. This prevents competition, a system that the United States economy is supposed to permit, and support. Therefore, the FCC should reclassify ISPs as common carriers, preventing them from being able to discriminate against start up companies.
—Tom Giffard, Wantagh, NY

The WorldWideWeb has become a very important vital means of communication, obtaining and exchanging information and of education. As such it is vital that it be equally available and usable to and by all, not just those who wield the power of monopolization vby the concenyration of wealth.
—Robert H Trickey, Sapulpa, OK

I waan the internet that I have now. I don't have the money to pay big corporations.
—Gerald Lorenz, Salem, OR

Net Neutrality is important because it treats everyone equally. To have class tiered INTERNET service is a mistake that will be costly for everyone. You would think after declining SOPA, that the message is sent: STOP TRYING TO MONOPOLIZE THE INTERNET! IF IT DIDN"T WORK THE FIRST TIME, IT WON'T WORK NOW... If you reclassify ISPs as common carriers, then the Internet will be safe, for another day.
—Luna Eclipse, Cascade, WI

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Robert Compton, Charlotte, NC

What the FCC proposes will make all but the ultra rich second class citizens. Keep the field level.
—Judith I Fordham, Coburn, PA

Net neutrality is necessary for democracy. Without it, only rich broadcasters could be seen/heard and the Internet would become a propaganda machine just like TV.
—Allen Roberts, Portland, OR

The internet has become the de facto utility of the 21st century and must be treated as such. Thank you!
—Mark Durante, Houston, TX

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Ann Pohlmann, Bowling Green, OH

I'm a programmer and work at a internet startup. We depend on users being able to access the internet freely and without restriction. A "two-tiered" internet would greatly reduce our ability to gain and retain users.
—R Dwayne Ramey, Nolensville, TN

Throw out the FCC's proposed Internet rules. The internet is not a commodity. It is what all citizens depend on for emergency, business and casual communication. It cannot be a two tier system. It must be a one tier system open to all.
—Peter von Christierson, Port Townsend, WA

Net neutrality is of utmost importance to me because I am destitute and I need inexpensive flow of information.
—John Camo, Monroe Twp., NJ

STOP THE CORPORATE TAKE OVER OF EVERYTHING! Enough is enough!
—Og G., Phillips Ranch, CA

Allowing any corporation to dictate how/when/if an individual is able to access information presented is insulting to the foundations of the 1st amendment. Allowing companies to determine who's voice is heard the loudest by who can pay the most goes against the very foundations of free speech in America. Reclassification of Broadband internet under Title II is the ONLY way to protect the internet and the American people from over reaching capitalistic greed.
—Brian Romanowski, Leavenworth, KS

It ain't broke, don't fix it. Get a life that doesn't interfere with ours!
—AlanDoner Doner, North Vancouver,

I'm trying to preserve a free internet not for myself, but for my children and our future. There should not be an express for some information, but for all of it.
—Charles Carey, Londonderry, NH

I really don't want a web with "premium accesses" all around!
—Emilio José Molina Molina, Nules,

Dear Tom, you should resign immediately and get someone in office that actually cares for the people! If you don't reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Then you sir are simply not doing your job get your act together!!!
—Scott Cutler, Tustin, CA

If the cable companies take control of the internet, this means IPTV will suffer. As a user of Nexflix an IPTV supplier, this will mean lower quality service, or higher prices. As a user of the Free IPTV services such as Roku, Amazon plus, and other free services, would again mean the quality of the service will degrade, suppliers such as Roku, Amazon Fire, Hula free tv would have to start charging for their services. The law would mean more profits for the cable companies which already have windfall profits. and added costs to us low income and retired people depending on these low cost and free services. This law is nothing more then making the 1% richer, and taking away benefits for the rest of us. PLEASE STOP this action and support the middle class instead of the one percenters.
—Gary Zarzycki, Tucson, AZ

Rich folks lanes on the highways next? Only fix the potholes in the high dollar neighborhoods? Only find what the Koch's want you to find on the internet? Want to buy a CB radio?
—John Korstange, Battle Creek, MI

As it now stands, huge corporations would be the only beneficiaries if the plan, as proposed, is approved. It must be rejected!
—David Stone, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality is Important!
—Christopher Styga, Elmhurst, NY

Discrimination of internet traffic bandwidth by ISPs will cripple the free and open internet, reducing the business and innovation that it creates. This is an anti-democratic move.
—Robert Konsdorf, Beaverton, MI

Allowing corporations to regulate Internet traffic will be unfair to everyone. Greed will determine which companies get "fast lanes", and costs will increase for consumers for content they want. I don't see how a two-tiered Internet is good for anyone other than the companies that will profit from it. This will also enable broadband providers to favor their own content, which seems to violate fairness and equality, and it creates monopoly type situations (like Microsoft used to have). This needs to be stopped before we end up with a huge debacle that will result in lawsuit after lawsuit (and appeal after appeal). I have no doubt that antitrust lawsuits will result from this, as companies will not be fair to each other in order to make more money for themselves. Please stop the madness before we ride down the slippery slope too far. Keep the Internet open by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Please do what is best for the majority as opposed to what the service providers are lobbying for. This decision will make a big difference in the future of our country, and it would be really beneficial if the right thing is done. Please listen to the majority this time... Thank you for your time.
—Chad Lambert, Conway, AR

Many great companies like Apple became world leaders because of the open internet. if you limit access of new small companies, you will limit the ingenuity that has made the U.S. great world wide. If you take away the existing open internet will produce the stagnation of a vibrant economy and allow China, Russia and other countries to take the lead. Those who want you to end net neutrality are already rich and want you to protect them so they can stash their wealth outside the US rather than grow our economy. ENDING NET NEUTRALITY AS WE KNOW IT, IS A LOSE/ LOSE PROPOSITION
—Joanna Morgan, santa Barbara, CA

The Internet is effectively a public utility. Reclassify it as such.
—John W. Luther, Rolla, MO

The Internet is a public utility and should NOT have privileged access. Stop cowtowing to the corporate behemoths or else RESIGN.
—Annie Venesky, Brooklyn, NY

Keep the internet as it was intended, an information highway, not a toll road.
—Ronald Wilkinson, Ojai, CA

People need to communicate, conduct business, educate, and inform each other equally. Net neutrality is critical to freedom of speech!
—Andrea Fuhrman, Abilene, KS

Without ensuring ISPs are consider common carriers then small buisness like mine that depend on internet access will wither and die. We cannot afford to pay premium costs such as the big businesses for access to the same customer base. The internet is not a limited resource, and allowing the ISPs to treat it as one is arbitrary, artificial, and simple greed that will spell the doom of the current level of information and customer access that is expected on the internet.
—Jeffrey Cooper, Palm Bay, FL

I wish for the net to remain affordable for all that truly need the service. With the future plan that's about to be implemented, it'll leave the option open for the ISP's to gouge prices for people who may unintentionally use more data/bandwidth than anticipated.
—Esteban T. Madrid Jr., Pensacola, FL

The only thing that will happen is , prices will go up . There are to many big companies already . We need to split them up to create competition and more jobs .
—Dan LeMieux, Green Bay, WI

I'm tired of our 2 tiered society. It is well documented that the US middle class is shrinking, and these fat cat behemoth "information services", such as Verizon, AT&T and Comcast are trying to integrate this "monied vs. unmonied" societal framework into the internet. How much more discrimination is the lower class going to be forced to take? These companies are blatantly bullying out their competition while they intimidate lawmakers and regulators with lawsuits. Do we really want to live our lives as indentured servants to the monied, law-bending, lawsuit happy, tyrants that continue to scratch their own backs, while they step on our heads to climb their own Ladder of Success? This same scenario was played out with the Bell telephone company less than a century ago and its happening again, under a new guise. The government broke up Bell's monopoly then, it will disperse this covenant of price fixing, white collar crooks, today. What this really boils down to is that the internet should be regulated as a utility. It is as essential for a working American as a telephone, postal service, or access to electricity. In a time where the only way, for example, to obtain a copy of one's pay stub is through an online request, you must have access to the internet. Some people's jobs are based on having reliable and consistent access to the internet. Internet access is not a luxury anymore, it is a necessity. Regulate on these providers so that they treat the internet like the necessity it is, instead of simply a machine to fill their wallets.
—Wyatt Salmons, Albuquerque, NM

The INTERNET was Created with TAX DOLLARS! It belongs to the PEOPLE!!!! NOT to the ANUS' OF CORRUPT CORPORATE AMERICA!!!!
—Charles harles Petrik, Norcross, GA

Don't take away my freedom of speech on the internet.
—James Hugh Fitzpatrick, E Stroudsburg, PA

Because I've dealt with the current ISPs in this country and know they will screw us given the opportunity and this proposal is giving them the opportunity.
—Shaun McDowell, Smithtown, NY

The last vestige of Democracy is the Internet....give everyone equal access. Net neutrality must be protected. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Phyllis Goldman, Northbrook, IL

Everyone should have equal access to the internet's resources for information and entertainment. Allowing corporations dictatorial control of our resources is unethical, unfair and truly un-American.
—Arash-kia M. Aleahmad, Villa Park, IL

I firmly believe that ISPs should be classified as common carriers. By creating fast and slow tiers, you are allowing companies to hand pick "winners" and "losers" based on how rich they are. This will have a negative impact on the free market, and it only insures that the wealthiest companies remain the wealthiest and most successful. By doing this, it cements the fact that your organization, along with most others are bought and paid for by big business.
—Jonathan, Grifton, NC

The internet has become a huge hub of communication for Americans, and the world. If you were to put these corporation-boosting rules into effect, it is in direct opposition to free speech and freedom in general. The corpprations involved already receive ample payment for the services they provide, and allowing them to double-charge for these services and drown out the voices of the average man who can't pay is ridiculous. Your job is to protect America, and these proposed rules of yours are exactly the opposite.
—Brian Stumpp, Stockton, CA

Don't let rich corporations hold the internet hostage for ransom. The closer the internet is for free, the better it is for the whole world.
—Jared Ning, Oklahoma City, OK

i am a disabled person who depends on the open internet to make a living. Please do not do away with Net Neutrality! Susan E Hudson
—Susan Hudson, Mansfield, TX

So much is being priced out of the budgets of seniors under the guise of improving the way things are done. Instead it makes it worse.
—Jo-Ann Varga, Lakewood, OH

It is sad to think that a wonderful invention like the internet should be reduced to a money making tool for corporations, entities which do not have the best interests of the public at heart, but rather whose main purpose is to generate profit for shareholders.
—Adam Cargill, Carbondale, CO

Net Neutrality is exactly what it states equal service and option across the Board with out prejudice for one supplier. Do your GodDamn JOBS
—Laurence and Christine Taylor, Visalia, CA

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Rick Ray, Troutdale, OR

The openness of the internet is crucial to all of the innovation that has been built upon it.
—Adam Wisneski, Chicago, IL

Net neutrality is important because without it people who don't have as muchmoney will be limited in their use of the internet. This is a problem because they may not enable to express their ideas via internet which is a restriction on their freedom of speech.
—Nicholas Sapsin, Lafayette, CO

2 tiered internet service is good for greedy ISP's, bad for American taxpaying consumers and bad for America.
—Rich Warner, Schenectady, NY

The internet as we know it is based on the principle that all data is created equal. As a partner in a small performance arts business, I depend on streaming video to get my work out to the world. Without real net neutrality, my work and my business becomes subject to the whims of Verizon, AT&T, and others - and they also profit off of my work by charging customers more to get the experience of my content and the content made by others like me. Please take a stand and reclassify ISPs as common carriers, which they are, so that the future of the internet is secured.
—Hans Rinderknecht, Cambridge, MA

If I understand all of this net neutrality stuff, sounds like once again we will have the rich and the poor and no middle. We need all levels - do not do away with net neutrality - keep the middle. Thank you.
—Pv Norton, Boylston, MA

the promise of the internet as a medium for expanding democracy will be destroyed unless net neutrality remains its guiding principle
—Mark Cohen, Denver, CO

The Internet is as critical to daily life as public utilities such as water or electricity had come to be throughout the 20th century. Retaining equal access to internet services for everyone is crucial as a construct of the information age and will continue to foster entrepreneurial innovation is accessible to all who choose to participate. Do not allow corporate interests to implore a tiered system is necessary, or viable for that matter, to provide their services. An evenly accessible is the only cogent solution to consider in this case.
—Mr. Corey Knafelz, Seattle, WA

I am already paying quite a lot for Internet service, and as a retired person, it will difficult for me if I have to pay even more!
—Elaine Dorough Johnson, Fort Atkinson, WI

The internet is meant to be open to all and this is not fair, big corporations all ready have too much power and they should not have the power to discriminate like this.
—Olivia Dreckman, Murray, KY

Internet Service Providers need to be reclassified as common carriers. There is no reason to favor private content providers profits over the common public interest in this time of growing wealth disparity. We do not need more corporate censorship based on ability to pay to silence ever more the voice of the people.
—Glenn Fritz, Park Ridge, IL

It's important to keep the playing field even they profit greatly and should be held acountable
—James Yoquelet, Auburn, IN

The Internet is integral to education & learning. A two tiered system will greatly impact learning in this country.
—Sara White, Inman, SC

The internet is a hub of information. It is the way we communicate, the way we get our news, our entertainment, stay connected to family and friends we can't see on a regular basis. Net Neutrality preserves our ability to access information, community and in many cases, help. To take that away would destroy so much that our world is built on in today's modern times. Destroying that is tantamount to destroying our way of life.
—Rowen Kade, Auburn, WA

Pls do not let corporate take over what should be everyone's right to have ...the Internet.
—Donna J Hernandez, Las Vegas, NV

The open Internet is key to America's continued digital innovation. Don't break it.
—Jerry Hudgins, Point Reyes Station, CA

Information innovation is dependent on a free and open internet, don't let the big corporation take over.
—Dan Kowalyshyn, Cypress, CA

Don't allow corporate America to ruin our internet!
—Thomas P. MacClave, Sewell, NJ

Net Neutrality is so important to free and open communication, very much like telephone service. Please reclassify the internet as a public utility. Thank you
—Suzanne Freitag, Berlin, WI

FREEDOM is freedom of access
—Hilary Malyon, 07436, NJ

Equality is something this country was founded on. To limit the equal distribution of internet access is to spit on that principle.
—Natasha Parker, Albuquerque, NM

Mr. Wheeler, As you know the gravity of the situation, the only way we can protect our internet, its freedoms for future commerce and the rights of citizens to not be abused by the monopolies of the big telecom companies is to reclassify the internet providers as common carriers. The future of the online world depends on your hand Mr. Chairman, please please do the right thing. Sincerely, Trung Nguyen
—Trung Nguyen, San Jose, CA

Keeping the internet neutral means no favoring one side or the other; everyone is treated the same. No one gets better internet service just because they have the money to pay more than others, and no content providers are excluded because they don't have the money to pay to make their information available. The key word in Internet Service Provider is SERVICE, and the ISPs should be treated the same way as other communications services. These proposed new rules would give certain companies the power to pick online winners and losers, and allow these companies to discriminate against online content and applications, while no one would be able to do anything about it. How does that serve the public? The whole idea behind the internet was to allow everyone equal access to whatever online information was available, whenever they wished to access it. Preferential treatment for certain content providers, depending on how much they paid the ISP, was not included as part of the original intent, since there are many smaller sites that cannot afford to pay as much as a larger company to have their information put out for the public to access, even though it may be more valuable or informative than that of a bigger site. All content providers need equal access as much as all of the public. Open internet needs to be just that--open to all, and ISPs should be reclassified as "Common Carriers".
—Patricia Gallenkamp, Deland, FL

The telecom and internet providers already have too much control over what is quickly becoming one of the most dominant forms of communication. Between unwillingness to compete with each other and the high cost of entry for any new competitors they are fighting to get all the benefits of being a common carrier without the oversight or regulations required to keep them from abusing both the customers and the providers of internet information. The Internet needs to be classified as a common carrier
—Michael McGuire, Provo, UT

Allow all to access information; not just the privileged!
—Nancy Otten, Indianapolis, IN

The public should not be singled out to have SLOW internet speed, just because corporations have more money and influence FCC more..help protect John Q. Public and the public's access to a free an open internet. It is a utility, change this please!!
—Mary Driscoll, Denver, CO

Without a neutral internet, startup web sites do not stand a chance against the giant corporations paying for better service. We will never have another google, facebook, or ebay. Please reconsider the plan currently proposed.
—Alex Schimmelpfenning, Valley Park, MO

The World Wide Web was not meant to be denied to the World
—Linda Brown, Summersville, WV

The Internet is a utility and should be treated as such by reclassifying broadband as a common carrier. It's a vital resource that shouldn't be controlled by ISPs.
—Jeff Gibbons, Toledo, OH

I depend on the Internet for information I use daily. The Internet must be designated a common carrier to enforce true neutrality in the serving of any kind of data.
—Michael Schmidt, Stone Ridge, NY

FREEDOM OF SPEACH
—Jean Fleming, Studio City, CA

As a journalist, I see free press as a crucial issue of constitutional integrity. WIthout it, there's no democracy. Our American experiment is incredibly fragile now, and allowing multiple tiers would kill it. The internet is a common carrier, a public domain, like airwaves.
—Nancy Black, Santa Barbara, CA

I want my kids to grow up where information isnt discriminated on the internet. With wheelers current plan it would. This is America dammit!
—Daniel Pinzke, Chicago, IL

The internet has become one of the dominant forms of communication between individuals in our society and needs to be open to all users equally.
—Mr. Dale Edwin Wittig, San Francisco, CA

declare ISP providers as title 2 "common carriers", NO TIERED internet, protect net neutrality!!!
—Allan Carroll, Lake City, FL

Don't shut out the little guys. "Fast Lane"s means that there won't be any room for anyone else once that bandwidth is allocated.
—Joe Plassmann, Tucson, AZ

The free exchange of ideas is a common good. Like the ideal of television and radio, the internet needs to belong to the public.
—Pearl Klein, Seattle, WA

Level playing fields give the truest, most exciting results. The best, not the best connected, should be seen and heard, and should have equal opportunity to prove themselves.
—Philip Rubin, Vienna, VA

One lane, not two. No Slow Lane for anyone, the Internet should be open to all, not just those who can afford it.
—Terry Thrasher, Indianapolis, IN

Being that I'm essentially a small business owner, being that I am an independent musician. I depend ona free and open internet to reach as many people as possible. By removing the free neutrality of the internet would place gatekeepers who would restrict the flow of traffic to the small business and fast track the large corporations. How many times must these corporations be told that we the people want an open and free internet?
—David Christensen, ripon, CA

The open internet can be a force for good. Think about future generations.
—Alexander Siciliano, Seattle, WA

Having reviewed FCC chairman's proposed Internet Rules are as expected & at its foundation a means to control & limit information to US citizens &/or residents. These are actions historically relevant in totalitarian regimes not a free & open society. The best way to "manage" the internet in a free & open society is to leave it as it already exists & define Net Neutrality that way. What is being proposed are the rules of a totalitarian regime not the United States of America. Sincerely, Mr & Mrs Bradley Menze
—Mrs & Bradley Menze, Lenexa, KS

The internet is something we shouldnt have to pay $50 dollars for just for a Verizon ad. It is cheap, and free of terrible ideas like this "Net Neutrality", your version is just a way for old white people like Tom Wheeler to get big bucks $$$ just so you are rich. Filth like these rules just gives me chills. And other people do too
—James Carsen, APO, AE

You have to realise that what you people do with the Not in America, affects people all over the world . the Not was designed for freedom of information and not as a mass profit medium or to be needlessly censored
—Noel Lyle-Stirling, Southampton,

Without Net Neutrality, the free and open exchange of information we've known on the internet will change to a pay-to-play paradigm, and if you can't pay, you can't play. This idea of fast lane/slow lane is flawed. It's just a subterfuge to allow huge, profitable corporations to get more money from the people they are unde rserving already.
—Gerald T. Shaia, Sun Valley, CA

The Wheeler plan will make my already overpriced second-rate service more costly, and slow. Also the plan is obviously about censoring democratic use of the internet. We're not dumb "out here", or ill-informed about what goes round and round through the "Washington revolving door". Shame on those who would betray the public trust and interest to serve the corporate! America should have the excellent - and much cheaper - service as in Europe and the Far East (in South Korea a "free free" internet is even a right of citizenship!).
—Edward Lang, East Brunswick, NJ

To me, Net Neutrality is an open line to the world, so I can view whatever I want, where I want and how I want. You take away Net Neutrality, we won't be able to communicate with our families and friends, or people who we want to talk to. Keep our internet open to everyone for good. Don't kill it! It's our link to the outside world. Thank you!
—Joe Cooper, Independence, MO

I run a small business which is totally dependent on the internet. If I can't provide quality high-speed service to my customers I will be out of business. Net Neutrality is CRITICAL to our economy and I believe that without it much of the major innovation on the web will migrate offshore.
—Jeff Moskow, Lansing, NY

I rely on the internet and being able to access it for information for my writing and for a means of communicating with friends near and far. With a slow dial-up system I use patience in some of my endeavors. If you institute fast lanes I may never be able to do anything online again.
—Marcia Halligan, Viroqua, WI

The net should be about freedom ,not tyranny by the 1%.
—Ken, Henderson, NV

I and most people struggle to pay their cable bills. I and most people think that we should net neutrality will help the poor. Internet company's should be common carriers
—Ron Alexander, Philadelphia, PA

Growth comes from small business. Your plan will slow small business and slow growth. Is that wise?
—Frank D. Watson, Indianapolis, IN

I am for Net Neutrality. Service providers should not be allowed to affect connection. ISPs should be classified as common carriers.
—Brent Linaweaver, Glenwood, MD

Net Neutrality is an extremly important tool for defending and mantaining democracy. Without the open and free internet there would not have been any Arabic Spring. Defending democracy must always be more important than help filling the already overflowing coffers of the economical elite.
—Linus Österberg Nilsson, ,

It is important that we preserve net neutrality. The internet is built and run on the ideas of many. It should not be put in the hands of the few, Mr Chairman. You work for the people of this country, not corporate interests alone. We dont need for them to charge us for something that is already in place. They already bombard us with plenty of ads and we pay them for internet access. I dont want some entity telling me what I can see and use and what I cannot for a price. Those of you who hold office really need to stand for the people of this country. We are the ones who work hard to make it what it is. Listen to us for a change. We`re more than numbers and tax revenue. ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers and be open to real competition and creativity.
—James C Sullivan, Cromwell, CT

I value the internet as a creative and democratic tool that is changing society for the better. Anything short of pure Net Neutrality would kill the best features of the internet. If the current FCC motions pass, I expect I will cancel my internet and cable service in disgust of the actions by the ISP's.
—Jonathan Yancey, Morgantown, WV

The internet is crucial to the dreams of a free world
—Robin Neal, Maidstone,

True Protection of net neutrality is synonymous with protection of all net based innovation - the proposed rules are harmful to one of the few bright spots of our economic future. Do the right thing and reject these rules.
—Jonathan Hughes, Plymouth, MA

To pick winners and losers based on how much a company pays is inherently undemocratic. This is incredibly unfair, regardless of what cover these rules are being passed under. You have a choice, to make this country less democratic and further separate the rich from the poor, or to keep the internet open and fair for everyone.
—Zach Cresswell, Ithaca, MI

Net Nutrality is necessary for internet access equality and to protect the rights of consumers.
—Lani Hink, Pahoa, HI

Increasingly, the internet is an essential service. People need it for research, for connection, for action. It is time to recognize that it has long past moved away from the province of hopeless nerds, or mere entertainment, and into the realm of the utility. Classify broadband as such. It isn't just a matter of whose movie loads fastest. It is a matter of open information, free access, and, at heart, actual democracy. Proposing a plan that would allow anyone with money to push their agenda is not only the antithesis of net neutrality, it is another step away from free speech, into propaganda, fascism, oligarchy.
—Esther Diamondstone, Phoenix, AZ

As a person on the lower class this disturbs nee because we can barely afford internet as it is and raising costs to the OPEN internet will cause troubles economically to my family and I. So please keep Net neutrality
—Kevin Cisneros, Chatsworth, GA

What an elitist pile of crap!!! The internet should be easily accessible to all, not just to those who can afford to pay extra (ultimately a small proportion of an isp's customer base)Customers who MADE these companies with their loyalty and subscription fees should be treated equally, not based on their disposable income. Net neutrality is essential!!
—Sheryl Webb, ,

Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. That would NOT be fair.
—Heather Fox, wilmington, MA

I am concerned creating internet fast lanes will stifle American start-ups and our innovative economy.
—Russell Schmidt, Los Angeles, CA

Please keep the internet neutral. I'm use the internet to supplement my income. If the sites I use can't afford to pay the fees for the fast lane, then my sales will drop. Or worse, the sites I use might shift the costs of the fees onto their subscribers, like me, and I would be able to make ends meet. Discrimination based on who pays the internet service providers more money for preferential treatment is terrible for all the end users. And for small business that can't afford to pay for the preferential fast lane. Start up companies, like myself, would be at a massive disadvantage! Please don't do this to us. Protect net neutrality and protect what makes the internet so unique and innovative. There is NO reason why the internet service providers should be granted the rights to basically create an extortion ring where they can demand more money from a company to let it continue doing business as usual, or slow it down and make it suffer financially for not paying the extortion bribe money. That this would legally be allowed is madness. Please, please, please protect true net neutrality. Reclassify the ISPs as common carriers!!!
—Diana Hill, Houston, TX

Net neutrality is important to me. I want a fee not tiered Internet.
—Jim Fountain, moultrie, GA

an open fair internet is the only system of any use to 99.9999% of the users!We already pay over 10 times what the other nations pay for their access, and theirs is over 8 times as fast!
—Jim Rice, BAYTOWN, TX

Seriously? I don't have the money to be paying extra fees. A lot of people don't. You should stop, 'cause we won't
—Andrea Sabillon, Silver Spring, MD

All the news and services which I actually use would be gone without real net neutrality. It's absolutely necessary for maintaining our democracy. Without it we will be a defacto fascist state.
—Joseph J Pollock, Buffalo, NY

I think we should tie up traffic near your home and charge you to drive out of your neighborhood. Comcast and others already exploit their customers, there is absolutely no reason to allow them exploit even more people.
—Galen Vandergriff, Washington, DC

There is already too much disparity on who has access to the internet. It is unethical and discriminatory to allow this two-tiered system. Please uphold net neutrality and at the very least stop this blatant privatization of public rights and access to the much needed media access.
—Angelique Nixon, Storrs Mansfield, CT

The Internet does not belong to anyone. It's community property and no provider should be allowed to throttle it for their profit.
—Jeffery Biss, Elgin, IL

The Internet ISPs must become common carriers to protect NetNeutrality and keep the Internet open.
—MC Hagerty, Carlsbad, CA

I dont like being taken advantage of by all these big companies like AT&T and Comcast and Verizon, and its not right that youre proposed plans are setting them up to do just about anything they want. especially since these companies really are our largest internet providers, and nowadays people need a reliable internet connection to get jobs or better yet keep their jobs, most companies require you to submit an application over the web, or better yet they require you to have a connection to complete work at home that you could not complete otherwise AT work. and now you propose all of this when i dont think you realize you could very possibly be playing it fast and loose with peoples lively hoods, so really i just hope you actually read these and you come to the right decision and reimpose Net Neutrality. really please do what is right for the people and not just these large scale corporations.
—Matthew McCoy, Spokane, WA

Living in a depressed rural area is tough enough but losing net neutrality would undermine a genuine chance to conduct business online and overcome the local economic dearth of opportunities. I implore you to enforce net neutrality for all and prevent it's dominance by the wealthy.
—Jeff S, Ogdensburg, NY

Because no one should slow down the internet for profits.
—Ms. Ericka Cero Wood, Scottsdale, AZ

As a disabled, yet self employed, citizen, I am FULLY dependent on my access to the internet to be able to work remotely and independently. I barely make enough to make ends meet and have difficulty even paying the high rate I already pay for internet access. Net Neutrality is CRITICAL to me and thousands of other people who, like me, can't get full time employment for any number of reasons (this DEPRESSION, physical abilities/disabilities, age, lack of available jobs, lack of available jobs that pay a living wage, etc.). This is the ultimate commons and the corporations have NO RIGHT to control it even further than they already do!
—Pamela Overholtzer, Moscow, ID

A two tiered internet is not fair. AT&T, Comcast and Verizon should not be allowed to have faster access.
—Kathy Miller, Port Hueneme, CA

Access to information and communication is a human right. The internet belongs to everyone, not just those who can pay.
—Karolina Holmqvist, ,

Freedom. This country was born on the grounds of freedom. By allowing big companies to determine what speed a person can view the internet is killing a persons freedom. In what country is it okay to force people to pay more money for faster internet? Not in America that's for sure. By forcing and giving the reins of the internet to big companies you're ruining the internet and people will not stand for that. I urge you to reconsider and give us back net neutrality. *real* net neutrality.
—C, Appleton, WI

Information should be freely available . Just like we don't allow publishers to pay for better shelf locations in public libraries, we shouldn't allow a ISPs to charge for access to specific online resources.
—Tommy Rosettie, Windsor, CA

Net Neutrality is important to not just me, but my family,city, and world. We depend on fast reliable internet to go anywhere. If this is taken away the world world in the USA would collapse.
—Kwang, Los Angeles, CA

If You had to Pay a Telco/Cable Bill like all of us do, then you would know why we are so Angry!!!!! Stop Taking Bribes; and Do Something For us Rate Payers!!!
—Gerard F Gaudin, Metairie, LA

Classify the ISPs as common carriers! The internet is our greatest democracy, please keep it that way and don't sell out the people of this country.
—Patrick Stone, Irvine, CA

IT'S HARD ENOUGH BEING ON SOCIAL SECURITY AND TRYING TO PAY ALL THE BILLS AND EAT. WE NEED TO BE ABLE TO DEPEND ON THE FACT THAT ALL PEOPLE, REGARDLESS OF THEIR WEALTH, WILL BE ABLE TO ACCESS THE INTERNET WITHOUT HAVING TO DO SO AT THE EXPENSE OF OTHER BILLS.
—Edna Anderson, beloit, WI

If you enact this proposed set of rules, you are basically letting big business own the internet. The internet is the last true form of freedom and you're proposing to take that away from us. The internet is not something that should be owned by big business, it should be owned by the people which it currently is. Any form of discrimination set in place to the way that it runs, such as by money grubbing big businesses will destroy that notion. AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon are the direct reason I guarantee there's pressure to put these rules in place because it will benefit them and only them. This will do nothing but hurt the average person while gaining these corporations more absurd profits than they already have by sucking more money out of consumers. Do not fold to these pressures and sell out like so many organizations have in the past. You are the only organization able to keep our constitutional right of internet freedom intact for our country's citizens. Please get rid of these proposed rules and leave the internet in peace. The internet is free now if and only if these rules are discarded. Your organization will single handedly kill this freedom if you continue with the rules that you have tried to put in motion. The internet's fate is in your hands, so please do the right thing and keep it the way that it is, FREE.
—Michael Crossett, Buffalo, NY

Small businesses like mine are being forced to compete for an Internet that is becoming less responsive as Internet providers work to control both the flow and the content of my Internet access. This is unreasonable and the FCC has the ability and the power to put a stop to this. Please make Net Neutrality the law by making the Internet a public utility and give small businesses like mine a chance to have equal footing and equal access to the Internet. Thank you for your consideration on this very important issue for all Americans.
—Patrick Williams, Sunnyvale, CA

The Internet as it exists now is due entirely to the ability of every provider of online content to have equal footing in presenting their content to Internet users. Net Neutrality is what should prevent mega-corporations from squeezing the life out of the Internet by diminishing the individual experiences of users from many websites. If it weren't for this content being available in equal quality to all users, the Internet as it is today would simply not exist. To limit it in any way will hinder future innovation and development. Please preserve Net Neutrality. Thank you.
—Tim McElroy, Philadelphia, PA

The Internet is the most efficient way for Americans and businesses to interact. ISP's should be reclassified as common carriers, just as telecomm services are. ALL Americans deserve the right to access all Internet services, without discrimination as to income level. The Internet must not be allowed to be broken into tiers according to consumer's ability to pay.
—Maria Lambert, Marshfield, MA

Bandwidth providers should be just that, and not arbiters of content. This industry has an extremely high cost to enter, which discourages real competition. The only way to ensure the internet we want is to regulate it to be open and as inexpensive as possible to access.
—James Ofsink, Portland, OR

All the world's a stage, and new is just more entertainment? Keep the fools in the dark? Is that it? Is that you?
—Brian T Donovan, vancouver, WA

As a consumer, I've directly benefitted from the disruptive effect that Internet-age companies such as YouTube and Netflix have been able to have on entrenched telecom industries due to the low barrier for entry. I've been able to go from having a single, pricy option for cable TV in the Bryan/College Station, TX area, to having hundreds of viable, low-cost, legal sources for media content online. But, as we saw with the recent Netflix-Comcast spat, Netflix becomes much less compelling when it was pushed into the "slow lane", limiting its ability to compete as a viable alternative until it paid the fees for the fast lane. We wouldn't have the vibrant, competitive content market we have today if that barrier had been in place from the start. As a software developer, I love the fact that the Internet allows good ideas to bubble to the surface and succeed on their own merit, simply because the only thing standing in your way are the technological challenges of scaling up to reach millions of people. But if I were needing to pay fees to the companies I was competing against because they happened to have a conflict of interest and also own the wires I needed to use to reach my site's visitors, I couldn't possibly afford to compete. YouTube was started by three software developers in a garage, but they never would have been able to have succeeded against the behemoths they were facing at the time were they required to shell out the cash to get into the fast lane. Google was founded by two guys in a garage. Facebook was one guy. Can you imagine any of them succeeding today against companies that can afford the fast lanes? Moreover, the mere existence of a fast lane means that my ISP is either artificially slowing down the traffic that I've paid them to deliver to me so that they can make room for the fast lane traffic, or they are extorting fees from companies like Netflix before they'll provide me with the level of service that I have already paid for. Either way, I find it personally offensive that someone is having to grease the wheels with cash to get the promised level of service. After all, as you're well aware, it's a technological impossibility to create a "fast lane" without first slowing down the existing traffic that we have now, meaning that I'm losing the service I currently have until the sites I visit pay these extortionate fees. None of this should even be up for debate, since it's clearly not in the best interests of consumers. Classify these companies as common carriers. End this nonsense. Please.
—Bradley Sattem, Bryan, TX

The level playing field of the internet is a major driver of growth, innovation, and entrepreneurship. If the ISPs are allowed to create a two tiered internet this would kill that growth. Also it is preposterous for ISPs to be allowed to charge internet users to access the internet and simultaneously charge websites to be available to the users.
—Robert Maier, Carmichael, CA

Prioritization is a form of discrimination. Discrimination of data, even in cases of high volume traffic, is unfair and undermines the idea of a free and open Internet. Companies should not have to pay ISPs to get to their users any faster, nor should customers EVER have to pay their ISPs a toll just to use the Internet outside of more prominent content providers. Please do not allow either of these things, or any form of interment censorship to happen.
—Peter G. Salathe, Indianapolis, IN

Hate to use the slippery slope argument, but . . .
—Kyle Ruark Hoinville, Lansing, MI

DEMOCRACY. DEMOCRACY. DEMOCRACY. LOGIC. LOGIC. LOGIC. We, the people, NOT we, the corporations. Why is it even necessary to explain this to anyone in this country who appreciates living in a democracy?????
—Ms. Roslyn E. Walker, Marina del Rey,, CA

Help the public and not these corporate interest that are already overcharging for the services they provide.
—Tc Chat, Garland, TX

Every provider should have an equal opportunity to provide internet services. No company should have special privileges.
—Nancy Meyers, Higganum, CT

This is just wrong. We need a free internet in this country now, more than ever. The internet should NEVER be owned solely by a select few. It is no longer just a medium to access entertainment, it can be, but that is just a part of it. It is utilized on a professional level by Millions of people around our nation as a communication tool by our Cities, Government, Schools, basically every aspect of life. It has become a basic human need. Big corporations shouldn't be allowed to pick and choose who gets what level of access to what traffic. We need Net Neutrality.
—Christopher Samuelson, Bethel, AK

The Internet is one of the last truly egalitarian avenues of free speech left in this nation and for some in the world, it is the only avenue of free speech! Do not allow corporate greed and political corruption to create the haves and the have nots. There is enough disparity in our nation as it is! Corporations and Internet service providers are not hurting with the profits they have now! Reclassify the ISPs as common carriers so the common good is served as should be. Thank you.
—Terri Guerra, Bakersfield, CA

Dear FCC- Please keep net neutrality just as it is as it leaves an equal playing field for all people and for those who could not afford to pay for the change if it were to occure.
—Loyd Benetti, portland, OR

Net neutrality is the means of protecting the global freedom of the Internet against the ravages of corporate greed, monopoly and control. Internet Corporations would themselves not exist but for the presence - and original freedom of the world wide web.
—Keith Harris, ,

It's really important that service providers not be able to profit from extra charges for "fast" service. If some online content is given the privilege of being in the "fast" lane, then automatically everything else is slowed by definition. This is discrimination, not net neutrality. I depend upon net neutrality to access the information I need. I cannot stomach the thought of being directed instead to content provided largely by well-heeled corporations with lots of cash. This is not the content I need.
—Gerald Ottone, Milwaukee, WI

There are already too many two tiered systems in this country, one that benefits the wealthy and leftovers for those who are not. It is about time the government began to ensure fair and equal access for all, regardless of how many lobbyists they have or contribute monetarily.
—Frank J Hopkins, Bronx, NY

Simply, there should not be any discrimination between the type of data being served by the provider or accessed by the user. If I have availed a service why someone should give me better bandwidth of accessing videos or poor when i am just checking my mails or growing a news article. I should get the same privilege and speed irrespective what i watch...
—Anil Dubey, Brandon, FL

The net is an important place for freedom, which no corporation or government should own or regulate in favor of one party. The current proposal does not prevent this. The people who use the Internet create most of its content - don't charge us for it.
—Luke Vuksta, Pottsville, PA

Open internet means open communication and ideas. It should not be better access for those who can pay the most money for their content to reach people. It will discriminate against start-ups and small groups who cannot compete against big money. We need Net Neutrality!! Internet ISPs are common carriers, and should be classified as such.
—Jaklin Hunt, Beaverton, OR

Unrestricted access to the means of information and communication is crucial for democratic societies.
—Steffen Fuchs, Cologne,

Make the world a fairer place. There is no excuse for making the internet as sickeningly unequal as everything.
—Dr. Barry Eshkol Adelman, Vero Beach, FL

Internet access is one of the few forces for social equality left in our country. Allowing it to be effectively "zoned" creates yet another class divide based on huge income inequalities. If you care about the middle class and the working poor, you will keep the internet open.
—Heather R. Godsey, Knoxville, TN

The single private internet user pays the most fees per data volume. Why should she or he not have the same rights like big companies?
—Frank Peter, Erfurt,

The open Internet is fine as it is. Please do not change it, especially in favor of corporate monsters that only seek more control and favoritism.
—Sensei Bill Handel, Red Bluff, CA

I think Net Neutrality is important for everybody not just for the big Corporations.
—Linda Kane, Mesa, AZ

My job requires that I have a fast and reliable internet connection. I pay a premium for this and my bill is at the peak of what I can afford now. A 2 tier internet could possibly kill my business and I demand that the FCC do the right and correct thing and reject this 2 tier proposal and to protect Net Neutrality! Stand up and protect the millions of citizens that pay your salaries from the corporate pirates. Thank you for your time.
—Brad Goss, Cedartown, GA

I am a computer science major. My life has always been about computers and the internet. I don't want the internet that I grew up with to be different from the one I graduate college with.
—Joe, Baldwin, NY

I am 97! My home is on the coast of Oregon. I communicate with family and friends daily. Just, often, to let them know I'm still alive. I cannot do that if the costs go up. I already have trouble with AT&T 's phone signal being weak. They do cater to those who can pay more already. Please don't let them price me out of communication.
—Carol Povey, Nehalem, OR

Dear whoever is reading this, Please keep net neutrality. Every bit of data on the internet should be treated equally. By letting people pay to have their data treated with priority, you are essentially opening up an entire new world of discrimination. The poor person trying to set up a blog to speak about social injustice should have an equal footing against the big business causing the injustice. With a two tiered internet system, the big business would be able to pay money to have their data show up instead of the people who need to be heard.
—Adam Binford, Bellevue, WA

There are many reasons to keep the Internet neutral. "Free market" means a level playing field. Look at the incredible innovation and productivity network neutrality has produced so far. Big business already owns the mobile network. Don't let them have it all.
—Walter Sargent, Huntington Station, NY

This is a blow to civil liberties and the first amendment. By charging people extra to use certain websites, you are restricting one of the only real open forums for discourse in this country. Please do not do this. I don't want to be at the mercy of my ISP and my wallet.
—Rick Mynatt, Overland Park, KS

Treating all data equally improves competition.
—Jb Badcoe, ,

The FCC NEEDS to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. It is unfair that people with financial issues, or medical issues that require high finance maintenance to be slowed down, or be pushed to a lower tier service speed! It's ridiculous and is just another way to promote a communistic type of mentality due to the control that seems to be desired by these actions. If approved, these rules would mean the end of Net Neutrality, which seems to be the only thing that american people have these days. Cut this crap, because that's what it is.
—Joshua Paredes, Wind Gap, PA

FCC CHAIRMAN WHEELER: IT IS OBVIOUS THAT OBAMA IS PAYING OFF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS INDUSTRY WITH YOUR APPOINTMENT. IF YOU DON'T RECLASSIFY THE INTERNET AS A UTILITY (WHICH IT IS) YOU WILL BE ONE THE MOST HATED INDIVIDUALS IN AMERICAN HISTORY.
—Bruce Stroud, Ranchos de Taos, NM

The American public own the air waves and the FCC administers it and sells spectrum... This is for the public good, not for some greedy corporate wonk to hog all of the information and spectrum.... Do your job and classify ISP's what they are - common carriers... Do Your Job!!!
—Gerald and Mary Lou DeVane, Palm Coast, FL

Internet providers must be reclassified as common carriers. Net neutrality is our right! Don't you invade our privacy enough on a regular basis? Enough is enough, listen to the people, or deal with an unsatisfied populous that outnumbers you significantly. A concerned citizens ready to finish school and make a difference. Benjamin Mortensen
—Benjamin Mortensen, Albuquerque, NM

In order for the internet to continue being the massive resource for learning, education, communication, and entertainment that it currently is, we need to ensure that it remains open and unrestricted to everyone. Doing away with Net Neutrality effectively puts internet users at the mercy of ISPs, and the past has shown us that these huge corporations do not have the interest of the users in mind. You, the FCC, needs to throw out these rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers, to allow for more competition and better service for consumers.
—Anthony Muniz, Comstock Park, MI

It's becoming clear that the greedy corporate mobsters own the FCC along with the FDA, USDA, and all of the other organizations that have been put into place under the pretense of protecting the American people. Is there any integrity left anywhere amongst all the corruption?
—Debra Koich, Sequim, WA

ISPs are a common carrier and much like any utility. Try living without the Internet, most counties in North Carolina have eliminated newspaper announcements for voting changes, bankrupcies and we need to be able to access the Internet. Just like elecricity, we can not live properly without it.
—John Peterson, Mebane, NC

An open internet with equal access for everyone is the only answer for myself and millions of other Americans.
—Joe Dixon, New York, NY

The internet is a place where creativity can bloom! It won't stay that way if its neutrality isn't protected.
—Sarah G, Glendale, CA

I depend on net neutrality and demand for the FCC to protect the open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers! Thank you!!
—Angie Pappas, Appleton, WI

Net neutrality is essential to keeping the Internet the an open and creative channel. Just look back at the history of the Internet and imagine all the services that started as little projects that someone just thought would be a neat idea. And look at what they've become today. Please keep the Internet open and equal, you are the only hope we have for net neutrality to succeed.
—George Hernandez, Dallas, TX

GET OUT OF THE INTERNET...LEAVE IT NEUTRAL
—Pat Metsinger, LENEXA, KS

It should be free for everyone.
—Judi Poulson, Fairmont, MN

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. No one should be allowed to "own" the internet and that's what would happen in a two (or more) tier system. Don't let big money destroy net neutrality.
—Eileen Gottschalk, Rochester, NY

A neutral internet is indispensable for academic research.
—Patrick Leland, Baltimore, MD

I feel all websites deserve equal footing and you shouldn't have to pay to get good bandwidth. Charities and non commercial sites will suffer if other sites are given fast lane status.
—Tim Sauers, Marysville, WA

This is a terrible idea which will kill any semblance of freedom on the internet and create a chilling of business creation. End these ideas now.
—Michael Dietz, Beachwood, OH

Freedom of internet is as important as freedom of speech. Freedom of internet IS freedom of speach.
—Maciek Gorecki, Portland, OR

I have to make my living by working on the Internet. Strangling or censoring the net is a protection racket that will hurt my business. I already pay far more in this country than my partners do overseas and the pay for service net you propose would broaden the gap between what US customers pay and what the rest of the world pays. This will move us backwards faster and faster, destroying democracy, business and only transfer wealth to a very few at the top. The Internet has worked well because it is not censored by fast lanes, slow lanes, pay as you go schemes. Any move against the open nature of the net will backfire and move towards a class structured communications system where the wealthy and already entrenched have all the privileges and the new or "equal" will merely be pawns giving up their cash to Comcast and other large scale censor masters.
—Michael Forster, Portland, OR

Please do not cave to the power of big money corporations. They chose to enter the game with the rules that existed. Now they are trying to change the rules to make even more money. Our society is currently built on abilities that the internet provides. Its stability is foundational to the long term success of the economy of our country.
—Mr. Alan Mason, Portland, OR

I pay a monthly fee to Comcast and that should guarantee that I have equal access to the Internet for anything I want: research, looking up the news, planning a trip, etc. No one should have to be a second-class citizen as far as the Internedt is concerned. No one should be able to pay more money in order to get faster service. If you are already paying for the Internet, you should have full access to it. The Internet should not qualify as some having 1% service while the vast majority of people have second-rate service, especially while they are still paying for it each month.
—Jean Toles, Portland, OR

It's time for the FCC to prove whether it still serves the people, or if it's a slave to the rich few. The people are decidedly for Net Neutrality, but is the FCC really for people?
—Daniel Hewlett, Hammond, IN

I am old enough to remember when public service meant something, for instance during the Kennedy administration. In light of that I simply cannot see these rules proposed by Chairman Wheeler as anything but his shilling for the telecomm industry just like Michael Power before him. The message from the circuit Court was clear - The FCC has been given the authority to declare the internet providers as 'common carriers'. How about being a real public servant and ruling for the public interest rather than just padding a resume.
—Mr Christopher A Carman, Silver Spring, MD

We need ISPs to be reclassified as common carriers! We also need faster speeds, more bandwidth though. The ISPs have been making a lot of money of "high" speed internet already, follow Google's lead. Push the market, install Fiber. Destroying Net Neutrality will destroy the competition on the Net.
—Joseph Kent Craig, Newnan, GA

The Age of the Internet has brought untold benefits, innovation, and prosperity. Such benefits are possible because there has always been a sort of "gentlemen's agreement" that the ISPs are neutral when it comes to who is sending data to them. Data from a tiny startup is treated the same as data from giants like Microsoft. People providing services using the Internet pay their providers for the Internet service they need, and subscribers do likewise. However, large ISPs want an end to this 'Net Neutrality. Not content with record profits from large and small providers alike, these ISPs want to charge *again* for "fast lane" access to the homes and offices of their subscribers. Businesses will pass these increased costs to consumers, and small organizations will have find themselves with greatly increased barriers to serving their potential customers. Our lack of effective last-mile provider competition has already made the US struggle to compete with Europe and Asia; allowing ISPs to dispense with network neutrality will only pump their profits--without significant benefit to consumers, and with harm to small innovators. The FCC should be acting to preserve network neutrality, thus continuing to protect the fertile environment for Internet innovation. Instead, the chairman is proposing rules that will undermine it.
—Darren Meyer, Saint Paul, MN

Please do what's fair. Keep it free and open to all or stifle innovation and set us all back!
—Elizabeth Forston, San Diego, CA

The internet is a place where ideas can be freely shared and helps shape the future of the world. Please don't impede progress.
—David Oguni, Atlanta, GA

WOW ANOTHER FEE WE HAVE TO PAY.THE RICH GET RICHER AND THE POOR PAY FOR THEM.
—David Gardner, PASADENA, MD

Why are you not putting the customers first? We already pay a lot for this service to begin with, why do they get a chance to screw us over again? Help us!
—Barbara Kantola, Niles, MI

An open and free internet for all equally is critical to the webs development in this country. I live in a very rural area, heavily treed, the only internet service available is via cable. The internet should be treated no differently than the phone company or electric company. If it were not for rural electric coops we might still live in the dark. But thanks to enlightened government regulations our electric rates are very competitive with excellent service. This should be the model for an open and free TO ALL internet.
—Paul & Natalie Cornez, Stoystown, PA

The loss of Net Neutrality is unacceptable in this age of technology. Please ensure an open internet.
—Linda Mullaney, Lyndhurst, NJ

The proposed rule changes amount to nothing less than censorship for corporate profitability. That's precisely what a democracy DOES NOT need! Bring back net neutrality!
—David Zabriskie, Hawley, PA

It's un-American to allow the emergence of a pay to win marketplace on the internet with tiered fast and slow lanes.
—Mark Bridgeman, ,

Think ahead. We predict there soon will be need for real-time Internet-carried data transmission and control for consumer medical devices. Pay-to-play will never provide adequate access for such safety-critical applications. A utility would be regulated to assure differentiation that guarantees support for critical services.
—David and Helen Gill, SPRINGFIELD, VA

I watch a lot of content from independent entertainers on YouTube and other video sharing websites. If this plan goes through, they will lose viewers and revenue because many of their fans can't afford to pay additional fees for faster internet. This is a classic case of screwing over the many to benefit the few. It is my firm belief that the internet is the last true place where everyone has freedom to do as they please. To let that be destroyed by corporate greed is among the most appalling things I can think of. These internet service providers are supposed to increase their profits by offering better service and better prices than their competition, thus attracting new customers rather than making a deal that would either decrease the quality of the service or increase the prices for the ones they already have. I understand that they are businesses and they always want to do what is best for their bottom line. However, this goes beyond business strategy and infringes on the rights of the consumer. It is a greedy, underhanded attack on the freedom that this country preaches to its dying breath and this sort of behavior on the part of these money-grubbing corporations will not go unnoticed or unchallenged.
—James Dietrich, Manchester Township, NJ

I help small businesses have a presence online. Neither they nor I can afford the faster connections being set aside for large corporations, meaning that my business and those of my clients will have a harder time competing with those larger corporations. For marketplace diversity, we need Net Neutrality!
—Christina Gilman, Seattle, WA

Because if changed it will only benefit the large ISP companies, leaving the rest behind,
—Roberto Toscano, Las Vegas, NV

As an Internet professional for the past 17 years, I know firsthand how critical true net neutrality has been to the development of my sector of the economy. FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would effectively shut out the young, entrepreneurial innovators we need to keep our economy strong. Please do not create a two-tiered Internet and stifle the engine of our nation's economic growth.
—Michael Evans, Oakland, CA

9-digit CEO salaries for ISPs with a struggling broadband infrastructure is ludicrous. If these rules are not accepted, the ISPs will finally be forced to do what they should have since their inception. Employ people to rebuild, grow and maintain a larger infrastructure. Easy, cheap, and good for the country.
—Bryant Richardson, Brunswick, ME

We now live in a world where we depend on the internet like we depend on electricity and gas. These other delivery services are regulated, why not the internet. Allowing ISP's to control and discriminate service based on how much a company can pay will kill the internet and turn it into a portal that only the wealthy can access. We need to maintain and support a neutral internet.
—David Terrell, Batavia, IL

Dear FCC, We know that conglomerates have had their way with our economy, the middle class, and the working poor. We don't need more areas where the wealthy can buy basic services that the rest of us can't afford. As a teacher, I see the difference money can make in education. The internet has been one place where students can begin to level the playing field. Please help protect an open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Sincerely, Kathy Doran
—Kathy, Sebastopol, CA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Andrew S., Dumas, AR

This is a "no brainer." Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Sandra Perkins, Seattle, WA

Without Net Neutrality, large isp's can decide whether any other internet based service or store succeeds or fails.
—Samantha Sartoris, Round Lake, IL

The FCC can demonstrate its fairness by reclassifying ISP's as common carriers. A free and open internet is now more important than telephone service. There is already to little competition for broadband service and if you allow the big corporations and lobbyists to have their way here, the consumer will suffer both financially and intellectually. Do not allow them to control or limit content in any way.
—Mickey Soltys, Carbondale, IL

U S A has the slowest and the most expensive internet service in the world, if we don't go to a common carriers it will get much worse.
—Erik Jirgens, Deming, NM

Online discrimination is unjust to the highest degree. These companies already make record-breaking profits from their advertisements and providing internet as it is. It's equivalent to making people pay twice for the same service which is complete robbery. No one owns the internet, much like no one owns the air we breathe or water we drink. It is an infinite-sized resource that must be treated as such and available to all - freely.
—Korbin Uhlman, south brookfield,

The internet should be open for all citizens in a democracy and it's content determined by them not controlled by corporate interests.
—Dennis Murphy, Cambridge, MA

America is nearly 100% owned by wealth and its power. Seems pointless and unnecessary to give big money complete and total power with the addition of the control information and speech.
—Sharon Conn, sandy, OR

For the good of American Internet Equality-- which is what Net Neutrality really is, no special privileges for anyone online -- please reconsider your rules, and instead, reclassify ISPs as common carriers. That is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality. Thank you.
—ML Polak, philadelphia, PA

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Stephen B. Elliott
—Steve elliott, Jacksonville, NC

No offense but, have you lost your mind? Do you realize if this continu's it would be a step back instead of forward, making life worse for millions of people, jus think about it, 1 out of 1000 is really rich and can afford this, the rest can't, so one person that has already got the luck of being rich with all its privileges now gets another privilege which the other 999 people are suffering from, this would be terrible, i hope i talked some sense into you, please make the right decision and protect the REAL net neutrality, not this fake bullshit.
—Laurens de mos, ,

Reclassify ISP as Common Carriers. Protect the interest of consumers not the corporation!
—Tom F Headley, Erwin, TN

Free speech, a free press and a free internet is crucial to a democracy.
—Linda Jackson, Pensacola, FL

I know the FCC Chairman is a former lobbyist for the telcom industry but the people of the US demand net neutrality. For a change give the citizens what they deserve!
—Alan Benefield, Spring Hill, TN

This isn't fair. Keep it the way it is. There aren't any problems, so why change it?
—Chris Orr, Fruita, CO

Internet service providers neither own the content that is being transferred on the internet nor personally store hardly any of content that customers access daily. It should not be under the authority of service to regulate the user's ability to access this open content.
—Marshall Mucasey, Bellaire, TX

I am already paying quite much for my Internet access to my ISP. Please make sure my internet traffic is not throttled down because Netflix pays more to ISP for my neighbor to watch their movies. Please restore net neutrality as it should be regulated as a utility. Thanks!
—Victor, Atlanta, GA

Innovation often starts will individual inventors and small start-up companies. Letting ISPs set different tiers of service for big companies vs everyone else will stifle innovation because it'll make it much harder for small inventors (like myself) to get started with any project that requires bandwidth. Giving that kind of control to ISPs will erode the egalitarian nature of the internet that's made it able to evolve so effectively until now. ISPs say that fast lanes are necessary to let them pay for reinvestment in their infrastructure, but that won't happen, they'll just pocket the new revenue. Please reclassify them as common carriers.
—Greg Abbas, Menlo Park, CA

As a gay American, I am VERY concerned about sites I depend on being shut out!
—Mitchell Orman, Chicago, IL

Everything cannot be a monopoly
—Craig Cavanaugh, Manchester, NH

Listen to the technical people who run the internet (like myself). They think it's a terrible idea.
—Alexandre Emelianov, Campbell, CA

I depend on the Internet for nearly everything I do; I use it to learn, teach, communicate, create, and share. Many of the sites I use, especially for my art, would die if net neutrality were to be destroyed. Having the ability to access all of the amazing, varied resources that are on the Net is essential to me.
—Ruth Frick, Doylestown, PA

I need and use the net just as I do electricity, gas and water. the Net needs to be another utility.
—Harold Goldman, Rohnert Park, CA

Please allow the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Elaine Waldron, London,

Please stand up for the PUBLIC GOOD. Have principals, ethics, morals and remember who you are there to serve - not the corporations which are composed of people BUT ARE NOT HUMAN BEINGS Do your duty - serve the good of the people - the common as well as not common people everywhere.
—Peggy Salas, Stillwater, OK

The cable companies have us over a barrel now and you plan on giving them more power to rob us of our access to the internet at a reasonable speed!they keep promising faster internet but prices go up speed is same or lower in some areas. Let's keep the internet neutral we don't want a 2 or more tere system. Thank you
—Ronnie kolb, Cato, NY

We need a policy that helps small business, not giant business.
—David Degling, Granby, CT

The net needs to be open to all! There are enough fees as it is!
—Marie Leven, Flushing, MI

With the already heafty fees that can be charged for internet it is imperative that ISPs be classified as common carriers. I work from home and, though I would probably classified as a simple residential user, that would hurt my business and ability to make money. If I can't make money I can't spend it on things that the top tier users make or the services they provide.
—Amanda P Mobley, Louisville, KY

It is highly disconcerting that we, the people, must constantly fight for internet freedom. You know what we, the people, want. We want an open, free internet; the kind of place where a real democracy can exist. Instead, the FCC wants to turn it into the too-far-gone U.S. model of democracy, where the deepest pockets have the loudest voice. Stop this nonsense, please. The internet may have been invented in the U.S., but it belongs to the people of the world. The people of the world deserve an open, free internet.
—Luke Weese, Longview, TX

I am sik of the big comapnies always trying to take everything away, its time for us to rise up against the machinations of these companys
—Travis J. Zolnierek, Alpena, MI

First Amendment anyone?
—Bebe McCarthy, Ridgefield, CT

Please, do not let the internet providers do this...it is senseless!, and utterly unwarranted from any perspective, other than perhaps that a chairman with former ties to this industry. Please, reclassify ISPs as common carriers, for the good of the Vast Majority, not a handful of lobbyists and CEO's. Enough is enough! Thank you.
—Eugene Resler, Brooklyn, NY

We need the free and honest flow of information on the internet to remain uninhibited. We cannot allow these corporations to continue to buy what happens in this country. This is a dangerous time in world history and if our flow of unbiased information is interrupted because it's inconvenient to Comcasts business interests, we're going to find ourselves in a much more dangerous place very quickly. Do not allow for a fast and slow lane on the Internet; you'll be paving the way too censorship of you do.
—James Kellogg, Los Angeles, CA

The internet has always been the place where everyone is equal. On the internet people tend not to discriminate based on looks or age since you don't always know who you are talking to. The internet is the only place where this exists, so please don't take this away from us. Freedom is an American right.
—Amelia Myers, Severn, MD

Frankly, I visit a lot of very niche sites that wouldn't be able to afford the fast lanes. That, and the ISPs are already screwing us over in every other way possible, do NOT let them give us this final "Fuck You".
—Beau Leslie, Daphne, AL

If there is no neutrality the net loses half of its sense.
—Montserrat Costa Jou, 35100,

If the Internet slows down, I'll just stop using it. You will have killed the goose laying the golden eggs.
—Mason Taylor, Seattle, WA

throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Jared, Marietta, GA

I live in a rural area of Montana, where the internet is one of the few ways to connect to the rest of the world. Increasing the cost of true high-speed internet would have a major negative impact on my quality of life. Everything from entertainment to sharing of medical diagnosis and treatment, to education would be impacted. Please reject tiered fast lanes on the internet.
—Stephen Zettel, Libby, MT

This entire thread on Etsy represents what my comments are: https://www.etsy.com/teams/771 8/questions/discuss/14566549/p age/1
—Heather Doyle, Saint Augustine, FL

THERE ARE DOZENS IF NOT HUNDREDS OF IMPORTANT CHOICES THAT HAVE TO BE MADE EACH YEAR THAT WE HAVE TO WORK TOGETHER ON EACH COMBINING OUR TIME AND EXPERTIZE TO BE ABLE TO REACH THE BEST CHOICES AND CORRECT PAST ERRORS MORE QUICKLY. THE MOST EFFICIENT AND EFFECTIVE WAY WE CAN EVOLVE OUR REPRESENTATIVE SYSTEM OF SOCIETAL INSTITUTIONS MANAGEMENT TO GOVERNMENT OF, BY AND FOR THE PEOPLE IS BY ONE 6 YEAR TERM LIMITS FOR ALL OF OUR REPRESENTATIVES/MANAGERS WORLDWIDE STARTING WITH THE U.S. CONGRESS. EVEN THE POWERS THAT BE WILL BE BETTER OFF BECAUSE FREE PEOPLE, ON A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD, PRODUCE MORE, KEEP MORE AND SHARE MORE. WWW.ONE6YEARTERMLIMITS.ORG
—Mr. Bill Vom Weg, COVINGTON, LA

As a self-employed, single-mom that relies on the Internet professionally net neutrality is very important to me.
—Rachel Cullar, Oakley, CA

Eric Ercanbrack
—Eric Ercanbrack, Portland, OR

Certain things should stay in the "public domain", open for all to use and not subjected to private, for-profit corporate control. The Internet is one of those things. The amazing success of the Internet is based on that fact. It should be declared an "common carrier".
—CHarles R Irwin, Austin, TX

I do not want large companies like Verizon, Comcast, and AT&T deciding what is most important to me on the web. That is MY decision. Mr. Wheeler you should be ashamed of yourself. What are those companies promising you? Full disclosure now!
—Randall Johnson, Charleston, SC

I not only use the Internet for work on a daily basis, but I also use the Internet at home, for both personal and work purposes. If I were not able to utilize the Internet properly to access my work VPN (due to being in the "slow lane" package of a major ISP), it would affect my ability to work from home when required. In addition, I play a lot of online video games at home, and watch a lot of streaming media. Being put into the "slow lane' would affect the majority of my entertainment options at home, affecting my enjoyment of my media. From a business standpoint, I would be less likely to give my business to streaming companies and game developers due to these poor experiences.
—Josh D, Raleigh, NC

The internet should be open to all and should be treated as a utility. Preferential treatment to content providers and discrimination against others is not fair and doesn't promote an open and free internet.
—Adam bland, Presque Isle, ME

Without Net Neutrality, the barrier to entry for startup web services will be dramatically raised, and growth will be severely stunted.
—Jesse Tipton, Fort Worth, TX

Killing Net Neutrality ensures the creation of monopolies in every industry, making innovation nearly impossible. These so-called "fast lanes" and "slow lanes" are an attempt by internet service providers to legalize bribery and censorship for the purpose of making a profit. I am disgusted that the FCC is even considering this.
—Sumayah, Garden Grove, CA

I am not in favor of this multitier internet. I believe that it would birth an internet where I would lose out. Although it might allow for more infrastructure, it would stifle innovation. In fact, I believe that the current isps have enough capital to provide the infrastructure we need.
—Mr. W Lim, Prattville, AL

Everyone deserves the same access to the Internet. Everyone!
—Anne and John Hedberg, Golden, CO

Stop listening to the oligarchs in the industry. They care nothing for the public interest. They are legally required to care only about increasing the return to their stockholders. Your job is to blunt that crass strategy that destroys freedom and democracy. THAT is YOUR legal duty--no matter how impressed you are with the oligarchs. Moneyed people reinterpret everything to get more money.
—Benita Campbell, Burgettstown, PA

A level playing field for worldwide communications is more important than entertainment and the protection of the overwhelming advantage that large companies will enjoy without Net Neutrality.
—William Spaniol, Richmond, VA

In its earliest periods we recognized that certain media have to be available in a neutral manner to ensure the education of our society. We regulate radio and TV. What happened when we allowed those industries to carve off parts of our public airways for commercial gain? They sold it to the highest bidders and effectively made it a situation in which you have to pay to play. I am unable to afford radio and TV provided under these conditions even though I am a college educator. I understand the financial reality that motivates a cable provider to want to charge more to carry content from a company streaming TV and movies, but the same will happen to providers of education material in online degree programs. They will have to pay more and will eventually be priced out of the marketplace for the Internet--and the free exchange of ideas. And the ultimate payer will be the consumer. Again, we will see many Americans shut out of use of what was a national asset until it was chopped up and sold to businesses. Please do not propose or adopt regulations that end net neutrality. The federal government is not a Wall Street company that must sell what it has at the expense of the long-term interests of shareholders so that analysts will be happy with quarterly returns. Make decisions that are in the best interests of everyone now and in the future. Act now to prevent rampant discrimination against citizens who still dream of brighter futures because of America's commitment to liberty for all!
—Cheryl Kettler, Chcicago, IL

High speed digital communications are and will continue to be the backbone (no pun intended) of the 21st century world economy and beyond. The Internet should be a level playing field open to all with equal cost, access and treatment. All packets should be treated equally regardless of their source or destination at the same cost. Net neutrality must be the rule of the Internet. True high-speed switched broadband, 100Mbit or more throughput, must be and should have already been made pervasive in the USA. Over time technology has provided and will continue to provide increases in bandwidth with decreases in total cost per bit. Internet service should be and should remain flat rate. Internet service at current throughput rates should cost significantly less than it does today. Internet service does not cost significantly less today due to the profit motives of the large monopolies allowed control of the infrastructure. The for-profit monopolies routinely attempt to eliminate flat rate pricing. Reference the bandwidth usage caps on so called "unlimited" service. The Internet is an infrastructure "utility public common carrier" service absolutely necessary for a healthy growing 21st century economy. The Internet should not be a for-profit business interest impeding the growth of the economy to extract huge profits from it and certainly not to create privileged service and unprivileged service based upon perceived or actual economic power, influence or importance or the ability to pay a lot more.
—James Zarbock, Lake Forest, CA

As a content creator and aspiring entrepreneur, I depend on a free and open internet to create a living for myself and future employees. Not to mention the obvious cultural and intellectual benefit a free and open internet provides to people worldwide. The internet is one of our most precious resources in the 21st century, and I sincerely believe that it's preservation as an open platform is of utmost importance to ALL of our futures. Regards, Alexander Gohorel
—Alex Gohorel, Delhi, NY

If Net Neutrality is not upheld, kiss the Internet goodbye. It will no longer be useful. It will even be disastrous for commerce. Think about the consequences!!
—William O'Toole, Buckeystown, MD

Because everyone deserves to have the same access to information and knowledge is not something to be reserved for only the upper class!
—Merrill H, Harrisonburg, VA

Because I don't want sites that I might visit to be incredibly slow. In addition, big media and telecom companies should not have the power to control what we as the public sees online.
—Adam Nickle, Lakewood, WA

What I love about the Internet most of all is the way ordinary people can speak to each other, about medical information, about restaurants we like, about sports we love. Giving a fast lane to big corporations will make this interactive space disappear. Please do the right thing.
—Debbie Notkin, Oakland, CA

It is ridiculous to kill Net Neutrality. This is America, not China, and every American should have equal access to the internet.
—Julie Jumonville, San Francisco, CA

Because Internet fast lanes should be open to everyone, regardless of whether or not they can afford the extra fees. Moreover, giant corporations should not be given extra power of any kind over American citizens.
—Julia DeNiro, Columbus, OH

This is ridiculous! with these absurd proposed rules I'd expect you're taking a fat bribe! If this bill passes you'll go down as the most hated man on the internet and throw out any chance of me re-electing you! For gods sake please throw out this horrendous bill and do what's right!
—Jakob Prater, Houston, TX

Net neutrality is EXTREMELY IMPORTANT!!! Listen to the people! It's the people's country, not the governments...
—Tawnee Livingston, Golden, CO

You MUST stand up for the citizens of the US. All other countries make sure broadband is equal and FAIR for their citizens. Some even make it free. They recognize it as a necessary component to stimulate the economy and creativity. Know that we are watching to see if you are favoring your old employers or the citizens you were appointed to PROTECT!!
—Vivian Donahue, Charlottesville, VA

Access to the internet in the United States should not be subject to the whims of corporations whose interests are largely in conflict with those of its customers (e.g., Comcast after its recent purchase of NBC/Universal).
—Colin Teal, Yakima, WA

In my opinion the internet is one of the last things that is free to use without having to pay for it. . I'm tired of big corporations bulling their way in all in the name money. This has got to stop! Mr. Chairman please do the right thing and allow the internet to remain open. Please do this for the little guy. Thank you.
—C Anthony Avalos, Alpine, CA

To keep individual costs down.
—Khloe Praski, Raleigh, NC

Same as telephone lines back in the day, the Internet is used to help people connect to each other. Because the telephone industry has gotten so big, common carrier laws was created in order to ensure that all phone calls were connected and did not discriminate against others. Same should apply for the Internet.
—Charlie Lor, Madison, WI

Neither companies nor individuals should not face speed restrictions on internet access. All information should be available at the highest speed possible. Please consider making internet service a public utility!
—Nicholas Overmire, Cary, NC

Net Neutrality is vastly important to democracy, equality, and the social uplift of each and every person in the world -- not just this nation. Corporations must not be allowed to turn the internet into cable television. That's backwards, unfair, and will do nothing to benefit the world *or* this nation. Fight for neutrality!
—Leyte Jefferson, Waterbury, CT

This is completely unacceptable plan for the internet. An ISP should be classified just like the telecoms and subject to the same rules. Allowing ISP's to separate fast and slow lanes. This is greedy corporate America at it's finest. We pay for internet access as individuals or businesses. That doesn't mean that the ISP's can now start charging at both ends of the pipe to make more money. Grow a backbone Tom Wheeler and stand up for the American people instead of being a spineless corporate puppet. Do the right thing. Make America better, don't contribute to it's downfall. Our political arena's are all ready so corrupt and dysfunctional. DO THE RIGHT THING PLEASE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! Stand up for the American population and not you're wallet! or you're friend's wallet.
—Sean Adams, Renton, WA

Net Neutrality is crucial to a fair, open and viable Internet for all. Please reconsider Mr. Wheeler's plan to create a two-tiered rate and fee structure which cannot help but favor the big players and put the little guys at a distinct disadvantage. Is that really the American way, now I ask you? Please don't let it happen!! Thank you.
—Dennis Jackson, Norco, CA

I get my internet through Verizon wires, and during peak times (the Winter Olympics, for example) I have trouble getting access even now. Allowing companies like Verizon to charge extra for a "fast lane" would simply shut a lot of us out. Please keep the net neutral!
—Paul Wannamaker, Glendora, CA

Without Net Neutrality I simply will not be able to compete with larger businesses online. As a consumer I will be forced to pay more for a service that is already comparitavely sub-standard.
—Dustin Boston, Scottsdale, AZ

Why two tiers other than advantage to the already well advantaged entities? Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers is a straight forward response to retain a free and open Internet.
—Amelia Kroeger, Bloomington, MN

It is fair just the way it is. Do not touch it. for once dont let the rich d____ win. Regards
—Hans T. Pottinger, Lawrenceville, GA

I use the net for information, not just entertainment. I do not wish to have my access to information restricted so that entertainment firms can have more banwidth.
—Paul Goldschmid, Binghamton, NY

The internet is the modern version of freedom. Do not enslave us citizens to tiered systems controlled by large corporations.
—Brandon Arana, Miami, FL

As parts of the net become commercialized they lose their innovation and the power of people to people communication unmediated by corporate interests. I don't want my carrier prioritizing who I can communicate with.or how fast I can do it. The net providers should be like my phone, a common carrier they should not be in the content business or making side deals with content providers that cut me out. We already get screwed by the cable companies and their bundling of channels so I can just get what I want. Is that where the FCC is trying to take the net.
—Gordon Quinn, Chicago, IL

Small businesses will get crushed by large corporations willing and able to pay to play for priority service and greater bandwidth.
—Chris Morrow, Fredericksburg, VA

Expressing myself on the internet is one of the most important things in my life.
—Mary J. Wood, San Luis Obispo, CA

It's really pretty simple: let yourselves cave in to the narrow interests of ISPs; or reclassify ISPs as common carriers and, in doing so, ensure that the Internet will remain a level playing field for all.
—John Brooks, Memphis, TN

If these rules are approved it will put the US even further behind in Internet services then we all ready are. We should be #1 but what are we 12th, 13th or worse..
—Connie Godin, Barre, VT

Just like the telephone was to the 20th century, the internet is the communication technology of the 21st century! Like telephones, water, electricity, sewer and roads, the internet is a modern a public utility, and must be classified as a common carrier! These few powerful corporations want to govern and filter all digital communication. It is worse than thought police. They seek nothing less than to give themselves a total monopoly on thought and ideas-- the gatekeepers to everyone's business and communication-- the ultimate arbiters of innovation and discourse worldwide. This is happening now, in Mexico. It will happen here if you let it. There was a time when the FCC stood for the people of this country. Your forebears regulated against foreign ownership of 20th century media on the basis of national security. Today, the companies and billionaires who stand to benefit from controlling content on the web are more powerful than most governments on Earth and hold no allegiance to anything but themselves. Allowing them to monopolize discourse on the single most important commerce and communications network of all time is dangerously unAmerican. Shame on you, Mr. Wheeler, for even considering these rules you've proposed!!
—Jon Bogdanove, Los Angeles, CA

The bay area, California, is responsible for billions and billions of revenue in the US. Net Neutrality is critical to this, and critical to innovation and growth of the US economy. This is one of the last places we are a definitive leader, and heel dragging by telecom giants is costing us what lead we do have. Stop exacerbating the problem and start defending our lead!
—Jim Erickson, Santa Clara, CA

Net neutrality means EQUAL treatment, everyone mus have access to everything without having to pay more for it! The prices are already too high! This new set of rules will only make it worse. Please, stop this nonsense!
—Hudson César T. Ribeiro, Recife,

Consumers don't need higher cost Internet.
—Paul Rosenberger, Decatur, IL

Losing net neutrality will be costly for consumers like myself. I can't afford to pay the fees that internet providers like AT&T will charge for its use. In addition, other services, like Netflix streaming will cost more. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Keiko Ishida, Saint Louis, MO

The flow of information is important for social, economic and intellectual growth. Look at the printing press created by Gutenberg. With net neutrality in place and the flow of information stunted, it will it turn stunt our nation's growth as well. Please stop before there is a monopoly on the internet business that could be compared to the consolidation of rail road companies in the 1800's. Please discontinue any thought of ruining net neutrality.
—Christopher Hannon, Kennebunk, ME

Net Neutrality is extremely important to me because, as a programmer, I get a lot of help and ideas for programming solutions from free sites like stack overflow. If the internet becomes regulated, my job would become much harder. Not to much how much harder studying for school would become as well
—Michael Berg, Oswego, IL

The Internet should be a public utility like telephone or electric service - available equally to everyone.
—Barbara and Jim Dale, Decorah, IA

This is an awful plan! The internet should be treated just like telephone service.
—Joseph and Marian Rudigier, Tucson, AZ

Allowing a 2-tiered internet is like allowing FedEx, DHL, and UPS to have their own high-speed, well-maintained lanes on our country's highways, while the rest of us drive on pothole-ridden gravel roads. Is ending Net Neutrality really the best thinking that America has to offer on this subject?
—K Martine Smith, Norman, OK

First of all, I don't have television and we don't get radio here without a cable or something. My only source of news and information is the internet which YOU have advocated for high/slow transfer speeds based on whether or not the site has enough money to be blackmailed into paying it. WHY should I be funneled somewhere I don't want to go because some greedy companies want to make more money off of something that belongs to ALL of us? I am really, really angry about this.
—Sherry L. Meddick, Silverado, CA

Not being able to use the Internet and Facebook freely would destroy my 'job' as part of God's ministry. Also, not being able to contact my family and friends on-line would be immensely sad, as this has been the best way to keep up with those who live far away. PLEASE, FCC, do throw out the rules, instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Patricia & Gary Schneider, Pittsburgh, PA

The Internet was developed in America and was enabled by US taxpayer support. The incredible success of American companies online is very strongly related to the ability of these companies to access a level playing field online. Anything that enables regulated telecommunications companies to discriminate against small players jeopardizes the incredible creativity unleashed by the Internet. I do not want to cede this vital public good to the control of communications companies interested only in their own short-term gain.
—Jonathan Moretz, Norfolk, VA

What does this mean? "I'm a strong supporter of the Open Internet, and I will fight to keep the internet open. Thanks again for sharing your views with me. Tom Wheeler Chairman Federal Communications Commission Sounds like a blatant lie.
—Mr Steven J Olenski, Phoenix, AZ

Until we have true competition in ISP's, net neutrality is critical to my use of the internet.
—William Alan Dishman, San Rafael, CA

Look FCC, just stop with this corrupt nonsense and loopholes and grow a back bone. Stand up and protect the people, not give in and cave to whichever company is making the biggest donation that week. The last thing this world needs is ISPs charging extra for two speeds because it will catch on in other countries and thus we, the consumers, get screwed yet again. Do the right and moral thing for the people.
—Paul Bowden, ,

The internet is my contact with the outside world since I am full-time caregiver for my invalid husband. I cannot abide the loss of freedom and access you are about to allow through this new plan. There is far too much control being given to corporations that can price-fix and truly destroy what the internet is all about for people like me, for school children who use it for research, and the bottom line is that this is simply WRONG for Americans.
—Nancy Burleson, Birmingham, AL

A free and open internet is a basic right in society. There should be no fast lane for companies. It is time to regulate the internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. David English, MBA, DBA
—David English, Tillamook, OR

Net neutrality is too important to be left in the hands of large corporations whose only loyalty is to their shareholders, and whose motives are focused on profits, rather than the public good. Reclassify the internet as what it truly is: a telecommunications utility that many Americans rely on for access to vital information. I rely on the internet for access to records and scholarship, as an academic researcher - and I can guarantee that research libraries don't have the funds to compete with corporations like Netflix or Apple to stay in "the fast lane". The proposed rules do not do enough to protect ALL Americans' access to the internet, and I would love to see the FCC reconsider its proposals and put the public good at the heart of its decisions.
—Rachael Vorberg-Rugh, Vancouver, WA

The need to protect equal access is so elementary that it boggles the mind to think that proposals to the contrary will not be met with increasing opposition!
—Hugh Ballem, Cincinnati, OH

Americans should continue to enjoy and benefit from a free internet that doesn't discriminate between ISPs and those who create content but aren't backed by high-profile distributors. Don't create a two-tiered system.
—Lisa Liebman, New York, NY

Without net neutrality new innovation would be stiffled. American broadband costs 10x as much as European services for much lower speeds.
—Adam Silva-Miramon, Rochester, NY

Keine zwei-Klassen Gesellschaft! Auch nicht im Netz.
—Lorenz Veit, ,

The internet was created by the Federal Government NOT Comcast, Verizon and the other ISP's. Thus, the internet belongs to ALL of the people, not just the ISP's. Hence, there should be equal access to the entire internet to ALL people, not just the ones who can afford it. Comcast and the rest of the ISP's trying to shut down Net Neutrality are too lazy and cheap to build out the internet as is being done in much of the rest of the developed world like Europe and Asia. It is embarrassing that Google is building its own Gigabit internet service here in America because the big guys won't. What is worse, Comcast and Company do not want others who are willing to build out the internet to do just that, just so they can maintain control and a monopoly over it. Well if the big ISP's won't invest in the internet infrastructure, then don't stop local governments and others from doing it and do NOT eliminate Net Neutrality. You people at the FCC should be ashamed of yourselves for doing the bidding of Comcast, Verizon et al. Your job is to do the bidding of the people and protect them, not a couple of special interests. You really need to think about the long term effects of allowing these big ISP's to have their way and eliminating Net Neutrality. To do that will have a very negative impact on the internet, free expression and creation of jobs. There is an entire industry that has been created because of the low barrier of entry into business created by Net Neutrality. Billions of dollars have been generated and hundreds of thousands, if not millions of people are able to work because of Net Neutrality. Without such Net Neutrality, many of the businesses that are a success today would not exist and those that will try to start and grow in the future will not have a chance because they or their customers cannot AFFORD the FAST lane access fees Comcast and the others want to charge. So again, I implore you to think long and hard about doing the bidding of those who ask you to eliminate Net Neutrality and look to the type of future you will be creating if Net Neutrality is abolished.
—John, Alexandria, VA

Freedom of information is so important to our democracy. Letting service providers deter people from getting information from lesser-known sources (who can't pay extra fees) handicaps consumers. Service providers already profit from the Internet, which was built by TAXPAYERS, THANK YOU - at no cost to them. Don't give into their greed or give them this kind of power over our information.
—Kim Buck, Arlington Heights, IL

As a teacher I see how much my students depend on the internet for research and information. To make a 2-tiered system that is expensive will disenfranchise many of my students. Don't further the second class citizen nature of lower income people by stealing their chance for equal access to education!
—Sydney Wallace, Ellicott City, MD

I own a small business which cannot compete with larger companies on paying for better internet access to my site. Please do not allow the gatekeepers to decide which content deserves the best access.
—William Conrad, CORSICANA, TX

Please do not let these big business gatekeepers hijack the people's internet. This is an issue of the utmost importance to a free and democratic America. Honor President Obama's promise to keep a free and open internet unencumbered by unnecessary tiers for those who can afford to pay more. Sincerely, Janice Berg
—Janice Berg, Redmond, WA

The free and open internet is good for accessing knowledge unrestricted. Competition is good and a closed or 'fast/slow' lane gives and unfair advantage to the wealthy companies, hurts small business
—Tony Hamilton, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality is important to me because it means I can run an app on any network without concern that the ISP is going to block the app from working on their network, and I will not have to pay more to get a higher tiered network speed, they charge enough all ready. What happened with the telephone company is happening with the likes of AT&T and Comcast, they are monopolies and there are laws to protect the users from these companies from controlling a market and forcing unfair practices on us.
—Bob Edwards, elk grove village, IL

Free means free. These proposals do not allow the Internet to be free.
—Jack Parsons, ,

I am one of those who will be a "loser" if Tom Wheeler's plan goes through. I use the internet on and off most of the day. I am a volunteer for two different non-profits and need access to update their websites, to send and receive emails, and to do research. Slowing my access will be disastrous to me and to the very worthy organizations I work for. And I'm just one person. Think of me -- and all the others who will not be able to pay to be "on the fast track." Please protect net neutrality for all! Thank you.
—David S & Lisa, OAKLAND, CA

I'm so tired of the double standards of the afluenza.
—Gloria Morrison, Pecos, TX

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Michael Khalifeh, Mclean, VA

The internet is not the playground of the wealthy and powerful, nor should it be. It must continue to remain as easy and *equal* for rich and poor alike to access information at speed. We already pay -- dearly -- for access. There is no reason to give these corporations more money, and the chance to bleed us dry.
—Jennifer Cyr, Waterbury, CT

According to your recent comments what you call "net neutrality" is anything but that. It calls for preferential fast lanes for those who pay. This guarantees that this two tier result will trash the open net as we know it and will certainly result in poorer performance for the common user and also higher fees. The only sensible solution is to abandon the current proposal and reclassify the ISPs as common carriers. This has a chance of being regulated in a fair way.
—Joseph Hueser, Longmont, CO

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers
—Rick Hart, Austin, TX

I communicate with many of my friends through the internet. If I did not have a free internet, I would not be able to interact with them. This is very important to me.
—Ana Keenum, Haltom City, TX

Internet Service Providers should be regulated as Common Carriers provide the same high-speed service to all users.
—Paul J Eichten, Syracuse, NY

I am a retired librarian who worked in a technical/community college librarian. Our students are NOT wealthy people yet they deserve access to information on an even footing with wealthy people - democracy in action -yes!!!
—Cary Lafaye, Columbia, SC

Too much of television media is controlled by large corporations, thereby allowing for the bias of news programs that are necessary for a free and democratic society. The internet has filled in this gap and should be allowed to function as it to allow for free and equal access to information.
—David Mayer, Olympia, WA

The taxpayers of the U.S. paid for the construction of the internet through their military tax dollars. As such, We The People own it; and We The People shouldn't become second-rate users of the system just be We The Greedy Telecomm Corporations think that their money makes them "special": it doesn't.
—Jim McElroy, Austin, TX

Treat the Internet as a public Utility with equal public access for all users large corporate or human-being small. Thank you.
—John Hogue, Langley, WA

The Net is to important to be a tool for Verizon to make money.
—Charlie Llewellin, Austin, TX

The Internet should not privilege one group over another. The Internet must remain open and equal to all of us. Reclassify as a common carrier.
—Linda Bolduan, Lake Oswego, OR

Freedom of speech, freedom of choice, and freedom of press. Why should there not be a freedom of net? An open internet is an open world! Don't end net neutrality!
—Nick Brady, Topeka, KS

The internet has become an essential service for the public and one of the last bastions of free speech
—Dustin Downs, Victoria,

The internet was developed by the American government and therefore belongs to the American people, not corporations. The internet is a public utility even if service providers refuse to acknowledge it as such. Do not allow service providers to hijack our utility to increase their profits. America was built by individuals looking for equal justice and opportunity not by corporations seeking a profit.
—Jeannette Selan, Chesapeake, VA

Dear FCC, The internet is one of our most important resources in the world today, allowing easy world-wide economic competition, the ability to quickly and easily organize large groups of like-minded people and access to a vast wealth of knowledge. It is essential that the internet be classified as utility such as to ensure equal access to all peoples and to beat back the tremendous power corporations hold in governmental affairs. Ensure that America stays the land of the free, not the land of the paid, and classify the internet as a utility to ensure universal equal access. Sincerely, Michael Schramm
—Michael Schramm, Ithaca, NY

The Internet works fine as it is. Please don't change it!
—Donovan McCall, Wichita, KS

The internet has become a necessity for everyone to be able to access. It is a utility, not optional entertainment.
—Robin L Moore, Seattle, WA

Dear Mr. Wheeler: A two-tiered internet would economically devastate small businesses and destroy the last truly democratic venue for the free exchange of information in this country. Implement these new measures and you will be partially responsible for hammering the final coffin nail into American democracy. Search your conscience. Stand up to greedy monopolies like Comcast, Verizon and AT&T and protect American freedom. Don't end net neutrality. Sincerely, Curt Chiarelli
—Curt Chiarelli, McMinnville, OR

one speed for everyone. Cablevision just sent me a ad for faster speed for five dollars more. What a rip off. Repeal the monopoly for these carriers and enable ala carte selections without the bundling.
—Paul Bliss, VALHALLA, NY

Internet neutrality is freedom of speech, the right for all parties to communicate regardless of where they stand with corporate gatekeepers. The right to assemble openly in a digital space. Upholding neutrality is upholding the Bill of Rights.
—Earl Rexrode, Charlottesville, VA

The internet needs to remain a public resource....not for profit
—Elizabeth Cross, Rancho Mirage, CA

This proposal would kill the open internet and essentially eradicates the liberty our country was founded upon. Please end any further projects or discussions that only benefit Plutocrats as well as Mega-corporations like these. It's bad enough raising a child in a single-income home and being overcharged for internet and basic cable services simply because Comcast has no competitors in my district. When does the FCC get back to its mission of protecting our democratic voice?
—Christopher Lippa, Sandwich, MA

The Internet has proven itself to be an open medium for both people's voices and for technological development. Providing easier access for those who already have greater resources and access, and thereby making it more difficult for those who have less, is unnecessary and unfair, and undermines the open nature that the Internet has always had. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Ivan Rhudick, San Francisco, CA

If FCC ends Net Neutrality, it will signal a new normal to ISPs that allows them to neglect lower speed networks and invest only in higher speed premium networks. It will be like a frog in water that is being heated gradually. FCC is the frog.
—John Walling, Seattle, WA

Leave the internet alone we like free internet not controled internet, are we in the usa or china? one wonders with the way the gov trying to push a one world gov.
—Robert Splittorff, elkhart, IN

the so-called government is using tactics that totalitarian governments and "leaders" have always used to steal rights and freedoms from their "subjects" and that includes you chairman tom wheeler, if you would take some time to think about it, and America is getting tired of this assault on out way of life. these criminals are scared to death that their days in power are numbered {and they are}. their fall will happen and it will be accomplished as peacefully as possible but right will prevail
—Randy Gleason, Penn Yan, NY

Apparently money is freedom of speech but internet access isn't.
—Timothy Biel, Chicago, IL

As an American citizen and taxpayer I need full access to the internet to make informed decisions and allowing a two-tiered internet will destroy that!!
—Dr. Mha Atma S. Khalsa, Los Angeles, CA

This country is a republic with democratic ideals...NOT a plutocracy!
—Eric Andresen, Olney, MD

I'm a small web development business owner. Please don't make it more difficult for my clients to launch a successful web presence.
—Larry Holish, Bartlett, IL

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers because that's what they are!
—B Gelinas, Fitchburg, MA

We are all cyber-users, and should be treated equally. We should not be able to buy into faster speed! Just make the whole Internet faster for all! STOP FAVORING THE TOP ONE PERCENT OF CORPORATIONS,
—Joel I. Friedman, Davis, CA

I want to be able to see and find things on the internet that are of my choosing. Not the choice of those with enough money to influence the speed of delivery.
—Joanne Fetting, whitefish bay, WI

The public is becoming increasingly aggravated with the control that corporations are asserting over our daily lives and the internet will be the last straw. The internet is a far too important and useful commodity for it to be run and controlled by a select few. It's sad to admit that many other countries have better internet access than we do. If this issue is not resolved, I believe the public will revolt since internet is so deeply ingrained into our everyday lives. Privacy has already been taken away. Do not allow more to be taken away as well.
—Michael Perna, River Forest, IL

I want net neutrality. Does it really matter why? You exist to serve the American people, not corporations. I want ISP's reclassified as title 2 common carriers.
—Jonathan Wayman, Salt Lake City, UT

Give the people and nation you nominally serve the public services required for new businesses and individuals to prosper, communicate, and educate. That is the just thing to do.
—Mark Goold, San Francisco, CA

We need net neutrality because democracy can't function without the free exchange of ideas. In today's America, a significant portion of the way we learn and communicate is Internet-based. We all have the right to access a free and open Internet.
—Chelsea Williamson, Omaha, NE

ISPs already screw over consumers enough, letting connections throttle as internet traffic tries to get through congested pathways. They make billions, but can't upgrade their infrastructure to deliver the speeds consumers pay for already. Don't give them another way to stop customers from getting what they pay for!
—Jacob, Pittsfield, MA

This cannot pass! Keep the net neutral!
—Patrick Cicere, Chicago, IL

ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers!!
—Franz Oppacher, Almonte,

I remember the slow speed of the dial-up modem. I like the speed of today's Internet. I do not want to be relegated to the 1990s by cable companies or ISP. Please retain a democratic 'Net.
—George Maslyar, Washington, DC

Net Neutrality is one of the great equalizers in the world wide web. Without it free speech is greatly impeded. Creativity and innovation benefit greatly from its existence. So please...keep net neutrality. The majority of people all around the world do not want a 2 class society so do not make another step into one.
—Robin Talke, Dortmund,

Internet should not be sold or held hostage by big companies. I would keep protesting and will encourage everyone to protest and keep calling our senators and congressmen till this new proposed laws are discarded.
—Irfan, Gainesville, VA

Without Net Neutrality, you're basically pushing more and more issues up to you. These companies would basically ruin anything we could do on the internet, and when did things go so far that old men have to control and profit from everything?! Enough is damned enough! As a teen, I already have limited privacy and control, let me keep this one thing!
—Jenn Haggerty, Purcellville, VA

The Internet is a vehicle to promote new ideas and intrapreneurship. If you give away that neutrality of the Internet to big companies only the corporations with Deep pockets will be able to spread their message
—Andrés M Salguero, Reston, VA

this is a public UTILITY and should remain so..
—Melanie Dupre, Providence, RI

The primary position of the US in the world internet is already badly shaken. The internet should be declared no different than TV or radio as a medium of communication that must not offer fast track service to those who can pay the most. This is important for our overall economy although some extremely rich executives and stockholders will not be able to get yet richer if you do the right thing. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. My work-related use of the internet depends on it not being slower for the sake of streaming movies faster to the enrichment of those already unfairly and exhorbitantly rich!
—Melanie Ehrlich, New Orleans, LA

allowing this kind of internet discrimination will kill grassroots commerce and give way too much control to the ISPs. Their are many people who have lost their jobs and had to resort to entrepreneurship to simply to make an honest living and survive the recession that the BIG MONEY companies have created in the first place! Please stop stepping on our ability to start up and maintain small online business. Its unamerican to not let everyone have a fair chance on the internet.
—Jackie Cleveland Cleveland, Valencia, CA

Get rid of the current rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Johanna Cummings, Rochester, NY

The people of this country can't afford yet another setback.
—Steve Bianchi, Newcastle, CA

Do you even care about what you do any more? You've given so much power to these companies already. Now you want to give them more? The internet was not created by any of the companies that control its access and accessibility. They only have one thing on their mind and that is profits. Those profits come at a cost and that cost will be beared SOLELY by small consumers.
—Andrew Ciszczon, NORTH RIDGEVILLE, OH

An open internet is integral to democracy. We must have the ability to load all websites at the same speed.
—Amy Birdwell, Garland, TX

I dont see the benefits of franchising the domain, were already thousands of businesses exist. Small online businesses, and some of my favourite websites wont be able to afford these fees to support their websites. I dont agree with these purposed rules.
—Nadia Luis, Houston, TX

Please protect the average American by classifying ISP's as common carriers. Please do not turn control of this wonderful resource over to the big ISP's as there is NO reason to think they will act in the best interest of users.
—Mark Freeman, Green Ridge, MO

Net Neutrality made the internet what it is today. Abandoning it now would fundamentally change the shape of the internet for the worse.
—Nicholas Lane, Whitmore Lake, MI

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—Ian C Tanttari, Saint Paul, MN

I have already commentated that a two tier system won't work for me. I won't be able to afford the fast lane the I need. Your going to put a lot of people's computers rendered useless because there will be no reason to have a fast computer. Not to mention the whole computer industry will be shaken up.
—Rodney Nelson, Aberdeen, ID

I run a graphics freelance business and rely almost exclusively on my website to sell my services. Needless to say my site must load large photos quickly especially with today's large boardroom wall monitors. If I have to compete with corporate giants for speed I will be blown off the playing field.
—Carolyn Dean, Morristown, TN

Everyone should have equal access and speed on the Internet. It is shameful that many countries have faster and cheaper service than we do in this country. The Internet should bepart of the commons.
—Vicki Price, Arlington, TX

Net Neutrality strengthens our democracy.
—Derek Allen Young, Charlottesville, VA

Net Neutrality keeps the Internet democratic. Please keep the Internet democratic. It's what we believe in.
—Thomas Trevorrow, Orlando, FL

This is just another way to separate the haves and the have- nots.
—Sondra Boes, Campbell, CA

Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Ravikant Singh, Floral Park, NY

If this plan goes through, it helps no one but the higher ups of bigger companies. It also makes the system flawed as these companies could be bribed to put high prices on certain pages against the client. This helps no one that needs help and should be stopped right away.
—Kegan Huntley, Dubuque, IA

Internet access is the most important and unregulated utility. There is no excuse for this lack of government regulation of broadband providers as common carriers except for corruption and influence pedaling. I will be spending my money to fight this any way I can. If you fail to regulate broadband providers I will be on the streets of Washington protesting along with thousands of other people.
—Patrick McMaster, Athens, GA

The little guys who do not have much money would have to go to the end of the line, and get vastly inferior service. It is not fair.
—Cecilia Seabrook, crest hill, IL

Why have a semantic argument? The internet is a common carrier de facto. Now we just need the proper regulation.
—John Dorsey, Baltimore, MD

A Two Tier paying internet would be highly unfair to the vast majority of people and increase the inequality and injustice in an already highly unfair world. Already the poor ,in fact , have more need of the internet than the better off and have less access to it through the price of computers and gaining the skills necessary to use them and this further complication would really be very damaging indeed,
—Alexander Cunningham, EDINBURGH,

The free flow of information is essential to a functioning democracy - as essential as water and electricity are to a functioning community. In my opinion, the democratizing influence of having a free and open internet may be the last thing standing between the United States and oligarchy. I cannot overstate the importance of preserving Net Neutrality.
—Andrea Metzger, Denver, CO

Virtually all media in America is currently controlled by large corporate entities. There is no longer a reliable source of uncensored news in this country. The internet is the last bastion of unencumbered communication, which is why the aforementioned corporate entities wish to rein it in. We are the people government is allegedly by, for and of. You are the government. Please do your job.
—Thom Trunnell, Knoxville, TN

Please keep the internet free. Our country needs to keep our internet neutral and accessible to everyone.
—Eric Steffen, Richmond, CA

Please dump the idea of allowing Internet Providers to charge for speeding up certain sites. This gives large companies with more funds an unreasonable advantage over small businesses. It also has the potential to kill the innovation that equal access has created on the Internet. I have no use for an Internet dominated by a few old players that have nothing new to offer. Keep the Internet open by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. The Internet belongs to all of us and we must keep it that way or we'll lose the most important benefits of it. Thank you.
—Lynn Ross, Denver, CO

Without unfettered and unlimited access to the Internet, our ability to keep ourselves informed will be greatly compromised! The big providers will have the ability to stifle innovation and information by giving preferential treatment to those willing to pay the most to the detriment of those that can't afford to compete.
—David Caligiuri, Buffalo, NY

FCC reclassified internet (from common carrier, ie. telecommunications) to information carrier back in 2005. It was this terrible mistake practically giving the net to private corporate interests that opened the door for even further degradation of what's supposed to be a free / open internet. This is not what our evolving democracy / internet is sop posed to be. Now, U'r even considering enabling these corporate giants (anathema to a true capitalist system, for they should've never been able to merge into these behemoths that they've become - if only the Sherman antitrust laws were enforced) to create a two tiered system and pick winners and losers, not to mention put a great deal of businesses out of business. Then there's our (the very same taxpayers that funded the devopement of internet to begin with) access to the internet that will now be decided upon who's willing to pay these behemoths. This is not a free / open internet. THE FCC CAN / SHOULD DO ITS JOB BY SIMPLY RECLASSIFYING THE INTERNET AS A COMMON CARRIER , TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICE - BECAUSE THIS IS WHAT THE INTERNET HAS MORPHED TO IN OUR NEW HI-TECH / EVOLVING WORLD. THE FCC HAS THE POWER TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE COMMON GOOD AND UNDO THEIR MISTAKE OF 2005 AND RECLASSIFY INTERNET. THE QUESTION IS WHETHER THE FCC IS BEHOLDEN TO THE PEOPLE AND A FREE AND OPEN INTERNET FOR ALL, OR THE MONEYED / CIRPORATE INTERSTS - THAT ARE / WILL ALWAYS BE CINTRARY TO THE COMMON GOOD.
—Harry Kondiles, Las Vegas, NV

If this passes then we all may as well live in China or some other country that censors the internet! I believe the only reason this would pass is because this is no longer a democracy with free speech. I don't want someone else to decide what I need to be able to read or not read. At this point I see that the only people who will benefit is the people who will make money off of it. As far as I know, the government is not supposed to be run by the corporations, but that is what is happening. The "people" don't approve of your actions.
—Kristy Johnson, Mount Shasta, CA

Please throw out your rules and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Judy Epstein, Minneapolis, MN

world communications should not be shed like a snakeskin on the threshold of greed.
—Andrew Lenz, Leverett, MA

I cannot believe in our democracy (do we really have a democracy these days with greed being the power and those with money getting the power to change laws and rights to make more money?) that the FCC would allow these companies to have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Michael Bilecki, brookhaven, NY

We have enough divisions in this country-don't let the internet become another one. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—John Champine, Sarasota, FL

Without net neutrality, how are new businesses going to start up with a slow speed.
—Bede Nigatu, Minneapolis, MN

Net Neutrality is good for the economy.
—Daniel Pollman, Shelbyville, IN

I want the government to stop censoring.
—John Kramer, Marshfield, MA

Because is there any real freedom in the world beside internet?
—Vladimir, ,

Net neutrality is vital to maintaining the freedoms of the average American.
—Madeline Craig, Bethesda, MD

Your job is to protect the Net for ALL Americans, not just the wealthy, or the corporations. Do your job.
—Paul Carrigan Jr, Seattle, WA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. An open internet is the one reliable way I have of keeping in touch with people and is a learning resource that I need to improve my life. An unbalanced internet would take away opportunities from thousands of people.
—Suzy Rickard, ,

The internet is a freeway for the common man. It must be classified as a common carrier.
—Douglas A Pickarts, Wichita, KS

The internet is vital to my livelihood and business. Don't discriminate against small businesses by introducing laws that favour big corporations!
—Kate Holden, ,

nf2458@gmail.com
—Nathanael Fernandez, New York, NY

Please don't destroy the Internet as we know it. Don't mess with success, don't kowtow to the super-moneyed few. Your job is to protect the public's interest, right? I'm counting on you to do just that. Tom Surowicz
—Tom Surowicz, Minneapolis, MN

Keep the internet democratic, reject these two tier rules.
—Craig Schaffer, Dothan, AL

The restriction of data restricts our countries greatest asset in this day and age. Innovation through freedom creates oppritunity for all.
—Nick Smiley, Santa Cruz, CA

The Big Com companies didn't pay for the development of it. It benefits all Americans and should remain open, not a cash cow for big business to suck dry.
—Bill Roseberry, Levittown, PA

I spend over 10,000 times the amount of time I use my cell phone in a month. The Internet is a utility just like phone service and should be treated like a phone.
—Charles Smith, Blaine, WA

Net Neutrality is essential and it must be free.
—Martha W D Bushnell, Boulder, CO

If I pay for 40Megabit internet, I want to use that for whatever I want. A bit is a bit is a bit. It should not matter who it's going to or what company sent it.
—Ian T Grinde, Minneapolis, MN

FCC throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Asbjørn Frisvold, ,

Net neutrality is important to me because information should not be impeded in any way.
—Cory Carte, Crestview, FL

I'm the owner of a small business, and we build web software applications for other small businesses and startups. Your new rules put our company and the businesses of our clients at risk by making it really challenging to compete as a new business. These new rules favor big businesses and encourage monopoly, which is directly in conflict with your mission. Additionally, your rules favor the gentrification of information. The poor and middle class will have less access to information and education than the wealthy, which will increase the gap and hurt our nation's economy. Please reconsider these terrible rules. Thank you.
—Lauren Russell, Eugene, OR

I am involved in animal rescue. Verizon blocks my service for 24 hours at times now because they say I send too much email. (I send only to animal rescues and individual rescuers.) What will happen when these companies control all facets of my use? When these emails don't go out, animals DIE!!
—Kathleen Eaton, Middletown, DE

Your proposed rules stink. They add privilege for the overprivileged. They let the wires pick what they carry. Your rules make democracy even more difficult. Internet Service Providers are indeed common carriers, and should have no say in what messages they deliver. Wise up!
—John McPeek, Fairfax, VA

The internet has been an incredibly important game-changer in human history. We cannot allow short-sighted profit-seeking to kill off this amazing source of innovation. We need to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Kenneth Koski, Minneapolis, MN

Big corporations like AT&T, Comcast, Verizon need to compete fair, with an open internet for EVERYONE, not just those that can pay for it.
—Kiera Beddes, Nephi, UT

I do not want certain parties to have a "fast lane" when it comes to internet communications. The net result of that policy will be control of the internet by the rich--hardly something anyone who believes in democracy would accept.
—Mr. Richard Fidler, Traverse City, MI

It is the job of our elected officials to protect the people and their rights not the interests of big corporations. Do the right thing and protect true net neutrality. Please.
—Jared Caruso, Denver, CO

Currently the internet is a great equalizer. With a minimal barrier to entry, almost anyone can be heard. Those who were once voiceless can now have a voice. Net neutrality ensures that. Ending net neutrality would give money more power than it already has online. Real barriers to entry could - and very likely would - develop that would prevent those less financially fortunate from having a voice. A net-neutral internet is the epitome of freedom of expression, and a crowning achievement of democracy. Opinions and information flow freely through it, allowing people access to everything they might need to make their own informed decisions. But you would have us cast aside all of this for nothing more than greed. We stand to gain NOTHING from the loss of net neutrality! The rich will get richer, and the voices of the poor will be drowned under their mountains of money.
—Jordan Bridgman, San Luis Obispo, CA

giant corporations shouldn't be allowed to charge folks for what was once and always free to all. Whats next, air we breathe
—Jason Trentlyon, New York, NY

I believe it is important for their to be democratic equality on the internet. Unless Net Neutrality is available to everyone, corporate power will again squash people power.
—Mr. Mark Gannett, Tacoma, WA

Absolutely not - the internet (like the elections) should NOT be for sale.
—Christina Maris, Albuquerque, NM

a blatant double-standard such as what has been proposed should not even be on the table! Lets get serious about protecting the internet which is the foundation of our future economy (if not the present) ComCast/Verizon/etc make plenty of money for their shareholders as it is. They need no additional favors!
—Jame Mackson, St. Paul, MN

Net Neutrality is important to everyone, not just me. Even if it isn't admitted, net neutrality is important to us all because it ensures freedom of speech [on the internet]. You probably fall on the wrong side of the argument but, to the "little people" it is more important than ever to preserve a space, an entity, where we are all equal and treated as such. I honestly just hope enough people speak up and make as big a deal about this as they should so that you have to listen because, at the rate we're going, it's clear that you have no interest in doing so now. The voices you are listening to resound with "ca-chings." You hold the answer, the power, to relieve this entire situation. To ensure that the freedoms we founded this country on are preserved for future generations. Seriously, just think about it. Just do the right thing.
—Jessica perry, Somerville, NJ

We already give these greedy companies enough money, this would ruin low income household who can barely afford they're already high bill for lousy service.
—Curtis Hart, Tarzana, CA

This would basically allow for a form of corporate censorship, more then already exists, and that's unacceptable.
—Darren O'Tell, Worcester, MA

It is a level playing field at this time, and that is the way it should be, not according to how much money one has to pay for these services.
—Edie Hanahan, Castle Rock, CO

A free and unfettered internet is vital to the FREE exchange of ideas. It is not for the use of wealthy corporations to restrict those ideas for a profit.
—Steven Mondel, Farmingdale, NJ

Net Neutrality is an important facility that enables free and relatively open to discussion, essential for any democratic society. Destructive corporate greed and control should not be considered at all.
—Terry Morton, Korumburra,

Please don't allow the monopolization of the internet.
—Alexi, Ellicott City, MD

This proposal which you want to make big internet providers forcing users to pay extra fees for people who can afford it and make the internet slower for the rest of the people who can't afford it which it's a bad idea because it will damage the economy of this country for people who going to start their own businesses and the companies are keeping their businesses going and providing jobs. Including, it will destroy another way of communication to talk with friends, aquitaincs and family members. Also, people won't access in the internet for educational purposes and hobby purposes if this happens. So, please I suggest to keep the internet open and free including reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Edward, Queens Village, NY

the current structure of the Internet has enabled an incredible explosion of innovation. Killing net neutrality and enabling some large companies to have most of the share of the band width of a lable will mean the small newcomers can no longer take advantage of the facilities that in open net enables.
—Carsten R Dreesbach, Alexandria, VA

The internet is for everyone, not just the rich! Don't let them segregate what we've all come to rely on!
—Nick Dickerson, Parma, ID

I am trying to think of how to say this so that you will hear my words, but all I can say is that we have had a great equalizer in terms of gaining information with the Internet. Take that away and make it dependent upon having money, and you have lost the opportunity to be fair and impartial. And that unfairness and pandering to corporate money will be your legacy.
—Susan Stutz, Cherry Valley, MA

The internet should be controlled as a telecommunications resource. It is as important to our lives as a telephone. To allow select companies to dominate and do there own selection of who get access and who does not will greatly restrict our ability to utilize a resource that has always had universal access since the days of ARPANET.
—John Gustafson, Mooresville, NC

The internet is where I spend most of my free time, and without protecting equality of service and accessibility on the internet, you are effectively discriminating against those like myself, who go online in order to find a less biased and free form of communication, or who simply wish to enjoy services which are not well represented well in mainstream media. You will be choking off the freedom of expression and information that the internet is so beloved for by many. The idea of any action against net neutrality is repulsive to myself and many others, and I would consider it akin to the removal of one of my fundamental rights.
—Di Gillham, St. Thomas,

I urge you to scrap the plan to create a two tiered Internet. I don't want ISPs like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon to have fast track privileges.
—James Holland, San Diego, CA

Why create discrimination where it doesn't exist? Our culture often exposes individual accomplishment & hard work, but time and again, we vote to favor positions of privilege. Why? Let us just allow equal access to all those that wish to reach others via the Internet protect net neutrality. Please.
—Courtney Tolbert, Washington, DC

The internet was created to help people share and exchange ideas. Your 'plan' will create an environment that does the exact opposite. Please don't proceed with this proposal.
—Brodi Cole, Chicago, IL

Because I am a poor person and I believe I am as worthy as anyone else of quality of life. I am handicapped and disabled, live on Social Security and this proposal discriminates against the poor.
—Gloriamarie Amalfitano, San Diego, CA

I don't want corporations ruling the internet world. The internet is the most open and the freest place that exists today. Net Neutrality matters!
—Lee Marriott, Moclips, WA

There is NO way that the average American can have the same clout that Comcast, Verizon, etc have, the internet must remain free and neutral.
—Vern Maresh, Albuquerque, NM

Please nullify the current rules concerning "open internet" and instate stringent protection. Reclassify Broadband under Title 2, regulate ISP's like Telecommuncations common carriers. Create a law that will not allow the current Oligopoly to continue to extort Amerixan citizens and violate our first amendment right to free speech and press. I clarify: the current rules are unconstitutional and ISP's are acting in blatant violation of the First Amendment. Everyone has the right to be heard, and everyone has the right to hear what is being said. Not faster or slower depending on how much someone can pay; every American citizen has equal rights to free speech, press and assembly. Wether in physical locations or digital, on the ground or in the cloud, like 1st amendment right apply.
—Oskar Johansson-Theiss, Girdwood, AK

ISPs should be common carriers. The internet is as close to a necessity in the modern world as any other of our needs. Stop catering to big business and at least try to keep the facade of democracy up.
—Juan Madrid, Catskill, NY

Net neutrality is the only way to guarantee a level playing field on the internet. Without it, startups stand to be stifled, and with them, innovation.
—Vince Rosalia, Bedford, NH

For the reasons already stated above!!!
—Diane Frank, Scottsdale, AZ

Another way to shaft the middle class! It seems like corporations with all their money & power will be favored once again. My internet & cable fees are high enough as it is. If your plan is enacted, they may increase beyond our means.
—Priscilla Kinnick, Stillwater, OK

I'm already on a slow dirt road because I'm a rural resident with crappy satellite service (Hughes Net) that I pay an exorbitant fee for and get snail speed. No other options are available. I hate that the rich and powerful get their way and the rest of us can "go pound sand".
—William Budge, Huson, MT

The nation is watching. Will you represent your constituents or the wealthy/corporate America?
—Carol Romie, Centerville, OH

Figuratively speaking, I want to have my cake and eat it, too. If this bill is passed, you're making us decide which is more important, having no internet or having only select internet websites.
—Francis Kelly Sales IV, Pflugerville, TX

The internet is for everyone, plain & simple, and is one of the most equal playing fields for common folk & businesses alike that exists where everyone can benefit and grow with the resources it provides. Please ensure that Net Neutrality is a mainstay forever.
—Tom Keys, Gresham, OR

We all know that a two-tiered internet will result in additional costs being passed along to consumers. I am retired and living on a fixed income. My costs already exceed the COLAs that are provided. Don't make me pay for another cost increase.
—James A. Kline, Bayfield, CO

I think you're moving to favoritism for large corporate interest and taking freedom of the Internet from small businesses. Please classify ISPs as common carriers.
—James Verberkmoes, Roseburg, OR

There are only six media content providers/conglomerates in the United States today that control the majority of what we consume. Gifting them the internet would monopolize information. That isn't democracy. That isn't the free market. That's tyranny. The open internet matters. To disregard it is to disregard everyone who experiences it, and it treats us like the enemy.
—Ross Funderburke, Tallahassee, FL

We should ALL have the fastest lane possible.
—Robert Lehan, Westfield, MA

If it's not open, then it's not the Internet. The free flow of thought regardless of economic clout is fundamental to other freedoms. Don't usher America into a corporate dark age.
—Jeff Miller, Springfield, MO

The internet has been such an amazing tool to foster democracy by giving ordinary people access to valuable information. Everyone should have equal access and service with no winners and losers. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you
—Ms. DebbieAiona Aiona, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality is crucial to modern life. Besides potentially opening dangerous doors for other countries' internet policies, the loss of Net Neutrality will stifle creation, innovation, and progress in all areas, from art to STEM fields. It will also be detrimental to anyone who works their job remotely and can't access a "fast lane" connection. Not to mention that internet discrimination will cut off much-needed lifelines for people who are homebound, ill, or in abusive situations, where online activity may be the only thing keeping them afloat. Protect Net Neutrality and prove that America is still a great nation, committed to freedom.
—Lk, Conway, AR

Please remember that the government is meant to serve all Americans, not just corporate lobbyists.
—Adam Anderson, Edina, MN

Access to information should not be restricted to only those with big bucks. Much information that I get is sponsored by individuals' support of the website not corporations with deep pockets, some of whose money comes from my pockets.
—Virginia Brown-Nolan, Silver Spring, MD

Freedom of information !
—Dennis Branse, Tamarac, FL

We need net neutrality now and always.
—Karen Spradlin, Jacksonville, AL

Net Neutrality is absolutely essential if America is to be a democracy.
—Charles Paul Becker, LITCHFIELD, CT

The people don't want. Neither side of Congress wants it. Kind of leaves us wondering why you want it ...
—Jesse Reisman, Fort Washington, MD

An open Internet without corporate bias is critical to the very foundation of our current country. So much of life goes on across the Internet this day and age, it is a vital part now of our First Amendment right. Allowing for profit corporations decide which voices should be heard by boosting their speed over others will begin a process of degrading American values on the Internet. Right now it is a place open and free to all, no one group given an unfair advantage over another. Loosing Net Neutrality will be a tremendous loss for the American people and their spirit.
—James A Roberts, Arlington, VA

Aside from greed, there is virtually no reason not to classify the internet as a utility. More than ever, it is a basic necessity to everyday life and business, and this will only increase with time. Rather than carve it up amongst a handful of monopolistic companies, you must instead reclassify the internet as a public utility, and ISPs as common carriers. This is truly a 'must' in order to preserve Net Neutrality for those like me that depend on it in both work and personal life.
—Zach Goist, Seattle, WA

Let's see... 340,000,000 common, everyday folks want Net Neutrality, while 5 billionares don't. Who do you stand with? Yeah, I thought so.
—Jackson Hawk, Rogue River, OR

The internet is one of the greatest achievements in the history of the human race. It connects the entire plant in ways that would have been mind blowing to sci-fi writers mere decades ago. Net neutrality is a large part of its success and shouldn't be cast aside just to make a quick buck.
—Robert Ries, Grosse Pointe, MI

(415) 567-1444
—Ron Rattner, San Francisoc, CA

Please keep the Net neutral. It makes a big difference to the millions of us little users.
—Kathryn L. Hardy, Petaluma, CA

The internet must remain free and neutral. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Merlin Pendray, Grants Pass, OR
—Merlin Pendray, Grants Pass, OR

The Internet is the most important resource of the 21st century and this resource is being sold for a profit by non-competeing companies. I am currently studying for the CPA exam and constant internet outages mix testing very difficult. The USA has some of the highest prices yet ranks 36 on overall speed even after the American taxpayers have spent hundreds of billions of dollars on Internet infrastructure. Now fast lanes I have to worry getting even slower service due to a false "scarcity of internets".
—James Frazier, Milford, MI

High speed on the internet should be available to everyone, not just the well-heeled!
—Jeffrey Irvine, SHAKER HEIGHTS, OH

The internet is a world that was made for research, and entertainment purposes. To charge more people for the entertainment would actually cause the companies to go bankrupt. Also, what's to stop these ISP's from blocking the websites we can go on? Stop this, or the country will truly react. Remember the Rodney King Riots? Well, the next riot in response to this will be a whole lot worse.
—Erick Herring, Miami Gardens, FL

The large wallets of large corporations already grant them privileged access to consumers on other media. The internet is a public utility.
—Richard Henighan, Seymour, TN

I do not want my internet to be controlled by any large corporation. Create Net Neutrality so that use of the internet is fair to all citizens. Stop messing with us common folk.
—Kale Starbird, Ojai, CA

don't muck with it. give the rest of us a break for christssake
—Marcus Riker, Harwood, TX

well for me the open and free internet should be what matters and not about big business's interests in making money.
—Cssey Huff, Abilene, TX

Taking away Ned neutrality will hurt small business that can't afford to pay extra for internet. It eventually cripple our economy by hurting our ability to innovate.
—Jorge Diaz, Atlanta, GA

As a software development student, I feel like ending net neutrality would put my future career at risk. The internet is an ongoing fountain of knowledge that needs to be accessible by anybody and needs to be a platform for everybody. Charging content creators for the "fast lane" would put a priority on websites that barely get used anyway. A majority of the best things the internet has to offer are free. Whether it is a community, a resource, an outreach or a chance to learn something that can change the world, the internet has a lot to offer and the only thing that will come from ending net neutrality is the oppression of progress.
—Stephen Levy, Pinellas Park, FL

I consider the open internet to be one of the only, if not THE only, place where you are truly free to express yourself in any way you see fit.
—Matt Fournier, Apopka, FL

The Internet should be free of any limitations. Corporations should not be able to mould it so easily.
—Ajenthan Ramanathan, ,

It poses to give an unfair advantage to developed countries, and harm technological development as business processes masquerade as solutions to problems!
—Patrick McMorran, Deep River, CT

The internet is the pinnacle of information exchange: the medium that makes it easiest for an ordinary person to express his views, or spread knowledge that would otherwise go un-noticed, to anyone with a computer and a connection. It is also the last medium that is not dominated by those with money and influence, which the FCC's proposal would change. Too few voices monopolise what we are able to hear and allowing discrimination by ISPs would exacerbate this by giving some greater control over the internet, eliminating the last bastion of truly free dissemination of information.
—Jonathan Knowles, Northfield, MN

Killing net neutrality is another instance of the government favoring corporations over citizen consumers. We're used to getting the shaft from corrupt officials.
—Philip Ratcliff, Salem, OR

A two- tiered internet is a step backwards for freedom of speech and communication. It undermines one of the fundamental great things about the internet, that it is an equal opportunity communication tool.
—Rob Bowles, ,

This was supposed to be a government of, by and for PEOPLE, not of, by and for business -- especially mammoth business.
—Kaye Fissinger, Longmont, CO

Pay for play will only benefit the one-percent. Please rule in favor of the majority and keep the internet free and open.
—James French, Seattle, WA

There will be lawsuits involving you for the rest of your lives if you don't use the common carrier designation.
—WH Mckay, Williamsburg, VA

If you do this, you will clearly be the FCSC. The Federal Communications Stifling Commisars.
—Diane Libman, chicago, IL

I believe in Net Neutrality and I believe he proposal would be discriminatory.
—Sandy Humphreys, Angier, NC

I adamantly oppose the two tier system. All should be furnished the fastest and best internet available. Internet service should not be dependent on how much anyone can pay.
—Michael Mastronardi, Mililani, HI

Wow, this is a travesty!!
—Roger Olowski, Montecito, CA

Throw out your current plans and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. Net Neutrality needs to be protected to maintain a sense of equality on the internet, so that small websites have a chance at becoming something huge, and large websites don't get unfair advantages.
—Wayne Sturdivant, Mesquite, TX

Corporations are psychopathic by nature, their behaviour is anti-human and anti-nature, giving them an unfair advantage on the internet is insane.
—Roger Hymas, Southsea,

The Internet is a public utility and the FCC must regulate Internet providers as common carriers. Tom Wheeler spoke passionately about the open Internet, but his rousing rhetoric doesn’t match the reality of his proposal. The only way to accomplish the chairman’s goals is to reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. Michael Copps, an FCC commissioner from 2001 to 2011 (and acting chairman for several months in 2009), is "calling upon the commission to "reclassify broadband as 'telecommunications' under Title II of the Communications Act." The effect of that move would be to designate Internet service providers as "common carriers," making them subject to increased FCC regulation." "The good news is that the solution is pretty simple," Copps wrote. "It doesn’t require a new telecommunications statute replete with time-consuming years of legislative horse-trading and special interest lobbying. All it requires is an FCC big enough to own up to its previous mistakes and courageous enough to put our communications future back on track."
—Bruce Burns, Santa Cruz, CA

It's the only way to guarantee free speech and democracy.
—Gail Yborra, Wilmington, DE

Tom Wheeler's plan marginalizes people who are already underrepresented in this country. Please ensure our right to true net neutrality.
—Barbara Federman, Santa Barbara, CA

My town is suffering the loss of tv channels because ComCast wants more money. They are not getting it from CableOne. This is bad enough BUT they have now blocked their internet sites for everyone who gets their internet from CableOne. The internet is becoming less free already. Please put a stop to this! Net Neutrality is essential to U.S. citizens. We don't want to be like China and India where the interned is censored by the government. If we can't hold on to this freedom, I fear we may lose others. Keep us free. Keep our information free. Keep the Net neutral and open to all.
—Eugena F. Williams, Altus, OK

We need a free and open internet, it's what President Obama promised us. Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers, it's the right thing to do .
—Linda and Gregg S F Gridley, Saint Paul, MN

The Internet was created for the free and open exchange of information, images , and ideas first and for commerce second. Keep it that way, for EVERYONE, and don't capitulate to greedy interests that believe EVERYTHING should be monetized.
—JA Fludd, Albany, NY

It allows for a fair environment politically, economically and socially.
—Eli Schroeder, Glen Carbon, IL

We need net neutrality for capitalism to work properly. Having these giant corporations as gatekeepers is basically allowing them to misuse their monopoly power.
—Craig Howland, Fremont, CA

We the people will end up paying for this one way or another. It is important that at least the internet remain as a level playing field for all.
—Joan Unterweger, Beacon, NY

I dont want ISPs deciding what comes through the internet to me!
—James Benson, Silver Spring, MD

Don't Let America suffer the internet is the last bastion of true equality and freedom
—Jesus Arce, Richmond, VA

The internet is now the biggest communications network ever constructed. I will never buy a local phone line again, I use the internet for phone services. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Philip Anderson, South San Francisco, CA

I do not want a fast lane or pay for play system. We have the right to EQUAL access to ALL websites. PLEASE reclassify as common carriers!!!! I want Net Neutrality.
—Thomas Lopez, Kalamazoo, MI

All I want is decent performance. That is just not possible with the ISPs selling off huge chucks of bandwidth. They need to be classified as a common carrier.
—Doug Parker, Karnack, TX

Do the right thing!!!
—Maurice Williams Sr, Jackson, TN

Innovation, fair competition, and simple timely communication depend on net neutrality. Too much depends on FCC's action to allow net neutrality to perish.
—Ronald Lockwood, White Plains, MD

I want a free internet and not one controlled by the service providers
—Paul Gold, Merrick, NY

As Tim Wu documented in "The Master Switch" these systems will continue to be abused by their owners. The only way to solve this is to make them common carriers. Do the right thing.
—John Kaster, Santa Cruz, CA

To Tom Wheeler, The internet is a public entity, and should remain a level playing field for everyone who uses it. As a leader in the government of the United States I would hope that you will do what's right for the citizens of the United States (and the world) and keep the internet neutral. Removing net neutrality would give a very small number of private companies a death grip on access to the internet. Private companies historically don't have the best interests of users in mind. What motivates them? Money. Faster lanes will not be created as they have no interest or incentive for doing so as they can instead charge extra for existing lanes. Competition won't change this as the few ISPs have practically a monopoly on the internet infrastructure. There's no way for a small startup company to try and compete with the bigger companies. If net neutrality ends, the internet as we know it today will be dead. Do you want this to be the legacy of the FCC during your term? Killing the internet. I hope you will do what's right for the people of the United States and save net neutrality. Prove that the United States government still has the guts to do what's right for its people. Kip
—Kip Nicol, Cupertino, CA

I am on a fixed income and rely on the Internet extensively for communication, research and more. It is incredibly important to have Net Neutrality!
—Beth McCammon, Columbus, OH

america for the people. the internet is a necessary utility for me to do my job. please recognize the little guy here.
—Michael Rababy, los angeles, CA

ISPs have a virtual monopoly on internet traffic in the U.S. - they should be classified as common carriers and regulated as such. We are already far behind many countries in our internet speeds, and allowing massive cable companies to slow our internet communication even more - for profit! - will further cripple America's technological abilities.
—Andrew Dunne, Kula, HI

I depend on freely choosing the communications I use and do not believe the big providers should have advantages that benefit the wealthy few who can pay extra fees. ISPs should be classified as common carriers.
—Helen Curtis, Spokane, WA

August 2012 my wife left her appointment as senior pastor in a local church, to be the un-paid advocate for people with disabilities. November 2012 our son lost his job in a staff reduction. He has not found work as all the other employers in his industry (computer animation) are still reducing staff, canceling or delaying projects. We have been supporting him, paying vehicle registration and insurance and providing money for gas and food. In June 2013 after 37 years and just 34 mounts before retirement my employer after reporting in the employee quarterly status meeting that they were setting new sales records, and had a profit in the millions eliminated my position (z/OS Systems Programmer, IBM zEnterprise System servers Systems Engineer) along with three others in a department reorganization. As IBM zEnterprise System servers are declining in usage in my county there have been no employment possibilities. How was your year? Write if you get work. WE ALL VOTE!! My wife currently is: Facilitator, Cal-Pac DisAbility Ministries Task Force and Chair, Committee on DisAbility Ministries United Methodist Church ********** ********** ********** Four friends brought their friend to Christ, tearing a hole in a roof they wanted so badly for his life to be changed! What would you do to change a friend's life?
—Dale McCart, Irvone, CA

I am a small business owner. I rely on the internet to spread news of my products and services economically. The internet should be a Title II telecommunications service, just like state highways should not be toll roads.
—KGH Nicholes, Martinsdale, MT

What would be so wrong with the internet simply being there for everyone at the same price. Yes I know that opportunities most often are more available to those who can afford them. But that doesn't have to be the model for the internet. It was after all, the US government that paid for the basic research, which produced the internet. The Federal Communications Commission was created for a reason. The commission is a part of this government of and for the people, not special interests who happen to have more money. I think net neutral internet is likely one of the most important and fundamental features of our developing world. The world generally has moved away from the unsupportable division of people into classes. It is important that we, especially in the United States support the concept of equal opportunity.
—Reuben Wade, Philadelphia, PA

Aside from the reality of multitudes of unintended consequences from this proposed action, the vast, vast majority of Americans and people the world over undeniably, without any doubt at all, want to preserve an open internet that is accessible to innovators - such as Mark Zukerberg - with no limits on their size or wealth. It is pure greed that drives this push against the will of millions for the desires of the few. I respectively implore you to DO THE RIGHT THING! Allow yourself to sleep well at night knowing you did.
—Karen Peterman, Austin, TX

This is the exact kind of corporate bullshit that threatens our rights as free citizens. I remember when the constitution actually meant something, but now you make me sick to my stomach. If this rule dare passed then I am done. I rather move to Canada than stay any longer in this corrupted shithole you called a country!
—Kenneth, San Francisco, CA

Net neutrality is an investment in our future. Adam Smith would agree: ensure net neutrality so we can empower the next generation of innovators and Entrapaneurs.
—Gina Griffith, St. Albans, WV

I'm retired and not able to afford another hike in the outrageous rate$ I'm already paying. Thanks --Charlie
—Charles Gray, Rochester, NY

As it is I can barely afford what they're charging now. AT&T keeps raising fees and the fee is slower . I barely ever watch movies anymore because it keeps rebuffing, so not worth it.
—Breezy Perez, Houston, TX

Net neutrality is about as democratic as it gets. Do not sell out to corporate greed.
—Lawrence Crowley, Louisville, CO

Do the right thing for the people, not the corporate elite.
—Andrew John Kaszynski, Spring Valley, IL

Net Neutrality rises about money greed! It is a way for ordinary people to share with the world the insight, wisdom, and values they hold dear! It's a live line to Human Communication, which, ironically, gets pushed farther into the background with every alleged advancement toward that goal. Net Neutrality is a sand- rock trying to hold up the weight of tittering individual rights and responsibilities across the globe. Undergird it. support it. Improve it. BUT, please, don't destroy it through your neglect. It's emblematic of individual freedom, communication, and accomplishment. Raise its flag; support its growth; advance its freedom. It may well be the last human freedom we can claim in our selfish human world. Ken Minor
—Ken D. Minor, North Port, FL

I would like the FCC to define the internet as a telecommunications service to preserve network neutrality. The internet is the most powerful democratic tool invented in my lifetime, but it will only stay that way if all data traffic moves at the same speed. If providers can prioritize bandwidth, the internet will be just another "pay-to-play" mouthpiece for the wealthy, much as television is today. We must not let the internet become like television!
—David Lindenbach, Binghamton, NY

END CORPORATE GREED AND FAVORABLE TREATMENT FOR THE RICH! WE ARE THE 99%
—Charlie, Angleton, TX

The Internet is easily one of the most important fixtures in modern civilization. Allowing greedy last-mile carriers to arbitrarily extort technology companies undermines the Internet's foundation of reliable transport, impedes innovation, and leaves society poorer at large.
—Jonathan Balsam, Cypress, CA

you guys should stop your make yourself stupid this wrong what you are doing.
—Mechlin, Mc Kees Rocks, PA

To end net neutrality ends what average people have (in my opinion) as the last true vestige of freedom. This is nothing more than another attempt at SOPA and it is wrong. I'm sick of these constant unnecessary attacks on the internet by these idiotic want to be fascists! These people seem to forget how they got their money and power to begin with or what country they live in. All of this sounds to me like a bunch of out dated, greed obsessed curmudgeons, trying to take control of something they can't, and don't want to fully understand. They care nothing about the consequences or the impact this will have on actual people and don't like that it give actual people a voice. I will not and refuse to accept an internet ran entirely by corporations, the one percent parasites and the people who suck them off. This ridiculousness needs to stop and these people all need to come to their senses. A free internet is a profitable, stable and progressive society. To take it away out of greed is chaos waiting to happen.
—Edward Olis, Staten Island, NY

Please throw out these rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Dalyce Williams, Noble, LA

I believe freedom of information is the future. Giving people the ability to censor and restrain the free flow of information is restricting not only the future, but also basic human rights. If this goes through the only thing bigger and "better" will not be the internet or our freedoms, but the pockets of those who sold themselves at the cost of others.
—Freddy Dempsey, Mundelein, IL

FROM YOUR WEBSITE: > Promoting competition, innovation and investment in broadband services and facilities > Supporting the nation's economy by ensuring an appropriate competitive framework for the unfolding of the communications revolution NOW LIVE UP TO IT! Your so-called "FAST LANE" would be the death of Democracy in this country and severely inhibit "fair" competition. Do what's right for America - not corporate interests.
—John Grieco, Simi Valley, CA

Internet service providers are already paid by their customers for their service. They have to always provide the best possible service to their customer.
—Christian Couder, Colombes,

The internet is the most powerful tool for research and communication ever created. Please don't let it go to waste!
—Andrew Heath, Rockport, ME

The internet is the TRUE common carrier before all the others.
—Dixie Brooke, Williamstown, MA

It's time to listen to the public! Net neutrality is in the public's best interests. Corporations already control too much of this country--they don't need to also buy and sell our internet access!
—Susan D., Lafayette, CA

Consulting the internet is a vital daily need for me. Please protect this commons.
—Sandra Rasich, Santa Fe, NM

The internet is a glorious democrat forum filled with lots of information. I truly believe that it should be classified as a public utility.
—Donald Di Di Russo, Hyde Park, MA

If the Internet isn't a public utility, I don't know what is.
—Geoff Duton, Belmont, MA

In a country that, at least superficially, holds free speech to be paramount to freedom and democracy, it is terrifying that the number one medium of speech is not getting the protection we need. I expect net neutrality to be protected. I will strongly support those who will help us hold those accountable for destroying it if it is not.
—Lance Bodily, Pittsburgh, PA

You are mandated by the Constitution to aid in the flow of information, not the channeling of it for profit. WAKE UP read your mandate. We will not sit by and allow this buyout by the FCC.
—Ann Simonton, Santa Cruz, CA

the air ways must remain the property of the people AND CORPORATIONS ARE NOT PEOPLE
—Frank Graves, Deerfield Beach, FL

The internet needs to be free. Without net neutrality, free wi-fi at coffee shops, libraries, and schools will NO longer exist. Many websites won't be able to compete with those with faster paid access, so only the biggest, financially able sites will survive. Further, accessing many websites (or internet access at all) will become complicated and expensive, limiting access to only those who can afford it. There is NO good reason for creating a fast lane for consumers - only for big companies to get a business advantage... and this will have a HUGE, NEGATIVE impact on consumers! Please keep net neutrality. It's so important.
—Ashley Frick, Bloomfield Hills, MI

Giving corporate control of the internet is NOT net neutrality !!! I am a voter and will make sure you pay if this is allowed to move forward.
—Mark Sniegoski, Rockville, MD

A free and open internet is essential both to future innovation, but it already has an immediate benefit to the everyday lives of those who use it. Allowing corporations to discriminate between traffic may not have the effect of limiting free speech -- at least, not in America -- but it would limit future innovation, in some cases of forums where this speech would take place. Existing properties would continue to exist, but increased costs in maintaining their infrastructure would be passed on to the consumer. In summary, internet discrimination is taking from the many to line the pockets of the few (who have reneged on their promises to improve infrastructure at nearly every turn), and at the further cost of our future benefit.
—Christopher E Douglass, Saint Petersburg, FL

It should be freely available to all!!
—Kyle L Peterson, Sterling Heights, MI

Internet has to be free. Nobody can tell me what information to read and nobody can take money just to allow me to know this and not to know that.
—Maria Shevchuk, Staten Island, NY

Our freedoms are shrinking by the minute, if we stop at the worlds last fully, free medium for information and speech, who's to say this won't become another heavily censored and unjustly enforced commodity. The noose is tightening, lets fight back before we're all silenced.
—Owen Sheppard, ,

I am a blogger, a mom with kids in school who need internet access for research purposes, and a warranty administrator who relies on internet speed to do my job. I'm also low-income- how do the poor afford the fast lane??? Level the playing field- ISPs should be classified as common carriers. Otherwise, you're literally making it impossible for those of us below the poverty line to ever, ever get a leg up, leaving us to have to take hand-outs, instead of a hand UP.
—Heather Rodman, Boise, ID

Net Neutrality is one of the very few barriers to a complete oligarchy in the US. Your rules do not protect it. Lable the internet as a utility.
—Tara Tabatabaie, Edmond, OK

True freedom and open knowledge sharing is that matters!
—Pekka Parviainen, Kauniainen,

The internet needs to continue and always be open for all. A two-tiered system is not an option, especially when the system in place already doesn't allow for competition with internet companies.
—Amanda Ellexson, Phoenix, AZ

This is important to me because many, many people would be unable to afford the fast-internet and there are so many families living in poor homes who may be unable to afford quick internet. The upper class citizens get so many perks because they have more money than the other 99%. Rich people can influence politics unlike anyone else can. DO NOT let them influence this in any way, everyone should have equal opportunities when it comes to the internet.
—Tommy, South Point, OH

More and more divisiveness...
—Jason Brody, Escondido, CA

The big companies have all the profits and most of the rights these days. Let us humans at least keep what we've got this time. Don't give away our access to the internet!
—Susan Hayward, Bronxville, NY

It is important to keep the internet absolutely an equal opportunity for all. Don't stifle the little guy!
—Jenepher Hajian, Watertown, MA

I believe that no one company should be favored for better speed over another simply because they paid more money for better speeds. This is clearly unfair and the FCC should not be afraid to take a stand for the people of this country.
—Morgan, Argyle, MN

The internet is vital for education. Schools, students, teachers, scientists, researchers, etc. are already short on funds and the internet needs to remain fast and accessable for a low price. Don't jeopardize education and science by making it cost more.
—Virginia Parks, Bastrop, TX

The internet should be reclassified as a common carrier. We are losing our choices in radio with huge consolidation and it is not right that we lose the internet too. The public owns the airwaves and should own the internet.
—Jeanette Weis, Glendale, AZ

Net neutrality is one of the the cornerstones of a well functioning internet. We'd be really thankful and appreciative for you to stand up for this important matter, leading us towards a beautiful future for everyone. Thank you in advance. I trust in you for doing the best for yourself and us :)
—Tarjei Christoffer Smith, Oslo, NJ

The internet is one of the only remaining large, non-governmental institutions where free speech is actually still free! The interference of corporate entities is not only unwelcome and unnecessary, but would *severely* impact the one area of this economy that has remained relatively healthy throughout the global recession. The corporate monoliths, in their mindless quest for control and monopoly, will not only squelch the exercise of free speech, but will ultimately decide for themselves what is most profitable for them irrespective of the wants and needs of the citizens of the United States of America! This kind of control and restriction is precisely what will kill the goose that is laying these golden economic eggs. The major reason for the success of internet-based commerce is the freedom and openness that the internet has afforded e-businesses! The greed-mongering corporate entities will provide many smokescreens for their efforts to control and manipulate the internet, but make no mistake: their own bloated bottom line is the one and *only* thing their objections are predicated on. In closing, I cannot emphasize how much I and everyone I know wants to keep the internet neutral and free of greed-based corporate meddling. We cannot and will not stand for anything less!
—Francis Schilling, Vail, AZ

This must not become yet another two tiered system: one for the rich and one for the rest of us. The wealthy must not get special treatment just because they have more money. The internet should be free and fair for ALL!
—Connie Schuett, Reno, NV

This reiterate my attempted message minutes ago, that may not have transmitted successfully: Whether communication are sent thru air (e-m waves) or under public streets or under/over public rivers --- the public and public interest has primary jurisdiction. Sadly, that contradicts FCC behavior in the last 12 years, and Pres. Obama, sadly, continue to put 'the worst of Wall St.' before 'Main St.' contradicting his campaign commitment to the extreme. Thus, for the next 3 years, at least, such wording as 'Utility' or whatever it takes -- should be declared, to keep the Internet at the same speed for all -- and re-examine the issue again after 3 years. It is super-tragic that after the 2007 meltdown, the government ripped the public off to give the the worst of Wall St. a free super-junket, without even putting a real consumer/public advocate on the Fed. Reserve Board. And similarly regarding the FCC chairman and likely, I fear, the majority of its directors.
—Carl Littmann, Wyncote, PA

The open Internet has flourished under the present regime where all traffic and all protocols are treated the same and no carrier makes any economic distinction regarding the value of the traffic. Increasingly more and more content traditionally served by the old-world telcos such as phone, radio (audio), TV (video), music, commerece etc. is carried on the IP internet. Eventually most, if not all, of the traffic will be IP and related protoocols. Classifying all internet carriers as common carriers and applying those rules and restrictions to them is the only course that makes sense.
—Jay Unger, Gaithersburg, MD

What's the difference between a corrupt democracy and any other form of corrupt government? Obama: "The rest of the world (God's: pop 7.0 billion (198 countries)) isn't stupid!" After all, isn't approximately one-third of that world already Microsoft free? 2008-04-03: Brazil, India, and China, which together count for more than a third of the world's population, all voted against Office Open XML last week. Address : <http://www.informationweek.co m/news/software/productivity_a pps/207001577?_requestid=11818 1> Patriotism begins with knowledge, not lies and propaganda. Most of society, including the majority of all the world's Christianity, prefers the knowledge. -Ron Wike Vietnam veteran
—Ronald Wike, Annville, PA

With the de facto monopoly that internet carriers currently have, allowing them to create fastlanes for specific content providers would allow them to control what content I have access to and allow large corporations to prevent new startup companies from getting a foothold. This has got to stop, broadband internet should be classified as a utility the same where it is in most other countries. Not only should they not be able to control the speed at which I access content, but I should have a choice in ISP even if I have to use their cable.
—BRandon Neill, Arvada, CO

It is perhaps more important than who we elect for President. It could eventually be used in such a fascistic. way, that the power of what we see, hear, or even read, will be decided by one or two corporations. Let's not foget, corporations are PEOPLE.
—Helmut Zitzwitz, Ponte Vedra Beach, FL

The internet is far too important to everyone. Like water and electricity it should be regulated as a common carrier service
—Luis Alvarado, Saint Albans, NY

The internet is my source of information about the world around me. Without net neutrality, monied interests will be able to control and influence the flow of information. Don't allow monied interests to control the internet.
—Kenneth Hawkins, Denver, CO

The Internet is one of the greatest inventions in human history. To squander this creation with a greedy iron fist spits on the memories of its creators and pioneers, upon all those who value freedom of expression and our own future generations who will, if these plans go ahead, inherit a bastardized wreck. Just think what your plans' effects will be in the long run, what limiting the creativity and power of the Internet, which has created a borderless world beyond the imaginings of anyone in history, will do.
—Sean Hill, Tallaght,

Internet should be like electricity and not discriminate between bits. Important for small businesses and innovation, please stop this!
—Max Baccouche, Ottawa,

In the long term (and perhaps even in the near term) there is no reason to expect the FCC to be able to properly manage the internet under the new rules.
—David Rogg, Oakton, VA

I live in an area with 1 cable internet provider and 1 dsl option.The dsl is only available because it was REQUIRED as a condition of the baby bells reassembling & ATT can't wait to get rid of dsl.This will leave my cable company as my only internet choice;what will stop them from doing whatever they please ?? The FCC can make the internet work or make it a vague memory for all except those rich enough to pay the tolls.
—Elena Lemmo, Massillon, OH

Everyone should have equal access to the internet. Knowledge is not proprietary. And no one has the right to choose what others can read/learn. Equal access for all is the only response that makes sense!
—Carolyn, Madison, TN

STOP this merger!! No good for consumers.
—Don MO Bernstein, Valley Village, CA

Only true net neutrality is acceptable. Having the FCC run committees to decide what discrimination is just and what is unjust is not practical. Democrats will reject it as weak neutrality, and Republicans will reject it as government meddling.
—Ryan Cummings, Elkton, MD

If ISPs can pick and choose among users, they could put all anti-corporate sites and sentiments on the slow lane. This amounts to corporate censorship of free speech.
—Christopher Walker, Benton, AR

I don't want to end up in a slow lane on the web.
—Joni Solis, Kentwood, LA

Freedom! Down with dictatorship of corporations!
—Psühho Punk, ,

The next YouTube, Vimeo, Spotify or Pandora might never come to be, simply because the company's founders were unable to secure funding in a world where the little guy can get squeezed out by big companies ready and willing to pay for faster connections.
—Eric Brown, Fargo, ND

An open internet is the cornerstone of American innovation in the 21st century. Thank you.
—Al Charak, Roslyn Heights, NY

Quit procrastinating and classify the Internet for what it is, a communication vehicle just like the Telephone is one. Wake up, this is the 21st century not the 19th Century! Regulate don't procrastinate or abdicate!
—Paul Horne, Boynton Beach, FL

The Internet will DIE if ISP's are given any more power than they already have. They are motivated by none of the same values that created the Internet. Don't let this happen!
—Kelcey Parker, Los Angeles, CA

The internet is a place where everyone has equal access to the same amount of information. Do not take away this freedom from the people!
—Casey Alcantar, Oakland, CA

Some people are not more important than others, even if they have more money. The internet should be equal for all.
—Helen Dickey, El Cerrito, CA

I NEED MY INTERNET, SO DON'T MESS WITH IT!!!!!!!!!
—Marc McGuire, Venice, LA

You're killing the Internet for money. Sick bastards.
—Michael Goodwin, ,

This wonderful, miraculous platform for instantly spreading news and information should be destroyed (like everything else) for green paper!? Jesus would be so happy.
—Christian Kunig, Smyrna, DE

I don't want my options for what I can view online to be up to these massive corporate companies. Will they also slow traffic to blogs or websites that might disagree with their particular brand or political stances? This is way too much control for companies only out for a profit. How would we get anything new and exciting online if it'll first have to build up a profit and get noticed by these massive companies? This is everything that is messed up with our music industry and more.
—Nicole, Seattle, WA

The access and choice of information that the Internet offers to us is changing our culture for the better. We need Net Neutrality to keep access equal for all income levels. I know families living below the poverty level who have grown stronger families and practiced better parenting because of programs and information they've accessed on the Internet. That has to continue, for our future's sake.
—Amy Carpenter-Leugs, Grand Rapids, MI

We all depend on an open internet in our daily lives. The internet is our tool for communication as most of my calls and mail gets routed through the internet. The internet has become the number one tool to exercise our First Amendment and to create a multi-tired internet would be the first step to censorship of those who cannot pay and allow their users fast access.
—Sergey Shevchuk, Staten Island, NY

The Internet should be available equally to all who wish to use it. It ought to be a public good, not a source of private profit.
—Patricia Frederick, Ashburnham, MA

Net Neutrality is ridiculously important for so many people - small businesses, individual entrepeneurs, and even regular joes who just want to browse the web and check their email. The only way America can compete in the global marketplace is with proper internet regulation... and the ONLY proper regulation is to classify internet as a public utility.
—Patryk K. Braganza-Gallagher, Rockaway Beach, NY

A major consideration in my decision to vote for Barack Obana was his pledge to maintain net neutrality. He appoints the FCC chairman--and then this? The protector of net neutrality is a Trojan Horse?
—Karen Collins, Yakima, WA

The internet is like water, electricity, natural gas, telephone, insurance. It is a utility depended on by everyone at some level. Freedom of access must be protected.
—Robert Thompson, Moorpark, CA

Enough corporate rule! You work for the citizens, not AT&T !!!!!!!!
—Craig Sulouff, Sunbury, PA

The communication companies already have so much control over our abilities to communicate and I can't financially afford to pay them even more money then I already do. I appreciate public freedom of speech in the real world and want that in the virtual world too.
—Liza Bender, Berkeley, CA

Internet availability should not be limited to the 1%; net neutrality is one of the last few ways those of us who can't afford to learn about and communicate with much of the world.
—Sara L, Geneva, IL

It seems that "free market" big business wants freedom only for themselves. I use the Internet every day and do not want to be pushed around by those who do not really care about real freedom.
—James M Elmore, CHARLOTTE, NC

Please ignore your obviously corrupt chairman and reclassify the ISPs as common carriers. Please do not undermine our democracy any further. We desperately need you to fulfill your oath!
—Mr. Reuben Yancey, Olympia, WA

As a former industry insider, the current trend is bad for business and bad for consumers. Net Neutrality is of paramount importance to our democracy. Please reclassify ISP as the telecommunication companies they already are.
—Chris kendell, Pioneer, CA

The internet is the very last place where everything is actually, literally possible. It is the greatest hub of creativity on our planet. It's the largest source of information available. Your current plans would throw all of that into the farthest reaches of outer space. I myself, like thousand others, implore you, beseech you, to keep the internet neutral. It is our home, our greatest achievement, and our hope for the future. Ending net neutrality will be the end of us all.
—Lambert Muis, ,

Net neutrality is important because keeping the internet open is the main driver of information dissemination in our society. Turning the internet into a different kind of service purely to increase the profits of corporations means killing the ease of communication we have today.
—Jose A Olvera-Perez, Des Moines, IA

It is a modern utility and treating it otherwise will be detrimental to our American Society.
—Andre Danylevich, Los Angeles, CA

This will ruin so many start-ups.
—Greg Moots, detroit, MI

We are known as "The Free World", and this is one of the purposes of that title. Let's keep it that way, so we can STILL BE FREE!!!
—Beverly Smith, Cottonwood, AZ

We're already falling behind relative to other counties. Eliminating the open internet will only ensure our country falls further behind in innovation. Slow web speeds stifle progress.
—Karlie, Burlington, VT

Every one deserves a fair system.
—H Kirk, ,

Net Neutrality is equivalent to Freedom of Speech. We can't let Big Cable discriminate on what message they want their customers to hear! The FCC created these Monopolies and the for-profit companies have shown time and time again they can't be good stewards of the services they provide. We must preserve Net Neutrality at ALL COSTS and mandate competition: Open the Cable Lines so that 3rd party resellers can compete DIRECTLY with Comcast and their ilk. Only THEN will proper market pressure be applied to Comcast, when they are faced with extinction will they improve their services.
—James More, Brunswick, GA

simply put, this is wrong. allowing corporate entities to decide what is right for the consumer and citizen is wholly backwards. listen to the voice of the people
—Luke Karamol, oakland, CA

I run a small business online. I can't possibly afford to pay "fast lane" prices to big businesses. Not only that, but all extra money would go to my mortgage & bills! I enjoy full use of my internet to market my business, pay my bills, and keep in touch with my family that lives all over the country! This is not fair in any way, shape, or form! I STAND UP FOR NET NEUTRALITY!
—Janna English, Aurora, CO

Let's keep information neutral, even and fair - same speed for all.
—Eileen Bill, Santa Rosa, CA

I am fearful of all of these huge companies merging. That will mean less choices for consumers and more control of the content and speed at which the consumers can access any content they may want. I feel that those who have choices now continue to have the services they are paying for and not be discriminated against because the powerplayers are allowed to call the shots.
—Shirley Hermelin, Tampa, FL

Net neutrality is important to uphold so that people can be held on an equal level of access to information. Education has always been the great equalizer in the U.S. Not having net neutrality would hinder this equalization and further separate economic classes in this nation in an unjust way. DO NOT enable ISPs to create a two tiered internet service. Thank you.
—Doug Chunglo, Prescott, AZ

Cause the internet should be free and open to everyone.
—Felicity Hohenshelt, Jacksonville, FL

You will kill any remaining innovation! Seriously you need to reclassify this. People will not be able to compete for jobs on a level playing field.
—Ms. Julia Page, Austin, TX

The internet should be a resource for all, a representation of the freedom and equality that the United States should stand for rather than the oligarchy we are becoming.
—Bonnie Sizer, Boulder, CO

Net Neutrality allows me to share and obtain information necessary for my education, work, and everyday tasks. Under the current rule, visits to many websites will be greatly restricted. Please throw out its rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Walter Wen, Houston, TX

A close family member lives overseas. Through the miracle of technology, we are able to visit with each other as though we were sitting in the living room having a chat. I fear your proposal will sever connections that are so important to so many of us. Additionally, with an open internet we have the opportunity to hear many different viewpoints, supporting the diversity our nation represents with people from so many sectors of the world. Without this, I fear the polarization we are now experiencing in our country will only become worse. Also, I am reinventing myself in retirement as a writer. With your proposal and the high prices that will ensue, I will not be able to adequately market my writing. That will be true for other independent entrepreneurs, like therapists, what I did before retirement. Please protect the open internet. Thank you.
—Linda A Marshall, Dayton, OH

I'm really concerned about big business control of the Internet. There will be unintended consequences here.
—Nathan Thomas, Windsor, CT

Internet bandwidth is already being paid for by all who use it. Allowing corporate giants to add additional tolls will not grow the economy but rather slow it even more.
—Kevin Rockhill, Anderson, IN

To not let fat cat to control the internet.
—Andres Pola, Fort Lauderdale, FL

We must reject these ridiculous rules and instead move to protect real Net Neutrality. Please, let's get rid of these rules and protect Net Neutrality for good. We are America and our "FREEDOM", of every kind, is of utmost importance!!!!!!!
—Pat Kormanik, Anna, OH

The internet is the last stand. They have bought politicians, the supreme court, and the press. They sold our democracy to the highest bidder. The internet should remain free so we can have a fighting chance at getting our democracy back from Oligarchy. You are destroying the very government you work for, eventually they'll come after your position as not needed! They don't want government to work, get that into your head. Do not help them destroy America. Democracy is on life support, don't suffocate it even more. You say you want net neutrality but you haven't stood up for it yet! Please search your conscience, have some integrity, represent the people, have a legacy you can be proud to tell your grand kids about, not be ashamed for in the future.
—Marie Fuentes, Albuquerque, NM

I already pay a small fortune each month for internet service, which, because I'm almost 80 years old, I use for bill paying, purchases, and staying in touch with my family. Please do not allow AT&T, Comcast and Verizon to make even bigger profits while ruining the internet for all Americans.
—Mona Locke, Napa, CA

Everybody, regardless of ability to pay, has a right to access to the internet!
—Orna Robinson, La Nucía,

Information should not be privatized!
—Lucas Völker, ,

Do you want to create monopoles? If so, let this bill pass and let all of us suffer due to their greed, they have never cared about the quality of their products, only how much it makes. Do what is right and stop these companies from ruining America and every other county that gets internet from us!
—Matthew Rerick, Rosemount, MN

We neet net neutrality because it keeps information available to everyone - on a level playing field. Don't make this a class issue.
—Carly Barker, Berkeley, CA

Really disappointed in the decision to move forward with your terrible proposal.
—Justin Briscoe, Salida, CO

ISPs are not something that can be divvied up between haves and have-not-as-much groups. The idea is un-American, plain and simple.
—Karen Cooper, Milwaukie, OR

A level playing field for global communications is more important for people and for all businesses, not just those businesses that can afford to flex their political muscle. Fair competition, not preferences, is what we need.
—Hugh S McElwain, North Chesterfield, VA

I think FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan to allow a two-tiered Internet is a bad plan. It is time to reclassify internet service providers as common carriers.
—Monica Wyatt, Santa Monica, CA

The Internet should NOT be in the hands of private corporations to exploit. It SHOULD be a public access utility.
—Emlen Evans, Montpelier, VT

Consumers already pay for internet access, and content providers already pay for servers, hosting and bandwidth to present said content. Access to content must not, and cannot be tiered, this is the biggest scam and will benefit NO ONE except the greedy few who are already making plenty of money. Just like power or water, the internet is a utility. Charging different rates based on what you use your electricity for or what you are using the water for is insane, just the same for the internet.
—Kevin Taylor, Fort Lauderdale, FL

I want to have a choice, not fast lanes for some companies.
—Virginia Good, Saratoga, CA

Dear Chairman Wheeler, Net Neutrality is vital for innovation and for freedom of speech. New websites that can't afford expensive fees for better service will face unfair barriers to success, leaving users with ever fewer options and a less diverse internet.
—Chandler Evans, Venice, CA

The Internet is perhaps the most democratic of human institutions, and its openness and equality allow unprecedented experimentation and creativity, along with free communication between citizens of the world. Disrupting the delicate balance of the free Internet by allowing corporate interests to do anything they please will destroy the very openness that makes the Internet important in the first place. Not only would this be a tragic cultural loss, and a destruction of innovation; it would also lessen the value of the Internet itself, and in my opinion would lead to its demise. The corporate powers at large do not realize that, paradoxically, as they try to reap more profits from the treasure that is the Internet, they will ultimately destroy it and lose everything. I hope you will fight for what is right and defend the neutrality of this precious utility of the 21st century.
—Travis Geis, Louisville, KY

Because the Internet can't be owned! If they want to create rules so bad why don't they create their own internet service; I MEAN OWN NOT BOUGHT
—Tomi Sheares, Altanta, GA

I urge you to throw out this ridiculous set of rules. Net neutrality is important to us all because if we allow bandwidth throttling and pay-for-speed access in any way shape or form, this will inevitably lead to corporate controlled communication. That would be completely unacceptable. Thank you.
—Karl Buchwald, San marcos, CA

I have been overcharged by Comcast for too long and if you allow them to discriminate against online content and applications it will only get worse! They were charging me an extra $10/month for a so-called "blast" which they said was a higher speed when in reality it was not any faster than their normal speeds. They cannot be trusted to do the right thing as their greed knows no bounds. They must be regulated or else they will ruin the open internet, even though it was developed with our tax dollars (e.g. DARPA) and constitutes the public airwaves, which the FCC is supposed to regulate for the common good, not for the profit of giant telecommunication companies, like Comcast, AT&T, et al. Thank you for listening, PLEASE do the right thing!
—Christopher G. Walker, San Francisco, CA

This is a critical matter for our freedom and future.
—Charles Maney, Ottawa, IL

Open internet with open access and broadband speeds is my life both socially and financially. Do not let corporate greed take over the people's internet.
—Michael Deen, Alpharetta, GA

I run a small business around internet radio. If the proposed rules go into effect, larger companies in the internet radio business would be able to suppress small businesses like mine merely by paying exorbitant fast lane fees that the smaller businesses can't afford. It would effectively squelch segments of the tech startup industry. Please keep the internet opened and reclassify the ISPs as common carriers.
—Judah Gabriel Himango, Savage, MN

Net Neutrality is an important aspect for a democracy. We need to make sure that big companies aren't given the edge to dominate what we see and search for and how we fast we see them on the internet! I urge you to fight for Net Neutrality!
—Stacy Levin, Madison, WI

The Net should be open to all on a level playing field.
—Mike Evans, Leominster,

Just like the telephone was to the 20th century, the internet is the communication technology of the 21st century! Like telephones, water, electricity, sewer and roads, the internet is a modern public utility, and must be classified as a COMMON CARRIER. These few powerful corporations want to govern and filter all digital communication. It is worse than thought police. They seek nothing less than to give themselves a total monopoly on what ideas live or die. They are trying to make themselves the gatekeepers to everyone's business and communication-- the ultimate arbiters of innovation and discourse worldwide. This is happening now, in Mexico. It will happen here if you let it. There was a time when the FCC stood for the people of this country. Your forebears regulated against foreign ownership of 20th century media on the basis of national security. Today, the companies and billionaires who stand to benefit from controlling content on the web are more powerful than most governments on Earth and hold no allegiance to anything but themselves. Allowing them to monopolize discourse on the single most important commerce and communications network of all time is dangerously unAmerican. Shame on you, Mr. Wheeler, for even considering these rules you've proposed!!
—Chris Faiella, Los Angeles, CA

The Internet has become a Public Utility, just like the telephone. If corporations are to be treated as people the big telecoms only get one comment each regarding Net Neutrality. Count up your comments fairly. How many people are for Net Neutrality and how many are against? It looks like millions against three telecoms. In fact, if the telecoms get their way I'll be blocked from sending you my comments.
—Robert Rowe, Kissimmee, FL

I value the freedom of the citizen
—Thomas Coughlan, ,

The internet is not merely a commercial service now; it has become democracy in action - we the people depend on open access for information in order to make decisions that matter, whether political, social or commercial. All people need equal access regardless of usage volume, nature of usage or money.
—Gary Allan, Pembroke,

Let's keep internet away from class warfare - we already have enough rich and poor and nothing in between. Keep net neutrality is it is!!!! No change. No to FCC prop!
—nara Rasnavad, Overland Park, KS

Net neutrality is important to me, because I'm an engineer and a Ham, and I don't want to spend dozens of hours hacking an improvised darknet. I'd rather be watching my libertarian and seditious videos over ATT or Comcast. But I'll have liberty at any cost, or death.
—Scott Stephens, Hoffman Estates, IL

The FCC proposal for tiering to the Internet is a proposal to codify discrimination on the internet. Only those who can afford the best will get the time and care of ISPs; everyone else will have to make due with what the ISPs can spare after taking care of the better customers. The Digital Divide isn't bad enough that a bit of federally approved discrimination can't make worse. Pushing this proposal forward means the FCC and the federal government is open to the risk of a class action suit of discrimination against it. What's the risk tolerance there? The safe bet is to exercise federal muscle and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The risk tolerance for legal action will be a lot less then.
—Larry Wentzel, Ann Arbor, MI

we built this. we own it
—Enrique Baloyra, Biscayne Park, FL

There's nothing fair about the "pay-to-play" model. Keep the net fair and equal for everyone! It is clear where public opinion stands on this issue. Do not cave to corporate pressure! The American people is counting on you to do the right thing. Please rise to the occasion.
—R Bergmann, Brooklyn, NY

Net Neutrality matters because everyone deserves the right to equal and unregulated internet, regardless.
—George Johnson, ,

Everyone deserves fair access to the internet, not just those who can afford to shell out extra dollars for it.
—Alicia Brosterhous, Sacramento, CA

Net neutrality is extremely important because companies can throttle speeds in order to make companies pay huge contact deals that get passed to the consumer eventually. This is bad for everyone that pays and only good for people accepting money from the lobbyists. You may not care but we do. People that are ignorant to pass these bills should be thrown out of office and in prison.
—Gustavo Escobedo Jr, Klondike, TX

Communication must be open to all of us.
—Gerald Houska, ,

Allowing ISP's to start charging 3rd party entities to have their content put in "the fast lane" will do nothing but hurt the consumer. This will drive up prices for almost everything we use. For once, please take the side of the people and not the side of big business and do what is right.
—Matthew Moore, Chicago, IL

Throw out those rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Tons of smaller websites would get swept to the side with this new proposal.
—Jared Boudreaux, Belle Rose, LA

We don't want discrimination against content and applications, and don't want a two tier internet.
—Paul Barlow, Fanwood, NJ

Quit playing games with a resource that belongs to the AMERICAN PEOPLE, not AMERICAN TELEPHONE AND TELEGRAPH. Or have the payoffs and kickbacks been too good?
—Aloysius Wald, Columbus, OH

Fast lanes and back end deals are exactly what will come from your new net neutrality rules. We don't need greedy, money hungry corporations running the internet. The internet needs to be free and open and the new FCC rules don't protect that.
—Michael Guindon, Monroe, MI

Breaking net neutrality into two separate lanes isn't necessary or productive on an equal level at all for businesses, colleges and schools across the globe, or people using it at home. It's criminal to change something just to get more money when it should just stay the same.
—Mac Repman, Camano Island, WA

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—Matt Poltonavage, Palmyra, PA

The internet should be able to be accessed equally by all.
—Brandon Tai, Staten Island, NY

The internet is a free place to be and there should be NO reason the FCC to tinker with it. Net Neutrality is good for everyone because there shouldn't be any reason why we should have to sit there and pay more for fees that SHOULD be free to begin with. Who gives you the right to bill me for what I have an interest in? The way this is made out to be IT'S EXACTLY LIKE THIS! If you stop at a stop sign, you used that stop sign so it's going to be an extra 5 Dollars. Driving on the road is another 10 dollars. Switching lanes will be another 20 dollars. Stopping at the traffic light will be 5 dollars, proceeding to go after the light turns green will be another 5 dollars. That's exactly how your allowing the internet to be. If you REALLY want it to be that way so badly, then allow me to send you my bill and pay for it out of your pockets. Don't like the idea of that? Then don't try to screw us over. Your job is to protect the internet of what it is, not make it worse and try to kill it. Stop the madness. Leave the internet alone.
—Dillon Ventura, Warwick, RI

I believe the FCC should ONLY accept New Neutrality to avoid discrimination and marginalizing of online services. The internet should be treated as a utility which provides a service for everyone just like our telephone, water, and electricity. Too often there is only one cable TV and internet provider for an area; this does not allow for options of service. The current providers have already said they want to show preference to their big paying customers. This will only squeeze out the ones that can't afford their services to leave them with nothing. Net Neutrality is the ONLY acceptable action.
—Debra Daniels, Saint Augustine, FL

If you need to ask you don't belong where you are.
—Richard Blakemore, Mariposa, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Ronald Kestler, Louisville, KY

Everyone should have equal access to the internet.
—Penny Moyer, Littleton, CO

This seems like common sense, information should be available to the people easily. By dividing the internet up you are opening the door for people to make access to certain information harder than other information. The impact it would have on small businesses alone should be reason enough to keep the internet neutral. This is not an issue to be taken lightly and could have drastic and terrible effects on our lives and our economy. Keep the internet neutral and available without discrimination for all.
—Jessica Northrup, Ava, NY

I am an associate professor and together with my students, using an open and neutral internet is essential for higher education.
—William Cline, Strongsville, OH

I don't like being considered a second class citizen
—Barbara Weinbaum, Corrales, NM

I pay enough for my internet services as it is I am retired and my income does not increase as yours does, all this does is hurt the little guys, with the rich it doesn't as they have endless income, PLEASE DO NOT DO THIS. These internet providers charge to much already, this is good for them but not individuals Tell the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. PLEASE!!!!!!!!!!!!!
—Marie Lingerfelt, Madison, GA

The internet is the great equalizer. Equal access also helps mitigate the undo influence of big doners in our election process
—Phil Shephard, Round Rock, TX

The internet is an open world of information and knowledge where everyone can access it. This puts us on a more equal level, and that is how it should stay. There should be at least one place where profit isn't allowing one group to step on others.
—James Forbes, Shamokin, PA

The internet was conceived and built with public funds and is OWNED by the public!!!!!!
—Al Cohen, hummelstown, PA

True net neutrality is essential for the continued existence of even a semblance of a level playing field.
—Marguerite boyens, Stone Mountain, GA

All content should be equal. The youtuber with his home webcam should have the same opportunity to spread an idea as the big video distributer. No fast track. No preference. Equal right for all Internet users.
—Carter, Raleigh, NC

I am DESPERATE to have a decision be made to keep selfish mega corporations hands off a free and independent Internet.
—Dan Lara, Chicago, IL

Please do not make changes to the Internet Neutrality. Big business and big money already have too much power. American citizens need to be heard as part of free speech.
—Julie Heveran, FRIENDSWOOD, TX

If for no other reason, it's time to stand up for honesty and fairness. Do you want to go down in history as the person who sold out the 99% and changed the internet accessibily and affordability. Have a backbone and stand up to big business. You'll probably be rewarded by sleeping well at night!
—Susan Donnelly, Boston, MA

Net Neutrality is important to me because it supports a level playing field of access for all Internet users. Letting ISPs reserve faster speeds and more Internet content for the highest bidder is a decision that borderlines on censorship. The FCC needs to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the only way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Nick Dollinger, Bellflower, CA

Its an open wire service that has gotten out of control on how much can be charged. Lets keep some of this cost neutral
—Katie Launderville, South Saint Paul, MN

Without Net Neutrality we are not free.
—Tim Neunzig, Roxbury, MA

A free and open internet is a good internet. Don't spoil it with greed. Thank you.
—Kevin Oldham, Shirley, NY

I want net neutrality. The internet should be a public utility with equal access for all.
—Steve Stuart, Klamath Falls, OR

It's important because it's my window to the world outside of my small town, if you do this than the sites I go to might be driven out of business because of fees that the ISPs will tack on just so they can work. Also, I would most likely loose touch with family and friends, because i'm a heavy user of skype, and it's the only way that we can all talk. Please reconsider this, the internet is so tied into everything we do, letting the big ISP's prioritize traffic will ultimately monetize this form of communication, and therefor the free exchange of ideas..making a smaller world a whole lot bigger again and I don't think as Humanity we can afford to take a step back when we have been doing nothing but moving forward since the internet was created. Thank you For your Time, Melissa Dangreau
—Melissa Dangreau, Lompoc, CA

My small web-hosting business depends on net neutrality so my small-business clients can provide an online experience to their customers that can compete with the large companies. I already pay for the bandwidth I use, why should I have to also pay Comcast (and AT&T, and Verizon, etc) for the privilege of my client's content being able to reach their customers at full speed?
—Patrick Collins, Ypsilanti, MI

Just as computers went from novelties to a necessary large part of daily life, so has the Internet. It is used as a utility as must be regarded as such; as a necessity, if monetized, it would be extremely vulnerable - pay what is demanded or do without.
—James Soares, Everson, WA

Net Neutrality guarantees human rights such as fredoom of speech and access to information!
—Giovanna Salazar, ,

Keep net neutrality! America want made for one entity to rule everything! We need fair and unbiased internet speed for everyone.
—Daniel, Greenville, NC

The Internet is more than simply a way for big companies to channel money from taxpayers to your re-election campaigns via lobbyists. It is a platform for creativity, expression, entrepreneurship and likely many things we have not yet discovered. Please don't let the few big players in our "competitive" market for last-mile Internet connectivity lock down the future of the Internet as a platform for ever-increasing profits.
—William Albert Bedard, Fort Washington, MD

The internet is already expensive and way too slow compared to other countries!
—Jim Bowne, Ashland, OR

Freedom of speech. Ability to share info fairly quickly and create change. The status quo doesn't like net neutrality because info about their deeds reach the masses faster; promoting public outcry.
—Joan Chandley, Ashby, MA

I do not believe should use undemocratic means like bureaucratic regulation to create a 'class system' of internet usage in the United States. Creating a class system online will limit the ability of Americans use of unlimited internet in their quest to attain upward mobility.
—Geoffrey B. Davis, Norfolk, VA

Aside from feeding the powerful, net non-neutrality would benefit only the corporations.
—Donald Rubin, Plympton, MA

Please keep the internet free and open and equally accessible to all!
—Brett Cripe, Elkhart, IN

Most Americans have only one choice for high speed broadband service (10mbs down or faster). We are already paying too much for it. There can be no doubt that without common carrier status we will have to pay a lot more or do without the Internet services we need.
—Phillip Cripps, Cathedral City, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality
—Ron Dossey, Hurricane, UT

As a student, I and my colleagues cannot afford to have costs passed on to us as end users, and we'll suffer as a result, our work will suffer, and innovation will be stifled. Please keep Net Neutrality!
—Meghan Dabkowski, Columbus, OH

I am already stuck with terrible choices for some necessary household services. I don't want to have to pay a lot more to experience the sort of internet connectivity I currently enjoy. The current mergers are making giant monopolies of some services, and if they can get their hands on it, the internet will be next. Don't let that happen! ISPs should be classified as "common carriers."
—Maradel Gale, Bainbridge Island, WA

I have little money. I depend on net neutrality to survive.
—B Leved, Baltimore, MD

Tom, your definition of what's commercially reasonable will allow ISPs to sell services with general speeds and prioritized internet options. This would create two lanes and destroy the very core concepts of net neutrality and an open internet as anyone who doesn't have the funds for the fast lane will be left in the dust, which is censorship via traffic prioritization. This is a fact that cannot be argued with. ISPs must be dealt with, especially in the wake of big mergers on the horizon like Comcast+Time Warner, where they are already talking about enforcing caps and charging for usage, akin to common carrier behavior, yet they don't want to be defined as such. It's time to hold them accountable and redefine isps as common carriers to protect the best interest of the people and entrepreneurs. Creating a fast lane will prevent internet start ups that could have a great impact and economic benefit on society from ever getting off the ground. Protect the people, protect the enconomy, and encourage new ideas that will help the US to continue to lead the way in the technology sector. Protect Net Neutrality by defining ISPS as Common Carriers. Do not give them a free pass to introduce their anti-consumerist measures that you will have no authority to defend against as stated by the courts, The only way you can protect us from the abuse of power is by redefining them as common carriers under Title II. It must be done. There are no alternatives that you have recommended up to this point that would safeguard us from the abuse of these very few powerful corporations who only seek to squeeze the people for more money, without offering improved service.
—Gustavo Vargas, Ontario, CA

Equal access to information is a basic American right. Considering the micro monopolies Comcast, ATT, etc have, allowing a Fast Track removes any incentive to maintain quality internet speeds at all. This does not protect consumers, but creates still another opportunity for telecom providers to bleed the American public dry.
—David Kianmahd, Los Angeles, CA

The internet should remain open to all users at the same speed.
—Bruce Macko, Brandon, MS

We need net neutrality. Do not let big corporations control the internet. It is a valuable business tool like a truck or a tool box.
—Carl Gann, Fox Island, WA

Without net neutrality innovation will be stifled. The cable companies already have a track record of opposing innovation - please don't let them add to it.
—Ben Middleton, Brooklyn, NY

DO. YOUR. DAMN. JOB. and defend American innovation and freedom rather than undermining it.
—Richard Rittenhouse, Colchester, IL

There is no need to further polarize the middle and lower classes from the wealthier class. The proposed changes will be drastic to those who can't afford the faster connections. In a world where information sharing is vital to the economy, the results could be disastrous.
—Erik Nielsen, Salt Lake City, UT

In a nation with something approaching democracy the importance of net neutrality would be obvious. In a nation of oligarchy or fascism such as the United States, the importance of net neutrality may be obvious only to the 99 percent of the people who have no importance in governing.
—Forrest Jewell, lock haven, PA

Me & my wife operate an on-line store and it would directly effect our familys income to the negative!
—Bruce Harris, Springfield, MO

The net should serve us all equally -- common carrier.
—Antonia Wood, Rainier, WA

reclassify ISPs as common carriers
—Helgaleena Healingline, Monona, WI

As a student looking at majoring in Computer Engineering, net neutrality is of utmost importance to my future and my life. Please don't harm my future, ensure true net neutrality.
—Alejandro Ruiz, Hollywood, FL

Everyone deserves the right to equal, fair, and nondiscriminatory internet. And no one has the right to the power to take that away.
—Andrew Field, ,

With Net Neutrality, I will have personal freedom as the internet in an important part of my life.
—Ronald Le, San Jose, CA

As a former shop steward, I would like to advise you that a surprising number of Americans have the feeling that all-is-not-going- well. In this affair we are, perhaps, mainly dealing with the younger ones. They become easily frustrated. Please do something simple, direct, and to the point that they can celebrate. Go for the common carrier classification. And please try and stay in touch with the people.
—Charles Broggi, ,

I live in a rural, low income area. Affordable internet is absolutely crucial to the education of our young people, because they must take many High School classes and college classes online. Obtaining an education is a way out of poverty for them. Please don't keep them in poverty by ending net neutrality.
—Donna Porterfield, Norton, VA

The FCC led by Wheeler has now openly declared itself to be the servant of nothing less than greedy corporations who's profit-margins are already at obscene levels. No good! Totally unacceptable.
—Henry Hagins, Queens Village, NY

The decision to NOT classify them as common carriers was and remains a HUGE mistake, a total giveaway to unelected corporations, unworthy of the American People or any agency of government. Reverse the mistake now and classify them properly- the way they always SHOULD HAVE been.
—Brian Waak, Aurora, IL

Every day the concept that we live in a free country is disappearing, and I'm afraid the internet will soon be no different than the rest of the overpriced trash we are fed by the people who claim to stand for freedom. The internet is a essential resource just as vital to many as clean air or water, it is not just a giant phone-book.
—John Reszetylo, Grand Rapids, MN

AS the United States, the UK and the EU take away our rights under International Humanitarian Law we humans need a neutral internet, the new way humans interact across million of miles more than ever in an atomically war-like world. We huamns need one another that is why we have existed and grown for over three million years. Muzzling our speech could make us extinct.
—Miss SM Majo De Kuyper, Amsterdam,

Discrimination comes in many forms.
—Evelyn Palder, Rockport, TX

Please don't kill Net Neutrality. The creative expression and last bastion of true entrepreneurship and independent start-up businesses that is the internet should be protected, not reduced to a pipeline for providers to decide what is important to know. This will limit the freedom of speech, the freedom of expression, the ability to be heard. This will censor, by default, anyone without enough income to purchase a bigger platform. Please don't allow this to happen!
—Ms. Lindsay B., Mesa, AZ

without net neutrality, competition for streaming videos (such as netflix, amazon) would be stifled while monopolies like the cable company (I say company instead of companies because we have no choice who our cable company or local phone company are) will only get bigger and our choices smaller. Without Net beutrality, small upstarts will have a hard time competing with the big boys (who can afford to pay the ransom ISP demand) ISP need to be clasified as common carriers. The phone companies cannot charge us extra rates to to receive calls withut the worry of dropped calls , libraries do not charge extra rates to check out books from one section verses another and the ISP's should not be able to charge more for access to certain sites (which may or may not compete with their own services).
—Harold Welsh, San Bernardino, CA

It's bad enough that my internet connection moves at a snail's pace. I don't want any fast or slow lanes. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Paul Baker, Eagle Point, OR

This proposal is anti-democratic and favors the wealthy. We need TRUE net neutrality.
—Robert Odess, Buskirk, NY

The last bastion of truly free speech in the world and you are going to sell it to the people who routinely say Science is wrong....
—Jybian Lawinde, Syracuse, NY

As an entrepreneur and self-employed software and web developer, allowing large corporations to throw their money into strong-arming small businesses off the Internet would destroy my livelihood, and the livelihoods of countless others like me. It would be the destruction of the American dream for modern small business owners and freelancers.
—Timothy Scott Barnes, Ruther Glen, VA

Here again the Wealthy get what they want. The Government let them do what they want and the middle and the poor have to live with it. What happen to the Government standing up for the American People. We so call voted for those in Government and this again show the Wealthy People run Government . We need open internet.
—Jeff Waters, Ocala, FL

Stop trying to control things you know nothing about. This will just end badly for you.
—Jasmine Hebel, Kentland, IN

The free exchange of news and ideas is crucial in a democracy. This requires a level playing field and equal access for all.
—Elise Power, Pittsburgh, PA

Without proper protection of network neutrality, the internet will be on the same course as so many other things in our society...those that can afford to pay will have much better services while those that can't or are just starting out will have a gigantic barrier to entry erected which will essentially lock them out of competing. Do you think Google or Facebook would even exist without network neutrality? Extremely doubtful considering Microsoft and MySpace would have bought into the "fast lane" of the internet and blocked everyone else to entry because their services would have been so much better and VC would not have invested in something so risky. Consider all of the tiny internet startups that are now multi-million or billion dollar companies - consider them all still born without network neutrality. The current proposal being discussed will be the death knell to so many ideas that it's hard to fathom how anyone claiming to be a protector of customer rights would propose such ideas. It's obvious that broadband has always been, currently is and will always be a common carrier and they need to be treated and regulated as such. In fact, the US is so far behind the rest of the world with broadband speeds and their associated costs that the government should already be stepping in to regulate prices to much lower levels. These carriers have been taking advantage of the lack of competition to charge exorbitant prices like the monopolist they are, but until there is at least 10 different options for broadband services in all large metro areas the prices should be set similar to they are elsewhere in the world. 1-2 options is not competition. Everyone uses the same networking equipment, so capital investment should be similar and thus costs for providing the services. Look to Europe for ways to make this happen by forcing the monopolies which own all the cables to provide local loop unbundling in the broadband space at cost+a bit of profit so other companies can provide competition without having to lay their own cable. Remove barriers of entry, don't make new ones! For all our sakes, come up with some original ideas and stop trying to kill future internet investments. For example, an excerpt from: http://oti.newamerica.net/publ ications/policy/the_cost_of_co nnectivity_2013 This is a sad state of affairs, but it's to be expected when regulators protect and allow monopolies to expand through further acquisitions and change regulations to favor them against would-be disruptors. Over the past year, more advances were made internationally than domestically both for mobile and wireline offerings. Although international service providers now generally offer higher speeds at much lower prices, prices and speeds have stayed about the same in the United States. It is worth noting that in places such as Hong Kong, where higher speeds (100- 1000 Mbps) were previously available, prices and speed offerings have remained relatively similar. However, cities where such high speeds were previously unavailable now offer cheaper plans and significantly higher speeds (100-300 Mbps). For example, in 2012, consumers in Paris could pay around $40/month for a maximum download speed of 100 Mbps. This year, speeds of 100, 200 and 300 Mbps are available in Paris for around $30/month. Prices and offerings have remained static in a few international cities, but in those cases, we found that there are fewer data caps in 2013 than there were in 2012. The United States saw modest changes in broadband offerings from last year to this year. Some Comcast plans are slightly cheaper, and Comcast also increased speeds on broadband services in some domestic markets.[3] But for cities included in our study, broadband speeds listed as available online did not change significantly. In July 2013 Verizon announced a new 500 Mbps service (with 100 Mbps upload speeds) available in selected areas of its FiOS service. [4] However, this new 500 Mbps service costs around $300 a month. In Amsterdam, a symmetrical 500 Mbps broadband plan (with 500 Mbps download and upload speeds) costs just over $86.
—Craig Schultz, Littleton, CO

Maintaining net neutrality is an important means to keep control of our lives OUT of corporate hands.
—Thomas Knecht, SLC, UT

I'm sick of you, the government, trying to destroy and free liberties that we have left. Killing the net neutrality ruling does not give gains to the small mom and pop shop trying to make a living on the internet. Instead it puts them in the bottom of the pile where they will never be noticed because of the slow and fast lanes that will transpire if this ruling goes into affect. I don't want to pay for an internet service that charges everyone else to pay for content that I see. NO, its stupid, unfair, and unjust. Just another way big companies can charge another buck to make billions more on top of what they already make. ISPs are common carries and thats how they need to be classified as. Listen to the American people and what they have to say. Stop being belligerent fools on this matter. Sheesh!
—Ash S., Frisco, TX

I plan on owning an online start up one day, with your proposed plan I could be further behind then I already am. Classify ISPs as common carriers so that small business owners stand an equal chance of breaking through in the online marketplace.
—Griffin Kean, Rockville, MD

ISPs should be classified as common carriers t avoid more inequality and discrimination based on ability to ay. Why are you changing something that has worked so well for so long. What's in it for you Mr. Wheeler? What do you get out of this - cash, or a nice cushy job with Comcasr, Verizon or AT&T?
—Mike Walter, San Diego, CA

The internet is for everyone. That needs to happen now.
—Alexander Baggett, Euless, TX

Don't let the powerful telecom monopolise the internet anymore than they already have. Shame on you.
—Aeron Miles, ,

This proposal which seeks to end net neutrality would be disastrous for the rise of new businesses and would only aid those already successful who could afford these extra, unnecessary fees. These proposed rules are entirely unnecessary. There is nothing that needs to be 'fixed'.
—Nicholas Mason, Vicksburg, MS

all consumers and business should have equal access to the internet. This will allow small busineses to compete on equal terms with bigger existing companies. I don't want to pay extra for internet to enable it to work s it alreadh does.
—Robert Hatt, Forest Grove, OR

The internet has reached a point where it is a necessity in modern life, like water and electricity. It should be treated as such. Support REAL Net Neutrality!
—Andrew Saier, Redwood City, CA

The great thing about the net is that everyone has an equal voice. Please support real net neutrality to keep ISPs from destroying their competitors by holding their speed for random.
—Wesley Davis, Conyers, GA

I already pay for Internet. I pay for Internet because I want to watch Netflix and HULU and YouTube and whatever else. Please reclasify ISPs as common carriers!!! Facebook, Google, video providers and other internet startups should not pay to provide me with fast access.
—Delyan Raychev, Mountain View, CA

This proposal would kill the open Internet.
—Cameron Jones, Saratoga Springs, UT

Equal internet access is essential to our democracy.
—Michelle Hensley, Minneapolis, MN

The Internet is a public resource that should be freely available to all citizens, regardless of their income level. It is not fair to turn it into a "pay for play" private enterprise. The Internet should be reclassified as a public utility, and ISPs as common carriers in the best interest of the American people.
—Paul Tabili, Racine, WI

What will happen is that those who can't afford higher fees will be stuck with very slow Internet access.
—Michael Maynard, Stow, MA

My father was a computer engineer for NASA since the 70s and worked for the Army beforehand in the beginning days of the art. I myself have went, along with my older brother, have went into the field of working with computers due to the love of them my father gave to us of them. The Internet that me and millions of Americans has given us the opportunity beyond my fathers dreams when he started. I urge you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers because if you go down this path...I fear quit a bit the ramifications.
—Jason Caudle, Merritt Island, FL

As an aspiring independent video game designer, I have the same right to enterprise as anyone else, and that includes using the Internet as a tool for marketing and reaching out to potential players of my games. If I am forced to accept slower service than larger competitors, I will have no effective way to pursue my own entrepreneurial goals.
—Matthew Cleveland, Fort Bragg, NC

The Internet is a powerful tool that should be available to EVERYONE. We should not have a technology gap for those people who want to be life long learners. Please reclassify all ISPs as common carriers.
—Jose G. Flores, Oak Park, IL

The small company that I work for depends on neutral networks. As well as the my own business that I plan to start in the future. Please don't sail/sell us down the river just for some near-term gains.
—John Posten, Fort Collins, CO

Freedom of Information should always remain free.
—Lisabeth Harper, Monroe, MI

A wise man once said: Why fix what is not broken. No one has complained about the current internet status and for a good reason. Please don't change anything, this decision will affect everyone in a bad way.
—Sebastian Weiner, ,

Do not sell us!
—Max tzinman, NY, NY

I love my internet, please Don,t destroy this diverse universal open source open for all to see and learn from.
—Strawbs Duncan Campbell, ,

Net neutrality is important to me and my business, as I run a software consulting shop that works with startup businesses and entrepreneurs. For entrepreneurs, the last decade has seen a huge drop in the cost of starting a new business; these business owners will not be able to compete with established companies who pay for better/faster/any access to millions of potential customers.
—Mike Dalessio, Madison, NJ

Just who does Tom Wheeler work for? The American people? Or the big internet providers? I always thought it was for we, the American people, who use and rely on the internet's availability! Apparently I was misinformed. Or was I just duped?
—John Andes, Mount Juliet, TN

I have worked in IT since 1978, specialising in data / voice communications since 1985 - eventually, prior to retirement, being responsible for all global data / voice networking for a major multinational (~ 120 countries, ~ 600 sites) with responsiblility for multi-million $ annual conracts with AT&T, Verizon, etc. And my personally owned company was responsible for much pioneering activity on the Internet. Space does not allow to elucidate all the reasons but its clear to me that these proposals are completely flawed in the long term for both corporates and individuals - ISPs MUST BE CLASSIFIED AS COMMON CARRIERS!
—Tony Jilings, ,

First of all.. "If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Second, my job requires high speed internet.
—Judy, Yucca Valley, CA

You are trying to take and sell what is not yours. The Internet is the absolute last place on earth where equality actually exists and it is obvious how much this has benefited the human race. If you create a multi-tiered system the rich will get the best and the fastest and those with less will have a near-useless system. We all know it's a completely unacceptable and unearned gift to the rich and so do you. The fact that you are pushing ahead with this shows that you and your rich friends feel superior to most of the world which is an attitude that should cause you to lose your position. Justify yourself.
—Matthew Widdowson, ,

Protect Free Speech. Classify ISPs as carriers, not content providers. They do not produce content. They have never produced content. They only provide access to the information that needs to be free.
—Steve O'Brien, Silver Spring, MD

Net neutrality is the only democratic choice.
—Ainslie Gilligan, Brattleboro, VT

I am disabled and the internet is my window on the world. Net neutrality is what makes it possible to explore it, as I like, how I like. It's the biggest library on Earth and if it closes even some of those windows, I and my family will be devastated. Keep the internet free and open: declare it to be a common carrier NOW!
—Allie D. Pappano, Mattawamkeag, ME

I want to make sure the internet stays free, so it is unbiased and uncensored.
—Tracy Feldman, Durham, NC

Over the years people have been slowly eased into a corporate internet. First there were ad's that were tailored to the user based off of what their browsing history is. Then there were ads at the beginning of videos which were passed as a means for the site or youtube channel "star" to create revenue without passing costs onto the consumer. And the final nudge into normality for data throttling came though the use enhanced transfer speeds of data coming from ads or big business networks like Vevo and NBC. The use of money being able to determine whos content is seen at what speed is a complete violation of the 1st amendment and is media censorship in its most shady, underhanded, roundabout form. Anyone who can stand up for the proposed plan from the FCC chairman Tom Wheeler should be ashamed to call themselves an American.
—Robert Bruce Cameron, Damon, TX

I will object strongly to anything but fair and equal treatment for all Internet users. No fast lane, no slow lane. Same bandwidth access for all users, regardless of their ability to pay.
—F Corr, Montague, MA

Ending Net Neutrality would be disastrous for the consumer, and for the small business owner alike. Small businesses will surely be relegated to the slow lane which will in turn cut into their earnings. Consumers will feel the pain of the fast lane when companies start passing those added expenses onto the pricetag of the product they provide. This bad behavior by corporations should be severely punished, not encouraged. Use your head, and do your job. If you are incapable of wrapping your head around the big picture, then step down and let somebody who can make the proper decision. That is, reclassify ISPs as common carriers AS THEY SHOULD BE.
—John R Evans, Hilo, HI

Don't shut out individuals, start ups, non profits!!!!
—Elena Campbell, Los Angeles, CA

reclassify ISPs as common carriers
—Seth Lubin, Jersey City, NJ

It helps me research about my passion. The climate.
—Dave King, Portland, OR

The Net should definitely be open to all who wish to use it, regardless of income or other exclusionary factors!
—Garrett Murphy, Oakland, CA

I want to be able to communicate with other across the world at a reasonable pace. I don't want to have to pay $50 a month for slower then 30mps. If isps have this kind of authority what kind reproggresiion would be made?
—Colin hewett, Iowa City, IA

We need more competition not less
—Sharon Sue Brayman, Shelby Township, MI

I can barely afford the normal fees I pay now, and I need the net as is for research for my writing. Please show us all that you are NOT in the pocket of the big (pig) money telecom companies and preserve net neutrality!
—Fred Waiss, Prairie du Chien, WI

These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. This is nothing more than class warfare, allowing communication giants to redline
—Charles R Welty, Carlsbad, CA

this arrangement would only benefit those with the power to abuse it. Creating a privilege based internet would stifle creativity and self expression. This opens the door for corporations to control the flow of information.
—Connie Ambridge, Philadelphia, PA

I don't have a lot of time and I'm too poor to pay for a faster lane.
—Doris Kelsey, fort scott, KS

True Net Neutrality is as important as protection for Public Utilities and Airwaves. Any attempt to give preferential traffic rights to wealthy interests is naked corporate welfare. Imagine a road where corporate vehicles get to drive double the speed limit while the rest of us cram into the slow lane at 10 under. It sounds ludicrous. Why is the digital equivalent any less foolish?
—B Kal-El Kal-El Bogdanove, Los Angeles, CA

Net neutrality is the only way to preserve some semblance of a democracy....we already live in a country where you usually have to "pay to play", and information should be free and accessible to everyone!!!
—Ann Hendrie, Chamisal, NM

I want rules to protect consumers and small startups. Innovation can't compete with giant firms who are able to pay for the fast lane direct to customers. A two-tiered speed system is just wrong and changes the fundamental aspects of the internet. It's a level playing field online, don't let cash rich corporations control it.
—Travis Scales, Jersey City, NJ

Allowing fast/slow lanes for Internet service would be one more nail in the coffin for the middle class. Please stand up to big business for a change and protect Net Neutrality.
—Irene Gurley, Gardnerville, NV

I edit a monthly newsletter for the Portland branch of Women's International League for Peace and Freedom. It is very important that women's voices are given equal access at this critical time when humanity is facing problems that can only be resolved by cooperation and communication among all the world's peoples.
—Celeste M Howard, Hillsboro, OR

It is vitally important that Chairman Wheeler reclassify internet service providers as common carriers. The Internet has become as important to the dissemination of news and information as broadcast television and radio. It is paramount the Internet remain a free and open platform, and a truly 'neutral' entity.
—Benjamin Waggoner, St Louis, MO

I want an open internet for everyone because I believe that the American people have already paid for the internet through our taxes. I also believe that every website should have equal opportunity to be seen by anyone. The vast majority of Americans want a neutral internet! Do what is best for the American people, not big businesses.
—Samantha Overstreet, Tulsa, OK

taking away net neutrality would crush small people trying to start up and contribute to businesses on line, which is growing as You know. if everything is shut down then who will support the big businesses. also freedom of speech ? would be shut off on the internet.
—Beowulf Gilbert, Central Village, CT

Dear Federal Communications Commission, I believe that allowing ISPs to decide what information is prioritized for fast delivery is a major threat to both the free enterprise system and to free speech. It would allow ISPs to effectively pick winners in the economy and to have a disproportionate control over what voices are heard in our democracy. It would mean that only large, already wealthy interests would be able to compete, and this is the antithesis of the American way. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you for listening to voices like mine. Sincerely, Lucas Bender Taos, NM
—Lucas Bender, Somerville, MA

It promotes competition in the marketplace.
—Abraham Close, Boiling Springs, SC

Net nuetrality is key to protecting small business and trying to fight ignorance and special interests through allowing the general populace to decide which web content they will consume instead of large businesses.
—Nicolas Anzalone, East Ryegate, VT

Net Neutrality is the only possible way for people to freely communicate. Big business is not a person. I am. Don't let my freedom, and millions of others be handed to ANY corporation.
—Annelie Klein, Athens, GA

An even playing field is absolutely vital for the creation and growth of the next generation of tech industries. If that even playing field does not exist in the USA, then it will grow elsewhere. To be more technical, as the tech industry grows so will the bandwidth requirements for the new tech. Under the rules proposed, the ISPs will keep the already existing slow lanes at the same speed which means that anyone wanting to provide future tech services will be at a disadvantage if they don't pay the toll. Do not sell out America's future for the 30 pieces of silver that the big media conglomerates are offering.
—Charles Capko, Charlotte, NC

Net Neutrality is true democracy. If you kill it, you will also kill profits for big corporations, I GUARANTEE IT!
—Robert Hernandez, Brooklyn, NY

We are supposed to be a democracy not an oligarchy.
—Rolf Radicke, Bristol, PA

I have no television, haven't for years. I have no landline phone, haven't for years. I get news from lots of sources online. I talk to my son in the Air Force and the rest of my family over the internet. Everyday the internet is my link to the world. Times change. But the rules should change with the times. The internet *is* a public utility and ISPs should be common carriers.
—Nan Clancy, Saint Marys, OH

The internet is the only truly meaningful voice for Americans who can't afford to buy big media. PLEASE KEEP IT AS IT IS.
—Jeffrey Ellenberger, New York, NY

In my subdivision, Comcast is the *only* broadband internet provider. There are no other options. In dealing with their customer service in the past, they made it very clear they are aware of their monopoly power and have no incentive to provide quality service or reasonable pricing (compared to areas with competition). Reclassifying them as a common carrier is the only way to give Comcast incentive to provide reliable service and offer price competitiveness. Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers will bring the free market back to internet service in the US. Please help!
—Kendall Thrapp, Champaign, IL

Net Neutrality offers a form of democracy that could never exist in any country. The ability to speak to anyone in the world with equal weight, regardless of money, race, sexuality, gender, or creed is not something that should be tampered with. Trusting anyone to decide the flow of traffic is the same as letting them decide the speed for who is speaking. The idea is beyond sickening, and I don't want to see that happen. We've had net neutrality before. We know it works, and we know it's vital. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Mr. Caleb Niederer, Seattle, WA

If the ISP's are allowed to slow down or speed up traffic from certain sites, they could make some sites unusable for any reason they wish. This is far too close to censorship, and dangerously close to violating freedoms.
—Chris Schoonmaker, Attleboro, MA

The internet should be treated as a public utility. It is important to all of us who use it daily and it effects most of the aspects of our lives.
—Patricia E Troxell, Olalla, WA

The Internet is not a commodity to be sold. It is a service that should be open to all.
—John ODriscoll, Randolph, MA

Do not give more advantages to corporations. We need net neutrality.
—Eileen Grant, Tempe, AZ

Because regulating what media I have access to violates my right to freedom of speech.
—Sonia Diaz, Cape Coral, FL

We want free Internet not monoply of carriers.
—Christopher Dziurzynski, Chicago, IL

Internet service providers are actually in the same class as common carriers and public utilities, and should be treated and regulated as such. The internet has indeed become our most important form on communication. To treat it otherwise would be a very wrong.
—Richard Ruth, Durango, CO

No companies or people should have the power to discriminate online.
—Lynette Spillman, South Bend, IN

Big money gets votes, bog money gets fast service, people get dreck.
—Lewis Murdock, Winston, OR

The only way to keep innovation alive on the internet is to protect Net Neutrality and the ONLY way to do that is to reclassify ISPs as Common Carriers. The Internet has opened new doors for people to use their First Amendment Rights to try to make our country, and the world a better place. Allowing a two tiered Internet would allow companies to trample our rights to free speech and free expression. I implore you to not allow this to happen. Thank You.
—Rev Thomas W Leary, Chicopee, MA

Increasing my productivity when investigating - idle response times would throw me back not tolerable.
—Fritz Kanzok, Bedburg-Hau,

I have neurological disorders and severe anxiety disorders which impair my ability to interact socially in person. The internet is my primary method of social contact with other people. Equal access to all content on the internet is vital for me, because discriminating in favor of certain sites would have a negative effect on my ability to interact with other people.
—Joshua Williams, Birmingham, AL

I believe this sets a very dangerous precedent for suppressing freedom of speech and the ability of less-wealthy people and organisations (i.e. almost everyone) to use the Internet, and that if these rules pass in America it will open the door for governments in other countries to introduce similarly small-minded measures.
—Megan Tait, ,

I am physically disabled and on a fixed (read: small) income. I depend on the net for everything from healthcare management, to rapid and secure banking. It is my only source for entertainment, education and family connection. The net is the mobility I have lost and an integral, vital part of my life at the pace I want to live it. There is absolutely NO reason besides GREED for the proposal you have offered! Cheryl Smith
—Cheryl Smith, Sutherlin, OR

Please stop trying to change what isn't broken. The Internet was fine how it was. Net Neutrality is the path to a better brighter future for the world! Do not let Internet service providers discriminate on which sites get a better connection speed, everything should be equal! Our country was founded on principles of equality and this should apply to equality from one website to another. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Kevin Zeigler, Pacoima, CA

As a relatively low-income, disabled person, I can say that the 'Net is my world. My loved ones live far away, and I depend upon email or social media for communication. I also use it for medical and emotional support. Not only that, but I have used the 'Net in the past for my livelihood and even later on for volunteer work. If I had to pay extra fees, this microcosmic universe would be shattered, for me. Thanks.
—Linette Schreiber, Ardmore, PA

How much of a payoff are you getting to rape the public? Don't allow this. Do the right thing. Art OShea
—Arthur William O'Shea, Seattle, WA

The proposal is pure robber baron economics.
—Russell K Hallberg Jr, Oregon City, OR

Stop messing around with the internet, pay attention to what really matters and leave the internet alone.
—Sofia Caballero, Hamersville, OH

I want to watch what i want anywhere on the Internet with out having gates or other service providers for a fee.
—Steve McGee, Denver, CO

This fast lane/slow lane business is absurd. First of all, it's a damn lie, faster lanes will not be created. Existing bandwidth will just be reprioritized and those with lower priorities will be made slower, which is just shameful. The thing that really troubles me, is that everything is already paid for (or at least in theory.) If I were to send a parcel via good old US Postal service, I have to pay as sender. Not only that, I have to pay more or less depending on the size and weight of my parcel. the recipient doesn't pay anything in this model. When the Postal service starts to get in financial troubles, they raise the postage rates. I may not like higher rates, but it's fair. And if the Postal Service has competitors in Fedex and UPS, well, that competition keeps prices honest. Sure, competition might bring the downfall of one of those services (and it would be sad if the USPS went away) but that is how it works. So why is it that when it comes to the internet, EVERYBODY pays? and it still is not enough? why? If Netflix wants to send a very large "parcel" they have to pay to send that. Oddly, In order to receive "parcels" from Netflix, I too need to pay on the receiving end. Not only that... but because I know I like to consume big "parcels" I pay for fat pipe access to the internet. I am a computer programmer and I work from home, my entire livelihood depends on internet access. In addition, I get my entertainment over the internet. I have dropped TV subscriptions, in favor of internet based providers like Netflix and Hulu and Amazon. I have paid my fair share. If that is not enough to keep the system afloat, then let them raise the rates until they are solvent, throw in a little competition and we'll find the balancing point all right. But this bogus business of charging depending on the content is just not right. I should not pay higher postal rates for sending a wedding invitation over the postal service than I do for sending a business invoice. I pay for the size and the weight of the parcel, NOT THE CONTENT. The Internet service providers are there to move packets of data around, and they deserve to be paid for doing so. But they have no business in wasting time sniffing around for types of content and then charging different rates for different levels of service based on content. The ISPs like to blame Netflix for being a network hog. Sure, Netflix uses a lot of resources and is widely popular. I'm sure a large percentage of total bandwidth is consumed by it. But guess what? that bandwidth has been paid for. I make monthly payments for a service the promises me some amount of bandwidth. I do not exceed this bandwidth. So what is the problem? the problem is that the ISP really expect me to use far less than what I have paid for. They know that on average, the population will use x amount of bandwidth and they come up with a plan that covers those costs and advertise it not as x amount, but several times more than x. Knowing that people will still only use what they use. But Netflix changes that. People actually start using more bandwidth. Is this Netflix fault? NO. I paid for my bandwidth already. If they are having trouble with meeting their costs, then let them be upfront and come with REAL rates where the price is really tied to the bandwidth used and not some marketing fairy tale. What the ISPs want to do is keep their distorted package bundles so that consumer keep thinking they are getting a good deal, charge more from big providers like Netflix by holding bandwidth hostage. Eventually the likes of Netflix will pass those new costs back to the consumers and it will all seem like it was Netflix doing. And in the process, creating an uneven internet, with uneven quality of service and unnecessary overhead of content sniffing for the sake of "speed boosts" Keep Net Neutrality. Let the ISPs charge for each packet they deliver, not for some bogus level of "quality" that really involves crippling of regular services. Keep things honest and simple.
—Jose Vazquez, Vienna, VA

This proposal will raise consumer and non-ISP publisher costs and stifle innovation. It's a clear example that a handful of giant ISPs are puppeting the FCC and making a mockery of its charter to protect the public interest.
—Trevor Robinson, Austin, TX

The internet is a medium of communication that was developed with public funds. It has become the standard means of communication in our society. For democracy to function properly, all Americans must have equal access.
—Lonnie Fairchild, Plattsburgh, NY

The rich people in the USA have too many perks already
—Walter Birdwell, Port Isabel, TX

We the customers of the internet are the ones who pay for Internet access. We pay for equal access to all legal online content and expect it to be delivered to us without regard to content type and source.
—Jason Byrer, Lubbock, TX

Internet connections should be regulated as common carriers. It makes sense - for example, I only have an internet connection at my house. On-demand video (such as Netflix and Amazon Prime) and telephone, not to mention data transfer are all used over a single internet connection. How can that be anything other than a "common carrier". The entire telecom industry is in the midst of transition to a completely IP based system, so it only makes sense for all ISP and Internet carriers to be classes as "common" carriers, which will keep the internet open and access protected for all. This will ensure future innovation and business growth. Allowing a "fastlane" will setup a toll-booth like limited access which will turn shoehorn the internet into just another content delievery service, ala Cable- an aging behemoth grasping at the straws of it's monopoly powers to keep competition out.
—Arvonn Tully, vancouver, WA

There is only one option. Control the greedy gatekeepers and reclassify them as common carriers.
—Glenn Swanson, Marysville, WA

Hopefully, you will have already received many of thousands of comments from small business owners, YouTube providers and internet users at large telling you how destructive this proposal would be for technological innovation and competitive free-market business. As important as those things are to the world as a whole, I fear that the seriously detrimental effects on the academic and research communities are being overlooked in the controversy. Nearly every modern biologist, physicist, astronomer and economist depends heavily on the ability to share and access tremendously large amounts of data quickly. The ability to access and share data sets of truly astronomical size, almost instantly, has directly contributed to many major advancements in numerous subjects. The vast and highly accessible resource of data has literally created whole new fields of research in biology, economics and mathematics. However, most of these data are stored on servers paid for by institution who are already working on shoestring budgets that could not suffer the extra cost of needing to make deals with telecoms for fast-lane services. The subsequent loss of bandwidth for these data streams would make a surprisingly large number of research projects untenable. Another major threat chairman Wheeler's plan poses is to the newly founded notion of the "Citizen Scientist". A free and open internet has also made it possible to for hundreds of thousands of people to share ideas, data and most amazingly, actual computing power, which has democratized scientific research in ways that where undreamed of 15 years ago. One no longer needs special access to huge supercomputers to create extremely accurate statistical and physical models, as anyone can use free open source projects to build virtual supercomputers on the web. However, these networks rely on tens of thousands of regular people, with regular computers, to have fast and reliable internet services to be feasible for serious research. For as much impact as the notion of crowd sourced science has had in the past few years, it is a movement in its infancy and as such stands to be blotted out should this plan be moved forward. What I find to be most frightening about this plan is the impact it would have on the burgeoning educational resource now available. For the first time in human history, baccalaureate, master and doctoral level education is freely available to anyone with an internet connection. On sites like Corsera and OpenCourseware students of all ages and backgrounds can virtually attend classes at the best collegiate institutions in the world. They can view lectures, interact with classmates, get books, take tests and in some cases even earn certificates from the associated school at little or no cost. In my eyes this is the single greatest achievement of our age, and it could be completely undone by allowing telecom companies to act as gatekeepers to what has become the entire wealth of human knowledge. As many have already said, moving forward with this proposal will have real and seriously negative impact on the vibrancy of innovation within the world of technology and business, but the adverse impact it could have on research and education absolutely mind boggling. Do not let the greed of a handful of corporations stop what promises to be the next golden age of mankind. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Kevin J Harris, San Diego, CA

I'm disabled. Only connection to out of state family is email. Already pay for cheap service which is terrible!
—Donna Brooks, Charlotte, NC

Net neutrality is of extreme importance for doing research on important matters of the day. It is important for businesses that can not absorb the cost , it is IMPORTANT for DEMOCRACY !!!!!!!!
—Douglas Waldroop, Landover, MD

WE NEED OPEN INTERNET TO CONTINUE SHARING OUR LIVES. STOP CONTROLLING OUR LIVE AND GET INNOVATIVE. I DEPEND ON NET NEUTRALITY AND DEMAND FCC PROTECT OPENNINTERNET AND RECLASSIFY THE ISPs AS COMMON CARRIERS.
—Ezzeldin Rafat, ,

Net neutrality is extremely important to me and many others I know with small businesses etc. Please ensure that FCC rules clearly and strongly maintain Net Neutrality.
—Anthony Phillipson, San Rafael, CA

Since the FCC is too captured by industry to force competition on the monopolistic ISPs, the only answer left is to regulate the ISPs to do their jobs properly by reclassifying them all as Common Carriers under Title II of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. This is necessary because without this change AT&T, Comcast, Verizon, etc will use their monopoly position to extort edge providers for fast connections to their customers and they will extort their own ISPs as is happening right now with Comcast vs. Level 3. These are connections that should already be fast and responsive because the customers already paid their local ISP to do just that but are instead getting slowed down due to intentional congestion on the ISP's networks so they can start up their new extortion racket. It is unacceptable that ISPs will take unto themselves the right to crush companies and silence individuals who do not pay their extortion rates. This is about the future. Great things can happen on the internet if these companies are brought to heel under Common Carriage, but until then we can only look forward to an internet that gets slower, more expensive and with fewer companies/individuals willing to put out the content that makes an internet connection worth having. So label the ISPs common carriers and get it over with. This is too important to a free and open society to be left to a small group of people who only have profit and control on their minds. Thank you.
—Edward McClaugherty, Germantown, MD

One of the ways I keep in touch with my family and friends is through the internet. If this plan is implemented my time will be severely impacted. Please stop this horrible change.
—Ruth E. Stemper, Boise, ID

Net neutrality on the internet is freedom. Would you take away our freedom? Of course you would. The Internet is a free place where people can speak out their beliefs and values, why would you change that?
—Danny Stephan, ,

It is extremely anticompetitive to allow large, established companies pay extra fees for better service. In order for small, new companies to have a fair chance of success, the standard of data transmission quality and speed must be the same for all participants. Remember that small, new companies tend to be the real innovators in the tech marketplace. The giants would have you believe that their inability to collect ruinous fees for higher throughput threatens the future of research into the technologies which underlie the internet. This is patently false. Small companies invented almost every important internet standard. Protect them.
—Caleb Cullen, Houston, TX

Why screw up the only place where Democracy truly exists in America?
—Beth Heller, Boylston, MA

Without Net Neutrality, Americans who don't own large corporations will have the equivalent of 1995 dial-up internet. And worst of all, we will have allowed a bought-off FCC chairman to put another nail in the coffin-lid of democracy. Please sell off Tom Wheeler, not our Internet, to whoever wants to bid on him. I'm sure he'd make a fine board member in one of the international communication corporations that wants to rule America.
—James M. Reaume Jr., Munising, MI

I need NET Neutrality to do my work efficiently and effectively. Do not corrupt a public system that so many people depend upon. The FCC should protect the PUBLIC INTEREST, not corporate interests.
—Jane Cramer, Eugene, OR

We are all equal!
—David Hilkes, Christiansted, VI

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. We ordinary citizens and small business owners are counting on you to protect the real Net Neutrality that we need.
—Neil Swanson, Warrenton, VA

The internet has been one of the few free and truly democratic communications forums in our great nation. I would hate to see that taken away by a handful of ISPs who are truly common carriers. You have the opportunity to stand up for freedom and equality for all instead of giving in to the corporate interests of a select few. The FCC does not need to be bought and paid for like other branches of our government. I implore you to uphold the spirit of a government by the people and for the people.
—Joshua Coccoluto, Delano, MN

We need to be treated fairly, if we are not treated fairly, then we will take our business elsewhere, and or another country. Our opinions need to be heard, all people need to be treated fairly, as well as equal.
—Roland Manosh, Montgomery Center, VT

Keep the internet discrimination free. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Allen Tiller, Fort Myers, FL

The internet is more important then the phone now for communication. To allow a company to control that, it's disturbing on an apocalyptic level.
—Rebecca Culp, Naperville, IL

Net Neutrality is what protects our ongoing innovation and helps anybody protect their way of freedom of speech. I don't need oligopolies on who gets to control what we see on the internet. I don't want corporations to control how I communicate to others, to how I complete my online homework activities, or to how I enjoy my time with others.
—Josh Velazquez, Littleton, CO

There is no reason why ISPs should not be classified as common carriers, or that the internet should not be classified an information service. I increasingly suspect a 'tracert' of economics and social conditions local to the FCC might yield interesting results, as I suspect a 'tracert' of my internet packets in a year or so under these new rules to show my packets bouncing across the states more times than a ping-pong ball in professional table tennis.
—Brian Hildebrandt, Mercer Island, WA

Access to information is an equal right!
—Kathy Hart, Succasunna, NJ

Keeps the internet and fair place for all; the very principles it is based on. Don't bow down to corporate greed. Net neutrality is crucial.
—Adam dempster, Bowral,

Because we shouldn't be paying greedy corrupt people more for something we all have to survive on.
—Shawn Meeker, altoona, PA

Please protect Net Neutrality.
—Dallas DeKeyrel, Novato, CA

Free speech needs an open internet!
—Rachel Micija, Conway, PA

I am a creative freelancer who relies on a web presence to attract clients and content consumers. The FCC's current stance of wholly corporatizing net neutrality will affect my own individual enterprise and I find that unacceptable. For example, If my web domain host cannot afford to run my website as fast as it currently does because the FCC permits privatization of the information "roads" and infrastructure, then it can adversely affect my own business prospects. Keep in mind that I'm just one guy who is trying to pursue a dream, here. I assure you there are many, many more like me out there. Please, FCC, protect our dreams and don't thoughtlessly crush them underfoot.
—Paul Hanna, Somerville, MA

I'm tired of corporations creating these various inequality gaps while the government idly stands by. The Internet does not belong to Verizon, Comcast, AT&T, Time Warner, etc. They do NOT deserve to control and shape the traffic to their heart's content.
—John Jensen, Sparks, MD

As a programmer, I have seen what the power of an equal internet can do. Resources for anything and everything you can think of, and there is more innovation happening every day, thanks to start ups and the investors that support them. But if this plan goes into action, fewer investors will support start ups- especially ideas that would require faster internet speeds. If you move forward with this plan, you will seriously hurt the computer science industry, which affects pretty much every other industry in our economy. Not only will it suppress the progressive innovation that the internet has given us, but it will affect our economy and employment rates as well. If this bill passes, all it will do is allow large corporations that already have too much power to make more money. Don't let this happen.
—Britney Lyons, Chicago, IL

Keep the Internet
—Donald Doug Taylor, /Fairfield, CT

This asset should be a public utility rather than the property of evil, greed-machine corporations. They will do the same thing the goog-for-nothing Wall Street banks did - rape the American people.
—Brian Brian St. John, Spicewood, TX

Net Neutrality = freedom of speech. ALL speech online should be treated equally, and not like Animal Farm, where some are more equal than others.)
—Charles Albritton, Pascagoula, MS

Keep the internet discrimination free. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Carole Tiller, Fort Myers, FL

I pay for the last mile of my internet but without Net Neutrality I only get Mbps service when I access Kbps data. Excuse me? What planet is this? The reason the internet works is everyone pays for THEIR OWN CONNECTION to it. That's what makes it special. What's next? Funding based policy? Oh wait.... that's too much data for this communication.
—George Georgalis, Mountain View, CA

I think the internet should be a place for everyone to do whatever they want, othervise it will slowly become a censured bad place.
—Jesper Andreasson, Dundee, KY

I do not want my ISP prioritizing my content for me. I pay them to transfer data, not to make decisions about that data for me. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Daniel Frazier, Fort Collins, CO

please do not belittle the consumer in favor of big business.
—Deborah Kavruck, Washington, DC

I have a small business and my website will be impacted.
—Phillip Schwartz, Ghent, NY

I AM. HERE AND NOW. YOUR TIME IS OVER PREPARE TO MEET MY JUDGEMENT. ALF
—Mark Steven Filby, Coffs Harbour,

Small business will greatly suffer without the open Internet. Do not help choke off innovation and succumb to the big business influence so prevalent in our lives.
—John Burr, North Las Vegas, NV

AT&T, Comcast and Verizon are already three of the most hated companies in the US. Why on Earth does it seem like a good idea to let them control which bits of my data are most important? Ridiculous!!
—Tim Culler, Walnut Creek, CA

The Internet isn't just some entertainment avenue like TV anymore. You can live without TV, but how much of our lives now depend on some component of the Internet? Too much for you to let ISPs rake everyone that uses the Internet in the USA over hot coals! We need Net Neutrality! It's not just the fairness factor, because life isn't fair. This is the right thing to do, the best thing for everyone involved! Who really benefits with your plan?
—Becca Muick, Terre Haute, IN

We should all have access to the internet. In the United States of America, this should not even be a question.
—Meg Duffy, Haverhill, MA

I have a small business and this would be extremely unfair to my customers who can't reach my website all because of a rule that would allow these providers to discriminate (directly or indirectly) and can basically choose who can be accessed easily and who can't. This this plan by Tom Wheeler is absolutely wrong.
—Julius Cirwithian, New Castle, DE

I'm tired of dinosaurs who couldn't point to the URL bar on a browser trying to control how my generation accesses information.
—Christine Kay, Strongsville, OH

There really isn't anyway to disguise this move. Opening special access to some traffic is only done at the expense of the remaining traffic. Stifling the rest of the traffic is restricting our freedom to use the internet for communication - our speech. This is not only a bad idea, I am quite certain it is unconstitutional. Take the easy road. You don't need to invent anything. Reclassify the internet as telecommunications (well, duh, it is) and the rules are already setup quite well.
—Ross S. Heitkamp, Mountain View, CA

ISP's must be "common carriers"!
—Judith Salzman, Tucson, AZ

This is going to be as bad as Citizen's United. Stand up to Regular People, not the Corporations!
—Helene Rosen, Ivyland, PA

Dear Chairman Wheeler, Having a higher Internet tier is a policy that is too easily abused. Providers would be slow to improve service for the lower tier and it would create an unfair marketplace for smaller or newer Internet content providers trying to compete on the quality of their product alone. Best regards, Miles Stoudenmire
—Miles Stoudenmire, Johns Creek, GA

It's a no-brainer. The internet is the only free-speech forum left in this world.
—Kevin McLaughlin, New Providence, NJ

Net Neutrality is what can ensure the future of the internet as guided by the people, not the corporate providers who often have very narrow or specific interests.
—Khalila Brown, Washington, DC

This is the age of information. These changes would give private companies the ability to control of information. Knowledge is power. By allowing them this control, you are affording them nearly unlimited power. In addition, this gives ISP's the ability to have a direct fiscal impact on businesses in which they hold no ownership interest. Think of how many companies depend on the internet for their business to survive. Now they're going to have to work out deals with these providers and pay more fees to make sure their content is readily available at speeds consistent with industry standards? That sounds a lot like extortion to me. How is that any different than the mafia in NY charging protection money to local business owners? The only difference is the protection in this case is the guarantee of a speedy delivery of information rather than from bodily harm. Lastly, consumer already pay ISP's a premium for faster speeds. I for example spend $60 a month for the fastest broadband I can get. If I am already paying the ISP a premium to be able to receive data faster, why do they get to double dip and charge the sender a premium to send this information. In a one way transmission of data, a premium for expedited speed should only be charged one time. We the people are dependent upon our bureaucrats to do the right thing. Please, do the right thing.
—Chris Booth, Fair Oaks, CA

ISP = Common Carriers
—Todd Templeton, Sunland, CA

Equal opportunity for all!
—Gene Smirnov, Abington, PA

I submit my comment because this country was founded on the premise that all "men" are created equal. Over the years since the invention of television, computers, and other means of communication, things have eroded so that the common "man" in this country no longer has equal say about their destiny, beliefs, education, etc. This country is the envy of other less democratic nations and yet we are falling down on the list of accomplishments because competition is thwarted in the corporate world. Please do not let the top 10%ers continue to buy with their billions what we think, see, hear or say. Allene
—Allene Schooler, San Jose, CA

Otherwise I wouldn't be able to afford broadband internet.
—Raf Barco-Calderon, Jeffersonton, VA

The Internet has become a vital part of American lifestyle. We use to conduct business, communicate with clients, solve problems and search for help. Why would we want this taken away and given to big business to run and control. The only fair way is to have Net Neutrality for all of us not just the chosen few. Steve Core, American Born, American raised and American proud. Help us save the Internet from Tom Wheeler Chairman of the FCC and providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon.
—Steve Core, DENVER, CO

The proposed rules will kill internet innovation and small start-ups in favor of large established internet businesses! We need real net neutrality!
—Steve Pratt, Buffalo Grove, IL

The Internet removed communication barriers, equalizing things between huge companies and one-person operations. This turns that on its head, and puts more power and money into the hands of ISPs that already wield too much power and provide too poor a service for the money they rake in. Call a spade a spade, and reclassify them.
—Ray Shaw, Parkville, MD

Throw out your rules and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Norman Black, Marietta, GA

I am a list manager for a website serving cancer patients and survivors (non-profit organization). It's critical for us to share information in a timely manner with one another. We deserve should not have our information slowed down in favor of commercial interests.
—Ronald Goldsmith, Albuquerque, NM

The internet is as much infrastructure as roads, power, gas, water, education or any number of other things. It is not a private good but a public good and as such needs full protection not exploitation by rapacious corporates.
—Nicholas Seaman, ,

AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon have too much power. Under the current system and the recently proposed one, the FCC doesn't really have much power to regulate Verizon, Comcast, and AT&T. I value the free flow of ideas, innovation, and low cost. In Europe people enjoy much better access at lower cost because they haven't given the foxes control over the chicken coop.
—Patricia Egenberger, Modesto, CA

No speeding up. No slowing down. No preferential treatment for ISP's or web sites. No censorship. No corporate stranglehold nor greed should ever touch the internet.
—Gura Lashlee, McKinleyville, CA

Free communication is at risk here!
—Obie Goodman, denver, CO

Please make the Internet open and free for everyone. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and let everyone compete and participate in an open internet.
—Jacob Moran, leander, TX

The internet is public domain and must remain available -in its entirety and equitably- to EVERYONE regardless of their ability to pay high use fees. I am a former public employee who, after 30 years of public service, had to retire so I can provide 24 hour care for my 19 year-old physically/developmentally disabled son. We use the internet to receive information regarding our health care, education and other vital services, to pay utility bills and to purchase items/services we need. The ability to use the internet for these things helps me reduce the amount of time I have to leave my son with a (paid) care provider and avoid leaving him at home alone. If internet providers are allowed to set up a two or multi-tiered system for internet access, millions of people like me will be given access that will move at a speed which inhibits our ability to reasonably access information and services. Please remember that the majority of us, the people you represent, are counting on you to protect our rights and equal access to services. Thank you.
—Renee L. McTeer-Ramirez, Chino Hills, CA

Information should be free to all. Not just people who can afford in. This would low income students and would affect our education system. We might as well return to the dark ages when only the rich could afford education. You Mr. Wheel are a disgrace to the nation for even wanting to do something like this. I hope you are forced out of your job for even wanting to limit the rights of Americans. Right such as freedom of speech and education. Being able to accuse information to vote, learn, research, you are limiting all this. You are a sell out to big corporations and need to be dismissed.
—R Christopher Vara, Houston, TX

We must protect the open Internet. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you.
—Alma Shaffer, albemarle, NC

I have ZERO interest in any of the content provided by Comcast, Verizon, or other ISP, I want them only as a "pipe". I have little interest in most of the major content providers, as I find that my needs and interests are better served by smaller sites. I want NEUTRAL Internet, where all bits are treated equally, and not have my needs relegated to second class citizen status. ISP's should be treated as common carriers, as the primary service they provide is that of a data pipe, and pipes should not discriminate.
—Arthur Torrey, North Billerica, MA

i feel its important so i can save money from going into your pocket because tom wheeler was the CEO of the Cellular Telecommunications & Internet Association. which is why the fcc is doing this. hes just a corrupt person looking out for his buddies pockets and not the people he has to look out for. the people that help him get a paycheck, me and the rest of the middle class.
—Colin Asip, San Mateo, CA

ISPs are clearly Common Carriers. Declare them such and end this mess. The Internet is way too important to risk. Anything other than a single tier Internet will destroy it, at least in the USA.
—Bruce Watson, Raleigh, NC

what makes them more than common carriers?
—Stephen and Constance Caruso, Pataskala, OH

The internet was created for everyone, not for corporate enterprise. It must remain free and equal for all of its users as a tremendous source of information and communication. Big business must not be allowed to dictate usage to others.
—Ann McGarry, rye brook, NY

No, please don't mess with net neutrality.
—Tom Elder, Boise, ID

I have friends that work in internet startups that do content delivery. This bill will kill thier chances to compete. Internet delivery agents should be defined as common carriers, not allowed to charge end users and content delivery. And don't even get me started on how many are content providers as well. For those of us that don't have a choice in ISPs, please, please do not do this!
—Steven strange, Round Rock, TX

Unless the internet is truly neutral, corporate interests will continue to try to take control of both content and delivery.
—Robert J. Kuzma, Oakland, CA

Net neutrality is essential to democracy!
—Kay O'Laughlin, Gloucester, MA

I am a twenty year old musician, and my career depends upon Net Neutrality. I strongly urge you to rethink your plans and have some humanity for those who may not have chosen the same path as yourselves.
—Sara Kochanski, Westfield, MA

I use streaming video service as my main method of television watching and I don't those services to have to kow tow to ISPs in order for them to deliver my programming. Please reject Chairman Wheeler's plan. Thank you.
—Clayton Helme, Salt Lake City, UT

I DO NOT support a two-tiered internet system. The best thing about the internet is that there aren't obstacles to putting out ideas. Your rules will destroy this equality. This is not right or fair to people and businesses that are not rich. Do not do this to us.
—Jennifer Cousineau, Albuquerque, NM

Because it allows for new an innovative industries.
—Stephen Brikiatis, Windham, NH

Really, I feel as though the govt already meddles in enough as it is. With all that is going on these days the net is the only place I feel real freedom of speech and news in preserved. Getting more govt involvement in the matter will only mess things up.
—Benjamin Walker, Tempe, AZ

I want an open, non-discriminatory internet!!! Don't throw away Net Neutrality. I mean it!! PLEASE!!!
—Lesly Van Dame, Houston, TX

THE CORRUPTION AND CORPORATE PSYCHOPATHY FELLED A ONCE DECENT REPUBLIC - WE ARE NOW MORE ENSLAVED THAN HITLER'S GERMANY.
—Carol A. Russell, Saratoga Springs, NY

Stop this plan and leave the Internet as it is. There is too much potential for corruption in this plan. Stop!
—B. Kaufmann, Appleton, WI

Net Neutrality should continue. Reconsider your rules that would end Net Neutrality. The big companies should not be able to charge extra fees for a faster Internet. It should be available to all at the same speed and cost.
—Patricia Peters, Seattle, WA

Please allow the internet to stay neutral. There does not need to be a premium speed for the biggest, riches companies operating online. Leave the internet open and a level playing feel for all, both big and small.
—Josh Aiman, Moscow, ID

i wish to be able to have the same speed available as the big boys without paying extra.
—Fred Kleindenst, Paradise, CA

Are you kidding me, it is insane to not make isps common carriers. Did you get a bribe for coming out with this ruling?
—Richard Schulte, fraser, CO

I use the Internet daily for all types of information I need in my daily life. There is no reason I should have to pay extra for big companies to make more money off something that should be free for everyone to access.
—Angelia Akers, Bristol, VA

When only money matters, then we have lost our decency a society.
—Carol Dodson, elgin, SC

Maintain net neutrality!
—Paul Cameron, Carrollton, TX

Stop the madness of this proposal now.
—Jeremy Granger, Mandeville, LA

Telecoms cannot have it both ways. They MUST be classified as common carriers! They have been given far too much power already. The American People need their internet service providers to treat us all fairly and equally. The regulations in place need to be rewritten, with FAR less favoritism for ISPs. We need rules to protect AGAINST predatory practices by conglomerates, NOT rules PROTECTING multinational corporation's predatory practices (and "the internet fast lane" is absolutely 100% predatory).
—Michael Parcels, Center Ossipee, NH

I just got high speed internet, and it wasn't from Verizon, who for fifteen years couldn't even provide a reliable telephone connection. I had to wait for a local telephone coop to invest in fiber. I don't see how giving Verizon and AT&T more control of the internet after the way they have behaved in the past can be good for rural customers like me.
—Bernard Lisner, Westfield, WI

Net Neutrality means those individuals less.fortunate will still have access to being educated; it is tool that allows those in remote locations or the underprivileged a fair playing field in the game of life.
—Joel Gillum, Jacksboro, TN

I want a free and open internet.
—Jordana Amato, Florence, MA

Why must we have more and more situations where more money means better access?
—Don Palsgaard, Bishop, GA

The proposed rules will absolutely kill the economy as smaller companies will no longer be able to compete with larger companies.
—Ebben Feagan, Park Hill, OK

Net neutrality is important to me because my husband depends on it for his work, and my nieces and nephews depend on it for their education and to enrich their learning.
—Kendra Dunlap, Denair, CA

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and protect net neutrality! You are hired as a voice of the people. The people who actually understand this problem and are without conflicts of interest are unanimously opposed to these new rules. Do the right thing, for once.
—Daniel Hipp, Binghamton, NY

Where is your empathy? How can you look yourself in the mirror and fell good about yourself. Is your ego more important then peoples freedom of speech? We live on a pale blue dot in this enormous Universe. Start looking up and not into yourself and your lust for power. The open internet is one of the best things ever to happen to the human race. Dont let big corporations kill it. There is enough inequality in the world. Ask yourself the question: What matters?
—Alexander Parker, ,

The Internet is as essential as electricity and should be regulated in a similar manner, as a public utility.
—Sharon Wright, Stillwater, OK

These days it is essential to have good internet connections. It will hamper small businesses, charities and all the rest of us without huge bank accounts, if money will determine who gets the good service.
—Gisela S. Ray, Gresham, OR

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Amy Lyons, RALEIGH, NC

I am a web developer and a huge "consumer" of online services. Discrimination of said services is incredibly wrong. Keep the market free to individuals, not corporations!!!
—V Jones, Highland, UT

It would be nice if just once a federal agency worked for the people it represented and not big business.
—Laraine Winn, Clearwater, FL

Allowing the ISPs to charge higher rates for better service is opening the door to exploitation, not innovation. You say that you will prevent peferential treatment of some content, but allowing some content providers to have faster and more reliable service than others is preferential treatment, pure and simple. Please reverse your position on these proposed rule changes, and get back to making the case for regulating Internet provision as a common carrier service. Than you.
—John Fay, Santa Cruz, CA

Ik ben afhankelijk van netneutraliteit en eisen dat de FCC de bescherming van het open internet door herclassificatie van ISP's als common carriers.
—Walter Botteldoorne, Kortrijk-Heule, NJ

Creativity and progress, technical or artistic, will be stifled if net neutrality dies. Please, keep net neutrality alive and let our younger generations experience the freedom of the net!
—Nico P., Valencia, CA

America has already become a culture of forced advertisement in all walks of life. Losing Net Neutrality would be the final nail in the coffin of American free thought.
—James, Orlando, FL

The internet is a space for sharing ideas and getting information. Restricting that, or trying to monopolize it is awful. In this day and age people need the internet to get ahead and it will make life more difficult for everyone.
—M Lyn, Sunderland, MA

Trying to privatize the Internet is just wrong. Privatization doesn't work with utilities or government services. Never ever.
—Ronda Evans, Kennewick, WA

TELL US HOW "FAST LANES" PROTECTS NET NEUTRALITY. WE HAVE ALREADY TOLD YOU HOW IT DOES NOT, AND PROVIDED EXAMPLES. ALL YOU PROVIDE IS STATEMENTS AND DECLARATIONS. LET US KNOW WHAT THE PLAN IS THAT DEFINES "FAST LANE" DISTRIBUTION AS NET NEUTRAL. I DARE YOU TO TRY.
—Rick Nixon, McCloud, CA

Don't be stupid. There's no up side.
—Arthur Krakowsky, Livermore, CA

You cannot let the rich take over the Internet. It MUST remain open and available to all.
—Michael Kenney, LOS ANGELES, CA

Who ever controls information controls the world.
—Norman W Kolody, binghamton, NY

The end result of your current course will be the transformation of the internet into a new form of cable tv. I cannot think of an end sadder than that for a forum that holds as much potential as the internet to bring the world together.
—Thomas Moore, Philadelphia, PA

Discrimination. I missed the old CEO...
—Gabriel Nieves, Miami, FL

I want the internet to be a common good everybody can afford. Net Neutrality means equal opportunities means the best will prevail. If we let providers limit the accessibility, quality content will diminish.
—Rafael Schamilow, ,

My family can barely affort basic DSL now, if we loose connection because we can't afford certain sites we will not be able to survive.
—Kevin Toney, Richmond, CA

This represents the last bastion of freedom of expression, something our forebears fought to achieve over many generations.
—Martin Strube, Northampton,

Don't fck with the internet.
—Marc Burbank, Spring, TX

I would like to start an online business, but without net neutrality nobody would be able to find out about me
—Conal Duffy, Oak Park, IL

We, the people demand that the FCC reign in the profiteers that have hijacked the internet in the name of greed. When the rest of the public learns what is going on, they will join us in demanding that the FCC not abandon net neutrality! We already pay outrageous prices for internet access. Comcast, Verizon and the others will drive the cost out of reach for hard working middle class Americans. We will not let that happen!
—John Pizzulo, Kernersville, NC

We all have said "NO"! Net Neutrality must be protected at all costs. That's billions of people against all corporate and government collusion to control internet by way of content censorship, services, monitoring and corporate profit.
—Antonio White, District Heights, MD

Really? After everything that has happened you are going to just say no to the ever expanding list of companies and people who would be affected by your stupid decisions. What about the economy, what about the companies that play a major role in the US economy. I don't think you guys care, or you are being corrupted by AT&T, Comcast, or worst of all, Verizon who all are corporations out to make a profit and nothing else. Answer our damn questions and justify why you guys are making such stupid decisions.
—Ben Saltz, Lafayette, CO

Without net neutrality, we are giving the big media companies the theoretical power to censor our access to the internet by making it difficult to get to sites they don't want us to see.
—Michael Holler, Plainfield, IL

Access to information and the ability to be fully engaged in communication should be an equal right in this country. A two-tiered system will undermine this greatly. I am especially concerned that people with less sophisticated technical access and financial resources will be unable to participate in dialogue, commerce, and democracy. Please keep the internet open to all!
—Michael Porter, Robbinsdale, MN

I think tat I should be able to get information from any source connected to the internet, regardless of whether they are large enough or rich enough to pay for extra speed or capacity. I should get the same speed from my ISP regardless of whether I want to watch Netflix, or acess some tiny site in another country, etc.
—Mark Goldfield, Brooklyn, NY

The same reason the USA opposes monopolies is why the Internet should remain neutral, Competition. When the ISP I buy Internet service from has the right to dictate what services I use through them you have a monopoly. It will kill competition. I am a registered vote and I do vote for the person that is looking out for my interested and not big businesses interest. That probably rings true for everyone else that takes the time to write you. Strike done this noticing that only benefits big business. The little guys deserve to win one every now and again.
—Brian Garland, Minden, LA

The Internet has been the last universally accessible bastion of free speech. Please don't sell it.
—Eric Bonnett, Powell, OH

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Marcos Arguello, Las Vegas, NV

An open free Internet is a last bastion of democracy-- we need to preserve it!
—Tony Giordano, Howell, NJ

Keep our internet the same.
—Christopher Minich, Lewis Run, PA

Net Neutrality is important to The People of the World (Remember them?) as an equal playing field communications network. We don't want or need a two-tiered system of "haves" and "almost haves".
—Douglas Newman, Winnipeg,

Net neutrality is very important to me and my family, as we are completely self-employed. My husband and I make custom jewellery and the vast majority of our sales occur online. If net neutrality is gone, I understand that our sales will suffer (we are already living in the edge) due to less/slower access to our online store. If this happens my family will be unable to support ourselves, including our two children aged 6 & 3. Please do not sentence my family to a choice between poverty or missing our children grow up while we waste away in a call centre or some equally depressing job. Please take action for the sake of families in America.
—Nancy Power, Williamswood,

We do not need to create a class system of internet users!
—Gregory N. Shrader, Phoenix, AZ

The state of Internet access in the United States is a perfect example of the disaster that results from applying free market "light touch" regulation to a market that isn't truly free due to "natural monopolies." Quick and decisive action is necessary to prevent the large ISPs - whose only innovations are in coming up with new ways to charge more money for the same or less service - from snuffing out real innovation on the Internet. The future of digital distribution and streaming video are at stake because they threaten existing business models.
—Cory Pendergraft, Richardson, TX

We don't need a two-tiered internet. Those that can afford it are not more equal than the rest of us.
—Norman Pugliese, Califon, NJ

I believe that classifying ISPs as common carriers is fundamental to our prosperity, and most importantly, to the fair and free functioning of our democratic form of government.
—John Seakwood, New Lebanon, NY

The internet is a resource which everyone should have access to no matter the amount of money we have. Restricting peoples access will rid some of us of information, leaving the world a less informed place.
—Rachael Stott, Kendal,

I believe that the internet needs to continue to be free for all consumers because it should be easily and equally accessible to all whether rich or poor, old or young. It should be regulated as all other utilities, not given to giants in the industry. Thank you.
—Susan Mueller, Carpinteria, CA

The general public barely makes enough to clothe, feed, and house themselves. Why take more from our pockets? In our digital age the Internet is vital to everyone. Don't discriminate the majority, underpaid working class citizens.
—Benjamin Dylan Prescott, CHICHESTER, NH

Net neutrality is important because too many other aspects of American life are already skewed in favor of corporate interest, and, given the opportunity, providers *will* find loopholes in these newly-proposed rules. Many of the largest already intentionally avoid performing important infrastructure upgrades in an attempt to exact fees from content providers (see: http://blog.level3.com/global- connectivity/chicken-game-play ed-child-isps-internet/), and these new proposed rules give them more opportunities and excuses to demand more money from both providers *and* consumers, while continuing to let their infrastructure languish.
—N Rusch, Santa, CA

Access to affordable, competitive, and genuine high speed internet access is essential to our livelihood, since I work from home 3 days a week. The status quo leaves me with one overpriced option. Broadband internet is as much of a utility as water/electricity and it needs to be treated in the same way.
—John Coursen, Cambridge, MD

It's unfair to everyone to have to pay more for something that should have the same speed for everyone paying for that speed. No fast lanes. Just bet neutrality
—Nikola Hamilton, Le Roy, MN

We must keep the internet a free and open public space.
—Suzanne Regalado, Americus, GA

Democracy is one man one vote. Keep the internet democratic. Stand on the right side of history. Your actions will be remembered.
—Wolf Thandoy, San Francisco, CA

We are already a two-tier society! Leave the internet alone!
—Elizabeth Rabinowitz, Ashland, MA

Our democracy depends on the free spread of information, and our economy depends on competition. Both require net neutrality.
—Warren E Shull, Decatur, GA

The net is the last place for new ideas and innovation to have a chance to grow from individuals. Without neutrality, a heavy toll will end up being levied for any individuals who would use it as a platform for research and the free exchange of ideas that cultivates innovation. Inevitably, it will not be the heavy users/corporations that pay the added price of greater bandwidth, but will be the individuals how have limited to no say in how they are charged for their ever limiting share of the bandwidth pie, while the big users of bandwidth will pay a fraction of the cost for the lion's share of bandwidth pie. Don't tell me it won't happen, with the corporate gatekeepers, that has historically ALWAYS been the result of private control over what was a publicly founded national asset and treasure. It will be manipulated like every other privatized asset to gain the maximum profit from the people who can least afford to protest, the individual public. Net Neutrality must continue to be a key cornerstone of the Internet. Without it, we are at the total mercy of the corporations!
—Lawrence Menasco Jr., Port Hueneme, CA

We need net neutrality so everyone has equal access to the Internet.
—Emma Bartholomew, Seattle, WA

I desire net neutrality, both for selfish reasons like wanting my internet to remain the same speed at the same cost, and for more practical, sensible reasons like not wanting companies to be able to edge out any competition they might have. It just makes sense to me to keep the net neutral.
—Daniel Haigh, Massapequa Park, NY

Net Neutrality is important to because it protects the people keeping an even playing field! With out it, the well that is our freedom will be poisoned.
—Ryan O'Dwyer, Delran, NJ

Mr Wheeler, you have stated: "I'm a strong supporter of the Open Internet, and I will fight to keep the internet open." Then may I suggest that you classify ISPs as common carriers. Thanks.
—Steven W Gaylord, Barstow, CA

I'm a professor, and my colleagues and I have been making websites that share our research with the world community. These are not sponsored by any large company, and often they are not even on "official" university web servers. This intellectual property is something we think people can benefit from, and increasingly we are using 3D visualization and technologies that make load speed important. My understanding of these proposed regulations is that corporate sponsored sites would load faster and be more accessible than our years of research and work. That seems like a really bad idea as it would stifle (or make hugely expensive) both research and innovation. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers, which they are. Thank you, Lynn Ramey Associate Professor Vanderbilt University, Nashville TN
—Lynn Ramey, Nolensville, TN

It is crushing to think that the Net which has done so much to foster democracy in tyrannized countries would be turned into a platform for inequality in America. There is no justification for this corrupt kowtowing to the commercial interests of gigantic corporations. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Mrs. Vanessa Genens, Tillamook, OR

Freedom.
—Juan, ,

This is a free speech and equal access issue.
—Mark Peterson, Lauderdale, MN

Why isn't the will of the majority of people winning ,over the FCC?
—Tom Hendricks, Dallas, TX

These purposed changes are pure folly. It would be detrimental to digital ecosystem that is the internet. It would restrict the flow of ideas and communication. It would give priority to major corporations that can afford to pay the obscene amounts of money for faster internet speeds that should be available to all equally. Don't make the mistake of alienating the majority- in one way or another you will pay dearly for it.
—Anthony Francis, Chicago, IL

The Internet is a basic 21st century resource. It MUST be classified as a common carrier in order to keep information free and keep US society innovative.
—Mark Jared, Eugene, OR

First of all Comcast or AT&T doesn't get to just buy our internet. If Mr. Wheeler really represented the people and not media companies then this would be a simple decision. Just on the subject of education alone the FCC will be putting millions of school children at a serious disadvantage if net neutrality is indeed killed. With a pay to play internet the FCC will be cutting school children's ability to learn and grow in the classroom and with at home school work. Those children who don't have wealthy parents won't be exposed to a fast equal lane internet at home and eventually will be years behind educationally to those who can pay. This decision also doesn't promote free market competition, or democracy. It will stifle an already stagnant economy and make worse the inequality gap between the rich and poor. All the while continuing to shrink what is left of America's middle class.
—Thomas Wilmoth, Elmwood Park, IL

This proposal is only going to hurt the consumer. It;s a bad idea all around and should have never seen the light of day. I urge the FCC to kill this proposal!
—Steven Waltman, Rochester, NY

Do not allow the corporations to take over our internet. It was created for the equal benefit of everyone,not the AT&Ts and Comcasts
—Dennis Hall, Citrus Springs, FL

Don't let discrimination happen. Without Net Neutrality, the little guy suffers AGAIN. These big companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. I don't want that to happen. Why would you?
—Georgia Bellas, Somerville, MA

Without net neutrality, the Internet as we know it will end -- there is a reason why the phrase "don't fix what isn't broken" exists. Put things back the way they were, for the sake of the Internet,
—Jay Cross, Burnt Hills, NY

The internet is an amazing tool for knowledge, people are able to use it to learn about all sorts of wonderful and useful knowledge. Breaking the internet will not only harm businesses and consumers now, but it will also harm future generations. Do not break what isn't broken.
—Stephen Demeter, Fishers, IN

Restore/Maintain Net Neutrality Please.
—Rex R Culbertson, Medford, OR

please throw out the rules and reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Ms. Renee Klein, Marina del Rey, CA

New ideas, new innovations, change for the better often comes from those with little financial or political clout. Net neutrality allows the voices of all to be on an equal playing field, not just those who have the funding.
—Jeffrey Hedquist, libertyville, IA

As an avid user of the internet, I know that free and unimpeded access to all content is cruc
—Bethany Calhoun, Edmond, OK

The way education is taught in these days requires the student to have a good internet connection and a computer available. If this plan proceeds many students won't be able to afford the extra charges and it will take them even longer to complete assignments than it does now, this will lead to students missing sleep and/or meals to complete assignments. Lack of sleep has been seen to lead to severe depression and a weakened immune system. If the current plan is put in placed it will only create a worse society than that which we live in currently.
—Cayenne Evensen, Riverton, UT

Please don't vote against the citizens. The corporate takeover of the government has gone too far already. Let us have this one well functioning avenue. Keep Net Neutrality!
—Tammy Causey, Jefferson, OR

My internet access is through a smaller ISP, not Comcast, TimeWarner, Verizon, or ATT. So if there is going to be a fast lane, I will not have access to it at all. Net neutrality is critical for fairness.
—William Thomas, Minneapolis, MN

We need net neutrality to keep the internet open for all and to keep online business fair.
—Stephanie Martinez, Katy, TX

I strongly believe that the service ISPs provide is telecommunications. Communication is the main use of the internet in my household; video-chatting friends in other states and even countries is my hobby. Not classifying ISPs as common carriers would mean Netflix, Youtube, and anyone else ISPs could sell 'fast lane' service to get better and faster transmission than my communication data. I pay for internet, just like everyone else, I should be able to use in any manner that I wish without the ISPs deeming my data 'non-priority.'
—Gary S Moore Jr, Sylvania, OH

A democratic society cannot tolerate the commodification of free speech ...
—Gilia Humrich, FORESTVILLE, CA

Since when is the United States of America content to be so very far behind other countries in any area, let alone in internet access? We claim that intellectual progress is the key to economic progress and yet we are making it financially harder and harder to get a good education and now we won't (if this plan is implemented) even have competitive internet access! You should be setting the goal of outperforming all other countries including South Korea in speed for ALL sites. ISP stands for internet SERVICE provider and should be classified as such - as SERVICE providers. I can not fathom why consideration would even be given to these proposed rules. Quoted from wikipedia: "South Korea is the world leader in Internet connectivity, having the world's fastest internet connection speed.[1][2] The government established policies and programs that facilitated a rapid expansion and use of broadband. As of 2013, South Korea has the fastest internet connection in the world at 21.0 Mbit/s according to the report State of the Internet published by Akamai Technologies,[3] which is over 40% faster than the next fastest country, Japan, which clocked in at a distant second with 12.9 Mbit/s. South Korea's speed is almost six times faster than the world average of 3.8 Mbit/s, and more than twice as fast as the United States at 10 Mbit/s. It is important to note that 100 Mbit/s services are the average standard in urban South Korean homes and the country is rapidly rolling out 1Gbit/s connections or 1,000 Mbit/s, at $20 per month,[4] which is roughly 263 times faster than the world average and 100 times faster than the average speed in the United States.[5]") As a traveler I have experinced a great variety of internet access speeds and reliabilty and I tell you now - limited access hurts commerce, Period.
—Robn Diekow, Sequim, WA

Net neutrality is the only reason I have been able to practice my profession of online marketing for small businesses. Without net neutrality there is no level playing field.
—Cameron Miller, lake worth, FL

Putting corporate profits before the needs of the clients. Typical USA! Disgusting discriminatory and totally unfair. Do not destropy Net Neutrality.
—John Rogers, Sayre, PA

Please maintain Net Neutrality by reclassifying ISPS as common carriers. To follow proposed new rules is an assault on democracy. Thank you.
—Hazel Witte, Bremerton, WA

As a person on disability, I rely heavily on an open & unrestrained internet. Net Neutrality is the only thing safe guarding this The net should be treated as an utility not a privilege.
—John Teague, Poteau, OK

You continue to push a your current plan, and you will guarantee business failure on the internet. If you can't understand that concept, then either you are an idiot, or you ignore common sense because of the bribes you are collecting.
—Brent Shifley, Beebe, AR

Please protect the public by revising these proposals
—Scott Rower, Portland, OR

Net neutrality is a holy grail of democracy and social transparency. SAVE IT!
—Ken Lauter, Nacogdoches, TX

I think of the internet in the classroom. It can only become more central to education.
—Carol Mock, Fremont, CA

Do you really think it's fair for you to give cooperations another way to make more money on common people like me? The entire problem with our country are people like you who allow these company's to run our beloved America. I wonder what our founding fathers would have done if these people would have approached them with such a horrendous proposition. Do you think they'd have the same position as you? You people should be ashamed to call your selves representatives of the people and that goes for 99% of the men and women currently run this country. Have some respect for the common populous and for once do something that benefits us and not multi-billion dollar companies. I hope you enjoy your position because sooner or later we're all gonna get tired of this and it's not gonna end well for people like you, enjoy the rest of your day.
—Josh Cortright, Hollister, MO

These new rules for internet regulation make the playing field for competition uneven. The big-name companies given preferential treatment will become the only such companies if no others are able to build up enough of a user base to rival them. Such a system will hurt innovation and competition, which will only hurt the industry as users are gouged by non-competitive practices.
—Roz Sawyer, Culver City, CA

This medium is a way for democracy to flourish. Keep the money out of it! Dr. Brendon Boot
—Brendon Boot, Somerville, MA

The internet was developed by the U. S. Government and paid for by the U. S. Taxpayers. why would we Citizens wish to have someone or some company charging whatever they wish to "allow" internet access and giving us poor service to top it off? This type of behavior is already evident in the manner that cable TV is dispensed: It is expensive, the service is poor, and the content is poor and/ or inane. I do not want some faceless corporation answering to no-one metering the internet. It should be treated in the same manner as the airwaves.
—Roger Hancock, Aurora, IL

Do what's best for the entire nation. The people. Do the right thing. Not the short term, short sighted money thing, the long term money thing. Lift all boats and raise net neutrality to the status of common carrier.
—Paul Ratz, New Rochelle, NY

Letting people pay for faster speed is the same as slowing down those that don't pay.
—Nicholas Stein, Bellevue, OH

A free internet is important to our small "d" democracy
—Andrea Bonnett, Altadena, CA

Killing the open internet appears to be the FCC's mission. Disgusting.
—Barbara Kepley, Graham, NC

Net neutrality ensures fair and equal use of this important resource. Access to the internet and internet services should be considered and regulated as a utility.
—Kevin Koczela, Oakland, CA

I feel passionately that NO entity should have a faster lane on the internet. That would in reality make everyone else slower in comparison, taking away opportunity for innovators and creative thinkers who do not have a huge bank balance. Even if no one is technically "slowed down", giving rich entities a faster lane does, in FACT, make everyone else slower. It does create a system of winners and losers, where money equals advantage. This goes against American values, of having the chance to pull oneself up by one's bootstraps. It goes against the spirit of America.
—Grey Larsen, Bloomington, IN

You are killing America! The FCC is supposed to work for American's, not corporations.
—Harold Anderson, seattle, WA

The internet must be treated as the public utility it is.
—Richard Knablin, North Bend, OR

The last mile internet service providers are monoplies (Telephone and cable companies). The FCC needs to classify the last mile ISP's as common carriers to avoid the ISP's controlling the internet via fast and slow lanes.
—Kurt Miller, Port Washington, NY

Why shouldn't ISPs be reclassified as common carriers? Are the new internet rules part of some agenda to silence the voice of the people who are on the verge of overthrowing the rule of the capitalist fat cats? Because if so, I'm standing up for Net Neutrality.
—Ned Riley, Melbourne,

I know Tom Wheeler has his instructions from the Wall Street owned Obama administration. People are not stupid. Obama will go down in history for the corrupt traitor he is. The FCC members do not have to go down with him, unless they want too be known forever as the individuals who gave Wall Street control of the Internet. That will of course haunt their families for as long as the Internet is under control of Corporate America. If the people are ever successful in taking back this once great country, I hope the FCC traitors are the first sent to a dark site forever. They will deserve no less. Hopefully chairman Wheeler will realize what he is doing and stop this madness before he commits a huge act of treason.
—John Gallagher, Minnetonka, MN

Protecting a free and open Internet is critical to maintaining American freedoms and prosperity in the next century.
—Kyle Metcalfe, Santa Rosa, CA

Without true Net Neautrality, you open the doors to discrimination of more important matters as well as other types of discrimination. By allowing this, you're allowing extreme prejudice on future and current websites, streaming, uploading, and viewing of content that should be as free on the internet as everything else. This is wrong and unjust to those who can't afford these extra bills, especially for small buisness owners who are just as professional as any other large company such as Google or Yahoo.
—Jordan Arsenault, Encinitas, CA

I am a professional artist and I market my work, and for this I use the internet to some degree. Aside from that I am a person with many interests. The internet is invaluable to me for both. I cannot understand why there is an issue with net neutrality. AT&T, Comcast and Verizon charge everyone a lot for their services and most of us use them, as there really is not a lot of true competition. To end net neutrality is a true crime against the people. And these people who have come up with this should be ashamed of themselves....they are thieves. We all deserve equal opportunity, whether we are small business people, housewives, or corporate giants. Get real Tom Wheeler and all you people "in charge". Suppose you were a small business person, or not a business person at all, but just a regular guy who enjoyed using the internet. This world is full of many people and few of us are wealthy. But all of us are humans who enjoy and deserve equality.
—Virginia Wood, Boulde, CO

No faster internet service for those who can pay more for it!
—Ms. Laurie Rubin, Sebastopol, CA

Please, do not change the internet as we know it just to stuff your pockets with cash. Stop helping these companies pick apart the USA for extra dollars
—Trevor King, Lakewood, CA

I can barely afford the internet as it is and having a two tiered system would force me to be able to only afford slow internet, which amounts to frustration and me probably giving it up out of that frustration. The internet is more than just facebook and twitter. It's education, connection and informational. I use it to get my news, to read books, to connect with family and friends in other states and to even watch movies and television programs. With the cost of living skyrocketing I've had to make cuts from my life. If the internet that I can afford is extremely slow than no one will pay for it and internet Use will go down in general. And stop taking away our rights, forcing us to pay more money for things and letting these companies pick and choose and get rich off the American people who are struggling to make their dreams happen and enjoy a happy life. Doing shit like this is how Revolutions start! And while I support capitalism and the right and ability to make money to support yourself, when is it too much? There is only so much the government take away from the people and give to the big corporations before it all comes crashing down. We are not all sheep! People will not think this is a good idea!
—Carina Wells, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality is important to me because the Internet is the most important tool we have, and digital innovation thrives on competition. Please reclassify broadband as the common carrier that it clearly is.
—Jeffry Hoffman, Dubuque, IA

I am only an individual. I don't have a lot of money, although when you pool me with all the other Comcast Subscribers, we are a substantial block. We need access to the internet as much as any major corporation. That is why I think it's a great idea to reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers, so we can continue to have access to the information we need. If you don't, we'll be cut off, and I probably won't continue to pay for the internet, since it won't be of much use to me any more. That would be a huge drop in internet use.
—Rory & Dee Pierce, Wheat Ridge, CO

I DEFEND NET NEUTRALITY AND DEMAND THAT THE FCC WILL PROTECT AND KEEP THE INTERNET OPEN AND FREE BY RECLASSIFYING ISP'S AS COMMON CARRIERS!!!!!!!!!
—Theresa Manfreda, San Diego, CA

What are you thinking? Your new rules are unbelievably terrible! We must have Net Neutrality to protect a democratic way of life. Discrimination against small companies, non-profits, financially strapped companies, start-ups, blogs, etc. is unconscionable. Large corporations have entirely too much clout in this country. First the horrific SCOTUS decisions, giving them political control, and now this. What happened to fairness and equality? This will discourage innovation, creativity, different points of view and all manner of freedom. Do we want to become more like China where those in power control and suppress internet content?! These rules must be trashed and reclassification of ISPs as common carriers is the ONLY sane decision. This country and its citizens deserve better. Don't destroy democracy!
—Pat P., Baltimore, MD

Net Neutrality is essential for a strong democracy.
—P Horter, Portland, OR

If access to information is controlled by private businesses, democracy is doomed. The people will not govern; the politicians will not govern; the most important power in the world - knowledge - will be controlled by CEOs.
—Daleth Horst, St Helens,

We should not be allowing corporations to limit and control internet access for those who cannot afford to pay. Slowing down and allowing control of the internet to corporations so they can get richer is not right!
—Amy Levin, North Bend, OR

Net Neutrality is as important as a Free Press is to Democracy.
—Marian Soriano, Annapolis, MD

There is enough inequality around today without imposing it on the internet too!
—Justin Frewen, ,

We need to maintain an unbiased and unregulated internet. It has worked for years and will continue to work. I demand net neutrality.
—Ck, San Jose, CA

net neutrality is important so the net can thrive, and not just survive.
—Art Gray, Matawan, NJ

free thinking is critical. don't limit access to only those who serve greed and apathy.
—Olivia de Javelina, Tucson, AZ

This is of deep importance to me as I use the internet to do my travel nowadays -- seeing the world that I used to travel from my house -- it could be crippled like me....
—Fred O Rourke, LAFAYETTE, LA

Small businesses who use the Internet would be hurt by tiered services. Protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Susan Tilley, Rogue River, OR

The internet is something that should not be controlled in such a way as the FCC wants to. It goes against the constitution by violating our right to freedom of speech and how we use our own resources. We should have a right to use the internet as we please without paying unnecessary fees. Because issuing these rules against net neutrality is horrible, and no better than what North Korea does it it's people
—Derek Shea, Burbank, CA

Freedom of speech must be protected. Not just for those who can buy special access, but for everyone from the small time blogger to the start up entrepreneur if we are to have a vital and free nation. It is bad enough that a activist Supreme Court has equated money with speech , but now the FCC threatens to do the same.
—Brian Cheverie, Buffalo, NY

In order to keep innovation alive and well, there needs to be few obstacles in between the innovation and the masses. Without net neutrality it would be near impossible for new Internet services to compete and provide innovation that could possibly change the world.
—Brittany Griffin, Madison, AL

It's important that every one has equal access to free speech.
—Greg Wallen, Utica, NY

The Internet should be a place for free expression. We shouldn't allow corporate giants to use this power to bully and control information for money. If the government has a job in regulating anything, it should be this.
—Olga Slobodyanyuk, Berkeley, CA

Open access to information and resources as I need them is very important to me. I also run a small internet based business which would be drastically affected by the proposed changes. Internet should be for the people, bringing people together and offering access to information they might not otherwise be able to access to. Net Neutrality makes his possible. Handing control of the Internet over to large corporations is unacceptable and unethical. People have a right to use the Internet as they will, without extra charges and censorship.
—Eirene Zolotas, ,

Net neutrality is crucial to a democracy. So is a government that at least presents rationally. It is not rational, by even the slenderest standards, to not classify ISPs as common carriers. Fail to do this and thinking people will then ask themselves, what is driving this irrational decision? They will then ask, is this twisted logic coming from our centuries-old Democratic values or the capture of the state by Corporatist interests? Help the more intelligent, rational members of our Great Republic answer this question by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Let us not go full-tilt Orwellian here, OK? Thanks for hearing my views on this important matter. TH
—Terrence Higgins, Fairfax, CA

There is no Net Neutrality when ISP's can determine what traffic on the Internet has the highest priority.
—Mark Creighton, E Greenbush, NY

NO ONE OWNS THE NET!
—Peter Curia, Scottsdale, AZ

The Internet is the only true Democracy on Earth, please help preserve it and ensure the freedom of speech.
—Dan Kail West, Columbus, OH

The internet at large must remain neutral and impartial, without catering to any one party, company, or private interest.
—Sean Fairchild, Seattle, WA

So the FCC works for giant corporations and spits on the American public. What's new?
—James C. Fuller, Minneapolis, MN

The Internet is a vital part of our lives in this modern age. You should be doing everything you can to make the Internet more accessible, not less.
—Rita Carlin, San Diego, CA

Our internet providers have allowed our service to sink to 28th in the world. Since the ISPs essentially have regional monopolies I think it would better serve the American people for the FCC to tell the ISPs to improve service for everyone and spend more to provide service throughout the country or they can give up their monopolies. Since Congress has seen fit to cripple the US Postal Service perhaps internet service can be awarded to them. The USPS has done a sterling job providing excellent service in the face of congress created imminent disaster. Personally I'm sick and tired of watching the Federal Government hand our lives over to corporations. If this is to be our future can we all agree to drop the charade and just rename our country The Corporate States of America?
—John Fran, New York, NY

Eliminating net neutrality would lead to even more monopolization. Not good for consumers!
—Armin Hinterwirth, Portland, OR

It is 2014. Businesses and individuals now depend on the internet. It is unconscionable to limit, hinder, or restrict usage.
—Deborah W. Harris, Floyd, VA

The reality is there isn't a fast lane -- it's all the same wire. The bandwidth is set by the physical properties of the wire. That means ISPs are actually hindering traffic artificially and extorting to remove them. If this wasn't criminal enough, they can control the free market by giving preference to some and not others. This impacts freedom of the press, politics, business, and end consumers. Compared to other countries, America has greatly fallen behind, and now it's been made worse. Reclassifying ISPs as the common carriers that they are will resolve this. The internet is a resource like any other utility, and unmanaged preferential treatment opens pandora's box.
—Walt Stoneburner, Ashburn, VA

The internet is an important utility for work, communication, information and entertainment. Do not allow it to be "privatized", even parts of it.
—Tay Cooper, Carlsbad, CA

Don't sell out to big money. Keep the internet free and neutral. ISPs need to be reclassified as common carriers to protect net neutrality.
—David Bolman, Leipsic, OH

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Sam Mercer, Okemos, MI

Free internet is a democratic ideal, and should be affordably accessible to all.
—Mark Grotzke, Tinley Park, IL

Ending net neutrality would be a big step backwards in how far we have come technologically, and as a society. Please stop this plan and let everyone, small or big business have the same opportunities with a free and open internet.
—Jason Guymon, Lincoln, CA

Internet access has become a necessary utility in our modern society. As such, the Internet should be open to all and access should never be restricted because a business or person cannot pay fees to "upgrade" their route on the Internet. Equal access for all is paramount for the modern and future Internet.
—Theo D Williams, Buffalo, NY

The Internet is the only tool left for citizens to make an "end run" against media manipulation by BIG CORPORATE influence. Another Two-Tiered system is not acceptable. Americans are NOT Second class citizens who must PAY Extra Fees in order to have Openness and Truth Available. The internet must be a public utility: reclassify ISPs as Common Carriers. Our System of Representative Democracy is at stake; the internet is the 21st century "Town Hall" And what Local News and Honest Reporting used to be. The internet must be kept available to ALL EQUALLY.
—Ms. Elaine Wilson, Torrnce, CA

As a senior I cannot afford any more $$$ for the internet!
—Charlotte Koons, Northport, NY

Net neutrality matters because I live in an area with limited access to different carriers (ISPs). Without competition, I can be price gouged and also lose access to any of my services because of lack of competition and these new rules.
—Travis Baron, Long Beach, CA

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—Chris Green, Mooresboro, NC

The freedom of the internet, and the ability for new ideas to grow, is predicated on the idea that the internet is equal. All traffic is the same, and should never be discriminated against. In this day and age, access to the internet is an almost essential element of everyday life. It is an essential service, and must be treated as such.
—Cody Marbach, ,

We cannot afford- as a country- for the government to favor certain companies. This will favor those companies that are conglomerates/institutions which can sway public ability to choose freely. We supposedly have freedom but slowly this freedom is being dictated by those that control or are trying to control most of our day to day needs. The government needs to stop catering to companies, esp. those that are or are trying to have a monopoly on the public systems.
—Jennifer S, aurora, IL

Net neutrality is important to me because it levels the playing field on the internet.
—Geoff, Columbia, SC

The Net is for the people. Corporations are NOT people. They can use is just as easily as we can without 'owning' it.
—Frank Tonhazy, New York, NY

If you allow others to start dictating internet usage it will become a tool of the wealthy and leave the rest of us ever further behind.
—Kat Haeber, Philadelphia, PA

Corporations have taken over every aspect of life; they dictate what we wear, listen to, eat - everything. We cannot allow this, the internet is beautiful thing simply because it allows all a fair chance for their voices to be heard. Not only would this destroy that grandeur but by law allow for classist, despicable discrimination once more at the hand of corporations.
—Isabella Ramos, Richardson, TX

No company control of the internet. Keep it NEUTRAL!
—Phyl Morello, White Pine, TN

to have people competing for internet speed furthers the neoliberal agenda driving wealth inequality driving most social ills. It would be an irresponsible step for you to take.
—Nick Drury, ,

IT'S IS WHAT IS BEST FOR ALL. THE RICH DON'T NEED ANYMORE.
—Jeff Beesley, NORTH FOND DU LAC, WI

This is discriminatory and unfair. Net Neutrality is important to small business owners like me.
—Karena Kilcoin, Athens, OH

There is no reason why internet providers should not be classified as common carriers. That is what they are, just as railroads and telephone providers are. And they should be regulated as such. Bruce Palmer
—Bruce Palmer, Houston, TX

I communicate to a friend in china, its bad enough the connection to china is bad. having bottlenecks in the USA will make my web cam connection even worse. Bottleneck the web. you bottle neck communication. both 1.0 and 2.0 web.
—Luke Solis, Rockland, WI

The internet is really a utility and should be managed like one. Our country will even farther behind culturally if all our citizens do not have equally quick access to information via this piece of world communication infrastructure.
—Sharon Coombs, Shoreview, MN

Keep the internet free and equal!
—Andrew Judd, Berkeley, CA

I work from home via a virtual office/call center. If I do not have access to affordable fast internet connections I will be unemployed as will the 300 plus people I work with.
—Mary Wood, Long Beach, CA

Keep Net Neutrality! ISPs should be classified common carriers.
—Fred Wellington, delray beach, FL

I DEPEND ON NET NEUTRALITY AND DEMAND THAT THE FCC WILL PROTECT AND KEEP THE INTERNET OPEN AND FREE!!! ALSO BY RECLASSIFYING ISP'S AS COMMON CARRIERS!!!!!
—Jonathan Apone, San Diego, CA

you are supposed to represent ALL of us not just the BIG money
—Carol Hanson, Lewistown, MT

As a person who does research and does depend on the internet to ferret out fact from fiction; I depend on equal access to every site. A tiered system would be detrimental to the free flow of information. I urge you to once and for all define ISP's as common carriers.
—Sandra Blankenship, Killeen, TX

Small businesses and non-profits should not be penalized by having to compete with large corporations.
—Susan Miller, Tucson, AZ

are you guys seriously going on with this? This is exactly why programs like the FCC shouldn't exist or should be restrained in terms of power.
—Bryan Salazar, norcross, GA

Start with that it allows free exchanges of ideas.And Net Neutrality keeps the internet from being taken over by Verizon,Comcast,etc,.In contrast the "fast lane" for customers of Verizon,etc,will become a speed bump for the rest of us.
—Rob Keenan, Mukilteo, WA

Clearly, in the current age of instant, mass communication at the same time our human rights are under direct threat by an encroaching surveillance state, the very idea that the general public's access to a maximally free internet is absolutely critical. Any other issues that we may individually hold dear are potentially under serious threat if the internet that we have thus far known is subjected to an unfair, short-sighted, two-track segregation of services. The latest attempt by vested corporate interests to harness --and effectively hamper-- the people's access to critically important channels of information is unacceptable. Support real Net Neutrality, and scrap Tom Wheeler's half-baked plan for a two-tiered Internet. The people will be watching this one closely.
—Mr. Willliam Kool, Hudsonville, MI

fair access for all!
—L Wong, Riverbank, CA

It is a fact that America has been and is in a state of decline. Our economy is weakening, our education lags behind many other countries in most metrics and our infrastucture has not improved significantly in decades. What has saved our country has been innovation whether it be the internet, iphone or any other number of technological innovations all this despite rampant government inefficiencies, and political cronyism. How does all this relate to net neutrality? The way I see it with the loss of net neutrality how can tomorrows facebook compete with today's facebook? How can capitalism thrive in a world of monopolies? How can the American citizen not have disdain for their own government when they are constantly being abused or spied by them? Net neutrality is essential to the future of America's economy and position in the country. Don't jeopordize our great but hurting country for the benefit of the few. Have the courage to do what is best. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Duy Bui, Iowa City, IA

By allowing a system that delivers two tiers of service, a form of censorship is created favoring those who can afford quality streaming content. Further, it puts control of that censorship into the hands of the isp. Other risks include unfavorable content throttling against competitive content providers. This all adds up to a very bad decision and not at all in line with protecting consumers.
—Robert Herion, Newtown, PA

Corporations with their own financial interests at heart should have no say in which internet services should get preferential treatment. A free and open internet is necessary in today's society.
—David Mansfield, Boulder, CO

Almost all U.S. businesses, regardless of size, have an Internet presence, and many of them depend on the Internet to conduct most or even all of their business. Allowing large telecom companies to squeeze out small business owners in favor of big corporations who can pay hefty fees will stifle our economic recovery. The proposed "Open Internet" rules would also mean higher costs for consumers, because businesses pass on the costs of the fees they're required to pay. These proposed rules are terrible for everyone except huge telecom companies who stand to rake in record profits. Higher prices, reduced content, and bigger hurdles for small businesses and startups are wrong for our country. It's time for the FCC to stand up for the people it's meant to protect and represent: average Americans, not billionaire corporations. Classifying ISPs as common carriers is neither revolutionary nor difficult. Telephone companies are already required to abide by these rules, which means the groundwork has been laid and there is precedent. The only remaining question is whether the FCC cares more about the American people and the future of our economy or about furious billionaires who don't care who gets hurt in their quest for profit and control at any cost. We're counting on you. Don't let us down.
—Heather Owen, Champaign, IL

The Net is a utility for everyone in the country. If it is allowed to discriminate free enterprise will be destroyed. No one owns the Internet we all do. Working America has paid for it and all should benefit equally. Keep the Net neutral for free enterprise, free speech and freedom of the press.
—Kenneth Nyberg, Franklin, MA

The internet is a cpmmon carrier, not a place where those can afford the price of the fast lane get special benefits. Students, seniors, educators and others need equal access.
—Sandra L. Herndon, Shelton, WA

As a web developer an open internet is a major influence on my work. To allow for the creation of fast lanes would be detrimental to my self and the millions of internet users in this country. I hope, as a citizen, you reject the proposed rules made by Chairman Wheeler and instead implement a plan that would reclassify ISPs as as common carriers under Title II of the telecommunications act of 1996. I will continue to contact and express my views and concerns to both my representatives and the FCC. Thank you for your time and consideration on these important matters.
—Kelly Gibbens, Tonganoxie, KS

I want the internet to remain a free communication channel where people can freely share ideas and media without bandwidth restrictions or anti-competitive practices such as ISPs blocking sites that content providers want them to.
—Micah Wittkopf, River Falls, WI

Please, I can't afford to pay more for my Internet service!
—Mrs. Valerie Klauscher, Crescent, PA

Leave our internet alone. I thought we decided this was to be left alone a long time ago, and here it is back again. Some of us this is all we have. so fix it and let it be. Thanks. Bob
—Bob Watland, paso Robles, CA

Wasn't this country founded on freedom and equality? This does not seem to be the America that was promised.
—John Frederick, Orlando, FL

The Internet should not be a service that discriminates against people with lower incomes.
—Benita Smith, Berkeley, CA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeleris pushing a plan which would allow discrimination online. I want the FCC to toss out its rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers Malcolm Yeates.
—Malcolm Yeates, Wellington,

As an IT professional, creations of "fast" and "slow" lanes on the internet would negatively affect my career and ability to earn money to feed my family significantly- it would end working from home and freelancing, staples of the IT industry.
—James Hudson, Boulder, CO

N.N. is very important to keep a level playing field, if you will, and enable ALL communication to operate freely and without restraint, as it should be!
—Mr. Thomas Moldenhauer, Saint Paul, MN

Discrimination is bad, if it exists, you will just create problems.
—James Woltz, Salem, VA

The Internet is the largest, most democratic communication medium in contemporary society. ISPs should be classified as common carriers to keep access open.
—Mark H. Sullivan, Indian Trail, NC

Dear FCC. Net neutrality is important to me, and everyone else I know, because it allows the freedom of speech that our constitution demands. It prevents discrimination on a national and international scale that fosters the intellectual space that is the internet. When you threaten that, you not only threaten the freedoms that people have enjoyed since the inception of the internet, but also the entire scientific community for whom the arpanet and internet's were originally created for. Reclassify ISP's as common carriers. Failing to do so will have disastrous repercussions throughout the entire scientific, and global, community.
—Ethan Eldridge, Burlington, VT

In my small business I depend on open public access to maintain efficient communication, graphic content and data transfer with my data base of both current and prospective consumers. A two-tiered system would benefit corporate IS Provider profits at the expense of diminished public access, thus producing biased special interest controls and greatly impair small businesses. In addition this radical change to the national digital backbone would have a drastic negative impact on our future national economic GDP.
—Henry S. Garvey, Alameda, CA

Throw out your rules that allow online discrimination and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality!
—Levi White, Lakeland, GA

This plan is appalling! ISPs must be classified as common carriers. Net neutrality is vital, and as an Australian is offends and deeply concerns me that these changes are being made with no option for internet users like me to have our interests and needs considered. Big corporations already control too much of our lives. They must not be allowed to influence the way the internet works as well.
—Yvette Watt Watt, ,

We need the Internet to stay free, and NOT dominated by a bunch of greedy, heartless telelcoms like Comcast, Verizon and AT&T. Please, throw out your current rules and plan and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Keep Net Neutrality. Thank you. Sincerely yours, Regenia Johnson
—Regenia G Johnson, Wentzville, MO

The FCC's job is to protect the public. The proposed rules before you are terrible and will harm the public and the competitive landscape. What is before you is exactly the situation this nation faced in the late 1800's with railroad and oil. Since railroads owned the only means of efficient transportation they were able to control nearly every aspect of business. Completion? You didn't secure a deal with the railroad Barron's, your business failed. The FTC and FCC were created to stop such abuse. As it is under the current rules, the large tel com's make it very difficult for new ISP's to start up to challenge their near monopoly status. Now handing over the rights to pick and chose whose internet packet gets priority to large tel com's is like having the fox guard the hen house. The have already proven they are poor citizens and cannot be trusted. Once enacted, if they violate the rules, and they will, it will take YEARS to change them. They cannot be trusted and their prior behavior proves it. I understand we as the public stand no chance against the lobbiest, large tel com lawyers, and corrupt public officials. As soon as you crack that door to allow such rules there it will difficult to turn back. As it is Comcast has DECREASING cable subscribers, but increasing revenues. They are bordering on price gouging. Where I live there is no alternative for high speed internet except Comcast. AT&T DSL is so slow and unreliable, partly due to the distance from the main switching station, and partly because of poor 50 year-old wires that get water logged every time it rains. Advancing the internet to ALL people means increasing COMPETION. The proposed rules will dimish competion, not improve it. This is a very serious issue.
—John Cushman, Wauconda, IL

I run a small entertainment company that depends on the internet to not only distribute our content, because we don't have the billions of dollars our Hollywood counterparts do, but we also depend on the internet to livestream events for clients. Instituting a "fast lane" will cost me more money than we can currently afford and put us out of business. Brent Dow McCort Entertainment
—Brent Dow, Arlington, TX

Freedom of speech is one of the cornerstones of our democracy. If we don't protect net neutrality, the corporations get to censor what THEY don't like and can prevent free and open flow of information. Don't allow the corporations to have this power!
—Jan Harris, Sebastopol, CA

We do not have sufficient competition to allow market forces to keep corporate greed in check. We need oversite to protect the consumer and THIS latest action by you the FCC smells like graft and corruption. We need you to reverse this and we need the judiciary branch to investgate!
—Walter Hewitt, Uncasville, CT

We all have the right to the internet as it is now and not allow these corporations charge extra money to give is fastvor slowblane crap. It violates the agreement with my carrier as I agreed to receive the services I pay for.
—Jeff Scooler, Portland, OR

Communication should be at a level playing speed.
—Mrs. Lenora Michelle Chavez, San Diego, CA

True Net Neutrality is vital to the livelyhood of many content creator, as well as the preservation of the internet's founding principles. The very innovation that birthed it and brought it to this point would be stifled and ground to a halt as the companies already lobbying for content discrimination become free to hide behind 'commercially reasonable' practices and hinder competing innovative content.
—Nahuel Deamelio, ,

Your current proposal would irreparably harm the growth of the internet, the single most important advancement we as a people have in our daily lives. It is not yours to sell off or kill in the name of greed. A two-tiered Internet is bad for those who matter most. The people. Please listen to the outpour of disagreement to what you are currently putting forth as a viable plan. You have the time and power to make this right.
—Nolan Mates, Cleveland, OH

Net Neutrality IS THE ONLY FAIR WAY TO TREAT EVERYONE WHO USES THE INTERNET EQUALLY!
—Mrs. and Roger Erbe, Lansing, MI

The internets must be neutral. Students, teachers, doctors, patients, everyone should have equal access. This country can only stay a great country when creativity flows freely. Without access to information not only will we fall behind other countries, we won't be a free people. Keep the things that make us stand out. Do not cave to "big interests". Be a hero. Protect the rights of all to have access to vital information. You will be revered for generations for keeping the internets open to all.
—Margaret Comfort, portland, OR

The internet is for everyone. With all the advertisements, I'm sure there's enough money coming in to make it available to everyone.
—Elmone Kissling, Eureka, CA

Putting any form of communication in the hands of a company that has the ability to interfer with that communication is wrong. The possiblity for abuse is huge. Why is the FCC even considering this? I thought you were supposed to protect us--not sell us to the highest bidder.
—Kathy DeWispelare, Omaha, NE

I am a US citizen, registered voter, and taxpayer, & I like the internet free & clear, the way it is now. I don't think that big companies should be able to buy faster speeds, it should all be equal. I use the internet for practically everything I do, from balancing my checkbook to surfing Facebook, and I support "Net Neutrality" 100%.
—Jacqueline Luongo, Ocala, FL

Scrap this plan now!!! We want real net neutrality or someone will be fired Tom
—Matthew C. Simpson, Portland, OR

I am at a loss to understand why anyone would want to loose their freedom of access to information. Information is freedom after all. Democracy is about making informed decisions from the widest possible source s. Having my internet service provider censor my access would be a gross breach of that freedom. Please do not take a giant leap backwards like Putin's Russia or Communist China, and keep Net Neutrality intact!!!
—John Schmitt, Palm Springs, CA

Equal access to information for everybody makes real democracy possible. And we want real democracy, don't we?
—Hans Berggren, ,

A free world depends on net neutrality.
—James Melloh, Portland, ME

As a self-employed web developer, I use the Internet to make all my money. Without free and fair access to all the internet at an affordable rate, my small business my close. I made $21,000 last year. How much did AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon make?
—Gus Watkins, Minneapolis, MN

An open internet is a necessary element to the free and open exchange of ideas, and the last bastion of democratic communication for people and organizations of modest means. Allowing ISPs to extract additional fees for preferential access will shut out even more people from the free flow of information and exacerbate the already gross inequities of our society. Don't do this!
—Jeff Klotz, Houston, TX

NO TOLL ROADS ON THE INTERNET...JUST ONE FAST INTERNET SYSTEM FOR ALL!!!
—Mrs. & Terry Cadwallader, St. Louis, MO

A free internet is more important than corporate profits.
—Mark Nielson, Bend, OR

Rich people don't deserve faster speed (Koch bros. rich particularly) so they can propagandize and destroy democracy. Get with it Wheeler! Obama! You campaigned on net neutrality, we elected you in part because of that - do it dammit!
—Robert Price, Urbandale, IA

I am so disappointed by the recent developments with the FCC and the move to dismantle Net Neutrality. I have a master's degree in Mass Communication, where we examined the socioeconomic impact access to the internet has on people's lives. As a researcher at the University of Illinois, we studied how people rely on libraries to get government information to access services they need to survive in our world. We've already strip-mined libraries' budgets for books--now how are they going to pay to provide the type of internet service their patrons need? I've seen first hand the difference between the information haves and have-nots, and by implementing Mr. Wheeler's rules, the FCC will widen that gulf. That is not the America I want to live in--where corporate greed dictates who has access to information and who doesn't. Shame on you if you think Wheeler's rules are anything else than that.
—Lauren C. Teffeau, Albquerque, NM

Our content and speed should never be dictated by corporations. They do not own the internet!
—Michelle Sanville-Seebold, Fond du Lac, WI

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Nelson Yester, miami, FL

I am not a second class citizen and second class internet is not acceptable.
—Bill Entrekin, Lahaina, HI

I am looking forward to the next Google, Microsoft, or other new company to put forward new and innovative ideas an services on the internet. Your plan makes it virtually impossible for these new startups to innovate. You must reclassify internet access as common carrier services. Nothing else will be acceptable to the citizens of our country.
—James J. Walsh M.D., Morganton, NC

I depend on Net Neutrality for my freelance business. Higher fees just to access what is now available to me will probably put me out of business. It will be bad for lots of small businesses and start ups. More important, though, is the chilling effect that killing the open internet would have on our democracy. That has me worried. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers, as if your own well being and access to opportunities and your voice in the political process depended on it.
—Nancy Michon, Houston, TX

I simply don't understand why the FCC is reluctant to reclassify the ISPs as common carriers. In terms of social/economic/cultural impact, the Internet completely blows away the telephone. The telephone absolutely revolutionized society. That was (using today's terms) voice data *only*, but nevertheless the US government recognized the astonishing importance of that technology and took steps to ensure access to it with its common carrier regulations. The internet carries voice data for telephony services, which alone ought to (arguably) be enough to classify ISPs as common carriers - many people don't have land lines any longer, and telephone companies themselves use the Internet for voice data transmission. When you consider that it also carries data ranging from text messages to movies to Wall Street securities buy/sell orders to corner store gasoline pump transactions, the Internet completely demolishes the telephone in terms of its comparative effects on and use by society and, in turn, society's reliance upon it. The fact that the FCC is even considering - yes, "considering", "contemplating," "mulling over," or any other non-decisive verb you want to use - the fact that there's any uncertainty *whatsoever* as to whether or not there ought to be equal access for all (or whether there ought to be put into place regulations that have any likelihood other than zero of being interpreted so as to permit unequal access), or whether the ISPs provide a service that is, at the absolute barest minimum, exponentially more important and revolutionary than the telephone technology that resulted in the common carrier designation in the first place, completely astonishes me. If this actually gets read, thanks for your time. If you're an intern/screener, please make sure that this perspective - not even necessarily this comment itself - also gets passed along. You will get a (metric) tonne of emails respecting regulatory capture, partisanship, corporate malfeasance and the like, which may be instructive but which also may not be useful in building a consensus at the FCC, and I think that a simple comparison between the service the ISPs provide and the (by Internet standards) relatively simple and unidimensional technology that was, nevertheless, so important that it prompted the common carrier designation in the first place, has the potential to be overlooked. Best regards, Norm Schindler Edmonton, Alberta, Canada
—Norm Schindler, ,

I can barely afford Internet, yet alone extra fees.
—James Purtue, Columbus, OH

throw out these rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Justin white, Aberdeen, MD

Our primary source information and commerce must remain neutral and deserves protection. The FCC is faced with a choice between serving for the good of the American public, or for the private interests of Comcast et al. So, exactly which interests does today's FCC serve: your fellow Americans, or just Comcast?
—Gabriel Reed, Cotati, CA

The web is a learning resource for the entire world. It must be protected as much as our public schools and libraries. Making it all about profits and money will silence the independent average joes who provide 75% of the valuable information that is available on the web.
—Denise Domlesky, Hollywood, FL

Since the Internet is how many people communicate today, it should be regulated like telephone services.
—Dan Wicht, Fridley, MN

I run a small business that depends on open Internet access. Why should my business be hurt, just to make things easier for the big providers?
—Jeff Dee, Pflugerville, TX

as above
—Marilyn Black, Wilmette, IL

Net neutrality encourages fairness, diversity, and equality. Threatening that basis not only is a danger to equal net usage, but also encourages the divide between high-income individuals vs. low-income individuals.
—Beckie Betcha, Anaheim, CA

Equal opportunity for web-based businesses, especially small/startup businesses
—Kevin Frazier, Bremerton, WA

The internet is a utility no different in service than cable, electricity or water. Treating access to it any differently amounts to an affront to the 1st amendment of the US constitution.
—Michael Hanebutt, Sacramento, CA

The speed of internet access is very important to everyone and should be the same for all at the cost. Otherwise an advantage would be given only to those able to pay more for faster information. This could also affect stock market transactions, essentially rigging the stock market. Service providers could slow access at will, encouraging subscribers to pay more or endure the slow lane. Keep net neutrality.
—Eugene Ekaitis, monongahela, PA

The internet is and should be a collective, communal resource, and should not be allowed to be co-opted by corporate interests. Please do the right thing, and protect this civil treasure.
—Noka Agnew, Somerville, MA

It's important to have equal rights for all internet users. Creators, consumers, and other internet users use the internet everyday. I've condemmed starting, and promotion of sensorship as unconstitutional. Without open internet, our freedom of using internet won't be easy.
—Aaron Johnson, Salina, KS

This is disgusting. I am just trying to survive.
—Donna Sonnenberg, Edmonds, WA

As a librarian, we rely on the internet for so many of aspects of the job; from researching programming, to looking up readalikes, to suggesting quality content for everyone who comes in to the library--be it for jobs, leisure, or education. Stop trying to make this about your wallet and the bottom line, and think about every one else this affects--like those of us serving the public. Keep ISPs as common carriers.
—Molly, Southington, CT

Once again the rich want to exploit those of us with less money by taking over the internet. Please keep the net open to all. We need it!
—Ms. Beverly Dahlen, San Francisco, CA

I don't want my choice of traffic to be held price hostage by my provider, or any company. Any fast lane charges are sure to be passed on to me as the consumer if you let Tom Wheeler, who is obviously still a cable lobbyist, push his horrible rules through. FCC; throw out you horrid rules and instead reclassify ISP's as common carriers, just like a FCC that had a chairman that actually cared about net neutrality, would.
—William Peyton White, Rock Hill, SC

I'd rather not have my internet throttled based on what ISP's that are for net-neutrality say should be throttled. I'd rather not pay more for services I use than I already do.
—Robert Fryling, Waldo, FL

The internet is a wonderful to get unbiased information and meet people and play games without having someone in the room with you.
—James Arrell, Medford, OR

I am writing to express my support for designating ISPs as common carriers. The internet is more than an entertainment venue. It is a vital conduit to a free market and the free expression of ideas. Internet service providers must not be allowed undue influence over the exchange of ideas and commerce.
—Matthew Cook, moore, OK

I oppose Chairman Tom Wheeler's proposal, which would essentially gut net neutrality by creating a "fast lane" for internet traffic. The proposal is bad for businesses, bad for consumers, and bad for this country.
—Mr. Matt Sayler, Vancouver, WA

Just like the telephone was to the 20th century, the internet is the communication technology of the 21st century! Like telephones, water, electricity, sewer and roads, the internet is a modern public utility, and must be classified as a COMMON CARRIER. These few powerful corporations want to govern and filter all digital communication. It is worse than thought police. They seek nothing less than to give themselves a total monopoly on what ideas live or die. They are trying to make themselves the gatekeepers to everyone's business and communication-- the ultimate arbiters of innovation and discourse worldwide. This is happening now, in Mexico. It will happen here if you let it. There was a time when the FCC stood for the people of this country. Your forebears regulated against foreign ownership of 20th century media on the basis of national security. Today, the companies and billionaires who stand to benefit from controlling content on the web are more powerful than most governments on Earth and hold no allegiance to anything but themselves. Allowing them to monopolize discourse on the single most important commerce and communications network of all time is dangerously unAmerican. Shame on you, Mr. Wheeler, for even considering these rules you've proposed!!
—Mike Quilligan, Silver Spring, MD

Stop the constant give away to corporate interest; do your jobs and protect the public's.
—Amy Quartermain, Austin, TX

It is a matter of basic Constitutional Civil Rights.
—Ms Margarita Louzi, ,

The Internet is the only free place left on this planet and it should remain as such.
—Sašo Jovanovič, ,

I am a man of modest means and i can not afford higher internet prices!
—Donald M. Anderson, ESTACADA, OR

I don't want internet providers controlling which sites we can visit.
—George Graham, Milwaukee, WI

It is just ba!!
—Peter Meyer, Loveland, CO

People deserve a free and open internet. Killing net neutrality kills jobs!! AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon must pay their fair share of taxes!! Let's create a Net Neutrality bill that increases taxes with these three corporations!!
—Darren Skotnes, Delmar, NY

The Internet should not be treated as a cable or satellite tv provider type of business. It's a window of information and interaction to connect us all. The implications of these new rules would set a very bad precedent and would established a masked type of censorship. It would be absurd for these providers to tell me if I want access to Yahoo and Ebay I would have to pay a certain price. But If I want access to Google and Amazon I'd have to pay extra money. And the worst case scenario would be If I want access to services like Netflix and Xbox Live I would have to subscribe to some kind of premium package like HBO on cable and pay a ridiculous amount of money. This scheme is totally discriminatory against us the home computer and personal smartphone users. The Internet was made as a tool to connect humanity together. It was never designed for big corporations to profit off of it.
—Johnny Rodriguez, Yauco, PR

Why mess w/perfection for a few greedy corporations???? Please don't allow this to happen.
—Sheridan Sonne Rice, Wrightwood, CA

As important a tool and communications service the internet has become, it merits the same protections and restrictions placed upon radio and television access! Protect net neutrality!
—Mr. Korey Chappell, Bronx, NY

Internet access is a telecommunications service. In an age where telephone companies (AT&T) provide television services (Uverse) and television cable companies provide telephone service (Comcast Xfinity includes Internet telephone) it seems obvious that there is no longer much distinction between the two. All ISPs are common carriers, and it is long past time for FCC regulations to reflect this fact. At a time when legislators (Senator Blumenthal, in July 2013) are introducing bills to abolish tiered cable television services and require cable television providers to sell television programming a la carte, allowing tiered services for Internet access seems ridiculous. Unlike the early days of cable television, there is no technological reason to justify tiered Internet service (nor tiered cable television service). This is all about corporate greed. As a programming contractor, I rely on the Internet for advertising, and to provide services to my clients -- mostly small businesses and non-profits that could not otherwise afford the types of service I provide. Loss of Net Neutrality is very likely to put me, and other small businesses OUT of business. True Net Neutrality is good for commerce, and good for democracy. Tiered Internet access will increase the gap between rich and poor, and further erode the status of the middle class.
—Matthew Harris, Oakland, CA

It's important to me that the FCC stay OUT OF OUR LIVES!! YET ANOTHER USELESS, CORRUPT ARM OF THE US GOV'T INTRUSION INTO THE LIVES OF WE THE PEOPLE!! SUCH OBVIOUS CORRUPTION WITH THE LOW COST AND MUCH HIGHER SPEEDS OF INTERNET ABROAD.
—David G, Kailua Kona, HI

Stop Scuttling the internet! Without true, I mean TRUE, Net Neutrality, it will be worthless, and we will no longer enjoy it as the powerful economic tool that it currently is!
—Scott Barnett, N/A, CO

I do not believe any Visual Entertainment Providing Company (including cable and satellite companies) should be allowed to create different prices by which company created the visual entertainment or the type of visual entertainment it is or what country the visual entertainment comes from or Etc..
—Mr. 'Great White' (Shark: Beings Rights Earth & Person), Community of Homestead, NW of Homestead, FL

As a retired person I rely on the internet for so much connectivity with friends, organizations, entertainment, shopping and the news. I'd be very unhappy if my ability and speed of connecting was changed - just because I'm a "little guy."
—Jerry Cecere, Folsom, CA

please don't let AT@T Comast create this so called tiered internet we are being stuck with sorry internet now and high prices , this what they wont to rip us off more please put a stop to this. i cant afford the internet now. when this happen forget me even have it. all the providers like ATT and Comcast Verizon are cready co you dont know what we the coutomers go through you dont never hear our end. only the stupid providers end. put a stop to all this. throw out rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Matt Arnold, Smiths Station, AL

As a small business owner, I cannot afford higher fees to have the internet speed I now enjoy. Please keep small business alive. Maintain net neutrality!
—Sue Taylor, Colorado Springs, CO

I live on a very limited budget and much of my work, and leisure time, requires the internet. If you make a two tiered internet, you are basically throwing people like me, and millions more, to the mercy of the ISPs, who can dictate costs and make our lives miserable unless we pay up. If you support these rules, you are supporting a "Rich get richer and poor get poorer" stance for the United States. And if that's your stance, you can get the hell out of office.
—Stephen Walker Rosebaugh-Nordan, Hillsborough, NC

I run a small business which provides a service that larger and richer companies also provide. My clients come to me because of the quality and reliability of our work. They find us convenient as well. If you act on this proposal, these richer companies will be able to have their sites load faster, show their work better (as it is streaming media,) and take our business. The free and open internet, where no one gets special treatment is the cornerstone to the modern economy for small American businesses. Do not take this away from us? You must classify the Internet as a public utility! It has become essential to American life, hobby, convenience and business. The Internet is even more important than phone service today. Please do not give big corporations yet another advantage over everyone else in a world where they already enjoy enormous privilege. Do the right thing! Make sure the Internet remains free and open, and a land of true opportunity for all, and the place where a person with a great idea and a website to promote it can become the next American success story.
—Chris Snyder, Northridge, CA

The internet should be a level playing field where everyone has equal access to efficient communication and search capabilities.
—Donald Harland, Candler, NC

First off, let me say that I appreciate your willingness to listen to the people who actually use the internet. It shows that you do in fact care. That being said, the idea of creating a regular and a premium internet service, which is what you apparently intend to do, would destroy the internet as we know it. For the last twenty years, the internet has been allowed to grow unimpeded by corporate and governmental bureaucracy, and look what has happened. It has flourished. New avenues of sale, communication, collaboration, all springing up within a few years because the FCC stepped up to the plate and said "leave the internet be". Now you stand at a crossroads. You can be the man who saved the internet by restoring net neutrality, or you can be the man who single-handedly brought the greatest information and communication tool the world has ever known to it's knees and then cut it's head off. I understand that you used to work for the same people that have proposed this legislation, and i realize that you may have a hard time believing that they would kill the goose that lays the golden eggs, but don't you see? They have the goose held down over a stump, and they just handed you an ax! Mr. Wheeler, I strongly urge you to restore net neutrality, unaltered, to its former glory, and show the world that you actually care about the internet. Thank you for your time. Best Regards. Bradley Reedy
—Bradley Reedy, Jefferson, TX

I have cable TV already. I don't want or need cable TV on my computer (which is what your proposals amount to). Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The rich have enough money. They don't need more. This corruption by the billionaires is criminal.
—David Chapman, Kalaheo, HI

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers-otherwise the PUBLIC will bear a higher cost internet
—Leonard Fagen, Quogue, NY

I do not trust large corporations to treat the common subscriber fairly. They already have some of the lowest satisfaction ratings of ANY company. And that is in a country that is dealing with a rocky economy caused by the same type of greed from the banks. We need the FCC to reclassify ISPs as common carriers so they do not abuse the rules and pillage the subscribers more than they already do. Imagine if there were only 2-3 gas stations within 100 miles of you. Now imagine that they could charge whatever they wanted to whomever they wanted. Or sell an extremely diluted product so they can give the illusion of fairness, but charge 3x the price for the actual product. That is price gouging. Fair and simple. That is what they will do if you allow the power to do so. Corruption and greed are our biggest problems in this country. Allowing ISPs to have a free reign will just make our internet access as restricted as communist countries.
—Jeremiah Baumann, Melbourne, FL

Please don't let the internet we all love so dearly and rely on to be destroyed by corporate greed! Take a stand for what's right and for the little guy!
—Tymon, Columbus, NE

I am an old lady so the future of the net doesn't matter to me personally. However, for future generations, it's important that the internet not be controlled by ISPs like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon to create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow service for those who cannot afford the fees.The result would be discrimination against online content and applications. No one would be able to do anything about it because it would be "legal". Where is the word "ethical" here? It's missing! Please show some far sighted vision by preserving an open, neutral internet for future generations. I'm not one to jump on bandwagons but this has such far reaching implications that I am compelled to join the many voices out there who are pleading for someone to do the right thing for a change. Once this system is set in motion, there will be no going back. Think about that. I have. It scares me.
—Carolyn Allan, Brattleboro, VT

Don't discriminate! No two-tiered Internet!
—Cynthia Baldwin, Chicago, IL

net neutrality is crucial to an open internet. don't allow the internet to be one more tool of the rich.
—Margaret Wilbur, East Harwich, MA

Net Neutrality is important to me because if the big corporations get their way the internet will cease to have any real usage for most people. The price will be too high and you won't get enough out of it to do anything worthwhile such as streaming video and music. Nope. In the long run if net neutrality goes the way of the dinosaur then it's a loss for us all INCLUDING the big whigs such as Verizon and Comcast/Time Warner.
—Kelly Vaughn, Longview, TX

progress should not be put in the hands of a few big corporations so they can stifle competition and new advances.
—William Gawne jr, Riverside, IL

I have a PhD. I can't stand the drivel in mainstream media. The internet is my lifeline to quality content. By allowing companies to deprecate my less profitable traffic, you are punishing me. You are punishing everyone who hates the mainstream media. This is the wrong way to foster the marketplace of ideas.
—Payam N Minoofar, Ventura, CA

The internet is the most important human invention in generations. If you sell it out to monied interests you sell out every American.
—Emerson Gates, New York, NY

As a student I think it's very important to have access to everything on the same basis. I don't have money to be paying loads of extra fees and I don't want to have to.
—Lexi, Windsor, CT

The Internet is a valuable asset and resource that is at threat of being corralled into a restricted market by companies that are abusing their power and privilege. Please don't let that happen!
—Austin Borgstedte, Ventura, CA

We own a couple of small businesses, Chestnut Hill Pottery, and The Artisans Next Door. The Internet is vital to our businesses for advertising, publishing our websites, communicating with customers, ordering raw materials, communicating with fellow artists, etc. We really can't afford to be burdened with yet another fee to be able to use what we already are using. Please, keep the Internet nuetral!
—Kevin Ross, Wever, IA

Buried your verbiage is clouded and guaranteed uncertainties that only stand to benefit the oligopoly companies for which costumers have NO choices for alternative carriers. Before you champion their cause and falsely claim that a free market exists, take the time to actually listen to the American consumer, public, people! There are not two sides to this. Everyone wants an open, equal internet except for the excessive, obscene and ultimately destructive greed of companies like AT&T, Verizon and Comcast. Ironically, AT&T has already done this before and that is why it was split up into baby bells back in 1982. Did they pay you enough this time around to look the other way or are you actually going to do the job you have been trusted with and realistically consider those whom you truly work for?
—Randy Grafton, Vancouver, WA

Having use of steady and fast internet is key to everyday life at this point. Without fast internet I would be unable to continue to learn and grow as a person. Those without the funds would be blocked off from this under this two tier system. This would be moving backwards instead of forwards.
—Nicholas Jenkot, Birmingham, AL

NO to the plan to let internet providers create a two-tiered Internet. The internet needs to be kept open for ALL.
—Diana Saxon, Salem, OR

I have come to rely upon the internet for information and communication. I'm not wealthy. I have no power over anything or anyone. Does that mean that I shouldn't have the opportunity to use the internet as I wish? I sure hope not. I don't understand the "net neutrality" issues very well. It's hard to believe that anyone in the US government would condone creation of a two-tiered internet: a fast lane for those who can afford to pay for it, and something very basic and not very useful for the rest of us? All because big internet service providers want to increase their profits? Just don't do it. God, I'm so tired of feeling like a second class citizen. I'm so sick of the government, that I expect to stand up for my rights, doing just the opposite.
—Florence D Campbell, St Louis, MO

Its time for a revolution in this country, where good men and women stand up against temptation from lobbyists and special interest groups. Where personal wealth takes a back seat to the general well being of this Nation. Pass these new laws if you want. But you will not be able to stifle the public and corporate outrage you are sure to provoke. You are pandering to too small a group on this one. Keep the internet free.
—Andrew, Whittier, CA

WORK TO BE DONE; SOCIAL JUSTICE IN GREAT DANGER! PROMOTE FAIRNESS, FREEDOM, JUSTICE, PEACE, HUMANITY, PRODUCTIVITY, WELL-BEING OF GENERAL PUBLIC. RESOLVE SOCIO- POLITICAL ISSUES, BALANCING BUDGET. OPPOSE SO CALLED "FAIR ELECTION ACT" PUBLIC FINANCE MATCHING SMALL DONORS FUND- DO MORE HARM THAN GOOD, RESOUCES BENEFIT "BAD GUYS" AS USUAL. TASKS: TOP PRIORITIES: Society in vicious cycles as in need of revolution, we MUST act: (1). Prosecute, eliminate “MURDER- fraud- crime- injustice networks”= cruel tyranny= robbery machine = ROBBER- ISM; destroying essences of democracy, capitalism; continuing, on-going; relaying, penetrating every segment of our lives (inc. civic non- profit organizations); expanding here domestically to overseas- foreign countries; with threat, coercion, victimization, deprivation, discrimination; unjust practices, manipulation, influence; bad legislative bills; unjust hidden agenda with false/ misleading excuses (inc. private- public partnership, economic development, housing, school construction, transportation, abandonment of properties, maintenance of “paper roads”, nonsense grants, programs; …, whatever) to benefit/ facilitate “MURDER-fraud- crime- injustice networks” (inc. officials, judges, developers, lawyers, employees, etc.); expand further unjust operation; endless unlawful- immoral acts; rob/destruct resources (rights, land, properties, home, buildings, assets, accounts, income, pension, documents, evidences; public, private; business, civic, political); frivolous litigation, levies, foreclosures, garnishment, guardianship, power of attorney; improper processing of complaints, procedures, proceedings, docketing, bookkeeping, accounting; cause vicious cycles: socio- political- election-media- budget- legislative- system problems; civil-human rights backwards; people-slave. Examples of problems are provided below: ** (2). Restore: principle, fairness, cost-effectiveness, accountability, reliability, capability; fair election, justice, peace (including civic, non-profit organizations), “check and balance”; Restore: TRUE essence of democracy, fair election process; easy access to government, files, records, transcripts; not unjustly manipulated, influenced, misled by wrong person, information, or “official misconduct- government gang- fraud- crime- injustice networks” = serious causes of socio-political – election –media- budget- legislative problems, which destroy people, families, society, peace, justice, democracy. Based on merits, justification; NO double standards, improper processing of complaints, procedures, proceedings; falsification, false records, tampering of evidence, data; harassment, intimidation (complainant, witnesses); false charges, citation, bond, imprisonment; disparities and improper treatments, etc.; abuse of laws, power, authorities. (3). Promote democracy, fair election, quality, competition, people input (policies, issues, officials, judges); televise public hearings, citizen/candidate forum/debate; maintain, disseminate meaningful accurate information, records, capability, reasoning, good sense of justice, public interest, endurance. Objective screening by meaningful rigorous examinations, evaluations for quality, capability, endurance and public interest. * To capture extended serious problems of “MURDER-fraud- crime- injustice networks” with official misconduct- government gang, please incorporate the following: (A). complaints/ cases: administrative and judicial levels; (B) frequent testimonies before government bodies, official, legislators, law enforcement, committees, public hearings; local – federal; (C) spin-off complaints, improper processing of complaints, procedures, proceedings, accounting, bookkeeping, docketing, etc.; (D) Candidate statements, see Webs and archives. Urge to re-open and investigate Congress.org, DNet (by League of Women Voters), links, etc.; (E) complaints and reports to police, law enforcement, consumer affairs, other authorities/agencies against “fraud- crime- injustice networks”; (F). Numerous TV programs on social issues (Dr. Lih Young: producer, host, speaker). (G). Frequent recommendations/petitions to officials, agencies, law enforcement, local - federal; as individuals or with civic organizations. ** EXAMPLES OF PROBLEMS - “MURDER- FRAUD- CRIME- INJUSTICE NETWORKS”- with official misconduct, government gang- endless unlawful immoral acts: (A): OPM, IRS, DHHS, SSA, DOJ, FBI, DOD, USDA, DOC, USCIS (US citizens/ neutralization services), custom services, various agencies, law enforcement; 3 branches, local – federal- global; National Park Service (Prettyman?), Library of Congress (Neil Gladd); many financial/brokerage/ accounting/ bill-payment processing/ collection institutions/agencies; insurance, car related businesses, utilities…, more; dealers Lakeforest Oldsmobile; phone/utilities/cable, judges, legal/court personnel, detective/ process server/ impersonators, with phony names, or would not provide names even in the court cases (Complainant could not get access to court files; could not even make copies); Leslie Gradet, Tamera Jones, William D Roessler; Offices of Treasury, Comptroller, Attorney Gneral: Joel Jacob/Jacobson, Gail Malle-Davis, Sylvia J. Brokos, Mary Hawse, Linda Tanton, Gerald Langbaum, John Barry, Pamela Porter, Leo F. Partridge, Mark Vulcan, Jamis Riley, James Britt, Audrey Thomas, Jeanne Lippy, Jesse Rosenburger, Ralph Lepson; transcribers Margaret Bauer, Senators: Walter Baker, Barbara Hoffman, Thomas Middleton, Trooper: Marty Sealey, Vincent Mass, State Election Board Ross Goldstein; Maryland DOEd Susan Page, Barbara Smith(?), SSA employees and supervisors (especially in Rockville, Md), and Bullivant (?, probably in N. J.; or other states). Lobbysts/ municipal attorneys/lawyers/affiliates, Paul Glasgow, David Venable, Joseph Stoltz, Jr., Barry Gordon, Stephen Perouka, David Steinberg, Wolpoff & Abramson, Richard D. Mirsky, Poppleton, Garrett & Polott, P.C., accountant Hilda K. Matijevic; Marc Sliffman (Silver Spring, Wheaton area), Samuel White and his law firm and lawyers Shawn Bartley, Daniel Pesachowitz, Laura Jolly (phony person, named as "substitute trustee", but can never be found or contacted even through official agencies); many court personnel and judges (District Court – Court of Special Appeals). Court Auditor Robert Romero. State, county health services organizations/ agencies, Department of Health and Human Services, Montgomery County Crisis Center, Jean Burgess (white, female), Marsha Aaron; Department of Aging; Adult Protective Services, Sherry Davis, Suzanne Lord (?), Odick Esq., Bonnie Klem, etc.; Suburban Hospital, physicians, emergency staff; social worker Jody Crecensi (?), case manager Patricia Grafferty (?), Robert Rothstein, M. D. (?), Tipp Woodward; Manor- Care in Potomac Maryland: Cheryl Paulson (?, administrator) and nurses, etc.; forensic services, Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene: Jolie Smith; numerous psychologists, psychiatrists, social workers, etc.: Potomac Ridge Steven Israel, Collin, Gabriel (?); social worker Tracy Lewit; Springfield Hospital Center:

forensic services, Kevin Knight, Dr. Valadez (refused to give full name, despite repeated requests); Carla Craville, Francoise Reynolds, Roxanne Heyman, Amy True; Judges James Sasfield, Gary Crawford, Cheryl McCally, etc., prosecutors/government attorneys, e.g., John McCarthy, Nunylny (?), Peter Mitchell (Montgomery County Office of Human Rights); District Court Commission (Rockville, Md) M. Dickerson; Court Personnel T.M. (only initials, no full name available); many judges, clerk of the courts (Jeffrey Ward, Loretta Knight, Bettie Skelton, Molly Rhul, etc.), other court personnel, various counties, states; local – federal; law enforcement, FBI; police e.g., in Rockville, Md. Sgt. Cowell (first name not available), C.P. Sadleson; officer Davis (MCPD); Denis Lewis (Baltimore County); sheriff: R. Lewis (Female, White, Montgomery Countym Md.), K. Naff (white, male, Montgomery County, Md); fire and rescues (abuse, even no fire; conspiracy). (B): The problems are interrelated horizontally and vertically, among all issues, local- global. Clerks of the Circuit Court (Montgomery County, Md.) Loretta Knight, Bettie Skelton, Molly Rhul; District Court Clerk Jeffrey Ward, Administrative Judge Cornelius Vaughey, Sheriff Elliot Tolbert, etc. government attorney John McCarthy, Kristen Bender, court personnel, attorneys (public, private), law enforcement (FBI, sheriff, police, fire/rescue, etc., contractors) are part of the “:fraud- crime- networks: with spying, surveillance, harassment, unlawful search, stealing, robbery, injuries; false arrest, imprisonment, citation, trespass, testimony; withholding witnesses; destroy information, documents, evidence, etc. (C). False/ unjust/ frivolous levies, liens, garnishment, guardianship, power of attorneys, foreclosure, tenant-hold-over- eviction, etc. Thousands of cases are pending in the court systems for years or even decades; believed to be filed by “fraud- crime- networks” to victimize people; without due process, proper services, proceedings; cause homelessness, poverty; not because of the problems of homeowners/citizens, but because of unjust judicial/court/legal personnel, court auditor Robert Romero as part of “official misconduct- government gang- fraud- crime- injustice networks”. Judges (unjust, irresponsible, judicially disabled) include Warren Donohue, John Debelius, Durk Thumpson, Ann Harrington, Louise Scrivener, Lawrence De Beard, Eric Johnson, James McKenna; District Judge Gary Everngam, Judge Gary Crawford; court personnel/ sheriff, attorneys, affiliated law firms; Sheriffs Earnest Turner, R. Lewis, K. Naff, etc. (E). Problems of privatization, irresponsibility, disabilities of government attorneys and judicial/legal/court personnel are very serious, expanding, local- nationwide- global; exporting injustice overseas; Rockville city, Montgomery County, Maryland state; New Jersey Monmouth County, Judge Robert McLeod (private attorney), Judge Patricia Bueno Cleary, Prosecutor (private attorney) Patrick Healy, police David D’Arcy. (F) Other people committed, conspired with police and fraud- crime- networks: Private attorneys: Robert McCarthy (Bethesda, Md.), Olivia Cammack (Silver Spring, Md.), David Slacker (Bethesda Md.); Ria Rochvarg (assigned as legal assistance provider to certain counties by Md. Department of Health and Mental Highgiene, but she went around the state for various abuses with Sherry Davis, Police Davis, etc. attorneys (public and private), Timonthy Adelman, Esq., (?) and law firms Adelman, Sheff and Smith(?, in Annapolis, Md), Robert McCarthy, Suburban Hospital, etc. Landlord/ landladies e.g., Jiewen Tan (Rockville, Md.) and Chia Yao (Gaithersburg, Md.) had been unjustly influenced/ conspired. (G). MURDER-FRAUD- CRIME- INJUSTICE NETWORKS inc. Montgomery County Council, Md, Nancy Floreen, Roger Berliner, Valerie Ervin; Sonya E. Healy, Esq. Legal counsel/Chief of staff (any relation to Patrick Healy, esq. in New Jersey??), Jackie Steward, council hearing coordinators/substitute; Md General Assembly, Jamie Raskin; U. S. Congress, Senate, legal staff; American U, administrative staff, security guard, students (4801 Massachusetts Ave., NW, DC); Catholic U; US Institute of Peace, conference organizers/ speakers. = = = = = NO WARS ON SYRIA, MIDDLE-EAST, ASIA OR OTHER PARTS OF THE WORLD, when the problems are based on lies, profiteering, imperialism; depriving other people's rights, lives, resources, here and overseas. NO WARS, especially no congressional authorization, approval. = = == = Urge to re-open and investigate obstruction, seizure, tampering, denial of access or use of communication like phone, fax, media, equipment, facilities, computers, documents, work, document, websites, voters guides, e.g., Congress.org, DNet (by League of Women Voters), links...more
—Dr Lih Young, Rockville, MD

Dear Mr. Wheeler, et al., I am writing in disagreement with the proposed Net Neutrality rulings. I will be clear - I am not a multimillionaire, nor do I own a substantial, or even small, corporation. I am building a small business online and receive most of my news through the internet, from a variety of sources. Many of these are recognizably mainstream - "The Wall Street Journal" and "The New York Times" among smaller independent sources. My point is that the new NN rules will stifle both of these for me personally. While it seems like the new rules will only help small businesses and providers, it will harm them in the end. Only large companies will be able to afford the new "fast track" broadband regulations, leaving small providers, urls, and businesses behind in a slow morass of leftovers and crumbs. I am not selfish in this totally. Many Americans are small business owners who use the internet for advertising, directions, help, as well as sales. They need to in order to compete. Many Americans also use the internet for communications, news, and entertainment due to its affordability. Because the new NN laws favor only a few small organizations and corporations, the poor and the middle class will be less able to afford the wide provisions and innovations the open internet has provided. In effect, the proposed rules only hurt the people who are supposedly protected. Thank you for your time and consideration, C. Mercier
—Christopher Mercier, Vermillion, SD

It is simply un-American to restrict use of OUR airwaves in preference to a few who will exploit their advantage at our expense!
—John Wilson, Tucson, AZ

I live in a very isolated area and rely on the internet for information, entertainment and shopping.
—Glenn W Hay, Westcliffe, CO

The FCC is not a tool for the cable and isp providers . The FCC is supposed to keep the internet open to all not just the people with the most money . You are there to serve ALL Americans . Do not abandon us to the whims of the Big Cable and ISPs . Promote a competitive internet not a monopoly .
—Keith L. Root, Flushing, MI

The internet is the last free forum.
—James Westwood, ,

How can a public library, for example, provide the sort of internet access that its patrons need if you privatize the internet? How can a student accomplish homework in a timely manner if his or her parents can't afford to pay for the digital "fast lane"? Are you even thinking about the ordinary person in this issue? Or should we assume that all of you have been bought and paid for by AT&T and others?
—Toni Rorapaugh, Vestal, NY

The internet was meant to connect people and information, regardless of the location. Keep the INTER-net inclusive; please don't turn it into an outernet. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jordan Louie, Kent, WA

First the internet was developed with taxpayers' dollars. that's every taxpayer in this country. second the internet and all its permutations should be declared a common carrier just as AT&T, PG&E and all the rest of them have been from the getgo. The internet has become too important in this world to let it be manipulated by private corporations to the detriment of the rest of us. Throw out the old rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers NOW! Stop playing around with the world's future commerce, we have enuf problems to deal with already.
—Sheila Goldmacher, Berkeley, CA

Dear Chairman Wheeler, Net Neutrality is important to me as an American because I believe a strong, balanced infrastructure (internet connections not withstanding) create a competitive global marketplace in the US and allow even our small businesses to remain competitive I also disagree with bandwidth caps as we are now limiting future children's educational opportunities when we do so. We are seeing a large increase of learning moving from traditional styles to a more internet-integrated curriculum, and we as Americans must strive to keep our educational system effective and efficient on a global scale We are facing growths in the technology sector like never before, and to prepare we need to have equal opportunity to access and upload content to the internet!
—Joshua Brown, Charlotte, NC

Monopolies are dictatorship. This country is not founded on that.
—Linda M, Apex, NC

because it's discrimination and wrong and a monopoly/anti-trust issue. The Internet is for everyone to use equally; the only thing that should be banned or forced into the "slow lane" is porn/obscenity sites.
—Jen H, email only, FL

We should be looking to break these giant companies up (remember the Sherman anti-trust act) to benefit the consumer and protect the Internet not creating massive in increases to their bottom line. We need Net Neutrality not Net Dictatorship.
—James Jordan, Englewood, CO

The internet was built on neutrality, without neutrality it's just a massive corporate intranet. Ever tried using one of those? They suck! Case in point: North Korea. Do you really want the whole internet to end up like that?
—Daniel Davies, Bournemouth,

Discriminating smaller companies and the private consumer over larger companies is NOT the cornerstone of ANY fair democracy. Not in my socialistic country, or your supposed land of freedom.
—Klas Linde, ,

I'm a salary-earner now, but some day I want to start a business, and in the interest of my dream, the American dream, and freedom of communication, true net neutrality must be embraced and protected.
—Bryant M Tran, Austin, TX

The Internet has always been an accepted form of "free speech". Don't change that!
—Thomas Peterson, Windham, ME

Net Neutrality is important to allow more competition, which is always good, and to save the public from a eventual monopoly which will probably charge more that the public is paying now.
—George Held, Huntington Beach, CA

I need net neutrality. I depend on my internet to gain information on the world I live in. To broaden my horizons and learn all I can.
—Katherine Stuart, Winter Garden, FL

FREE FOR ALL-NET NEUTRALITY
—Margaret Weeks, Sanford, ME

Leave the internet as it is, I run a small business from home where I am connected to the interest 8-12 hrs a day. I am a stay at home mom, making enough to afford our everyday expense. I do not make enough to pay more fees on top of what I already pay IRS.
—Alicia Grainger, conway, SC

Dear FCC Chairman Wheeler, it's vitally important to our democracy that we keep Net Neutrality, please reclassify ISP as common carriers. A corporate and monied tier system would heavily dampen small business opportunities; the engine of our economy. Please do the right thing for a free press and democracy with Net Neutrality. Thank you, Carlos Pagán
—Carlos Pagan, North Miami Beach, FL

Net Neutrality is very important to me because it gives me freedom to use the internet anyway I feel like and it allows for me to express my opinion to an audience. Please save Net Neutrality and equal access for everyone to use the internet.
—Jonathan Gottlieb, Natick, MA

This plan is just a way for Tom Wheeler to pad his pockets. These giant companies are going to make a ton of money if this passes and Wheeler is going to get a piece of it. Discrimination about internet speed is absurd.
—Joe Maruggi, North Attleboro, MA

FCC, you are destroying the internet. The internet is a basic human right. This has been acknowledged and accepted. To make it selective is a violation of our basic human rights. Your bowing to the providers is insulting and pathetic. Stop it. Right now.
—Jordan Ford, Hinesville, GA

A free and open internet is essential for the propagation of many new businesses, arts, information, and so much more. Forgoing net neutrality will cripple the internet, and our society will suffer for it. The proposed actions will only line the pockets of those who already have enough, will disrupt societal progress, and will harm many in the process . Please see reason and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Seth Hoch, Saint Louis, MO

Our tax dollars developed the Internet. It should be classified AS A UTILITY. Big business has no right to control it!
—Ronda Wilde, Cincinnati, OH

We need net neutrality because we are already becoming a nation of haves and have nots. The present plan being put forth for internet use will only further divide us as a people. It will further diminish our sense of democracy and make us a country owned and operated by the highest bidder. People won't count only profits.
—Ann Marie Cunningham, Chicago, IL

I live in Maine where internet speeds are already slower than national averages despite the expenditure of millions of federal dollars on the so-called 3-ring binder plan which has done absolutely nothing to make high-speed access available to the majority of this state. These new rules will be the nail in the coffin for high-speed access for the majority of the public. Once again, a colossal money-grab for big business -- I guess I need a lobbyist of my own -- THANKS FOR NOTHING, MR. WHEELER -- HAVE FUN SPENDING THE MONEY THEY PUT IN YOUR OFF-SHORE ACCOUNT-- SAY 'HI!' TO MITT FOR ME.
—Ken Tidd, Bangor, ME

The internet is, at the least, the equivalent of the phone service of previous generations. Any double talk claiming that ISPs are not providing a utility is disingenuous as they have, in essence the functional counterparts equivalent to the infrastructure of the telephone system before it. The internet is the modern and more powerful utility and should be held to the same standard of neutrality as any other utility.
—Glenn M. Mooney, North Smithfield, RI

The citizens of this country, the individuals who can vote, deserve a free and open internet. Reclassifying ISP's as common carriers will give the FCC the power it needs to regulate a bloated monopolistic greedy industry and take away the threat of an unequal internet.
—Brett Stewart, Novato, CA

All my friendships are long distance, maintained by the technology that powers an open internet. Please reconsider this decision. I should not have to abandon these connections because Comcast is more famous.
—Peter Buller, Portland, OR

My little site should have the same level of access to those who are interested as do the telecomms who wish to have control of the network.
—Gary O'Brien, Tucson, AZ

I am the customer, who is the king. Deliverers of info are just the vendors, that can't live without kings (customers). So, we are the most important and we don't want to loose capacity and speed.
—Jo Seegers, ,

I strongly urge you to reject Tom Wheeler's new internet plans. I believe they will ruin net neutrality for all of us
—William Stewart, Forestville, CA

A free and open internet protects freedom of speech. A closed internet stifles creativity. Corporations whose only motivation is money should not have this power. No one should.
—Justin Breen, Bensalem, PA

It would be nice to assume that giving more access control to the ISPs would benefit anyone other than the ISPs and large well funded companies. Unfortunately, it is far more likely that the proposed rules will make it increasingly unlikely that small groups will be able to afford to bring the inovation to the network that has paced its progress over the years. Over time, the proposed rules would be a serious hinderence to the useful enhancement of the internet that results from the efforts of these groups. I strongly oppose the new rules and prefer that ISPs be reclassified as common carriers to more accurately classify their position as a commodity service similiar to other utilities which are available to all on an equal basis.
—A L. Mullikin, Peachtree City, GA

A two tiered internet is not in the interest of the general public, neither financial or when gathering information on any subject.
—Patricia A. Haumann, Oberlin, OH

No two tier system, one for the wealthy corporations and one for the rest of us. Get rid of rules that make some of us second class citizens and reclassify internet service providers as common carriers, so we can continue to have net neutrality.
—ret honmgret@charter.net Martha Goldin, Los Osos, CA

Unless you protect net neutrality by making it a public utility, the poor (and even low-middle-income) will be left out of the technological revolution, as will non-profits, libraries, etc., because they will no longer be able to afford access. And nowadays you NEED access for jobs and school!
—Christine Klunder, Bellingham, WA

The net is too big a place to be controlled by a select few. Besides, people ought to be treated as equals on the net.
—Jordan M, Wood, SD

The Internet is as important to America as any other public utility. The ISP's should not be able to favor one content provider over another. The website for a tiny independent blogger should load just as fast as the site for a major media outlets. Please reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Jeremy L Huber, Vancouver, WA

I can choose who carries my internet.
—Eamon Kummert, Fairfax, CA

The internet needs to be accessible and affordable for everyone and not just to the folks with deep pockets.
—Julius Salinas, Esko, MN

The american people have a voice thru the internet. Your proposal will kill that voice
—Carolyn S Coder, Marathon, FL

As a retiree on a small fixed income who uses the Internet for learning, researchig, news and communication with relatives, I would be unable to afford these activities if websites and services are forced to impose charges for access, as your proposed changes would inevitably do. Please keep the Internet as it is!
—Thomas Mora, Leander, TX

I am an educator. Students today rely on the availability of affordable information from their homes, as well as in public and private institutions. The Internet is their lifeline. Net Neutrality is as democratic a notion as the first public library, founded by Ben Franklin. We depend on Net Neutrality to educate the next generation of Americans. I request that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Erik Deerly, Kokomo, IN

I use the internet for my business and I can't afford extra fees.
—Esther Fredholm Conway, Port Townsend, WA

The internet depends on speed. Allowing corporations, which depend on revenue/profit, to charge for faster speeds results in the creation of an artificial market. One where internet "providers" are provided incentive: they can increase revenue by charging to improve network speeds for the customers that pay. This artificially creates a market where the winners are those that can afford to pay for faster content delivery, and the losers are the general public domain content, startup companies, etc. It would not be altogether different from maintaining roads in the United States via similar methodology. Major businesses could "pay" for improved access via better roads, those that cannot afford it get whatever funds are left over. There are never leftover funds. The ruling by the FCC, if left unamended, will fundamentally change the internet in ways that are ideologically opposed to what makes the internet one of the greatest inventions in the history of humankind: equal and unrestricted access to information and content to as many users that have the privilege of living in a country committed to that lofty ideal. Corporations *DO NOT* have the best interests of customers in mind. Corporations, out of necessity, have the best interests of corporations in mind. This is going to be a pivotal point in internet history, and the FCC is creating a disaster for Americans. PLEASE reconsider!
—Wesley Williamson, West Linn, OR

These companies already have too much power. We as a country should be looking to split these monopoly-esque giants, not give them more power.
—Thom Hudelson, Discovery Bay, CA

Don't let a few people decide what a majority of Americans want. The internet is a true modern marvel. Don't let them ruin that.
—Joe Moralez, Olympia, WA

Net neutrality, specifically the reclassification of ISP's as common carriers, is important to me because I want internet speeds comparable to those of other OECD countries without being bled dry by the internet service providers. The US is 'supposed' to be one of the most technologically advanced countries in the world. It's time we started acted like it.
—Sophie Binney, Clarkston, GA

The net doesn't and shouldn't belong to the corporations with the most money. The internet is for everyone and everyone should have equal access. Do the right thing. Stop protecting corporate America and keep Net Neutrality.
—Melody Brinklley, Lyons, CO

In an era where corporations perpetuate data mining practices that infringe on privacy rights, it's more critical than ever to have an even telecommunications playing field so that new companies that respect the right to privacy can thrive and provide viable alternatives.
—Jim Hay, Lakewood, WA

Work for the people, not special interests.
—Carolyn Lilly, San Diego, CA

It is disgusting that yet again another Federal Commission is in the pockets of the amoral greedy economic treasonists! Cut the crap!
—Susaan Aram, Laguna Beach, CA

Money already influences politics. Must it also influence the Internet? That's just wrong! We need more equality across the board in this country!
—Barbara Falkenberg, Columbus, OH

The internet is one of the few places left with truly free speech, equal access and an unregulated or government/corporate controll of ideas.
—Brian McCollum, Staunton, IL

Every phenomenon has a tipping point where the natural flow of events takes on an unmistakable transformation. This is it! We have been heading in this direction for a long time now, but the death of net neutrality marks the clearly identifiable instant where we have officially become The Corporate States Of America. The Federal Communications Commission has sold the citizenry of our country down the river to the highest bidder and we will never again be able to claim that we are the land of the free again. You should be tried for treason.
—John Cannatella, New York, NY

Not sure what you think "Freedom" means, but this ain't it.
—Dustin T. Hahn, Van Nuys, CA

Net Neutrality is very important to me because I'm starting an online business within the next month. I don't want it to fail because I'm being forced into a slow lane for not being able to afford to pay AT&T, Comcast or Verizon extra fees for the faster lane! I want the Internet to remain free to everyone!
—Ms. Rose Riker, Sioux City, IA

It is not OK to force slower internet on people just so rich people can have ridiculously fast internet. This would be another step in creating and maintaining a ruling class.
—Jesse Varner, Sheffield Lake, OH

We believe that the internet belongs to us all, and many taxpayer dollars went into the infrastructure. If we truly are to behave as a democracy, then we need to put measures upon those select corporations that aim to monopolize something that should be public. Isn't the FCC here to protect our consumer interests? At this point it seems as if it's acting on behalf of the corporate world.
—Libet Chang, Sarasota, FL

Stop the corporate thieves and welfare billlionaires. Enought IS enough. Time to butcher the big fat piggies.
—James Norgrove, Winter Park, FL

The internet has expanded over the years. It is now a place where people can start businesses, entertain themselves, and get their news. Net neutrality has ensured that people can do just that. I rely on the internet a lot. To take net neutrality away would be killing new businesses that are just starting to flourish. It would slow and limit entertainment and our news. This situation also arose in telephone lines, with companies charging outrageous rates for simple calls. The internet has decreased the use of telephones and replaced calls with messages and emails. To destroy net neutrality would be much like the situation mentioned above.
—Xiaoling Li, Great Neck, NY

Net Neutrality is important because information is free, and knowledge is power. If you want a better country then you have to open up resources, and the internet is just as important as anything else.
—Ashley, Boerne, TX

Dear Mr. Wheeler, Please don't cave in to these internet service providers. I am an immigrant who just brought ideas and knowledge to enrich USA and flourish myself here. If there were many obstacles (like collecting tolls at every stop on my way to USA), I would not have made it to here. Similarly, there are many small companies with lots of innovative ideas and services springing up on the internet. If they have to pay to every big ISP to get access to their internet users, they will never make it. Please make Net Neutral. Thank you, Bhaskara Reddy
—Bhaskara Reddy, Herndon, VA

The internet is supposed to be a free highway to exchange information through many outlets. Killing Net Neutrality is just giving the finger to everyone that has made the Net what it is today and giving everything over to the big money-sucking corporations that don't give a care about what is good or bad for the future of the internet. STOP GIVING THE BIG BOYS THE TOYS! The Net is an equal playground.
—Elak Swindell, Waynesboro, GA

The internet is the modern "Free & Open Press." Our democracy depends on it staying that way.
—Tim Phares, YOUNGTOWN, AZ

Net Neutrality is important for our economy and free expression. If internet providers are allowed to control the speed of IPs then the video game industry will take a tremendous hit, which is a major part of our current economy. Jobs will be lost and the GDP will drop. Not to mention that if a provider doesn't like your content they can make it slow to the point that no one will look at it, effectively preventing the constitutional right to freedom of expression.
—Dalton Medd, Annapolis, MD

do what is right..and not just right for your org.Keep the net Neutral!
—Don Smith, Napa, CA

I am a disabled person on a fixed income and because of my disabilities, the Internet is my main form of communication. Raising the prices on my Internet access would be a financial catastrophe for me and others like me.
—Renee C Mulhare, Tewksbury, MA

Net neutrality maximizes the current potentials for open and free inquiry for all. It is now an indispensable part of an open, free and democratic society. Ending net neutrality, in effect, means censorship, disenfranchisement and corporatist plutocracy - it is plainly anti-democratic. Kill off net neutrality and you are fully complicit in the destruction of American democracy.
—Philip Minehan, Milwaukee, WI

list isp as common carriers and get rid of your proposal. it doesn't benefit for anyone.
—Dre Cardinal, ,

The proposed end of Net Neutrality will seriously damage the greatest good that the internet can offer. Allowing SP's to determine how to provision content would be a historic blunder, bordering on tragedy.
—Michael Alexander, Selden, NY

The stratification of America is apparent in most, if not all, economic and social institutions. One realm where this gap between rich and poor is slightly less abrasive is access to information and communication. Take that away, and you will create not just economic disparity, but technological poverty as well.
—Mutasim, San Jose, CA

Classifying ISPs as common carriers would allow Net Neutrality to continue as it has. Considering how little Tom Wheeler has listened to the responses and still pushed towards the two-tiered system can anyone believe that there would be any form of enforcement to prevent ISPs from abusing the internet fast lanes. We've been ignore before when we said not to go ahead with this plan and were told we were listened to. One lie is enough to know that the FCC will not prevent ISPs from abusing the two-tier system and creating corporate control over the internet. Only reclassifying ISPs as common carriers will keep Net Neutrality. Do not lie to the American people again and do not push through with this two-tiered system.
—Vincent Molina, Rialto, CA

The proposed Internet rules would be disastrous - condemning us to a world where those who are rich and powerful today will maintain a stranglehold on our future. A democracy requires diversity of opinions, ideas, and approaches, and Net Neutrality is absolutely essential for us to avoid becoming an oligarchy.
—Paul Drummond, Lake Havasu City, AZ

It is outrageous that a possible two tier system of Internet usse could be a reality; imagine being given a choice of paying more for faster Internet service. It is imperative that the Federal Communication Commission assert itself and keep our Internet free. Thank you.
—Philip G Rich, Albany, NY

My small business depends on a fast internet connection and it shouldn't be slowed down since I am not a large business owner.
—Don Crozier, o'fallon, MO

Enough with the government bowing down to corporate america. Stand up for the rest of us!
—Barbara Hauck, Largo, FL

Because innovation is best at an even playing field. Make it so. Net Neutrality is necessary and important for the US's future and for our children and on...
—Chris Mendel, Columbus, OH

Just because a family may not be able to afford to pay extra fees doesn't mean they should not be given the same service as someone who can. It doesn't cost extra for the company to provide everyone with the same service. My children deserve the same internet as the neighbors and should not suffer because I am a single mom and internet is a luxury in our world.
—Sherri Jasperson, Provo, UT

I ask myself: Why do the big, greedy, ISP want fast-lane internet when the people of this nation and a majority of other businesses don't? The answer: Comcast, AT&T and others want to own and control our future--the internet. They can't stop how the internet is changing their old business model; but if they can own the pipes, pick winners and losers (i.e. paid prioritization) then they can maintain control and ownership, they can keep prices for cable and high-speed internet within their grasp all while keeping competition in check (in their favor of course). Chairman Wheeler, please, please fight the greedy ISP. Remind them that the internet is a utility. Yes they will fight any Title II you may (nay, should) enact, but the fight is for the people. Remember what the constitution says: We the PEOPLE, not we the corporations. No fast-lane internet, no paid prioritization, Mr. Chairman.
—Patri McGinness, Urbana, IL

I am a college student who uses the internet for online courses and without net neutrality I would not have been able to have gone back to school. I believe that equal access to the Internet is a right and without net neutrality internet service providers would be able to discriminate against me and other people as well.
—Sarah, Wellington, NV

Communication is vital to everyday life. In a world were almost all communication happens online treating as something other than a utility that is open and equal for everyone is just wrong. Keep companies like AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon from monopolizing the markets across out nation and forcing consumers and Internet users to pay more for less.
—Collin Jackson, Rockport, TX

If approved, these rules would mean the end of Net Neutrality! Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Mike Wayne Clark, McHenry, IL

First of all why does the FCC even think this is a good idea? to allow a new corrupt business system online? To allow true internet freedom to die? Why does the FCC have any legal authority at all? FCC you do not deserve to have any authority over the internet. You have had countless times where you could of improved the internet , but instead you have made it even worse. Give us all a break and stop messing with the internet. You dont even know what the internet is. INTERNET FREEDOM IS FREEDOM WITHOUT THE FCC
—Lance Wright, Yorktown, VA

If you want optimum profits then write this in stone..'ISP's as common carriers will deliver in GOOD time a universal communication system wheras creating favoured space and speed options to the powerful will split and destroy a great invention.'
—John Lawlor, Annamoe,

Equal for all... money should not determine who has priority on the net!
—Ron cabucio, Fall River, MA

Money shouldn't be allowed to buy everything.
—Arthur Sutherland, Sandy, UT

I think that the rules that would get rid of Net Neutrality are a tool of discrimination. As a middle-class woman, I'm already discriminated against enough with pay inequality and lack of representation from people who truly understand my true issues. I run a small website and will not be able to pay any type of fee to be "fast-laned". How will people not only find my website but be able to access it with any type of speed before they give up and move on to another site. It feels like taxation without representation for lack of a better analogy. Please, please, please do not go through with this. We smaller people deserve a break.
—Sarah Foisy, Chandler, AZ

Please protect net neutrality. The consequence of a two-tiered internet would be devastating to smaller companies.
—Sandra Fujita, Kaneohe, HI

Net neutrality is essential to all. We don't want : ISPs to have the right to shape internet traffic, fundamental, horrible change to the nature of internet, inhibition of innovation increase in costs of using the internet - horrible step back. Internet should ultimately become free resource to all. Near monopoly of ISPs needs to be fought in favor of more free market options for all users.
—J Kossowski, Sacramento, CA

The internet is an important resource for everyone. The rich shouldn't be able to have better access to it just because they can afford to pay more for it. That is socioeconomic discrimination and we the people won't stand for it.
—Jeremy Wethall, Orem, UT

YOUR JOB IS TO PROTECT THE INTERESTS OF "WE THE PEOPLE". SO WHY ARE YOU PLANNING TO INCREASE CORPORATE PROFITS AT THE EXPENSE OF PEOPLE?? I WANT AN OPEN INTERNET THAT TREATS ALL USERS THE SAME. THAT IS YOUR JOB. (AND, YES, THE CAPS MEAN THAT I'M YELLING!)
—Crystal M. Clearwater, San Diego, CA

The 99% are tired of having deals approved for big businesses, which ultimately negatively impact the small businesses, and the start up entrepreneurs in numerous ways. Please leave the Internet free, and do not grant special privileges for any individual organization.
—Sage Mason, Barre, MA

Please stop the Net Neutrality non-sense.
—Bradley Clayton, Metairie, LA

Why are we changing freedom? Who is profiting? The people? Why Why Why? Do you care about us, the little people?
—Patricia Wolter, Boulder, CO

First of all I'd like to bring up that I don't live in the US, but as someone who strongly believes in a free internet for all I have to speak up. So many people of all ages use the internet as a second home, whether it be to escape work, school, and their troubles. It's always been there with it's doors wide open, and accepting everyone in. You have no right to tear down our home and think that we won't stand to protect it.
—Grant Chivers, ,

Net neutrality is important to me because it should be equal access to all, not to those who can afford it. By creating fast lanes for additional $$, you've created another class of internet for those with limited funds. Please treat this as a common carrier, not something for comcast, time warner and others for additional revenue stream, the make enough now!
—Susan Bjerke, Scottsdale, AZ

Information should go out to everyone at the same speed. It is my choice what I want to pay for it to get to me.
—Nancy Davlantes, Kaneohe, HI

It will create a society of the haves and have nots. The internet should be for the free flow of ideas not a marketplace for the highest bidder.
—James D. Partin, Ludlow, KY

Dear Commissioner---Net Neutrality, is very important to the people and citizens of the United States, please preserve and protect it. Thank you --Andrew Yuen, Mount Pocono, PA 18344
—Andrew Yuen, MOUNT POCONO, PA

It is the last vestige of freedom of communication. If you have a highway, with equal laws and taxes paid by all to sustain its viability and all of a sudden you say if some pay more money, they can travel faster and ignore the laws that pertain to all. Money transcends ethics these days. Many are bought and paid for to make sure the interest of the rich are served and the rights of the less fortunate ignored. Slavery is making a comeback and the plantation mentality revived. Shame on greed and divisiveness!
—Robin Brewer, Pittsburgh, PA

Adding restrictions to an existing service is neither a "new" nor "value-added" service - it is hardly essential. Therefore, the control points and the resulting fees are not essential or value-added. It is not going to reflect user-access such as user-fees on a bridge. Potentially the hardest hit group will be small business - our only growing business segment - which will have to pay for additional fees to use something they already have without fees. A meritocracy is welcome, plutocracy and oligarchy are not.
—Randall MacLeod, Phoenix, AZ

It's the base of all the awsome things that developed over the years on the internet. Killing net neutrality is like severing the roots from the rest of the tree.
—Gergő Pentz, ,

This infrstructure should be open to all. Instead of "fast lanes" the ISPs need to speed things up for everyone; bigger fiber lines. Instead of pure profit, invest. It's a utility and should be treated as such.
—Christine Burnham, Jamaica Plain, MA

These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Frank and Janet Loudin, Eastsound, WA

The FCC's plan is essentially a form of economic segregation, and is simply un-American.
—Sara West, San Diego, CA

Many people depend on their local public libraries for internet access. Slowing down the internet will severely impact them.
—Mary Detrick, Clearwater, FL

The internet is an educational tool, created by society for its betterment. Commit to EDUCATION and the success of future generations by allowing this tool to be accessible equally, by all.
—Emily Schooley, Toronto,

I don't even see how this is being considered! I use the internet to homeschool my special needs sons. I cannot afford to pay more, and my kids cannot function in public school. Think about the people -- all the people -- not just the wealthy corporations!
—Caroline Stanton, Boulder City, NV

Chairman Wheeler's plan would let ISPs like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees — and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Jordan Leary, ,

Do not approve the current proposed rules for a tiered Internet. Instead, reclassify ISPs as common carriers. ISPs need to be regulated/controlled in favor of the USERS (citizens of the U.S). Otherwise citizens become captive to MONOPOLISTIC control of their broadband airwaves. Most communities realistically only have 2 choices between service providers which are available to them --- and these companies are already illegally throttling communications. D-B Hudson
—Mr. D-B Hudson, Sparks, NV

Internet-based innovation requires start-ups to have the same playing field as the giants in the field. Without net neutrality barriers to entry for small firms have the potential to become enormous. This has stymied innovation in so many industries, but the web has changed so quickly because the playing field at least at the delivery level, was more or less equal. Neutrality must remain!
—Cameron THibos, Bloomington, IN

I don't want to have to pay to use the Internet! I couldn't use it if I had to pay! They don't want poor people to use the Internet, that's the method behind this madness!
—Janet Borelli, Lakewood, OH

Don't take peoples money from them. It's just a dick move.
—Rachel Stean, ,

It is our internet. The corporations work for us or they are out of business. Welcome to 21st Century Accountability. www.WeAreOne.cc
—Joseph Kohn MD, Wailuku, HI

Taking away freedom on the internet is selfish and terrible! Personally, I'd prefer NOT to pay to look at pictures of cats, and keep awesome fan work online.
—Carmen Mann, Denver, CO

I am active on the small-business site Etsy, which is a gathering of many small-business owners and artists selling their creations online. Most of these small businesses sell on Etsy to make a living. If Etsy members are forced to pay more just to stay online and in business, many will not succeed or prosper. This is only one example of the harm a "pay to play" Internet will have on people trying to make a living in these tough times. Please do not create an Internet system which favors the wealthy over the rest of us. Please keep the Internet open to the voices and business efforts of all people.
—T M. Kraemaer, Milwaukee, WI

I live far away from some of my friends, without free internet I can not contact them. This connection is vital because one of them is suicidal and I am trying to help her recover from cutting and make sure she doesn't do it again. Please, for her, don't do this.
—Maggie McDonald, Virginia Beach, VA

I can't afford the "high" speed Comcast now offers. I can't imagine what it would be like for schools and other institutions if these rules are implemented.
—Lydia Foisy, Swanton, VT

As a medical student, I have learned how useful the spread of information and knowledge is in promoting the health people and communities. Information is the key to growth, progress, and well-being. Keeping the internet open allows for easy access to information by all which in turn benefits everyone. Ask yourself, in the big picture, what will come of undermining the greatest asset of the internet- the sharing of information? What could you personally miss out on? keep the net open and let our country stay informed.
—Leslie Yedor, Santa Cruz, CA

Please do not allow Internet Service Providers to monetize the internet. Thank you.
—Eric Kempter, Pleasant Hill, CA

The internet was created as a resource to be shared by all, don't let a few corporations impose their own rules for their own benefit. It hurts the consumers and the rest of the world. Keep the internet open!
—Gregory Dunbar, Portland, OR

The internet is not something companies should have free control over, so ISPs need to be classified as common carriers
—Noah Greene, Portsmouth, NH

I use a wide range of Internet sites and services, for entertainment and work alike, ranging from big corporate retailers and content providers to small, independent websites. Any proposal which separates the Internet into "tiers" of ANY kind will severely damage my Internet experience. Please reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers, and ensure that Net neutrality survives for everybody's sake.
—Timothy Miller, Baltimore, MD

how does this help ANYONE?
—Noah Bender, Bethel, CT

Rural areas like mine have so few choices in broadband
—Linda Schermer, Sedona, AZ

Simply because equality is important in every aspect of any matter.
—Mats Johansen, ,

I use the internet every day for a variety of reasons. Big corporations have ruined just about everything else on this planet; do they really have to ruin the internet as well? KEEP NET NEUTRALITY!!
—Duncan Brown, Tucson, AZ

Since I have limited mobility, the internet is my lifeline. It is my telephone, newspaper, shopping mall, postal service, electricity and water. Please don't cut me off.
—Joanne Dixon, Colorado Springs, CO

The internet is a level playing field for the time being where any startup/business can have a website with the same level of prioritization as any other website. Removing this level field and allowing one company to get a leg up by prioritizing their traffic above others completely destroys this level playing field and will ruin the internet as we know it today.
—Mr. David Orner, Stafford, TX

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Elaine # 1846 Faison-Menzel, Denver, NY

Net neutrality means a lot to me. We all get the same speed internet access and you want to come along and change all of that? Discriminating against those who can't pay the extra fee? Well I've got news for you buddy. Your plan isn't going to work. Bitch.
—Jonathan Espinoza, Reno, NV

The internet must be treated as a public utility preserving net neutrality for the 21st century progress we need.
—Gustav Sallas, West Palm Beach, FL

I am appalled at Mr. Wheeler's proposal. Will we turn everything in our country into things which favor the rich? I do not choose to subsidize AT&T or Verizon any longer. This is wrong, plainly and simply. The Internet must be open to all, without segregating users into rich vs poor. Should the FCC adopt this terribly-flawed plan, I am sure that citizen outrage will force Congress to overrule the FCC.
—Geoffrey Simon, Raleigh, NC

I run a small online publishing business that will suffer greatly from new rules. The new proposal is NOT friendly to small business owners!
—Andrew Rench, Glen Ellyn, IL

There have been repeated votes on Net Neutrality in recent years. In every case private citizens have expressed the desire to keep the current rules in place as this allows the internet to operate in a manner which is best for the public interest. It has become clear that the only disagreement on this point comes from private interests seeking to profit at the expense of what is a superior communications setup for the people at large. Moreover it is clear that the only sponsorship for changing the rules within government is coming from those being aggressively lobbied and, I suspect, paid for their efforts by these same interests. The American people have indicated repeatedly that we prefer you not mess with a system that isn't broken. Who are you beholden to, and why is the overwhelming majority sentiment just not sinking in?!
—John P Lawler, Wilwood, MO

I make my living online as a marketing consultant for local small businesses.
—David Cline, Littleton, CO

The internet is meant to be for everyone. It exists for everyone to use, to gain information, to socialise, to discuss ideas. The internet is meant to be used by everyone and internet service providers should not limit this by making people pay more!
—Hannah Crouch, ,

I work with a non-profit internet radio station and to have speed varying would kill our fan-base. Along with that, as we have only donations to depend on, our ability to do our job would suffer greatly as we will never be able to compete with an extra price to have to pay to keep things up too speed. I have alot more that we could discuss if you like, but I don't really think either of us would leave satisfied. Feel free to contact me at dantalionsm@gmail.com. Until then, I will do everything in my power to rally support to demand Net Neutrality. The radio is quite a powerful tool that I'm not afraid to use, so please make Net Neutrality not just a wish, make it a fact.
—Claud Truax III, Bartonsville, PA

An unbiased internet is essential for the success of our democracy.
—Steve Lyons, rockford, IL

Money and power should not speak! Equal access for all!
—Charles V. V. Brochetti, Slippery Rock, PA

The Internet has been a source of free and open communication between all connected citizens on the planet. Please don't allow it to come under the control of the wealthiest Internet Service Providers for the sake of their profits. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—William G Schoonover Jr, Kitty Hawk, NC

You realize that you're not helping yourselves here right? You're just giving people more reason to get mad at both the FCC and ISP providers. Denying Net Neutrality is just going to make everyone angry and they're not going to put up with being treated like crap forever. If this bill goes through, there'll be backlash. It's in your best interest to listen to the people calling for a revision to the rules.
—Sam Peeples, Spring City, PA

This is the first step in government determining who gets favors on the internet -- compromising the First Amendment. No, no, no, no, no. Everyone gets equal treatment.
—Steve Courts, adsfljkdf, WV

it matters because without net neutrality, we are one step closer to total fascism... this is one more attempt at corporate takeover to suppress information and news.... and to hinder people from sharing said information
—Marina Vrouvlianis, Newton, MA

These large telecom and internet companies need to be regulated. If left to their own devices, of course they will do whatever they can to boost their profits. If you don't reclassify them as common carriers, they will act in ways which will increase their profits but not be best for consumers/citizens. Your job is to reflect the interests of every day people so that these huge companies cannot discriminate against competitors. I hope you will not approve the too corporate friendly rules that Mr. Wheeler has proposed and instead regulate them in a meaningful way by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Thanks, Joe Wainio
—Joseph Wainio, San Diego, CA

please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Charles Courant, Belfast, ME

In a democracy nothing is more important than the free flow of information. In a perfect world everyone would be equal and would be able to better themselves with out starting wealthy. If major multibillion dollar corporations can control how quickly you get information and whether you are privy to do it, we might as well trust our lives to a dictator and officially declare democracy dead, as well as the chance to better your position in life. The world has changed a lot since I was little and we still had landlines and computers were as large as a building. Now they can be as small as your thumbnail with even more information than the dinosaur hard drives. I see another type of dinosaur (corporate t-rexs') taking over the United States and it doesn't have my best interests or the best interests of any human being at heart. Please revise the rules which could mean a new dark age.
—Valkyr Johnson, pueblo, CO

'fast lanes' are the end of start-ups, entrepreneurs, and individuals having free access to the net. we wouldn't allow this sort of thing with any other public utility, why is this one any different?
—Mark Thomas, Brighton, CO

I use the internet in a variety of ways, I shouldn't be limited on what I can and can't do
—Samantha Yigdal, Pittsboro, NC

Internet providers will do what is in their own best interest if they're allowed the discretion on the treatment of internet traffic. Their best interest is increasing their margins. They will squeeze every dollar out of their customers as they can since they have monopolies in many markets. People need internet. They don't have an alternative but to pay extortionist rates. Any decision short of reclassifying the providers as common carriers is a failure.
—Mike Wells, raleigh, NC

The internet is crucial to business innovation. It has to be a level playing field.
—Rudy Peprich, Hopkins, MN

Net Neutrality protects the peoples voices and keeps the internet the one true place where we can all be equally seen, heard and have equal access to important resources which otherwise may be denied to us due to economic or social situation.
—Olivia Barry, ,

The marriage between comcast and Time Warner should never happen
—Oren Sachs, Rockville Centre, NY

It's a slippery slope in my opinion, and with rampid deregulation of industries throughout the US it's no doubt the ISPs will be able to abuse your rules and suck our economy dry. Also this could and will be used to restrict the free flow of information and ideas hurting future development in our country. We are the greatest country on earth and we are slowing down. Doing this will ensure other countries will get ahead!
—Brandon Scott Spicer, Murrieta, CA

Don't change the internet to be a biased one - Protect the Net Neutrality and keep it open as it has always been. It is the one great thing that has been evolutionary in our time, allowing for new technologies, sharing of ideas and innovating the way business is done and created. We need to support and keep it as it has been on a even foundation for all to have the opportunities for advancement in our country. We the people should be able to maintain our freedom of choice as to what sites we want to go to and be able to do so in an expedient way. Many of us already pay our ISP providers for high speed internet. If Net Neutrality becomes a thing of the past as many do not want to happen then I personally will have to make a decision as to whether or not I continue to depend on the web as much as I do now. With so many people out of employment, paying more taxes than ever before, losing homes, high student loans etc....you actually will just add to the hardship of those in the majority of this country already struggling to make ends meet. Changing the game at this point in time regarding the web, is just more of the greed of corporations, and control of the American people that needs to stop. What we have had needs to be protected and expanded to become better and better in development for advancement, not stalemated with tiered options. Keep it open don't slam doors of the web on those who are not corporations with loads of money. If this goes through I can see where many bloggers who make a living blogging will be put out of business due to how the tiered system would work, and that is not level ground for anyone doing business. Please do not let this bill go through.
—Ms. Deborah Lycans, Tucson, AZ

We've become an oligarchy. The internet is our only hope for returning to democracy.
—William Tiwald, Albuquerque, NM

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. I'm concerned that a two tiered internet would not be good for anyone other than the largest ISPs and their lobbyists. How can a slower internet benefit anyone? You're making gatekeepers out of ISPs and that's too much power - that power will corrupt - hell, Comcast is morally bankrupt already, I can testify as a former customer of theirs.
—Anthony Zimmerman, Ferndale, WA

Please keep the Internet open to all people, and not grant a few rights over others. This truly gives an unfair advantage to already established companies and squelches any potential startups. Annihilating any competition in any thing always leads to weakening whatever that thing touches. If the Internet itself is weakened, then all things that are ever influenced by the Internet, too, will be affected!
—Tom Steinmetz, Brecksville, OH

World Wide Web must stay free, open and for everyone. This network is the evolution of mankind.
—Lazanas Spyridon, athens,

I use the Internet on a daily basis, and I do not want to find my access slower than it already is. Big companies should not control what we can search for, or slow down any site that we may want to use!
—Gerald H McKelvey, Manteca, CA

Let the people decide, not politicians. I don't want to pay extra for the best thing ever...the internet. I pay for fast internet so I can do what I want with it. I play Xbox live and watch a lot of Netflix and who do you think you are to making me pay more for certain streaming activities. Shouldn't you be looking out for the greater good not taking dirty money from polititions? #Bullshit
—Brandon Alder, Arlington, TX

think for the people. your plan is selfish and does not help us in any way. I am not the only one who thinks this way.
—Aisha Heidt, Ewa Beach, HI

Don't allow a corporate takeover of the internet service. Enforce anti trust laws
—Sheila Wyse, sherman oaks, CA

The internet should be equal for all.
—Ian Brown, ,

With the internet filling a big role in the lives of hundreds of millions of people, up until now it has been an equal place for everyone. And I among millions of others would wish that it could stay that way. A place with so many users from across the world should offer equal rights to its users and not just sold of to the highest bidders. You should re concider and instead re classify ISPs as common carriers.
—Benny Soerensen, ,

Net Neutrality is about the only form of comunication that does not judge race, sex, religion, sexual orientation, and more. It works the same for everyone!! Please protect true Democracy. We the people are asking to save net neutrality. Who does the FCC serve? The people or The corporate?
—Elvis Medina, philadelphia, PA

I am appalled and disgusted that Net Neutrality is being threatened by the new internet rules. ISPs ARE common carriers and have NO right to tier their services. As an American, and a consumer, I am sick and tired of our government giving everything away to big business. STOP IT!!!
—Colleen Kelly, salem, OR

Stand up for freedom of speech!!!!!!!!!!
—brian Abbott, Goldsboro, NC

This will lead to censorship, reduce innovation for everyone but especially small start ups, lead to higher bills, and with continued mergers monopoly. This looks like regulatory capture and leads me to suspect corruption exists in those who voted for the current proposal. Are members being paid off with industry jobs for themselves or their friends?
—Louis Kali, Whigham, GA

The open Internet is the pillar of the technologically advanced future, any significant change other than speed can and will ruin it, chill man sit back and let nature take it course
—Chaim Kohn, Brooklyn, NY

The internet has become a utility, like electricity or water. Should the government allow companies to charge more for clean water? Please end your plans to kill net neutrality.
—Shawn Beelman, Lees Summit, MO

Because I want the Internet to be open and free.
—Russell Novkov, Madison, WI

Internet access MUST by done by common carriers. It must be open to all, regardless of income or geographical location.
—Jon Johnsen, Richmond, CA

The internet was developed with public funds through the military and the universities. It belongs to the people. DO NOT create fast lanes. Re-classify the internet as a public utility, as common carriers.
—Mary Shesgreen, Elgin, IL

Net Neutrality is important! The internet is the last level ground for the common person. Opening the door for corporations to get favored treatment is like taking away the last bits of freedom that ordinary citizens can hope to obtain. If this goes the way of our economy with the wealthy owning everything there is bound to be retribution. Don't do this! Let the people have equal access. Do not favor the wealthy.
—Ben Benjamin Powell, Leadville, CO

When Cable TV first appeared, the public was assured that this was going to usher in a new ere; minority audiences would have access to theater, opera and classical music. Best of all, there would be no advertisement. Right! And here we have, pay TV WITH Commercials. And then there are all those additional tiers of payment. Now you're going to take away the open, free Internet? Fool me once, the more fool you. This time we mean it!
—Irwin Schechter, New York, NY

Keep the communication waves open to everyone!
—Priscilla Bell, Laurel, MT

please reclassify internet service providers as common carriers, the simplest way to preserve net neutrality. - - James Amory
—James Amory, LeRaysville, PA

The Internet should be a tool for democracy, not elitism.
—Elaine Ricci, Houston, TX

The internet is the newest utility and is critical for modern education, business, and entertainment. It's foolish to allow providers to create stratified services that exist even when consumers are paying for a particular speed. We need an open internet! (more fiber optic cabling for "last mile" service would also be appreciated)
—Nicholas Butcher, Grand Rapids, MI

Giant internet service providers should have no say in how fast a website can transmit its signal to internet users. They shouldn't be allowed to favor their affiliates and discriminate against small or nonprofit websites. The internet was developed with tax dollars and has to date been the most free and open form of communication ever. Please make sure it stays that way by classifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Jay Goldberg, los angeles, CA

Repeat after me, Mr. Wheeler: COMMON CARRIERS. Now, if you would do it, we would so much happier. Please!
—Wendy Futrick, Shillington, PA

A two-tiered system is the Class War writ large--the haves and the nave nots--not the American into which I was honorably born.
—Anne F Holder, El Paso, TX

Protect people not profit, equal access for all
—Lyman Michael, COLVILLE, WA

Dear Chairman Wheeler and FCC Commissioners: Please read Steve Wozniak's letter! Please listen to the people and preserve Net Neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as Common Carriers. Thank You!
—Scott Letterman, Newport Beach, CA

Net neutrality is essential to keep the internet-the most powerful and connecting tool ever-in the hands of everyone equally. If the internet was allowed to be unequal in such a way, an upper and lower class internet would be created and nobody wants that at all
—Alekzander Sayers, Brewer, ME

The freedom of the internet is why there has been so much innovation. If only big companies can afford to get proper speeds to their customers, we'll, as a nation fall behind since start ups will just look to other countries to start their businesses
—Connor O'Quinn, Austin, TX

C 'mon man....REALLY???
—John Dieffenbach, Boynton Beach, FL

The internet creator could've become a billionaire, but he knew the importance of making it available to all!!! Poor people, or non-billionaires, deserve the same rights as evil Verizon does. Other countries aren't greedy jerks with their internet, and actually get decent speeds for decent prices.
—Cindy Massey, Littleton, CO

I cannot compete with the like of AT&T, Comcast and Verizon. I am a small business that depends on open access. Currently, I use Comcast as my provider and pay $120.00 per month for the access that I require. I'm very concerned that to maintain my current service, that cost will increase to the point where It becomes a burden. Net Neutrality is a must to keep the internet open to all.
—Ed Simpson, Salinas, CA

The new proposal will stifle both innovation and free speech, cripple small online businesses and will only benefit the rich.
—Catriona Davies, ,

Net neutrality seems to work; why change it? Gilding the lily?
—Alfred R. Greve, Holmes, NY

It seems to me that a government agency's job is to insure fair and open treatment for that which they regulate. Giving favor to one company or another should not be the purpose of your regulations. Allowing any of those companies to restrict the access of the public flow of the Internet appears criminal to me.
—Michael Ungerman, Oviedo, FL

This involves freedom of speech and freedom to learn issues. All should have that access equally.
—Kathleen Howell, San Diego, CA

Letting corporations like Comcast run the internet is insane.
—Matthew Baucco, Bloomington, IN

There are already too many problems caused by ignorant politicians who are trying to squeeze more money out of those of us who work and pay our bills. I am a single parent and I could not afford this proposed legislation. No one is going to give me an Obama phone. Sick and tired of the government giving my hard earned money to those who are too sorry to work in a pie factory. I am already paying too much on taxes and can't afford another tax.
—Danny Kenneth Boyt, Thomaston, GA

I am a working artist. I sell my art exclusively online. I am living below the poverty level but I am a taxpayer and good citizen. The internet provides me with my livelihood. If I am forced to pay a premium just to keep my business going, I will be struggling even more than I am currently. It is not fair to shut out people like me in favor of wealthy users who just want to watch movies. The current proposal is WRONG. It is unfair and based on pure greed. Anyone who votes for it is a greedy asshole and doesn't deserve their GOVERNMENT JOB. Thank you.
—Randi Gordon, Alplaus, NY

We can't throttle speeds based on what the person is using the internet for - that's just not right. For instance, if Time Warner gets to choose which websites get priority - we're essentially letting them knock out the competition based on their monopoly over the pipeline. This is unacceptable! We already pay more for faster speeds - please don't let this factor in too, or those with the most money will control the internet.
—Kristi Benedict, greensboro, NC

Free and open communication is the only way to uphold democracy. This country is becoming more divided politically and otherwise, and to have a two-tiered Internet will further hobble our ability to have dialog that is all inclusive.
—Connie L. Kohler, Birmingham, AL

The internet is the last and final way that we as people can ralley together. We do not support your NWO tactics and are not going to back down on this. The internet is a utility, not a corporate domain. We want you to stop stripping the American people of our rights!
—Alexfikany@gmailcom, Eugene, OR

I'm a supporter of net neutrality and suggest reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Mitchell Steinberg, ALBUQUERQUE, NM

We do not need government to take away our privacy over the Internet.
—Phyllis M Riggins, Englewood, CO

All businesses should get the same priority to the internet and all people should be able to use it how they want without having to buy twenty different package options. To limit this would be to limit small company growth free thinking and creativity which can only have a negative impact on the US economy
—Chris Raulin, Madison, WI

It is important for the stability of the businesses I support as an IT professional. Some are small, and cannot afford a 'bandwidth ransom' fee proposed by these greedy ISPs, who seem to soak up all of their competitors, leaving us with no choice in the matter! The internet is NOT a 'service' any longer, as many places offer their resumes online to potential job-hunters as the ONLY way to apply for a job. I shouldn't need to go further. It's so obvious, that I HAVE to say Mr. Wheeler is being willfully blind as to the destruction a poorly-worded set of rules will cause to the very infrastructure of our country. And given his background, I must also state what is most obvious to anyone from the layman, up to the elite. Tom Wheeler is the FOX guarding the HENHOUSE. I push for his resignation. It's the equivalent of voting in a foreign terrorist as president of our country. It's downright sick.
—Keith Schneider, Coos Bay, OR

Why favor telecoms over every other business that uses the internet. Not a good way to encourage ecommerce.
—Brennen Power, city, MO

I am a senior and TIRED of the corporations taking over this country! This is just one more nail in the coffin! STOP IT HERE NOW!!!!
—Joyce Venables, Carrollton, OH

I really believe that the FCC should do all it can to keep the Internet neutral and equally accessible to all its users. I am disgusted by the thought that there might be a "fast" lane to accommodate users who can pay more for it. The FCC needs to classify ISPs as common carriers so that it can protect the public's right to a free and neutral Internet that does not favor big corporations over everybody else.
—Sue Collins, Hancock, MI

I want to be able to view all my searches & web sites at the same speed. I don't want big companies to essentially censor my internet use!
—Christine Dingeman, Rochester, MI

Net neutrality is what keeps the overall internet open and non structurally biased. But with a tiered service structure, money and business can impact what was once a level playing field. Views that the ISPs find undesirable could easily be shuffled aside, and all the extra profit they would be making would have to come from somewhere. Please don't destroy the internet.
—Daniel Guerriero, Nanuet, NY

Proposed rules would create an oligarchy on the Internet. I believe in democracy. Dump the new rules and start over in a democratic manner!
—Mr. James Morgan, Olympia, WA

The Internet is important to me as an 80-yr old on Social Security - and Facebook! The FCC planned rules would mean I couldn't afford the extra fees to be on the Internet fast lane. This is discriminatory. It is important to keep our Internet neutral and open for everyone. Neutrality makes the most sense for everyone.
—Lois Dow, Lakewood, CO

The Internet would be lost as a communications and learning tool for many poor and middle class families if they were pushed into a "slow lane" and had to pay more for faster access. People (including me) will not have the time, patience, or extra funds to deal with slower access. We must protect the little guy in this equation. Big business did not create the Internet and does not own it for their own selfish profit.
—Carol Claus, Marietta, GA

The only way to protect real Net Neutrality is for the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Cynthia Adkins, Charlotte, NC

Keep net neutrality or we might as well go back to pre internet era where information was hard to come by.
—Judy Lamb, Longview, TX

Amazing and wonderful ideas & talents are easily shared with open access. Much of this comes from the 'little guy' who doesn't have the big bucks to pay off the cable companies. We will all lose out if money undermines access.
—Carol Charest, West Hurley, NY

I am a tech enthusiast and a maker. I innovate and so do others. The internet is where I show my work to others.
—Shane Dillingham, Seattle, WA

Net neutrality really is (was?) the last bastion of free speech. Sad that FCC chairman screwed the pooch because he didn't want to make an "unpopular" decision. Of course, like too many politicians & their ilk, the only "people" that Wheeler bother to listen to are corporations. The Net is the last place that a free exchange of ideas can actually take place. Corporations have already dumbed down every channel on TV...stay the hell out of the net.
—Evan Parker, potomac, MD

Why does the FCC insist one changing an internet that is working just fine?
—David Cencula, Sparks, NV

We need net neutrality as small businesses and cottage industries to remain competitive. Many people depend on Internet income to make ends meet and still be at home taking care of their families and seaking out our diminishing American Dream. Don't put our future in the hands of irresponsible corporations just out for the buck.
—John C Fish, Las Cruces, NM

Killing internet would kill the vibrancy of the intenet as it is today, making it harder for many to communicate and learn. Please think about what you are doing before you create another win for the haves and leave the have nots in the cold.
—Helena Almaguer, San Diego, CA

It is not a free and open democratic society when the internet is controlled by a few super wealthy corporations, or controlled by any group of a few with an agenda. When it is in their power to discriminate online content and applications, this can have far reaching consequences of stifling free speech and information. I fear this is the the point, they will want the power to censor the collective thinking the internet has created. Call me paranoid, but it is clear this is already happening in other countries, like out neighbor Mexico! they want the power to blackout when ever they feel the need. I suppose the Arab spring and other political uprising has scared the big powers, and this is the path to taking control again. As was said for the "happy video" in Iran, the power there commented how they don't like the internet because it can whip up support for causes they don't support. Let America continue being a free nation, not one owned and controlled by big money. Didn't our tax dollars pay for all the infrastructure of the internet, and all that cable and high speed cable that is all across our nation and oceans? Why should a few big companies get to control and profit off that, off our backs. Terrible terrible idea. So not American. Our nation must be by the people for the people, remember!? Not by the mega corporations, for the mega corporations. Please do your job right. Stop being owned by big money. Stop selling out America. I want to be able to use the internet just like anybody else. I don't want to be sidelined.
—Lisa Thomson, Tucson, AZ

This is a communication service that helps keep families and communities together. It has helped people call for help, for all kinds of reasons. The different people around our planet made this happen. Now big business wants to 'own' it. I say no. We need more companies providing communications, not less. The big 3 companies are a monopoly and needs to be taken down.
—Vivianne Mosca-Clark, Williams, OR

NEUTRALITY is important to the average citizen. PLEASE DON'T CAVE IN TO SPECIAL INTERESTS!!
—John Napierala, Costa Mesa, CA

Because this is a fee country and I shouldn't have to worry about being blocked from a website because of some ruling that the government thought would benefit just their pocketbooks.
—Michaela Karshner, Tarlton, OH

The USA is already in the third world as far as internet delivery, Why make things worse?
—Ken DAVID, Tucson, AZ

We do not need monopolies, American Taxpayers paid for the creation of the Internet and I was one of the men who worked on it during the DARPA days. No "fast lanes" stop pandering to criminal corporations.
—Daniel Wiberg, ZipCode, SC

I will not continue on the internet if we don't have net neutrality. This could be very damaging to the internet.
—Jean Friday, Belle Vernon, PA

It is important that small businesses and artists have the ability to openly and inexpensively promote themselves via the internet. Without this, these people and places would likely struggle or go out of business. Keep the internet free and for the people!
—John F. Finger, Cincinnati, OH

I hope that my kids one day will have access to the information of the world, to build connections with others around the globe, and to be able to utilize one of the greatest inventions of our history regardless of whether I end up a rich or poor man. Please throw out these new rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Give equal access to all. Think about how much this could impact our country's future. A kid might not be able to afford to read information on the internet that could inspire her to create something new, something that could change the world. And she will have to pay to be inspired. Give us net neutrality!
—Israel Santander, Pomona, CA

Your decisions today will shape the future of the human race. It is your duty as our representatives to NOT take this task lightly!
—Mike Morrison, Pataskala, OH

Simply: knowledge is power. Whoever controls the knowledge has the power. We must remain a democracy, so the knowledge has to be accessible to all people. Creation of a two-tiered internet puts us on the path of "knowledge" going to the highest bidder...
—D Scott, Ithaca, NY

Take care of the people/masses and not your big company buddies!
—Major Charles Middleton,Sr., USAF,Retired, Chicago, IL

Currently Netflix is being blackmailed and its legal. At that point, you have to know that your laws are seriously broken! This will only get worse, as ISPs are able to support content that they make over their competitors. Not only that, ISPs should be opened up for proper competition. Please work to protect the people, and not the interests of these ISP companies.
—Glenton Jelbert, Foothill Ranch, CA

The internet is the greatest public exchange of free ideas ever created. It allows people worldwide to connect with one another. Destroying Net Neutrality for crass comercialism would destroy that. ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers, as they offer goods to the general public, and should not have the power to decide who wins and loses on the net by virtue of a two tiered internet.
—Gregory Dean, Grover, MO

Do not end Net Neutrality. The ongoing trend of media consolidation combined with the threat of destroying the openness of the one form of media not utterly dominated by gigantic megacorporations may render us a plutocracy. I take this issue extremely seriously for a number of reasons and I will remember the names of the people involved and do what I can to make sure their ruinous actions are remembered. Do not take this step.
—Bob Westal, North Hollywood, CA

work for the people not big corporations!
—Randy McPherson, marysville, CA

The Internet belongs to the people, NOT the corporations!!
—Gloria Burd, Sunnyvale, CA

FCC: Please throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers, to protect real Net Neutrality. Thank you.
—Bounchanh Senthavong, Springfield, VA

The internet is our creative, fun place. Don't create fast lanes for ISPs that can afford it and slow lanes for those that can't. It affects ME. When an ISP has to spend more to get the speeds that another service provides, they raise their prices. When an ISP can't afford to spend more, you risk creating a monopoly! We need REAL Net Neutrality and your proposed rules are not the rules we need! You must classify ISPs as common carriers; this is the ONLY way to protect REAL Net Neutrality.
—Kara Bancroft, Tucson, AZ

Most ISP's have a monopoly in given areas, so customers would be at their mercy of these situations. I'm one of those customers. Further, competition is what drives the market place, without it we'd still be using cans with a string on them. I always thought the FCC was for the people, clearly if they decide to allow this then it will be all to clear who's side they are on.
—Larry Cooke, Tucson, AZ

Chairman Wheeler, you should be serving "We, the People," not your former employers. We want an open internet!!!
—Marjorie Johnson, Espanola, NM

Net Neutrality is important to me because I believe in equality and free and unimpeded speech. Too many parts of our country now do not have adequate internet access; privileging big providers will make them even more disadvantaged.
—Mary Ann Fleming, Manhattan, KS

I have an e-commerce business and rely on internet marketing for advertising and sales.
—Frances Woodley, Llandysul,

I use the internet to search for information about the crops I grow, the seeds I use, and to communicate with my customers. Without a level playing field, I will likely not be able to find the valuable research amongst all the commercial clutter, in the search engines. It has already gotten to where the same paid placements show up first on every page of results.
—Tom Denison, Corvallis, OR

Net Neutrality is the only way to ensure a truly free and open Internet. A fast and slow lane for the Internet simply would not work, and what's worse, it would utterly demolish the Internet as we know it. DON'T DO IT.
—Lawrence L'Vor, Snellville, GA

The FCC must reclassify the internet as a utility and protect the architecture of the internet. Corporations can do nothing but act in a way that benefits themselves. When that is applied to how the internet works, the corrosive effect of improving the bottom line will destroy the open dialogue that is becoming nothing less than our last chance at saving our race.
—Christopher Southall, Little Rock, AR

As a freelance writer who depends on the internet for income, ending net neutrality would significantly affect my income. I ask you to reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers. You can swell the profits of large telecom corporations, or protect the incomes of hard-working Americans. But you cannot do both. Which is it going to be? With whom do you stand?
—Dianna MacLeod, Langley, WA

I want Net Neutrality back, becasue this way these Phone Companies won't charge us and now you letting them charge us so bring it back
—Charles Roberts, Detroit, MI

One can easily classify humanities rise as the species we've become as an increased ease of access to information. From the formulation of mathematics and a written alphabet, to universities and the printing press, and on to the internet; our species has grown in proportion to the ease of that access. Why would we want to go backwards?
—Carl Devon Athans, Austin, TX

As a teacher who uses the web to communicate teaching tools am I going to be pushed into paying more fees to get my content delivered to my students?
—Alan Liechty, Los Altos, CA

Net neutrality must be preserved to allow for free commerce and wealth prosperity for all US citizens. We cannot bend to the whims of the telecommunication industry any longer. The internet is a basic human right and must be protected against any company that seeks to curtail that right for their own financial gain.
—Jacob Quickel, Los Angeles, CA

Internet service isn't a luxury for small businesses and creators anymore; it is a necessity.
—Bethany Brengan, Port Hadlock, WA

Net Neutrality is important to everyone because in today's modern world everything gets done faster and better through the internet including Schools, Companies, Restaurants, Libraries and etc. Almost every time something like this pops up is mainly about people with power trying to have more power and they have greed in their eyes. Huge rich companies now-a-days are greedy and they want more and they believe because they are rich and have power, they are titled to everything they please. Greed has poisoned men's souls and I ask you Mr. Wheeler as FCC Chairman don't try to please other people especially companies that can care less about you and only look for you when they want something. Please Mr. Wheeler, Net Neutrality is important to us. You are the FCC Chairman and you have the power to say no. Why do you think other companies are asking you for permission? because they want power! and at the end of the day these companies are going to turn on you when the public ask why? They're going to say is your fault, not theirs. I hope you make the right decision and don't try to please these greedy companies proposal. They will try to convince you in any way to show you that it's a "good thing" and everyone will get richer from it. That is greed in plain sight. Kill the proposal. God bless you.
—Emanuel Pagan, Worcester, MA

The internet was and is still just fine the way it is, these new rules will bring VERY EXPENSIVE trouble among your companies. Not only that top tier personalities will show up to protest against your unwise decision, it will also bring the attention of the whole US and possibly the whole world. I'm struggling as it is to afford internet access...
—Adan Salas, Grand Prairie, TX

net neutrality is information democracy
—Ashley Briscoe, Saint Paul, MN

Elitism with the internet? That is going too damn far. Same internet for everyone, no 2 tiers, no extra fees. Get real.
—Barbra Morman, Mount Pleasant, TX

Free internet is a right for all people in this country. Not classifying ISPs as common carriers is not only foolish but ignorant. The internet is no longer a privliaged thing for a select few. It has now become a necessity for all people in this country to strive and succeed in all their endevours. Thank you, Gabriel Younan
—Gabriel Younan, Round Lake, IL

Do the right thing -- the Internet is clearly a basic public utility today, and should therefore be protected as a common carrier.
—Dr. Andrew Flanagin, santa barbara, CA

Taking away Net Neutrality is like taking away everyone's basic rights of speech and free will. Not only that, but every american is being overcharged for internet now. This is not right! We shouldn't have to pay ridiculous prices just to get online!
—James, Newton Falls, OH

It takes us one step closer to equality. We need everyone, not just the rich, to have access to all the bast information the internet has to offer.
—Chelsea Harrington, Bellingham, WA

The internet should stay a free and open place for all.
—Keira, ,

I believe that the Internet is public property. If those who are able to pay get preference for speed and content the inequality that is rampant in our country will be spread to the internet. There will be no more Net Neutrality.
—Paula F., Tucson, AZ

Fairness..for everyone. So simple!
—Geri Rochon, Woodlyn, PA

I belong to an arts organization that's only 5 months old. They have a website but don't have the big bucks to be put on the fast lane. I run a small business and have a website but don't have the big bucks to be put on the fast lane. My ISP provider isn't one of the big providers. Thanks to your rules these sites will be come invisible to the public. A site that takes a long time to load or interact with becomes, basically, invisible. I do research on the web and could have reasonable confidence of finding a diverse set of information on any subject. But, with your rules allowing a fast lane, that confidence is gone. What information will I not be able to see or get to because it's in the slow lane? When was the last time you waited, waited, and waited for a web page to load, or login, or watch a video? If net neutrality is really your goal declare ISP as common carriers or telecommunications as a utility. Otherwise kiss the internet goodbye.
—Linda Rutenberg, Buckley, WA

Not only is the existence of net neutrality a basic right, it is also an important aspect of business. If businesses, both small and large, cannot be treated fair and equal, there is a large chance that a lot of traffic and servers will move out of the United States and into countries where Net Neutrality is preserved. Both from a big business and individual perspective, Net Neutrality is the only sane answer. We cannot allow ourselves to be bullied by the short-sighted greed of a few corporations. History will remember this decision. Make the right one.
—Christopher Moran, Soldotna, AK

I am sick of seeing the best parts of America privatized and ruined.
—Deirdre Benavides, Fort Worth, TX

When, I mean WHEN, will these scumbags we call OUR leaders, stop selling us out??? WHEN??? Dear God, what do we have to do besides police them every minute of every day to do THEIR job that WE PAY them to do??? We PAY them and they still do not do it. The people I work with in the streets that these same scumbags attempt to remove their meager welfare and food stamp checks from are capable of performing in a fashion that is stellar to these greedy political hacks! They don't hold a candle of strength to the young women and men without spouses who support households of children and other relatives on the minimum wages and meager living conditions that these souls do in my work. And these archetypes don't want to raise their minimum wages to allow them to ever be able to rise above the lives they struggle with every day as they teach their children to be beautiful human beings and get an education so they won't repeat the steps of these hard-working parents who get up in the middle of the night to get to their crews and risk their lives to save others? What kind of a nation of mules are we to allow this to go on??? It would be easier to work with infants than these insidious greedy bastards we call our leaders! You're damn right Mr. President and Mr. Vice-President, and Mr. and Ms. Legislators, and your appointees, I am talking about YOU! Please join me to stop these horrible misfits that should be in the streets with the condemnations thrown at them. We have it ALL wrong. It is THESE welfare recipients at the TOP of the food chain, and their greedy corporations that need to have THEIR welfare checks and food tickets removed and THEM put in prison for the crimes they commit against great Americans and other citizens around the world who struggle every day under the debt peonage these pathetic scumbags create to let the cream at the top take and pad their bank accounts with.
—Peter Listino, Media, PA

The Internet belongs to ALL of us! It's NOT just for those who have the money to pay more!
—Donald Norton, West Des Moines, IA

i do not want a 2 teri system where the rich have an advntage!
—Ian, Seattle, WA

More and more basic services are now only available online. Net neutrality is the best way to prevent internet "ghettos". ISPs should be classified as common carriers to help protect everyone, no just the rich. -Gerald C Walker
—Gerald C Walker, Dallas, TX

the internet is very important means of comcation that I use every day please throw out Tom Wheeler's proposal and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This will protect real net Neutrality.
—Howard L. Wood, Raleigh, MS

I deserve net neutrality
—Ryan Lessl, Tampa, FL

There is no cost-driven reason for the rules you've proposed, and the ISPs will not suffer economically if they are reclassified as common carriers - which is what they truly are, given the amount of voice and other 'common carrier' traffic that they carry.
—Patrick Bosold, Fairfield, IA

The public funded the creation of the internet. The internet is a common good that should remain open to all. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Wilson Chin, Seattle, WA

The internet is the last truly democratic venue for individuals to voice opinions, sell goods, and provide services. Splitting in internet into a pay to play fast lane and a slow lane would undermine this democratic spirit and make the internet no better than cable/satellite television.
—David George, Springfield Gardens, NY

I have been doing volunteer work for my community online for several years, with a few blogs of my own, and Twitter handles as well as contributing to other's projects. I am donating my time to the public by serving my community, spreading the word about local causes, events, local businesses and so is my most of my family. Its become kind of a family hobby to support our community online. If you take away our ability or slow down our ability to serve our community through online groups and non-profits, where is our free speech and ability to be vital community members in this day and age? We are not rich. We are government workers and school teachers and artists. Internet is a service for the people and should be regulated by the government for the people, not corporations.
—Lisa Miller, Salem, OR

The internet was made to be free! We don't need people taking advantage of it and trying to control it.
—Kaleb J VanSant, Santa Clara, CA

The progress of humanity must not be hindered - or more likely stymied - by the ugly reach of capitalism. Net neutrality is a parallel for human progress; keep human accomplishment on track by not giving in to the profit whores!!!
—Edward Jasiewicz, Pittsburgh, PA

People in the US already pay too much for internet service. It's unconscionable that my fiber connection is now too slow...
—David Amundson, Lebanon, PA

FCC throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISP as common carriers. NET Neutrality
—Edna Publicover, San Diego, CA

taking away disabled peoples view of the world is wrong
—Eric Iverson, Stevens Point, WI

As an entrepreneur who writes software the depends on the internet, the issue of net neutrality is very important to me. I've reflected upon both sides of the issue: removing net neutrality allows for some interesting business models that cannot be pursued otherwise. However, on balance, the damage removing net neutrality in our current consumer internet ecosystem would do is catastrophic. If there were real competition for the last mile, opening up new business opportunities and removing regulation would be a far superior model. Unfortunately, that is not the world we live in. Instead, consumers are stuck with a choice between one (or, if they are really lucky, two) internet provider. If that provider decides to screw with upstream providers bits, the customer has no recourse. And, given the cost of infrastructure, that situation is not likely to change any time soon. So, instead of opening up new business opportunities, ending net neutrality would, instead, entrench existing businesses and reduce (or eliminate) the chance for new companies with disruptive business models to enter the marketplace. Removing net neutrality is nothing but a vote for more regulatory capture for some of the largest, most hated consumer companies in the United States.
—Travis Jensen, Lehi, UT

Net Neutrality allowed this country to enter the 21st century on top of the game and these proposed rules will be a huge step backward for America's leadership in the digital world.
—James Mostowski, Wood Dale, IL

I cannot afford to pay any more money for internet access. I am disabled and on a small fixed income.
—Renetta Hirrel, Ramona, CA

To the FCC: Throw out your rules and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality. Thank you.
—Beatrice Villar, Chicago, IL

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and protect the internet!
—Ed, Brooklyn, NY

"NO!" TO NET NEUTRALITY.
—John Mantey, Chula Vista, CA

preserve net neutrality!!
—Angelene Flowers, Jamestown, CA

An equal playing field is an important aspect of innovation on the internet. You have not previously needed to broker deals with every operator between web services and customers, allowing new services to launch, grow, iterate and survive based on their own merits rather than the strength of their negotiating position and available funds. Please support a truly equal and fair internet for all by classifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Bryan Adams, Livonia, MI

Please do not stifle innovation.
—Ian Griffin, Altamonte Springs, FL

The Internet is important to me because, as a senior who has limited transportation and means, it allows me to interact with others, conduct personal business, and troubleshoot; it's my lifeline. The internet is also my medium for researching a number of issues, publishing commentaries, and political activism, especially dissent. I need to know that there will not be barriers to entry for the new ideas and services that I or others (aspiring college grads) may want to bring to the marketplace or for the betterment of our world. If ISP subscribers have an easier time loading websites of existing companies than my new innovative product or ideas I may want to present, there's no way that I will be able to compete or succeed in those issues and things important to me and others I network with. However, despite all of the above I am deeply concerned that Mr. Wheeler, having once been a huge powerbroker/ lobbyist for the very industry he is supposedly a watchdog for now, seriously bothers me. It has been said the Koch Brothers refer to ordinary poor folks as "useful idiots." I'm beginning to realize the folks with power in this nation take a lot of ordinary people to be fools, these days. It is truly sad to witness the insanity committed in our name, with our tax dollars, and always without our consent. I also believe President Obama appointed Mr. Wheeler to the FCC as a matter of repayment for the cooperation that was extended by telecom giants in assisting the NSA with the retrieval of everyone's meta data in this country and well beyond, Or worse, consider the recent case of Bermuda residents and the capture of everyone's cell phone communications and content in that Island Nation, by the NSA. These are my thoughts. But, I doubt Mr. Wheeler (and those he is still lobbing for) really give a damn about what us "useful idiots" truly feel and think. Given the FCC's revolving door tradition so pronounced in government and industry these days, and especially evident in the career paths of FCC's most recent chairmen, these mega monstrosities want the internet to look like today's cable T.V... You are forced into packages full of junk content, with overpriced tolls for every little item, even for old cinema, which has catapulted fees out into the stratosphere and service in the toilet. We The People have made the internet what it is today through market forces. What also evolved was a communications system that brings us the ability to stand up for democracy, especially in one of America's darkest eras. As one internet user or "useful idiot" put it a few years ago, "…The internet brings us the ability to send each other pictures, socialize and not to mention that it's the greatest tool for activism this planet has ever seen." It is this latter point that concerns Mr. Wheeler and those of his mindset the most. That's what makes us "useful idiots" a force to be reckoned with, especially when we are all finally on the same page. It is real simple Mr. Wheeler; just make the net a common carrier, which is what it is.
—Lara DeLuz, Orangevale, CA

Have you seen the state of the world? The only antidote we have is the internet. It's the only thing where people have a ghost of a chance of finding out the truth about anything. Don't allow corporations to break it.
—Nick Taylor, ,

Throw out your proposed rules and tailor some new rules to protect real Net Neutality. Do not create rules that for the Monopolies you allow to exist, for the sake of profits.
—Jaime Olson, San Jose, CA

No one entity should have control over the net !!!!!
—Kelly Tracey-wood, woodridge, IL

The internet is a very important part of my life. The use and enjoyment of the internet should be the same for everyone--individuals, companies, organizations, etc. I request/demand that the FCC retain and protect net neutrality.
—Judith Magness, Little Rock, AR

Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Matt, San Clemente, CA

Chairman Wheeler, Please don't let AT&T and others buy the internet. Kenneth Kearney
—Kenneth Kearney, Weyanoke, LA

They want this law to pass because it is one more step to power to those who can afford it
—Susan Bensont, Calexico, CA

I shouldn't have to pay more to get decent internet becasue someone else can pay more.
—Shane O. Conger, princeville, IL

A neutral, non-corporate-controlled internet is the essence of free speech and innovation just as much as newspapers were in the 17 and 1800's. Please allow no money-grubbing and content-censoring corporate interests to control and thus ruin what a valuable tool on which the common folk (such as myself and my family) presently depend to voice their uncensored opinions of the aforementioned corporations!
—USMC P SSgt John P. Farrar Ret., Erie, CO

Please don't pass this law. If this law is passed we will be a step closer to being a communist country right behind North Korea.
—Steve, Tempe, AZ

The internet had become a key part of our national and global infrastructure, and should be treated as such. Allowing higher payers to get faster service will allow the rest of us to be stuck with slow service that will not improve over time, and will rapidly fall behind the "standard" speeds like dial-up, which will force everyone to become higher payers just to maintain basic functionality. It's an organized extortion by ISPs who are looking to squeeze everyone who has become dependent on the investments and physical infrastructure that were made long ago, and will reduce their incentive to invest in any infrastructure that won't be profitable by comparison.
—Matt Arns, Evans, CO

Net neutrality is a lot like Freedom of Speech. A level communication field, in which a single individual, Mrs.L. V. Jones, let's say, has equal access to the internet, Mrs. Jabba's net-speech is equal to that of XYZ Inc. a multinational corporation! This is the profound principle that is at stake here, and we are at the crossroads. Will money elevate elite net-users into "gated communities"? Or will the Net-stream stay open and equal for all?
—Maia Maia, Isla Vista, CA

To me, the internet ought to be an open place where everyone can have access to what it is they need. I don't think it's right that providers should be able to have total control over a system that's meant to be open and free for all people to access, no matter what they use to access the internet.
—Sabrina Espinoza, Garden Grove, CA

Nry Neutrality is essential to our future as a country!
—Bruce Dage, Florence, AZ

Technology is changing every day, and the Internet is just one part of it. But not just any part, mind you—it's become a way of life for us as the future progresses.
—Ian Sherman, Columbus, OH

Since I am below the poverty line, I would not be able to access necessary services if preference is shown to cyber giants.
—Arlene Merryman, Berkeley, CA

Please kill this proposal! !
—Indochine, Miami, FL

Hi there. I'd prefer the internet stay JUST the way it is... the telecoms have enough power. It REALLY is OK for the government to hold on to some things. Please..."throw out rules that don't reclassify ISPs as common carriers..." so we can keep the net neutral. Thanks a lot.
—TH Simpson, Belleville, IL

Stop handing our freedoms away to corporations. This only points to corruption in our government. Think of those that cannot afford the services that will be offered. The Net should be accessible to all equally. This is bad for the people and for small businesses and puts all the money and power into the hands of large corporations. This creates monopolies that only add to corruption and high prices for those that cannot afford services that are not equally doled out. KEEP the Net neutral.
—Charles Coffelt, Tigard, OR

NO fast lanes for the rich and wealthy - classify all ISP's as common carriers now! Thank you.
—C s, san diego, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me due to the fact that without it the U.S. could be stuck with extremely high prices for moderate internet speeds and censored websites., something you (FCC) seem to enjoy.
—Grachya Dilanyan, La Crescenta, CA

I'm interested in all disparate opinion and don't approv of giving preference to the opinions of those who can afford to pay for the privilege. The great advantage of the internet is that you can find a great variety of opinions on it.
—Marjorie Fenner, Kew Gardens, NY

Net neutrality is essential to democracy.
—Peggy Alt, Philmont, NY

Reclassification of ISPs would be disastrous. As an institution based on freedom and protection I can only tell you that these new rules would be a black scar on the FCC's reputation and show the world that not even the FCC is above corruption. Do the right thing and throw out these rules.
—Cameron Heller, Westerville, OH

I am a professor whose students have benefited enormously from the open Internet as well as a small content provider who would be greatly harmed by its absence.
—Mildred Lewis, Inglewood, CA

Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers is the only way to maintain net neutrality - anything else will completely compromise this.
—Luke Desmond, Trowbridge,

The internet should be a common carrier without preferential treatment. It has become one of the drivers of the economy by allowing unrestricted non-discriminatory access to everyone. The worst possible outcome of an abandonment of an open internet would be something similar to the cable television industry. Stephen Souder
—Stephen Souder, Danville, KY

Start up companies won't stand a chance if they're not on a level playing field.
—Richard Longley, Fort White, FL

There are millions of people protesting the rule that would benefit just a few corporations. One person gets to decide this? What psychotic gets to make up this rule? ?
—John, Calexico, CA

Deaf FCC there is no reason why you should go forth to congress and take away our internet. It is our right and I refuse to let you corporate monsters try and take away what is ours. I will make sure that everyone I know, knows what is going on. You will not take over our right to a free internet.
—Manuel Hernandez, Los Angeles, CA

Net neutrality would ensure equal access by all citizens. It is important to maintain equal access to common carriers to ensure the preservation of our democracy. FCC:; reclassify internet service providers as common carriers!!!
—Lynn Miller, Portland, OR

I am very concerned about the potential for the restriction of free speech and the expression of dissenting opinions if a few corporations are in control of the internet without appropriate government regulation. We live in a time when corporations and wealthy individuals are actively seeking to control the government of the United States for their own economic gain. If this oligarchy gains control it will mean the end of our "noble experiment" in democracy. The internet should be treated as a regulated public utility. This would allow a fair rate of return to investors while protecting our form or government and constitutional rights.
—Steve Radcliffe, Grants Pass, OR

The free and open internet was a wonderful innovation and experiment in true DEMOCRACY. OF COURSE the minions of those who fear freedom, openness and true Democracy would like to control, stifle and enrich themselves at the expense of the PEOPLE. The question is WHOM does our government work for? The PEOPLE or the CORPORATIONS? Looks like the answer is pretty clear and it AIN'T the PEOPLE! For SHAME!
—John Cooper, Lewisburg, PA

Net Neutrality is important to me and others within my age group (18-24), because we are far more reliant on the Internet than previous generations, not just for our happiness, but for our sanity as well. If it requires payment, very few of us would be able to use the internet, given that there are no jobs available for us anyway!
—Madeleine McIlheran, Stafford, VA

You know perfectly well the Internet is a common carrier and should be reclassified as such.
—Liston Tatum, Orleans, VT

The internet is the last bastion of truly free communication in the world. Its global impact cannot be overstated. In many ways it is the conduit through which we secure and protect freedom by giving fair and equal voice to everyone. Please protect net neutrality. Do not let corporations put their profit margins ahead of the public good.
—Andrew Riggio, Walpole, NH

There is already enough privilege accorded to large corporations in American society. The internet was once touted as a true egalitarian venue, where access to services and opportunities differs not around the globe. Please make choices that maintain that ideal.
—Colleen M Szabo, crystal falls, MI

Net Neutrality is one of the most important aspects of the Internet as it provides an equal opportunity of sorts for communication. These rules will harm competition and freedom on the Internet, and needlessly protect entrenched players over potentially ground breaking new businesses. These new rules will change the Internet for the worse, and change its nature for good.
—Martin Hills, ,

Gaining preferential treatment to corporate (large) interests wholly negates the value of open Internet access. It devalues the great possibilities that would potentially be gained by OPEN access. You MUST certify that the Internet will always provide equal access for all parties. ALWAYS!!!
—Mrs. and Steven Rosenbaum M.D., Livingston, NJ

Please remember that we are already so far behind so many other countries in internet usage for the common citizen. Do not do this thing that will make us even further behind, leaving the ordinary person at a disadvantage.
—Barbara Raymond, Forest Grove, OR

Internet must be for people, not limited to companies, and no company has the right to own people or their information
—Pierre Longpre, ,

Net Neutrality is the foundation of the Internet.
—John Viacrucis, Moorhead, MN

This is an outcry!!! the internet should belong to no one!! keep my internet equal!!
—Jaquez Barden, Warner Robins, GA

Do the right thing for the common man and reclassify ISPs as common carriers! Keep freedom an equality alive on the internet!
—Ron Iacopucci, Redondo Beach, CA

I reject the large carriers for their deceptive pricing and horrific customer support - classifying internet as a common carrier means I can rely on my internet from small local providers to be as good as what corporations can get.
—Jessica VanHook, Council Bluffs, IA

The internet should be free to all. Commercialization will negatively affect consumers.
—Dylan Hadfield, Jefferson, MD

The FCC has already allowed mostly monopolies in cable TV, unlimited commercials on all TV channels, and total abandonment of Truth in Advertising enforcement. Net Neutrality is the last bastion of freedom in communications. The FCC should rule for the public, not for the corporations!
—David Ross, San Francisco, CA

Mr Wheeler, you plans to push for legislation of a two-tiered Internet platform is outrageous, discriminatory, and a disgrace bordering on social criminality. It would appear you may be in receipt of an enormous kick back from the privateers who you support to the total detriment of ordinary everyday internet users. But then in your world view, the rich must be allowed to farm the poor regardless of the cost, is that not so?
—Brian Snowdem, ,

How much more power and control over our lives do we give Coporations.How many ways more ways will they continue to profit over every aspect of our lives? Did you forget you are a government agency set up to serve the public . You"re failing misersbly and it' too obvious who you"ve given your allegiance to.
—Patrick Kelly, Roselle, IL

I want more competition, better program choices for consumers, lower prices and access to programing of my choice at high speed.
—Adele Richman, Walnut Creek, CA

I need Net Neutrality for my business to survive its important. You said you believe in Net Neutrality--put your money where your moth is. No tiers for the big guys.
—Ms. Kim Kensler, Toledo, OH

Please do something that benefits ALL Americans and keep the Net Neutral. Mr. Wheeler's plan is discriminatory, prejudicial, unAmerican, politically and morally indefensible. The FCC has an obligation to the people of this country, not to Big Business. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and fulfill your mandate.
—Nancy Oliver, Los Angeles, CA

the internet is our greatest source of productivity, commerce, and research. If you turn it into a toll way, you risk squandering a modern renaissance, for the profit of a few companies. Those companies are allowed by the public to manage and maintain an incredibly important public resource, and charge a reasonable fee, not use their license to gouge consumers.
—Chad M Miller, Chicago, IL

The spirit of competition should be encouraged, not destroyed.
—J Benevento, gilroy, CA

Installing internet tollways is ruinous to the information economy. It's an artificial restriction that puts America at a disadvantage and will cause a divestment from new tech startups. Don't hurt the economy. We need net neutrality. There is technical abundance that is possible through proper network engineering. America has the technology; America has the market demand; America's big internet service providers aren't keeping up. We need our high speed internet networks updated quickly for our changing times. Technology industries thrive in a net-neutral internet ecosystem where bandwidth is abundant. Americans currently pay the most money for the worst performing internet access. I demand 100 gigabit internet access to my home for less than $50 a month without tracking or throttling. Other countries have done it. We need to catch up. The future of America's information economy depends on it.
—Paul Heussner, New Braunfels, TX

Without net neutrality it will be harder for ideas and technology to advance by stifling innovation and creativity therefore keeping companies amd businesses from growing and keeping up with competition.
—Brian Imel, lawrence, KS

Pay to play is NOT net neutrality. Our "regulators" in my life time have become foxes guarding the hen house or virtually non existent. This is OUR utility. Stand up for us!
—Patrice Beck, Seattle, WA

Verizon pays no taxes. Probably also the other two AT?T and Comcast. Furthermore, they all offer lousy service. Also, why is the FCC headed by a man who was a telecommunications lobbyist. All of these items are anti=American. The people who voted for this control agenda are treasonous, greedy scum.
—Janet Gaudiello, Plantation, FL

I support net neutrality because it is only right that an advanced culture have total access to information.
—Jacqueline m Dias, Las Vegas, NV

It's important to my freedom to use the internet as I see fit without the interference of corporations or the government. We have too much corporate "sponsorship" in this county already.
—Chela Grey, Silverdale, WA

It's all a matter of free speech. Take away our net neutrality and you take away our freedom. Please don't do this.
—Megan H, Georgetown, KY

The internet is a defacto public space. People may have migrated off theie landline telephones into cell phone and broadband service. But the conduct is the same to conduct communication. The internet is like a libray with a telephone attached. Everything at your fingertips. These new FCC rules are akin to having a bunch of advertisers move all the books about the things they want to sell to the front of the library and put everything else the public may want to access behind those people blocking the gates to what we really want to look up. Currently there are no advertisers hogging up the lobby and blocking easements to the rest of the library. But if these rules pass, it is like having to wade through a ton of crap just to get to what I want in the library. The library and the internet are public spaces. Advertisers have their place, but that place is not in the lobby blocking access to the rest of the library. I demand a continued free and open internet and I demand an investigation into why government offices holding fiduciary responsibilities to the public are allowing private corporations to come in and rewrite the rules of our democracy. I feel like we are living in the world of that "Continuum" show.
—Stefanie Sellars, Simi Valley, CA

At least make a small move to make the US more like the rest of the world. The US lags almost every developed country in internet speed and access!
—Kenneth C Morris, Southport, NC

I'm an independent consultant in a highly professional field, and the Internet is the only realistic way of promoting my services and attracting custom. A two-tiered Internet would mean the end of my livellihood, and that of many thousands like me.
—Derek Rogers, GLASGOW,

We need a free and open internet in order for everyone to thrive!
—Todd Dmitruk, Selkirk,

The Internet is a UTILITY!!! I say NO! to corporates, and NO! to corporate-fascism!!!
—M Solomon II, Harrisburg, PA

These proposed rules will impair the ability of Internet users to use the service for which they are paying to the full extent which exists presently.
—Barry Guith, Mesa, AZ

Changing the internet to including "fast lanes" will RUIN the internet!!!. And, (once again) allow the ISP monopolies to take advantage of their customers. Please DO NOT change what we have!!!
—Ryan Gens, Sheboygan Falls, WI

Please, this is so important to thousands of middle class and poor people. The internet is a tool that we use to express ourselves and create content for the entire world to see. The fact is that lots of people cant pay for the fast lane that you guys are proposing. In this modern , fast and tech savvy world speed is everything so therefore if you limit people to speeds less than 2MB a lot of that content becomes frustratingly hard to create and deliver to the audiences. A lot of the little guys understand this issue and will not stop fighting until we get what is right. The internet needs to be fast, secure, robust and open in order to achieve maximum usefulness to america and its territories . Please i beg the FCC to reconsider even though giant corporations are paying boatloads of money to influence the FCC to kill net neutrality and gain even more control over people and small businesses. Please just see it through our eyes, you people also don't nee the money don't be greedy :)
—Kenat, San Sebastian,

This is important to me based on the fact that this completely destroys any chance that smaller size businesses can do business in this space just as fast as the bigger businesses. We have to let the free market have control over this. I am sick of being a consumer paying for all these mergers that big companies do. Add that onto inflation then how do you expect that the average American Family suppose to live. The same company that is buying all these other companies people work for them have to come home and deal with regulations in their free time. This is not what this country was founded on.
—Darrell Johnson, Baltimore, MD

Net neutrality is essential to my work as a free-lance researcher. Common carrier internet would protect my job from extinction and let me depend on my own talents rather than corporate permission.
—Paul Cardwell, Bonham, TX

You are supposed to be protecting me not the big corporations!! No two-tiered system!!!
—Linda Lambert, Ojai, CA

I know that things that exist now such as Google, Twitter, Facebook, Netflix and Amazon all started as small companies who would not have been able to compete with Yahoo, MySpace, Blockbuster, and other big companies were it not for Net Neutrality. These rule changes would not only mean higher prices for these services but also the end of innovative technologies that shape the Internet as we know it. These changes are unacceptable and we already live in a country that regulates the Internet more than any other first world nation, this would allow not only government but CORPORATIONS to run the Internet. Me and many others will do whatever it takes to protect/reinstate Net Neutrality if need be. You have the backing of corporations, but we have the numbers!
—Eric Hebert, Mundelein, IL

Make the internet a Common Carrier please. Thank you.
—David Wolf, Kula, HI

Please protect my right as a consumer. Net neutrality is so very important! Creating a tiered internet will greatly impact our educational system. Public schools already struggle to provide equal education opportunities. Creating a system that only allows those with higher income to access faster internet speeds will create even more financial hardship for low income families and low income schools. It will increase the costs of college fees and widen the gap between those that have and those that have not. Why should for profit companies be allowed to monopolize and profit from the internet? Support Net Neutrality!
—Randi A. Thomas, Little Rock, AR

I don't think these big company's should have the right to decide what I can or can't see. This is all about money and not all of us have alot of it. I live check to check I use the net for many things. Don't take and throw Net Neutrality out the window. Because I truly don't think those company's should have the power to decide what we do online..
—Robert Colburn jr, Stillwater, OK

Net Neutrality is important to me because I deserve to have fast internet service at a reasonable price.
—Jacqueline Newman, Greenville, KY

Net Neutrality is crucial to maintain fairness across the internet and ensure that the internet is accessible to everyone.
—Katelyn Poon, ,

Today we have a free market for information. In news alone we can access any issue we are interested in. This is not the case with corporate TV news; These news outlets routinely hide and bury stories that their corporate owners find inconvenient. Internet news outlets typically have no such limitation, and they allow anyone to get the news they want to know about. This alone makes the a free internet the best news system in history, but the current access to social media makes the system accountable to it's readers, rather than a corporation. As a result internet news outlets are more likely to deliver accurate information. The new rules the FCC has proposed will destroy this accountability, by placing ISPs in control of the news. This will give them the power to control the national conversation that controls the political system of The United States. These new rules will effectively hand over the country to a handful of corporations, and will end representative democracy. This alone makes these rules a threat to the country, and combined with the other aspects of internet communication, makes these rules one of the greatest threats our country has ever known.
—Steven Conwell, Amarillo, TX

The internet is a communications network and should be regulated as such.
—Lisle Lewis, Naples, FL

The internet should be regulated as a public utility, as it has now become nearly impossible to do anything without the internet being involved in some way. Do NOT turn it into a pay for play luxury where corporations can discriminate against online content.
—Amanda Butler, Salt Lake City, UT

The bottom line is, the new roles will lead to even more expensive service for us, consumers. Right now I pay $185 for triple service from Comcast. And it is not even the most expensive their service! You, sir, do not think that is way too much? Did you see what is going on with Internet In Europe? Somehow the companies there manage to get a profit AND provide much faster access then here, in America. And what Americans have to deal with? Less and less competition, higher prices and now, the restrictions on service. Yes, restrictions! And, of cause, the higher prices will follow. Please, not let this happen.
—Andrei Chernetski, Perth Amboy, NJ

The Internet was created to be free for everyone, this means that no one person, company, government or organization is intended to control the internet by any means. By doing what you, the FCC, is doing you are violating what the original creator of the internet intended. The internet should be free, not restricted by rules that will restrict, discriminate and ultimately violate rights we have as internet users to do what we wish to without being restricted by an outside organization. This is unjust, unfair and a violation of our rights as users and people.
—Tatianna Gilbertson, Henderson, NV

I believe the answer to the whole quandary is to throw out these new rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers! Thanks!
—Katherine Schock, Rock Springs, WY

I am disabled andlive on a fixed income of $1192.00 a month on SSI. If I had to pay for anything extra on the Internet I would lose contact with my friends, getting the news, and having entertainment. I can barely afford the monthly ISP cost as it is now. So please keep the Net Neutrality, other people just like me depend on the Internet to be free, not pay as you go and only for the rich.
—Gary C. Smith, Sacramento, CA

ALL vehicles of public communication should be treated the same. The FCC's actions are about control and favor big business at the detriment of consumers, as usual.
—Marlene, Philadelphia, PA

An open internet is important to free speech and to small business.
—Andrew Knowlan, Vancouver,

THIS IS AMERICA AND I BELIEVE THAT NOT HAVING NET NEUTRALITY IS A VIOLATION OF MY RIGHTS! Simple as that
—Rene Garcia, Compton, CA

Will Corpporate America control this too?
—Gloria Davis, Sacramento, CA

What about democracy? If you think you have a sense for democracy, how come you want to impose rules that the absolute majority of internet users are opposed to? A truly democratically minded decision maker would heed the wishes of the majority and reclassify the "open internet" to utility rules and regulations. Be true to yourselves and the rest of the digital world and think about what you really want to represent; a Plutocracy or a democracy. Don't say one thing and then do another! Think about the self -defeating long term consequences for a short term monitory advantage of a few.
—Axel Meier, Oakland, CA

Everyone should have equal access to the internet period!
—Harry A. Mitchell III, Souderton, PA

It is like the telephone system - Would a call to Dominos go through faster than a call to Pizza Hut because Dominos pays off the telco? NO! Don't give into short-sighted companies. Preserve net neutrality.
—Glenn Miller, Columbia, MD

It's hard to imagine a more blatant conflict of interest than a cable/telco lobbyist as chair of the FCC. If Mr. Wheeler, had an ounce of integrity, he would recuse yourself from his job and let someone take over who will look out for the American people rather than the corporate elites you serve. The arguments for Net Neutrality are undeniable. Allowing data to travel at different speeds will provide insurmountable barriers to startups and give undue and grossly disproportionate power to big corporations. It is no exaggeration to say that ending Net Neutrality will do serious damage to the internet. But there is no point in arguing the actual reasons why Net Neutrality is so critical because lack of understanding is not the issue here. The real issue is a hopelessly corrupt FCC that despises democracy and is willing to cause vast harm to a vital public utility to suit its corporate overlords. Shame on you, FCC. If you think we're going to let you get away with killing net neutrality, you're wrong. One way or another, we the people will stop you.
—Mark Lloyd Baker, Globe, AZ

If you honestly believe that giving this much power to isps will not corrupt, you need to snap back to reality! Plain and simple!
—Samora M Mogaka, Kansas City, MO

This proposed control and restriction is unnecessary and prohibitive. I pay for my internet and to make these changes will drive up the costs I pay for the higher internet and could restrict what I access. As a customer I feel Net Neutrality is important and should remain as it is.
—Davlyn Evans, Loving, TX

Net Neutrality is one of the few things left that haven't been taken over by corporate money. We MUST protect this and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Daviann McClurg, Salina, KS

Unless we have true Net Neutrality there will be more and more inequality in this country.
—David Knutson, Rochester, MN

Net neutrality is the only way to preserve the free market.
—Bonnie Arcari, Middlefield, CT

Net neutrality is important me because everyone gets the same speed. And the small guy gets to have his say. He speech is not slowed down by businees greed.
—David Paz, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality allows access to information and education for all levels of society. The rich have enough advantage in today's society as it is, those supposedly serving the people need to stop giving them more and more!
—Perry McCarney, Auckland,

Since, like most Americans, I now conduct a substantial amount of activity (that used to fall under the purview of the United States Postal Service) online, it only makes sense to reclassify this medium as what it really is - a public utility - and reclassify providers (ISPs) as what they are - a common carrier.
—Sherilyn Wells, Bellingham, WA

Paying for better service online is ludicrous and unfair.
—Orion Burk-Poole, Mountlake Terrace, WA

A common carrier is just common sense, just no profit markup potential for the service providers. But they are doing just fine so far. I don't mind them making more money but not if it means higher costs to the users of the internet. Real net neutrality is an open and affordable one for the individual and small businessperson.
—Patrick Vingo, Norwalk, CT

A two-tiered system, like so much else, will help the biggest and richest companies and hurt smaller ones as well as ordinary Americans.
—Wallace Elton, Saratoga Springs, NY

We need you to take a stand for all US consumers and recognize the fact that Internet is and will continue to be integral to our success. With that in mind we need it to be accessible and unfettered.
—Michael J Blanchard, Manhattan Beach, CA

THROW OUT ITS RULES AND INSTEAD RECLASIFY ISPS AS COMMON CARRIERS WE THE PEOPLE WANT NET NEUTRALITY
—Pat, Spencerport, NY

Net neutrality is a must since we have no real competition in the USA. Reclassification is the only way to go at this point
—Rui Fernandes, Silver Spring, MD

The Internet is already expensive and fluctuates too much in speed. This is in no way a good idea.
—Michael Patrick, Augusta, ME

Net Neutrality if critical to preventing dominance of speech on the internet by rich and powerful corporations who would further "tilt the political playing field".
—Kenneth Scott, Camp Sherman, OR

I am a retired person, who does a lot things on the Internet. With the loss of net neutrality, I would possibly be priced out of the market. PLEASE DO NOT ALLOW THE BIG COMPANIES TO DICTATE, BY PRICE, WHO GETS THE BEST/FASTEST SERVICE. Thank you.
—Arthur W Green, North Fort Myers, FL

I would be unable to create awesome web apps freely available to the world.
—Justin Porter, Woodstock, CT

Because they aren't just internet carriers anymore - they are multimedia carriers and should be regulated as such. The internet is the least of what they provide.
—Gavi Stevens, Largo, FL

Tri-opolies controlling a two-tiered Internet would create higher fees that would seriously cripple students, research, seniors, and the vast majority of small businesses. In turn, it would further damage the economy. Such a change in communications would be against the FREE-enterprise system America claims to stand for! It would further provoke anti-American sentimentality and outrage on a global scale. Mr. Wheeler, is this what you want as your legacy?
—Dr. Carla Davis, Oak Park, CA

letting those with money control the internet would ruin the idea of free speech.
—Ronald R. Villarreal, Wake Village, TX

Internet access is a basic human right.
—Michael Dowling, Winnipeg,Mb,

The proposal that the FFC has out out would devastate people who are already having to deal with slow internet speed. Net Neutrality means no one having to suffer through who gets what speed.
—David Robertson, Bateau Bay,

Damm you FCC Commissioners for pushing the agenda for ending net neutrality. DO NOT approve the telecoms' agenda!
—Dave Weaver, Rio Rancho, NM

Mr Wheeler, Net neutrality should be the engine that drives forward innovation for all players. To accomplish true net neutrality, ISP's should be classified in such a manner, that the creation of haves, and have not, is not possible. Please consider the concept of ISP's as common carriers with true net neutrality.
—Matt C., Rangely, CO

Don't sell out the people to the corporations yet again. Try doing something just because it is the right thing to do. No one deserves better access to the internet than anyone else.
—John Smith, Aiken, SC

As a common carrier of what is essentially a 21st Century utility, just as critical as home heating and indoor plumbing to our civility, you must discard Wheeler's derelict internet plan!
—John S. Sonin, Juneau, AK

My husband and I depend on the internet for most of our communications with family and friends. We can barely afford the relatively slow connection we have now. Furthermore, the sharing of information in general would be severely limited by this measure, putting low income students at an extreme disadvantage.
—Kerin Woods-Relf, Waltham, MA

I pay a lot of money for my internet connection every month. My internet provider in return should give me unobstructed access to all of the internet. I don't want them to slow down any particular service so that they can extort an extra fee from them on top of what I'm paying like what they did to Netflix. FCC should safeguard the open internet and consumers like me and not cater to lobbyists so that they can make extra money on top of what we are already paying them. Net neutrality was not broken so it doesn't need your fixing. Internet providers will make enormous sums of money without your help and attempt to stifle the competition and making it harder for the newcomers to the market. I want to be able to access all the new internet services and websites at full speed without waiting until my internet provider extorts an extra fee from them. Thank you, Mike Zych
—Michael Zych, Flushing, NY

The classification of ISPs as common carriers is the entire point of the Internet. Classifying them otherwise will have chilling effects on our economy - even before they impose tolls, the threat that tolls are possible will make many potentially enormous and productive new businesses infeasible just to begin. It will also harm the credibility of the FCC, and that loss of credibility may undermine its mission forever.
—Ben Donley, San Francisco, CA

If the internet is regulated by companies, there is no point to having it. The idea of the internet is to be able to get other information near-instantly. When some of the internet is slowed down purely so that companies can make more money, the internet will have lost its entire purpose. Normal search engines already only search a tiny fraction of the internet; this proposal would make that fraction essentially nothing. As a citizen of the United States, I do expect to be able to look at more information so that I can think freely. This proposal would allow large companies to censor websites they don't agree with or that don't belong to them, thus removing freedom and taking the American internet down to the level of China's (or North Korea's) level of censorship. No one should have to pay money to be able to access additional information to be able to truly think freely. Freedom of Thought is an inherent right, NOT a corporate product. That is why net neutrality is so important.
—Arthur Woodworth, Kalamazoo, MI

Net neutrality is critical for unimpeded flow of information as well as encouraging new developments. Considering the very fertile grounds for abuse of a public resource by large telecoms as well as content providers. There are also significant concerns about the suppression of free speech and political discussion by corporate interests. There are numerous examples of abuse with the system as it is now, so it is critical to have net neutrality. As a scientist (Chemistry) I have grave concerns about the creation of limits to internet activities that will compromise my abilities to carry out my consulting activities in an unbiased manner. Edgar F. Paski, Ph.D.
—Ed Paski, Blaine, WA

As a user of the Internet and a little bit of a shut in, I count on the internet to conduct business and keep in touch with my family and friends and sometimes it matters on how fast. These proposed 'rules' would limit my access to my family and cut down on the responsiveness I sometimes need to help facilitate keeping things smoothly operating. I also am a small time online game enthusiast. And a forced' slow-lane' on the internet would be the possible 'death' of that and many other industrys as well where sometimes 'speed' is very much a factor to the outcome of the game. This is true in the business world as well, where time is money, and a slow reaction to something could cost billions. So please, don't do this to the internet and keep it free and neutral.
—David M. Drummond, Rialto, CA

The internet has provided a balance to corporate consolidation of media. Without free internet, there is no free press, just Chamber of Commerce propaganda.
—James Peloquen MD, NY, NY

Aloha! Its me again! 15066? I've already said what I felt saying in previous comment, but today I'm in a far less cross mood.
—David, New Brighton, PA

Only reclassifying ISPs as common carriers will protect the open Internet. The action is a must!
—Arlene Zimmer, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

Internet is important to me and please leave it alone so every one can enjoy it
—Alan Llewellyn, South Lake Tahoe, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because of the same reasons we don't charge people for sunlight or oxygen. It's not like we don't pay for the internet, everyone still pays the monthly fees to have internet. However, it's designed in a way that even poor people can have access to the greatest source of information on the internet. Without Net Neutrality, small businesses everywhere will be crippled and only the grotesquely wealthy people will remain unaffected. Please, throw out your proposed internet rules and instead classify the ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Carl Palmgren, Spring, TX

I do considerable research on the internet for my job. The internet has become a critical resource for professional scholars and research agencies. Net Neutrality is essential to my ability to do my work. Slowing downloads, streaming, and access will significantly hamper my productivity and the quality of the research I am able to produce. Please do not go forward with the FCC plan. Instead, reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Patricia Sotirin, Chassell, MI

I believe that the internet is the last form of open mass communication among people. All the other mass media are owned, biased, censored, and very expensive.
—Melanie Cordell, San Antonio, TX

America needs net neutrality to help keep the country great. The FCC's new rules would cut out healthy competition and stunt the growth of new websites and businesses trying to be relevant in this "pay to succeed" model of the internet. It disappoints me that such an idea could make it this far in a country I once thought knew better for its citizens; however, you have the power to put a stop to these new, un-American rules, and we have the ability to maintain our sense of American freedoms. On behalf of the majority of Americans, I beg you to rework these rules and bring true net neutrality back.
—Rosie S., Cincinnati, OH

Net neutrality helps preserve what's left of the American Dream!
—Mary Thompson, Centerville, UT

Net Neutrality is what prevents every company from ramping up enormous prices for going to very specific sites based on web traffic in pursuit of the almighty dollar.
—Michael McIntosh, Sutton, WV

Net neutrality matters to me because it creates a fair Internet where everyone has equal access getting rid of it will just lead to higher Internet prices for those who can afford them and slower Internet for those who can't getting rid of net neutrality benifits the few and hurts the many and that's wrong
—Marshall Wegh, North Bellmore, NY

The internet as it is helps to keep the world informed and supports freedom. Removing net neutrality means corporate interests (money) will rule supreme and that is wrong for the future of mankind.
—Martin Carroll, ,

Net Neutrality is the ultimate in freedom.
—Maris Murphy, Norman, OK

Without an equal and open internet, there's not reason for me to pay for any internet. It'll be like the cable TV service that I've cancelled and done quite fine without. I'm not going to pay for access service plans to what's always been equally accessible to me an anyone. Internet service should be as a common carrier for all people, and not another way for profit mongering.
—Jason Anderson, Richardson, TX

The internet is a public space, and therefore all should be allowed access to its content - and that includes broadband and internet speed. Allowing companies such as Verizon and AT&T to discriminate against its users and the public space of the internet is a violation of what makes this great country's foundation: freedom. It also furthers class warfare and allows the affluent to step on the less fortunate... again. Finally, the FCC exists to monitor and check companies who provide things such as internet and television services, particularly in the case of discriminatory action, and now they seem to be doing the exact opposite. This begs the question, who are you really protecting?
—Mr. Jeremy Gee, Denver, CO

Net neutrality is important to me because the internet is one of the last true free areas in so many peoples lives. Please keep the net neutral for me and the rest.
—Jared H, Roswell, GA

The FCC has a political agenda which certainly is not to the best interests of the public. Appalling but not surprising that these political hacks get away with this.
—Alice Easton, Holden, ME

the internet is the only leveled playing field for education and information. we cannot have a democracy based on who has the most money and power.
—Jenny England, san carlos, CA

What happened to consumer protection?
—David A Shewmake, Edinburgh, IN

Are we losing our democracy? My job depends on the internet to receive assignments and report results and I cannot afford extra fee or delay
—Teresita Vanderdys, Irvine, CA

We need to preserve Net Neutrality for the free and fair and open flow of information. Net Neutrality is a crucial personal freedom and right that must be protect. Internet Service Providers are common carriers and should be classified as such. We cannot, and should not allow a two-tiered Internet that would give priority to the traffic of those who have paid for premium service. Access to information should be equal for everyone and not controlled. Corporate disfavor or disagreement of contrasting viewpoints will be bias and will control what we see on the Internet. Don't let the wealthy and large corporations usurp the Internet for profits. NO Internet monopolies! This country is being taken over by this elitist plutocracy. Our freedom and rights are not for sale to the current plutocracy. Don't forget the first three words of our Constitution, "We the People".
—CPA Richard B Maselow CGMA, Encino, CA

These people only want money and power. They are not here to help people connect. Paying $30 a month for something which costs less than 10% of that is usury. They didn't create the internet and are greed-based to control people with their connection. They should have no say as to how we use our connection nor withhold faster service.
—Lyle A. Chandler, Lorain, OH

I manage the internet side of a business. Today we lost internet. Didn't kill us, but it was just as bad as having our lights off, or phone not working (utilities). We couldn't process credit cards, and I was very much unable to do anything. Internet access and a website are linked pretty closely. Oh, did I mention we lost our phones? We get our phone through the internet, a utility.
—Andrew Mauk, Oakland, MD

I depend on the Internet to get a lot of information.
—Vivian Schatz, Philadelphia, PA

Don't give an avenue for established profitable or well-funded corporations to buy a fast lane that gives them an advantage over start-ups and other small companies. We need a level playing field for everyone.
—Warren Tighe, Walnut Creek, CA

Throwing out net neutrality is SELLING OUT TO BIY CORPORATIONS. DON'T DO,IT. NET NEUTRALITY FOREVER!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! !!!!!!!!!
—Mark Koppel, Greenacres, FL

The death of net neutrality means the death of innovation and new start up companies. Net neutrality means new jobs and a better economy.
—David Motz, Evansville, IN

I have already sent Mr Wheeler a email which I doubt VERY highly he ever saw it. We Americans are getting really UPSET with what has been going on in this country. Corporations dictate to our so-called representatives. I hope Mr Wheeler does what he wrote to me about keeping the internet open for all not Corporations to make us pay to have fast internet.
—David Boerst, Globe, AZ

The rich, powerful, and greedy are ruining this economy, and ruining this world. And internet providers are some of the worst. They will do anything to make more money and they don't care about taking away anything from their customers. The internet should be free and open, and we need REAL NET NEUTRALITY!!
—John J. Meise Jr., Roanoke, VA

Keep this country great!!! Dont restrict net access like in other places! Allow the public to share info and stay informed!
—Sarah Wyckoff, Houston, TX

The internet is the largest data base of information and global communication system in the history of mankind. That being said, any type of sovereign control over the system would immediately and irrevocably negate the reasons in which the system continues to exists. For this reason Not one faction, or group of factions, in our world has the fortitude, or intelligence, to execute a truly "fair" internet for all. NET NEUTRALITY NOW!
—Schaun R Cox, Springfield, OR

Anything short of breaking-up these monopolies, and worse enabling this enormously risky business practice, is a betrayal of the public trust. If you disagree, then your appointments were deralict. Thank you.
—Andrew Culver, Williston, VT

Net neutrality is essential for innovation and the growth of our economy. Furthermore, it is necessary to promote real competition. Allowing companies to push out competition for fees not only threatens consumer choice, but also provides a foundation for infringement on free speech.
—Jeff Brown, Madison Heights, VA

Our rights are quickly being taken away from us by big money
—Karen Stoutmeter, Sun City West, AZ

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Frank Heller, Duluth, MN

Stop this insanity, restore and maintain a free and undiscriminating information highway by classifying ISPs as common carriers. I can't believe that the corporate giants like AT&T, Verizon and Comcast are so greedy that they need to profit further at the cost of a neutral internet. Tom Wheeler please show us that you are no more than a lap dog for these greedy bastards.
—Zach Whitson, Mooresville, NC

As a teacher and researcher, the Internet is a vital resource for my work. However, the information sites I seek on the web are of little value to advertisers. If it becomes significantly slower to access these sites it will have a negative effect on students and teachers alike.
—Michael Warren, Thousand Oaks, CA

I'm a senior citizen and receive meager benefits from Social Security. I use the internet every day for finding coupons to save money when I go shopping. I also use it to keep up on the latest news that is not available through newspapers and TV news. I use it to stay in touch with my elected officials. I use it for banking and it has saved me bank overdraft charges because my up to date bank balance is instantly available. I am a Veteran, Active Voter and TaxPayer. As a Veteran I put my life on the line for Democracy. I'm sure that many more individuals use the Internet than corporations. Please help stop the plutocratic take over and save American Democracy and the middle class. It is a proven fact that a strong Middle Class creates a strong economy. It is a proven fact that people spend more when they make more and that creates a stronger economy.
—James K Hadcroft, N. Falmouth, MA

The internet is not primarily for entertainment but an essential platform for this nations communications system. To create a two tier system based on paying to fast track is unacceptable as it is based on an entertainment rather than communication and news gathering premise. It is reprehensible and inconsistent with previous FCC actions (referring of course to radio payola) the FCC levied heavy fines against record companies and are now, in essence, blessing the same actions by time warner
—Lisa Reissig, Syracuse, NY

we need the FCC to stand with the people who use the system, not just for the corporations that want to make more money off of us. We pay too much now for inferior service. I just received an email from AT&T today increasing my monthly services charges for inferior service (I have not other provider where I live).
—Rex Sanders, Phenix City, AL

A two-tiered internet is only in the interest of the service providers; the cost of the “fast lane” that other companies pay to them for preferential service will simply be passed on to the consumers. Internet service should be regulated just as landline phone service is (and as mobile phone service should also be); these are utilities and should be reclassified as common carriers. This is the only way to protect real net neutrality, which is important to level the playing field for future innovators as they contend with established companies with far deeper pockets. Please reconsider your ill-considered plan. Thank you.
—Victor Maurice Faubert, Jackson, NJ

Internet is a necessity in this day and age. If you allow Chairman Wheeler to give prioritized access away to the highest bidders we will have a system that favors the biggest powerhouse monopolies while slowing everyone else down to second rate status.
—Jim Patterson, INDEPENDENCE, MO

I don't want to pay more just to use the internet. There should not be different rates for "faster" service. One rate should apply for all internet users. I'm tired of corporations making millions and billions of dollars off the backs of the American people.
—Elizabeth Riddle, Whitsett, NC

The Internet is the only medium that allows everyone to reach everyone equally, as this nation's founders envisioned. The proposed rules are not just a slap in the face--they are an abomination against the very principles of freedom and equality upon which this nation is founded.
—Sharon Lai, San Diego, CA

The internet is the one place I can freely express myself.
—Hannah Quigley, ,

Net Neutrality is just like public broadcasting in the United States. Without Net Neutrality, Uncle Sam will have to pay a higher fee to get faster internet. A corporate takeover of the internet lead by the wealthiest 1%, will be a disaster to the first admendment of the U.S. Constitution. Please classify the internet as public utility because without it, Americans like you and me will have to pay the ultimate price.
—Charlie Heckman, Chicago, IL

People require the internet to get work, do job searches, get news, pay bills and other basic functions. This rule would unfairly target the poor and middle class while creating a boon for the wealthy.
—Emory Edwards, Jersey City, NJ

The internet was created and designed expressly to encourage the free flow of information. This proposal is a betrayal of that intention, and would cause vast and irreparable harm to all of us who depend on the net every day.
—Laura Horowitz, Pittsburgh, PA

Seriously, do what the public wants, this is government by the people for the people, not for the corporations. It's really sad that that is what it has become . . .
—Brian Daniel Ganster, Zephyrhills, FL

The Internet is a Public Good and should not belong to any single individual (even if an 'individual' is a company - according to the 5 evil Supremes).
—Warren Buckles, Madison, WI

I am disabled and rely on the Internet for many things, from communication with my doctors to refilling my prescriptions to day-to-day matters. More fees would affect me dramatically for the worse.
—Jay Wolfe, Pepperell, MA

Democracy requires an informed public that has heard multiple sides of an issue and can learn about issues that are not being addressed. The free flow of ideas needs an open internet!
—Carol Ballou, Belmont, VT

Net neutrality is important to keep the internet available to people of all classes. Not just the upper crust. It's classism at its finest. It will keep the poor poorer and the rich richer, dividing us all even further. Please don't allow companies to monopolize the internet. We ALL need it EQUALLY.
—Nicole Finger, Cincinnati, OH

The FCC's proposal on net Neutrality would put an end to small businesses on the internet. It is pro big business and the FCC needs to leave things as they are. Keep your hands off my internet.
—Robert Basye, Dry Ridge, KY

The internet is a repository of knowledge that can help anyone get entertained, meet new people and become a better person. From that Netflix series to that how-to video on Youtube to contributing to open source software on Github or Sourceforge. Everyone should deserve equal access to these services. If net neutrality didn't exist, my internet provider could restrict or limit access to these services and I might not have been able to view that article that learned me how to be a programmer. I would have never met the awesome people working on the same open source projects. If my provider had restricted access or throttled my bandwidth, I would never have been able to download that piece of software that allowed me to compile my code. I might not have been able to download Linux because my provider made a deal with Microsoft to promote their product instead. And I would not have the IT job I have today. I love what the internet and net neutrality have done for me, and I want the same for every generation to come. Don't sell the internet to the highest bidder.
—Hidde Jansen, ,

Corporations have no right to profit from control of the internet which was created by public funds.
—Patty Parks-Wasserman, Corrales, NM

Please do NOT create tiers for the internet as this sets a dangerous precedent with limitations on many who cannot afford the extra fees! Thank you.
—Brianna Rene Chase, Swansea, IL

The "Haves" need to stop discriminating against the "Have Nots"!
—Darlene Barger, Greensboro, NC

Wheeler: stop being a corporate toady. The electromagnetic spectrum the Internet uses to operate is a commons, not a fenced private preserve. Stop pretending that corporations own it. They do not. You, sir, are supposed to protect it from the excesses of business treating it like the frontier, taking what they want and depriving common folk of its existence.
—Ernest Rosado, Berwyn, IL

You can already see the effect of abolishing net neutrality with Netflix signing on with Comcast and paying to ensure they can keep the speed of their connections to their customers. Within a month, Netflix notified their customers that the monthly fee would be increased by $1. This is the model that would be established. Many would then be forced to pay. This would leave people who can't afford to pay for faster connections with second rate service. It then is no longer free and equitable access by all. In the end, it simply creates more revenue for a few corporations/individuals. With the establishment of net neutrality, what other accounts will I have to pay more for? First Netflix, then Skype, then my conference site, then my email accounts...it will never end and for what benefit?
—Dora Taylor, Seattle, WA

do not ruin the internet by adding this new and ridiculous sanction. This will certainly monopolize the industry in addition to crippling users who can not afford the fast lane. The internet is meant as a means for expression by all one of the last and few spaces where ideas can flourish. ISP companies need to stay common carriers because they will dictate like a drug czar and how does that benefit anyone in any way.
—Frank Timoney, Phoenix, AZ

No one company has the right to control the internet. The internet is the best chance that man has of being a better race but you would know that, that is why you want to control it. Make ISPs "common carriers" so that the whole world has a fair go.
—Stuart roberts, ,

As a poor citizen who depends on the internet, I am asking to not be discriminated against.
—Dorinda Kelley, portland, OR

The fast pace of innovation in the US has been predicated by fair access to the Internet. Giving big corporations privileged access to faster speeds will put the US at a major disadvantage on the world stage.
—David Smith, Richmond, CA

The Internet was intended to be something special for everyone. It was designed by the people and for the people of our world when the government handed it over to us after the cold war. You see, the internet needs to remain open and free and the only way to do that is make it fair for everyone. Not give special permissions to those who pay more money to get a special faster connection. If we allow this to happen, if we allow the internet to be bought out by corporations. We will loose and alienate the very people who innovated the internet and made it what it is today. Please do not sell out the internet or its citizens.
—Jesse Chenoweth, Medford, OR

We must remain neutral so all can be heard.
—Marian Rowland, Barto, PA

The internet has always been a place of sharing ideas rapidly, leading to the development of many great ideas. Even universities rely on the internet for the rapid sharing of their scientific works that act as inspiration for new work from others. Without net neutrality, the very possibility of freely sharing information for the benefit and education of others is impossible.
—Thomas Hopkins, Ann Arbor, MI

Because furthering self-education relies on a neutral web, whereby 2 sides of each story can be researched, analysed and people can continue to better themselves.
—P W, Beverly Hills, CA

Net Neutrality is what allows small, unheard-of companies with great ideas to spread and become successful companies with innovative practices. Forcing people that don't have the financial backing to stand up to greedy ISPs to suffer second-rate internet speeds means directly standing against innovation itself. Please open your eyes to the 21st century and don't give in to the lobbyists of the Internet Service Providers.
—Alex Lambert, Cincinnati, OH

This is illegal. These people are changing rules and doing harm to the American people. This is not right!
—adriana Hall, Pacifica, CA

The ISP's already have too much control over how information is transferred. Being held hostage by bandwidth throttling until you are forced to pay more is wrong. Their subscribers (like me) are already paying them for access to content and the availability of that content should not be determined by who has deeper pockets. Please do the right thing and preserve Net Neutrality. It is obvious that our current system and the current plan for the future is broken and dangerous for the future of the open internet. Thank you.
—Scott Bennett, Bremerton, WA

Net Neutrality gives start-up companies, many of them relying on the internet to reach out and expand their customer base, a fighting chance. By ending Net Neutrality, small businesses will not have to worry about paying a second fee just to allow customers to access their website (remember, companies already pay for the bandwidth hosting their service, so they're already paying the fee to reach customers). I don't believe that 'fast lanes' by ISPs do anything for the internet, especially as we have the technology for a faster internet already available to us to create a faster internet. We are the 32nd nation in terms of internet speed and the fact that ISPs are choosing to charge people more for faster lanes instead of investing in better technologies and providing a better service to their customers (who often have no other options in their area due to monopolization of ISPs) is telling. Net Neutrality and free markets is not something that service providers respect despite their words, so I strongly urge the FCC to stand up for the free market now.
—Elizabeth Wehner, Carthage, NC

improve the life of human race!
—Dave Cadway, san diego, CA

Money shouldn't rule how content is sent
—Kelly Raymer, Houston, TX

Net neutrality is our only guarantee that monopolistic practices will not erode a level playing field.
—Jonathan Young, Carmichael, CA

I use the Internet daily for my news, to work from home, stay in touch with family and friends. I insist the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. I depend on the Internet the same as I do other utilities.
—Therese Bovee McKelvey, Monroe, WA

Level the playing field on access to information for all without imposing tiered systems that hurt the majority of citizens.
—Judith Harris, Fort Wayne, IN

it's a utility, not a privilege
—Eve Bogdanove, Greenfield, MA

As someone who counts every penny, I cannot afford to pay for a top tier internet. The Internet is worldwide - I don't understand why AT&T, Comcast, Verizon would be allowed to do something that can affect users not just in our country, but in others as well. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers, like radio stations.
—Sharon J Smith, Evansville, IN

Electronic communication is a public utility and should be regulated like one. ISPs are trying to shift their focus from providing useful services to the general public to acting as chief arbiters of the internet, deeming certain content worthy of "privileged" tier status at the expense of the rest of the network. The success of the internet comes from the impartiality of its data transmission protocol. If the ISP no longer wishes to become simply the facilitator in this transmission, but an active participant actively trying to disrupt the neutral flow of information to pursue their profits to the fullest legally allowable extent, the utility itself is jeopardized. ISPs should be treated as common carriers, as the internet deals in information and ideas, it is the truest example of a common good. We wouldn't start allowing electric companies to charge different prices for electricity based on how an individual uses it, as we would see that as an unfair grab for power from consumers by the electric companies. Why have some bought into the idea, then, that the internet is different? The economic activity generated by a completely neural internet is multitudes greater than any additional profits the ISPs could squeeze out of their users by redefining the internet.
—James V Dugan, Boca Raton, FL

Big companies should not own the Internet. The net was made for all users not just the ones that have lots of money and want to make lots of money!!!
—S Smith, Sound Beach, NY

Multinational corporations should not be given special favors simply because they can afford to pay, or charge extra. The Internet is neutral because it belongs to everyone. It is a public utility that belongs to everyone, worldwide. We have an obligation as Americans to be a good example of Net Neutrality for the world and future generations. Giving special expensive privileges to those who can afford it, and who will burden people by passing those costs onto them, reeks of elitism and plutocracy. Net Neutrality is for the people. Please keep it that way.
—J.M. Moss, Canyon Country, CA

The internet rules favor one group of the population unfairly and disadvantage others. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Protect Net Neutrality.
—Susan Michetti, Mt Horeb, WI

Mr. Wheeler, As chairman of the FCC, it's your responsibility to make decisions that are fair for consumers. In this case, that means reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Please make the right choice. Thank you, Paul Statezny
—Paul Statezny, Phoenix, AZ

I depend on net neutrality to go about my everyday life and without it I would have to stop using the internet all together.
—Hannah, Kirkville, NY

The internet is the only thing even close to a level playing field that we have right now. For the love of all that is good, don't hand the last refuge of humanity over to your corporate overlords.
—Joseph Cutler, Longmont, CO

Please reclassify these ISPs as common carriers. It is unjust for them to be making profit off of unjust fees they impose on other businesses.
—Bill Nguyen, Westminster, CA

This decision should be a real no-brainer for anyone who claims to serve the public interest. What do you serve?
—William Todd, Strafford, NH

Net neutrality is freedom.
—Edward Hanson, Commerce City, CO

The best content is found on independent sites, not on those of the media behemoths. We really need to retain the Internet as an unlimited source of information and conversation.
—Wayne Daniel, Phoenix, AZ

The Internet is the largest source of free information in the world, but an Internet controlled by corporations is not a free Internet. I use the Internet primarily to read the current news stories in the world and to do research. With the FCC's proposed plan the web sites for news outlets may not be available due to censorship, or they may load so slowly that they may as well not be available at all. I believe the Internet should remain free and available to everyone. It should not become the property of special interests who operate it for their own benefit.
—Donna McDonald, Louisville, CO

the what, why and how: COMMON CARRIERS
—Meg Kidd, Keene, NH

Without net neutrality, big business has yet another way to put their own squeeze on the competition. This can be greatly damaging to independent websites and companies who tend more to tell the entire, unbiased truth. It has been historically proven that businesses and the state ought not be in control of any media outlets. The end result is inevitably strangulation of the entire truth, or even outright lies.
—Christopher Mooney, Houston, TX

I work online in the medical transcription industry. Playing around with the internet and allowing companies to set different rules for different types of users would severely limit my ability to make an income. I am not a big company that can afford fast-tracked business rates. I'm just an ordinary user who happens to be online working all day long. Please help me out by protecting the open internet and net neutrality Large internet service providers should NOT be given control of the internet via controlling bandwidth speeds. The potential antitrust ramifications of this kind of action are mind boggling. Please throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Donna Skeen, Saint Charles, MO

This has become a way of communicating with everyone for everyone. It's a place to exchange ideas. This is changing the world. The internet can change the world if everyone can participate at a fair price rate. To close it would be like going to the dark ages. Please, for everybody's sake, keep net neutrality
—Wendy Schroeder, Denver, CO

Startup businesses and the middle class need parity to survive.
—Misty Day, Fullerton, CA

If it ain't broke don't try to fix it. Why let the big corporation control the internet. Keep it innocent.
—George Nauful, Paso Robles, CA

freedom
—W F. Noble, BOSTON, MA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Charlene Joye, Abingdon, VA

The country and world now depend on the free passing of information. Allowing the telecoms to censor information would ruin the internet. ISP'S should be common carriers
—Cory McCluskey, Encinitas, CA

I use the internet every day, and it is especially useful when I need to look up something I don't know much about. Plus, through Facebook, I am able to keep up with my friends from college and find out about some interesting things I didn't know about previously.
—Brandon Kozak, Edwardsville, IL

Hello...monopoly vs free speech (in the tech age)...it seems pretty simple to me. We talk about (ie.) China blocking Google and/or content...or any other myriad of variations...do we, Land of the FREE want to allow capitalistic gain block the poorer voices to go unheard? or so slowly heard they become ineffective? Stand UP and do the right thing. These mega giants are quite wealthy enough without resorting to this for their survival. This is mega at it's worst.
—Lois Wilson, NOVATO, CA

Net neutrality will seriously damage the internet we all use today. Stop giving breaks to the big companies and stand up for the public!
—Allen Winiski, Roswell, GA

I deeply value the Internet as a democratic, equalizing resource, and feel certain that this would disappear if ISPs, which have purely a profit motive in mind and no sense of the public good, are allowed to determine how content is delivered to us. Please classify ISPs as common carriers and protect Internet neutrality in a meaningful way.
—Emma Miniscalco, Washington, DC

Internet access in today's age is a UTILITY. Please re-classify it as such - Internet Service Providers are COMMON CARRIERS. The BEST action to establish and maintain open and competitive internet access for all Americans, today and into the future, is to re-classify Internet access as a utility service, just like water and electricity. America has some of the poorest service/speeds, and some of the highest costs among the worlds most developed nations - and these Internet Service Providers are getting unfairly rich in the process. I'm all for competition, and investing to make our internet access the greatest - and the NEST way to do this is to maintain Net Neutrality, not allow any 'fast/slow lanes' segregation/discrimination, and re-classify Internet access as a Common Carrier Utility service. Thanks for listening. Tom Leahey
—Tom Leahey, Denver, CO

reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet should be equal to all.
—Trent Sokol, San Diego, CA

Well it now appears that the United States is truly selling out. This is no longer the America our fore fathers fought to create. This is now the United States of corporations. And I am no longer proud to be an American. Not only has the FCC sold out to the internet providers but it has also spit in our faces. What if we can't afford faster service? Screw us right? I will no longer appreciate this country.
—Daniel Despres, North Grosvenordale, CT

It's how my grandchildren and I get to see eachother
—Mary Gilbert, Pleasant Plains, AR

It's another way to divide the people. The haves and the have nots. I always thought that the enternet belongs to the people. I'd rather you just leave it as is than to make greed the issue.
—Ernest Jones, Losantville, IN

I know this won't make any difference because you're all bought and paid for by lobbyists. How else can you possibly explain doing something so horrible for the people and so good for the big businesses? We are no longer a representative government. It's a plutocracy, and this kind of action simply proves it.
—Eric Montellese, HOCKESSIN, DE

The Internet as we know it (an open and fair resource,) is crucial. It facilitates simple things like communication between friends and relatives, but also plays a major part in promoting positive, world-shaping movements like Civil Rights and Environmentalism. I understand why people like people in power, like Tom Wheeler, want to squelch this out: It's bad for business. But no matter how much or how little they have, People are not Money, and People need an open internet-- not only to craft a better world for tomorrow, but to solve the many problems of today. Mr. Wheeler, and the hyper-rich, for which he stands, are not immune to these problems, nor are they immune to the People, and the Republic for which they stand. An open internet is what the People need. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. For Tomorrow. For Today. And For People.
—Trevor Black, Los Angeles, CA

Monopolies have enough power as it is - these "rules" will only further an already-rampant problem.
—Rachael Allert, Saint John, WA

Democratic rights should not be determined by what individuals can afford. Costs for varying degrees of Internet service will be passed down to the consumers, who are, more importantly, CITIZENS. This is a critical decision that will influence free speech and access to information. ISPs must be classified as common carriers so that all people in this country are given fair use of the Internet.
—Skye Christensen, San Francisco, CA

Let's not have Internet providers provide fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow down for the rest of the people.
—Ann Searing, Milton, MA

Don't allow money to buy access to and control of open flow of information.
—Joshua Nagine, Lewiston, ME

The internet should not segregated by economic status. Functionally, ISPs provide the same service as Telecommunications, which are classified as common carriers. The internet is replacing telecommunications in many ways and should therefore be treated exactly as telecommunications are. The best interests of the people are served if the FCC protects open internet. As a governmental agency your job is to protect the interests of your citizens, not pander to corporations who have no one's interests but their own in mind.
—Nicole Boyeson, Madison, WI

Corporations have far too much influence on the lives of Americans already without adding to it in this important way.
—Betty Phillips, Topeka, KS

If you do not reclassify ISPs as common carriers then you will hand over too much power to big corporations, ending any real competition and curtailing free speech. Small companies and non-profit media companies will be relegated into the slow lane and their voices drowned out. This is not acceptable. I need a free and neutral internet so I can exercise my 1st amendment rights to speech freely. This is one of the most important issues of our time, right up there with climate change.
—Lois Brooks, Ferndale, MI

We all deserve a level playing field! If you can't side with the PEOPLE over Corporations, then RESIGN!!
—Polly O'Malley, Los Angeles, CA

we need net neutrality now. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Mono Veissid, Los Angeles, CA

The American media is ALREADY OVER-POWERED by BIG CORPORATE INTERESTS..... INTERNET NEUTRALITY IS ABSOLUTELY THE VITAL 'LAST STRAW' in order to keep ALL of OUR ACCESS to news-media-infomation our from under the SELF-SERVING THUMB of BIG CORPORATIONS !!!
—Christine Hicks, Cuyahoga Falls, OH

This is an issue that cuts across the entire political spectrum. All citizens WILL care once they find out what the FCC is up to. All citizens should have equal access to the internet.
—Susan Gamble, Lawrenceville, GA

Everyone should have equal internet access.
—Trisha Lalancette, Wolcottville, IN

I don't want Comcast or any other infrastructure provider to decide--based on their own corporate preferences and the personal and religious preferences of their executives--what content I should see, or at what speed or quality.
—Jed Holtzman, San Francisco, CA

FREE SPEECH IS MY RIGHT!!! NOT MONEY IS FREE SPEECH
—Alan Parker, Independence, MO

Isp are already screwing us dont make it worse
—Anthony m fargo, Ashley, OH

Net Neutrality is absolutely necessary for both our Economy & for our National Security!
—Steve Sears, Hatboro, PA

TGom Wheler must be fired from his position as FChairman. He has betrayed the public trust and sold the internet to the highest bidder. As far as I am concerned he is a traitor.
—Marc Page, Norwich, CT

Net neutrality is pivotal and a necessity for life.
—Carlos Campos, Fontana, CA

Real Net Neutrality is crucial for creativity to be fostered and for corporate monopolies to be prevented. Without it, technology start-ups without a lot of money will not be able to compete with larger companies, such as Facebook and Google, that can afford to buy "speed lanes". This ultimately creates more costs for the consumers. Moreover, Internet Service Providers will be able to slow down websites that they do not like (by speeding up others) and the internet will no longer be as free as it is right now. Even free speech will be affected. Internet Service Providers must be neutral and should not be allowed to treat data for different websites differently.
—T Tan, Deerfield, MA

Equality is the greatest gift human beings can give each other. Validate your humanity and reclassify ISPs as common carriers for true net neutrality and the free, equal benefit of us all. Thank you.
—Chris Smeaton, Flower Mound, TX

The internet is the closest thing citizens have to direct democracy. By making the internet more easily accessible to people who can afford it and less accessible to those who don't means the people's voice will be stifled. Please keep the internet free from corporate control.
—Tyler Clemens, Olympia, WA

I use it for research and important information that I share with emotional and mental ill consumers so I need a fast inexpensive internet
—Rose King, Lockport, NY

We all need a level playing field for access to information online, which is the basis of nearly all opportunity now. If certain organizations can pay to have access to their information preferenced, it's the same as any other form of censorship. The internet needs to be a democratic forum with regard to information access. Don't ruin it like you have mass media, cable companies, and all the other information industries that no longer serve the public interest as they ought to.
—Janique O'Shea, waltham, MA

I cherish my freedom of speech!
—Mark Meyer, Westland, MI

Stop thinking the only thing on the internet that matters to me is Netflix. I depend on any site I want to access being equally accessible.
—Kent M. Willocks, Eugene, OR

Independent science research, data sets, analysis -- no access to www2 -- educational programs will suffer even more -- no net neutrality will make things even worse. Why is S. Korea, Singapore, and Japan so much more advanced than here for high-speed broadband, at less cost? Sincerely, lon freeman
—Lon (Master of Science in Teaching) Freeman, Olympia, WA

I pay for access to the internet. ISP's should not be allowed to double dip on service charges. Net neutrality is fair and even. Please don't destroy it and the small businesses that rely on an even and fair internet.
—Brian Alvarez, nashville, TN

Please stop allowing internet service providers to control and manipulate the market through monopoly / duopoly power.
—Bogdan Vlad Tira, Chicago, IL

Dear Tom Wheeler and FCC Corporation, Your new rules to replace Net Neutrality upsets me. What ever happened to "home of the free"? It is companies like the FCC that is making our way of living worse because you refuse to listen to the real voices of the world. Why give us chances to speak out about our opinions of your choices if you are just going to do whatever you feel is best? While Net Neutrality has its flaws, it provides us a way to access everyday information in a failing economy. In a world filled with despair and sorrow, the Internet shines a light in the darkness as it provides us a way to connect, talk, and share with people who live either close or far away from one another. The Internet gives me a way to relax and forget about the real world for some time, and to think this may be taken away from me just to find another way to make a quick buck appalls me. Why should we all be punished for something we all as a whole did not cause? Are we 5-years old to you? The government can push these new rules all they like, but I will fight for my right to browse the Internet for free despite how many insufferable rules you decide to shove down our throats. But who cares, right? It's not as if you'll actually read this message. Sincerely, JWK
—Jwk, ,

Hello Tom, how about keeping your word on protecting net neutrality and not killing it just to benefit the internet providers, you need to reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Edward Pineda, Garland, TX

These rules won't just apply to the now, but also to the future. My children's future and their children's future. This shortsighted "net neutrality" cannot be allowed to pass. We need to start thinking in future terms and not just for businesses but the public who will be the ones to bear all the good and bad that can come from any decisions made without thought to future consequences.
—Andrew Darcy, Wanaque, NJ

Net Neutrality is important for an equal opportunity business environment, and is important for personal/individual equality in society. Net Neutrality has allowed for great progress with global communications, business communications and social communications. Maintaining Net Neutrality is a must and we must continue to protect it so that it can not be abused or used to abuse. Internet Service Providers should be reclassified as COMMON CARRIERS like utilities such as electricity. We should have an equal opportunity environment in all areas of business if we want to have an open and equal opportunity environment to work in.
—Justin Presto, Everett, WA

The internet is no longer a luxury, but an absolute necessity in this day and age. Classifying ISPs as common carriers will preserve Net Neutrality and foster innovation.
—Alison Wilczek, Marblehead, MA

Genuine Net Neutrality is essential for the citizens of this country - otherwise we get total discrimination by the rich and powerful - it is absolutely required for a democratic nation.
—Nancy L Singham, Chicago, IL

I would rather have no internet at all than have crappy, biased, dial-up slow internet. If the FCC passes this appalling plan, I will cancel my Comcast subscription. They will not get another penny of my money. Shame on you, Tom Wheeler, for even considering such a biased and unbalanced plan!
—Susan Yeske, COLLINSVILLE, MS

In Michael Parenti's phrase we don't need Democracy for the few. Keep the Internet open!
—Michael Eichenholtz, Richmond, CA

A two-tiered internet gives less power to the people and stifles the flow of new ideas and businesses.
—Grant Forbes, Louisville, KY

Please reclassify the internet as a common carrier. We want real Net Neutrality
—Grace W Tiessen, Pasadena, CA

It's the only place left where equality still matters something. Not much, mind you, just that little something that's probably holding this whole place where we live cozy enough so we still don't want to risk our life in a riot. Take it away so we can know how few we really matter to our rulers. I'm just curious about how this will be remembered in history books, 80 years from now... That's it, if you will not be the ones who'll write them, of course... But, given the current times, I wouldn't be so optimistic about it if I were in your shoes...
—Veronica Vergallo, ,

I try to keep up to date on numerous issues...in my community, my province, my country and worldwide, through the web. It is important that people have equal access to information. Rich and poor need to be informed to be active members of their communities. Please don't allow the Internet to become a two-tiered system where only the rich and powerful can afford true high speed internet access!!
—Bonnie McCool, Port Hope,

In my mind, the internet is the great equalizer. As it stands now it allows all information to be readily accessible and judged by it's own merit. I don't want to be stuck in a pay to play type system. Please adopt real Net Neutrailty.
—William J Berroth, Ramona, CA

Net neutrality is an important, indeed essential component of democracy. Individual freedom must not be compromised by the interests of corporations.
—Anara Carroll, Mullumbimby,

Internet neutrality is NOT up for negotiation and neither is the constitution. I will fight you the whole way!!!!!!!
—Victoria Parks, Worthington, OH

Everything for the Elite and Corporate -Nothing for the people -sickening .
—Deborah Cogar, Harshaw, WI

ALL freedom is important to EVERYONE
—Vincent Salinas, San Ramon, CA

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers is the only fair thing. These companies shouldn't get to dictate how the internet is run, especially in their favor.
—Scott Smith, Oklahoma City, OK

Internet neutrality is extremely important! Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Sam Carpenter, Seattle, WA

Let's not become high-tech Victorians.
—Aradia Farmer, Corvallis, OR

American tax dolars paid for Darpanet, which gradually evolved into the internet we know today, with a lot of help from taxpayers. So now you are going to turn around and sell bandwidth to the highest bidders, and throw us under the bus? That's what happens when you let a fox run the henhouse.
—Mike Larkin, Schnecksville, PA

Equality for all?
—David Curdie, Sparks, NV

It isn't right that a company that has a vested interest in content creation should have control over the content dissemination as well, double-dipping by charging both users and content creators for tiers of internet speed. This takes the fundamental choice of which content a consumer chooses to consume and altering it by forcing one to be of lower quality. It is also unnecessary as the data travels at the same speed over Layer 2 of the OSI Model.
—Sean Willemstein, Long Island City, NY

It gives start ups, small companies and real innovation a fighting chance. Without Net Neutrality, all of these will be crushed.
—Mike Bell, Somerdale, NJ

I am out in the boonies and can not get fast internet now. With these proposed rules I would be one of the ones who get pushed to the back of the line. Preserve net neutrality! Classify ISPs as common carriers!!!
—Carol Lynne Frey, Emerson, NE

Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Lisa Whalen, Kettering, OH

The FCC works for the People...not corporate CEOs.
—David Childs, San Diego, CA

The modern economy would collapse without the internet and American life would be extraordinarily disrupted. It's a simple fact that the internet is a public utility, not a private service. It's time we regulated it as such. Today, in America, we are paying hundreds of dollars to internet service providers like Comcast and Verizon, for so-called "high-speed" internet access that's slower than much of the developed world. In fact, the United States isn't even in the top 25 when it comes to internet speeds. We come in at 31, behind countries like Bulgaria, Estonia, and Romania. Several cities across the country have freed themselves from the monopoly of the main service providers and the results are outstanding. Chattanooga's publicly-owned utility company EPB, "The Gig" allows Chattanooga's residents to surf the web at lightning-fast speeds. For less than $70 per month, residents browse the World Wide Web on a high-speed fiber-optic connection that shoots data back and forth at one gigabit per second – that's 1000 megabytes per second. In Washington, D.C., you have to pay a lot just to get a 20 megabit-per-second connection. As The New York Times points out, one gigabit-per-second is 50 times faster than the average internet speed for homes in the rest of the US, and is just as fast as internet service in Hong Kong, which has the fastest internet on the planet. But "The Gig" isn't just good for downloading movies and shopping online. It's good for business too. Chattanooga officials say that "The Gig" has helped to create at least 1,000 jobs over the past three years. And, internet-based businesses are moving to Chattanooga from high-profile cities like New York and San Francisco because of the lightning-fast internet speeds. In the years since "The Gig" went live, other cities across the country have jumped on the publicly-owned internet bandwagon. Lafayette, Louisiana and Bristol, Virginia also have rolled out publicly-owned high-speed networks. These cities have realized that natural monopolies like the internet function best when they're run by We the People for the benefit of the people, rather than by a big corporation for the benefit of profits and stock-holders. Lightning-fast internet speeds shouldn't just be in Chattanooga, Tennessee; they should be everywhere in this country, urban and rural. The internet was developed by universities and the military and brought into being by an act of Congress. It was never meant to be controlled by giant corporations. It should be a public utility, run by and for We the People, not just another profit line on a giant corporate balance sheet.
—Jenna DiFeo, Incline Village, NV

Neutrality on the internet is as important as free speech in the press. What's next? Censorship? What kind of society are we becoming where commerce and information becomes a tool for the super rich only..
—Jerome Rasheed, Apopka, FL

Not everyone, myself included, can afford to pay more for their internet which is exactly what will happen with the current plan the FCC has.
—Quinton Schwartz, Lafayette, IN

It's important that all the information out there be accessed in an equally fair manner!!
—Amanda Yoder, Chesapeake, VA

The net is as much a public highway as telephone and electric service. It should not be two tiered.
—Marilyn Caplin, Coral Gables, FL

I don't want my internet censored by my service provider, Time Warner and Cox Cable. And I don't want content censored or web sites deselected.
—Howard Hyatt, Las Vegas, NV

Keep the internet neutral. It's the last frontier.
—Brianna Aragon, Oklahoma City, OK

This decision is about more than the Internet. This is about maintaining our democracy and not selling out to mega-corporation agendas.
—Patty Barga, Indianapolis, IN

I only have two viable choices for internet access--Verizon FIOS and Comcast Infinity--and I live in a densely populated city in New Jersey. The internet is a utility, no different from the water works or the electric utility. I have no meaningful choice with respect to either service or cost. I strongly urge you to recognize the internet as a utility and regulate it to ensure net neutrality. American innovation and our economy depends on it.
—William D Henderson, Trenton, NJ

The internet is a "free" tool for all Americans, and should not be subverted by companies looking to turn it into their profit machine.
—Chance Rearden, West Hollywood, CA

The free internet, reclassified as a common carrier, is the only way to guarantee internet equality. Big $ will win, otherwise.
—David Poteet, Canandaigua, NY

Education, education, education! Due to budget cuts, many public schools (such as the one my son attends) don't even have hard copy textbooks. The textbooks are ONLY online, and many other essential school resources are ONLY online, including the only avenues for parents to stay in touch with their kids' teachers, keep up with their grades before report cards come out, etc. It would be an absolute crime to limit a child's access to BASIC PUBLIC education due to their socioeconomic status limiting their access to the internet and the tools they need. And, I do mean NEED. Access to information is not a privilege - it is a right, and this goes for people of all ages. How can adults make informed decisions on who to vote for, where to go for healthcare, where to go for decent childcare, etc., if they are not able to freely access that information? How will small business survive and offer the jobs that Americans so desperately need if they aren't able to advertise their business on the internet? All comes back to education and the absolute NEED for it to remain readily available for EVERYONE. Net Neutrality MUST remain or we will see the worst this country has ever faced, and that is really saying quite a lot.
—Kate Weeks, Jacksonville, FL

The "fast lane" idea is not fair to everybody involved, and will set a precedent for an even less free internet/market, driving small businesses out of business.
—Yanina Wood, Seattle, WA

I'm getting older and don't go out much, this is my only way of communicating with others. I don't have a big fat billfold either!
—Judy, Oshkosh, WI

I'm a professional software developer and I know firsthand how difficult the industry is to compete in for startups due to a number of factors (IP amongst them). Allowing ISPs to give faster service to those with deep pockets will further cripple small businesses and startups in the software space. Saying that the FCC will make sure these are "reasonable" is no comfort at all. Anyone who knows anything about lobbying in D.C. knows that longterm regulatory capture is far cheaper than having to fairly compete. The internet's role in the future of not only technology and innovation but also social change is unsurpassed. Once the principle of net neutrality is compromised to the advantage of those with wealth, it will be night impossible to unbreak the internet. The internet is no longer a luxury. It is a necessary public utility, and if it, and equal access through it, is not protected, the damage will be beyond measure and irreparable. Represent the interests of the public and future generations. Don't break the internet. Classify ISPs as common carriers.
—Mahmood Quaderi, Madison, WI

We do not need to privatize the internet. It was always assumed it to be as it is now and I believe it should remain open and not privatized. The internet is a way for people to communicate with others, pay bills, exchange opinions, share on social media, and even order a pizza. Why is it necessary to privatize this wonderfully open means of communication? I need my internet for daily information, to locate items for purchase in various stores, even to send my doctor an e-mail. This "internet" belongs to the people. We already pay to have it. I think the very best idea was to reclassify the Internet Service Providers as common carriers. I need my internet to continue to be open and not controlled in any way by corporations wanting to make more money off it, or to change it in any way. We want the internet to be net neutral and open to all and no changes.
—Linda O'Connor, Levittown, PA

its always big money trying to stop the will of the people.
—Sterling Leavitt, Yuma, AZ

I cannot believe that our government is choosing to allow companies to pay for more bandwidth. This is atrocious, and needs to be put to an end because in the long run all smaller websites without the same number of views per day as these big ones like facebook and netflix are going to not have as good bandwidth and this will really cause monopolization. That's what our government is supposed to stop... Thank you for reading this, Nathan Moshos
—Nathan Andrew Moshos, Terre Haute, IN

The internet is the first truly democratic tool in the history of our planet, a place where everyone's voices might be heard - no matter how lofty or low the individual. This concept is what the Founders of our Republic fought to create and it is up to us to protect - the fundamental right to free speech, uncensored and important. Defend true net neutrality.
—Kevin Lavin, Massapequa, NY

Free and equal, the same for all, this the way all content should be transferred and accessible via internet. If we not give out the basics of democracy, we have to stand for net neutrality. People should chose what they will read, watch and listen, not big money companies and ISP's.
—Petr Vodicka, ,

I educate my children at home, and the proposed rules discriminate against small websites and consumers on tight budgets. Don't take my babies' futures by handicapping their learning experiences!
—Heather Bowles, Tulsa, OK

This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Richard Glinski, Alden, NY

The internet is one of the last truly democratic spaces that exist in the United States. Keep it democratic. You like democracy, don't you?
—Zachary Smith, Amherst, MA

Net neutrality allows voices to be heard that would otherwise be lost. Individuals with an effective message can reach millions - and they don't have to have millions of dollars to do it. The recent decisions are anti-competitive: they will prevent small, cash-poor startups from being able to reach the same audiences as established corporations. These decisions do nothing to benefit consumers - they just allow ISPs to take more of our money and offer less service. Isn't the point of regulation to prevent this sort of thing? Why does the FCC even exist?
—Mary Jean Crom, Washington, DC

To me, this is and has been a hallmark of anything resembling a communication democracy...let's not lose it
—Thomas Rippolon, putnam valley, NY

Net Neutrality keeps the "internet playing ground" level. This is the way the internet should be. Your responsibility lies with the people not with huge corporations. Big corporations have way too much power and influence already. This is not healthy for the democracy in the US. I am a taxpayer, and I demand Net Neutrality be restored. Thank you.
—Robert Winglass, Ellsworth, ME

CC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Michael S Benson, Oklahoma City, OK

I don't want to have my internet speed be termined by my income, its unfair to the average internet user to have to try to auction a fair deal on useable internet speeds.
—Andrei Paduraru, Roseville, CA

I oppose a two-tiered system for the Internet and ask that the FCC protect the open INternet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. I can't imagine a two-tiered public library system or postal system, and I don't want a discriminatory Internet. This is a policy decision -- a choice -- to either make us a more perfect or less perfect union. Please support open democratic society by keeping the Internet neutral.
—Krissi Jimroglou, Washington, DC

because it is the last place on earth where we are all equal!!!!
—Mariana Delbue, washington, DC

I use the internet for everything from entertainment, online purchases, to banking and job search. Please keep the internet free and equal for everybody and all uses, not just for corporate greed. thank you.
—Alison Gilmore, Spokane, WA

Do your job instead of shilling for corporate interests.
—Charles B. Mullen, Canton, OH

FCC throw out the rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the only way to protect Net Neutrality.
—Mary Alice Jennings, Grosse Pointe Woods, MI

How can the "little guy" have a chance to fair pricing and net speed against the oligopolists who are merging constantly? Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and keep the public internet public.
—Gary Reynolds, santa fe, NM

If you allow this B.S. To pass, you better get a great attorney, as I already have 7521 signatures to file a law suit against you, and the fcc. We will not stop till the scammers who bought your whore butt are down in the depth of the sewage you all deserve to be in with the rest of us.
—Robert, Ware, MA

The old normal forms of communication are not reasonable in todays lifestyles. We now use internet for every aspect of living-including setting up appointments, paying bills, submitting assignments and reports, purchasing every conceivable item necessary for daily living and accessing information event to the extent of seeking employment..
—Clara M Zschaler, Las Vegas, NM

It will ENSURE EQUALITY online!
—Andrew F Colletto, Somerset, NJ

This is a brave new world where information services build an empire on the backs of the people whom it serves. This is a utility, a resource we are required to use to participate in our government and society. It needs to be treated as such.
—Gin Ferrara, South Burlington, VT

Democrcy, not oligarchy. Remember Washington? Adams? Jefferson?
—Barbara Riverwoman, santa Cruz, CA

Freedom of information. Limits on corporate overreach.
—Bill Pitts, Palm Springs, CA

I've been a web developer since 1996. If the companies I work for can't compete on equal footing because they can't afford to pay for top-tier access, I'm out of a job.
—Josh, Alameda, CA

We the people have paid for the internet with our tax dollars, it is your responsibility to keep the internet neutral for everyone.
—Jerry Gale, Kerrville, TX

Why are you doing everything you can to do destroy democracy. STOP THESE RULES AND LET THE PEOPLE HAVE ONE PLACE THEY CAN SPEAK ALONG WITH THE BILLIONAIRES. I will never vote democratic again. You have sold this country. We are tired of being owned and want our country back. Democrats will lose and we the voices of social justice will stop this oligarchic nightmare.
—If Pebbles, Sherman Oaks, CA

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—David S. Wilson, Myrtle Point, OR

How dare you consider the the opening of fast lane internet. No matter how you disguise it, it means that the internet will no longer be on a level field and money and politics will win out. The internet should be declared a public utility.
—Barry De Jasu, Montague, MA

If we do not have true net neutrality, then some ISP will put their political interests above those of our democracy.
—James McIntosh, Ann Arbor, MI

Net Neutrality is important to me as I am soon wanting to start my own business. If you go thought with this, it could hurt me and my future plans to be successful in my goals.
—Tiffeny Whittington, Hickory, NC

Protect the internet for all and not for you're donors
—Tim E., Raynham, MA

Mr Tom Wheeler How would you like to pull onto the interstate highway and be told that for an extra $15 you can enter a special partitioned section of the public roadway and travel as fast as you desire with few or no access lanes to slow you down? How would you prefer to see a letter from your local water utility advising that to get a good stable water flow you will need to subscribe to extra pressure water line? Please see that our internet, created by the government, is open to all at the same speeds. Treat it as a common carrier or public utility. Keep it open to all at the same speed. Preserve net neutrality.
—Larry Woodall, Springdale, AR

Give corporations a say in the Internet, and you will kill the most creative system ever devised to encourage entrepreneurs.
—Eric West, Port Orange, FL

So you support the 1% over everyone else or is it just that you believe corporations should always be allowed to tell the American people what they can and cannot access on the Internet? Just because I can't afford to pay higher prices to get faster service doesn't mean I am not as good as those who can. Net Neutrality first. Money shouldn't be more important.
—Charlotte Sines, Colorado Springs, CO

because otherwise only people with the most money will be heard. Everyone deserves a voice!
—Carlos Tapia, ,

The Internet, is quite possibly one of the greatest inventions of our time. It means knowledge for everyone. So putting any form of restriction on it, would absolutely be a step in the wrong direction. It seems America has to fight for Net Neutrality every two years, and I'm sick of it. There's a reason the people have come together time and time again to oppose idiotic restrictions such as those described in Wheeler's plan. I say not only should the plan be scrapped, but ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers, to ensure that the people's wishes are kept safe.
—Joel Neumier, ,

keep net neutrality!!
—Robert Cline, richmond, VA

If the Internet does not fit the description of a utility, then the term has no meaning...everyone in the country, with the exception of ISP monopolies (and the lobbyists they hire), know this intuitively. And I believe that you members of the FCC know it as well. The only question is, will you stand up for the people of the United States, or will you stand by monopolistic companies so infamous for their poor service and bad prices, that they are consistently deemed "the worst companies in America." Please, history will reward you...they will teach about the courage of the decision...if you do what everyone knows is the truth: declare ISPs the common carriers they are.
—Russ Carrick, Telford, PA

I need what little freedom I have in this country.
—Victoria Lange, Los Angeles, CA

Net Neutrality basically prevents censorship on the Internet, and censorship horrible.
—Jared Hockenberry, San Jose, CA

The growth of businesses that are a large part of our modern world, names like Google, Amazon, Facebook, would not have been possible if it were not for the free and open access to opportunity that an open internet provides. Without net neutrality, the balance of power will be shifted away from upstart companies looking to present new an interesting ideas, and will be placed firmly in the hands of companies that are already well established and can better afford additional rates that ISPs might impose. This would also harm consumers in a couple of ways. First, it is currently possible for an entirely new service to spring into place on the internet that better meets the needs of consumers, and they are freely able to discover and use that service with no concern about paying for access. The service that any new company can provide is solely determined by the quality of their product, and not by any deals that their competitors may have with the networks that deliver their service. Without network neutrality, a new company may be very limited in reach because it is either unable to pay any fees to upgrade its reach or remove the limits placed on it by consumer ISPs, or because competitors (including the ISPs themselves for things like providing TV content services) may be unwilling to provide them access in order to prevent competition. Regardless of the exact cause, not enforcing network neutrality means fewer new internet business, which in turn means less consumer choice, and that is most certainly undesirable. Second, consumers could easily end up in a position where they are paying twice for the same content. The ISP on the one hand demanding that the consumer pay for access to the internet, and the web service on the other raising their prices to compensate for the costs imposed by the ISP to deliver their content. Please reconsider your stance on the issue of network neutrality, and consider enforcing strong, clear rules that will protect the abilility of new companies to make themselves available to consumers, and for consumers to freely exercise their ability to choose the services that best suit them.
—Daniel Rogers, San Leandro, CA

This proposal would fundamentally damage the internet and how it operates.
—Zach Overmann, Dysart, IA

Net neutrality creates a level playing field for everyone including corporations. Your current proposal favors corporations and everyone else is second class, this is not right.
—Gordon Lange, Kihei, HI

It is not called the Elitenet, but the Internet. It belongs to the Commons.
—Eloise Bates, Portland, OR

Consumers already pay for delivery of content at the speeds and data amounts specified in their service contracts. Last mile cable companies shouldn't be able to abuse their virtual monopolies to double dip for payout.
—Christian Gray, Anchorage, AK

Net Neutrality is important because we all need FREE & UNLIMITED internet. We depend on the Internet for research & entertainment purposes. So if you're smart enough and have enough common sense, you'd get rid of these retarded rules and not end Net Neturality!!
—Earl Miller, Bear, DE

Yet another way this stupid government can try to control all of us. The U.S government doesn't even care about us, they only care about getting money and being greedy. You guys always have to find a way to ruin something. You suck. This government is really pushing its power. "When the people fear the government there is tyranny, when the government fears the people there is liberty."
—Zachary Henry, Omaha, NE

Consumers have very little to no choice of service providers for high speed internet access (in my area, only Comcast delivers high speed internet). If the service providers are allowed to vary the speed of content delivery to their own benefit, such as for profit, it will be extremely unfair to the consumer. As a result, ISP's should be regulated like phone companies and other utilities. As but one example, what if phone companies were allowed to make some voice conversations more clear than others, with the clearly transmitted ones being those which pay an extra fee? It would significantly affect who could speak to whom. Please regulate ISP's as public utilities rather than allowing them limitless influence upon the actual content available to citizens! Thank you, Peter S. Auerbach, MD Portland, OR
—Peter Auerbach, Portland, OR

I am a small business owner, and we use the internet to deliver video proofs to our clients. This two-tiered internet proposal would put me out of business by hindering my ability to deliver content to my customers in a timely fashion. This rule does more than institute the corporatization of internet access--it relegates independent sites to an inferior internet on the 'slow lane' and creates a HUGE barrier to entry and continued operation for entrepreneurs, small businesses and new start-ups that may compete with--or directly challenge--incumbent technologies and corporations. This rule will KILL start-up innovation, degrade American business competitiveness in the global marketplace, and enshrine the power of Big Telecom corporations, who will make the internet as awful as they have already done with cable television. Let's review the facts of the matter: the United States Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia Circuit struck down the old Open Internet rules on a technicality, that being the internet was not classified as a common carrier by the Commission. All the FCC needs to do is correct this classification oversight -- which is entirely within your own administrative power -- and reclassify the Internet as a Common Carrier, which all common sense says that it is. The Internet should be reclassified immediately as a Common Carrier, which the Commission can easily do, and indeed should have done immediately after the Court's ruling. Please protect free speech, innovation, and Net neutrality to preserve an open internet. First, assert reclassification authority of broadband, and the internet overall, under Title II. Then, do the right thing and re-classify the entire internet as a Common Carrier. The competitiveness and economic future of this country depends on the internet being a Common Carrier, and deserves nothing less and nothing else.
—David Langley, Alexandria, VA

The internet does NOT belong to anyone - it belongs to EVERYONE! It is the only fair and equal marketplace left!
—Pm M., Cheyenne, WY

Keeping the Internet open is critical to sustaining a nation of informed citizens. Please do not buckle to corporate lobbying!
—Linda Billings, Arlington, VA

I've worked for the largest Telecom here in the USA and I know they play Hardball against all their customer... especially the uneducated and uninformed. Verizon & AT&T will ruin our Internet.
—Jesse Galvan, San Antonio, TX

Dear FCC; Please throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you. Joyce Marshall
—Joyce Marshall, Greensburg, IN

Without an open internet we'll stifle creative innovation and lose our position as the leader in numerous different fields.
—Dustin Simeone, Lehighton, PA

If the FCC doesn't protect net neutrality, I will not be able to afford to use the web in any meaningful way. Do you really want to deny access to low-income people? This is what will happen if the large providers get their way and start charging for reasonable net speed.
—Cheryl Biale, olympia, WA

Real Net Neutrality is the modern internet day equivalent of free speech. Anything less is unamerican! Wheeler is just one of those things that is wrong with this country. How can an ex-lobbyist like himself end up chairman of the FCC? It's like scarface leading the FDA
—Sam Coward, New York, NY

The Internet has become the life's blood of democracy. Kill it, and you kill both.
—Ray Ray Lovelace, El Prado, NM

It's bad enough that "we the people" have to depend on the greedy, control-hungry behemoth service providers for connection to the internet in the first place to even get to any internet content. They don't even face real competition as do cell phone companies, which is a disgrace in itself. They lobby (aka bribe?) lawmakers for protectionism and get it. And now you want to give them even more control over the internet and we the people by handing them the reigns to control content now? What in the hell is wrong with you? Keep the robber barons out of content control. Grow a pair, Wheeler, and leave ISP's as common carriers. Leave the Internet in the peoples' hands where it belongs. Do something for THE PEOPLE for a change instead of BIG BUSINESS.
—Vivian Capritto, decautr, GA

Affordable internet access is vital to everyone. Please do the right thing and leave it neutral and mutually accessible to everyone
—Ms Margaret Marlowe, Leander, TX

The internet is not the plaything for massive corporations looking to protect their outmoded and antiquated business practices. It is where freedom of speech and freedom of information are paramount, and seeking to limit either with your backward, cowardly and small-minded rules are completely out of touch with the real world.
—Jayrde Kurt, ,

Though I am from Europe, (where we fight the battle for net neutrality as well) I urge you to keep up net neutrality on the other side of the pond as well.
—Mara Heinzl, Muenchen,

There is no justification for corporations to have priority over individuals.
—Tom Samuel, Lethbridge,

I'm a senior on a very tight budget, and the Internet is vital to me now and will be even more so as I get more frail.
—Jeanne Munoz, San Francisco, CA

Help prevent corporate takeover of our Democracy and stand up to greed!
—Mike Raymond, Shelby Township, MI

It is surely a no-brainer to do the obvious and recognize that ISPs are in fact common carriers. They should be classified as such.
—Sylvia Haven, Seattle, WA

Unless your Commission re-classifies AT&T, Comcast & Verizon as 'carriers' they will eventually take control of the Internet, they will create more than two lanes and they will block any sites they please. 87% of all Americans use the Internet and you will be taking away the rights we now enjoy. DON'T DO IT! PLEASE!
—Sara Deatherage, West Plains, MO

I use the internet for many more, essential daily activities and depend on it far more than I ever did the telephone. Yet the service I can get in my area is much less reliable than the "common carrier" utility that is my phone service. Please, you must not make things even worse.
—Mike Smith, Seattle, WA

The fact that a former cable tv lobbiest is trying to make extra money for his cronies is insane and should not stand in our society. Fast paid lanes and slow "free" lanes is an insane idea. I already pay ATT for my internet access each month and I should get everything I want to get equally fast for my money instead of depending on ransom money paid by companies that I do business with to determine the speed I receive the information I paid money for to begin with! I hope you're out of a job soon for your sheer stupidity and greed. I plan on making sure of it come election season, you lousy low life slime of a chairman!
—Matthew Adam Kreth, Birmingham, AL

My job is working in medical records remotely from home, saving my employer the necessity of providing office facility for me and THOUSANDS of other employees. We MUST have Net Neutrality to perform our jobs, this is the way it is done these days!
—Jo Barcelona, Hazelwood, MO

It does not make sense to classify the internet as anything other than a public utility. It belongs to everyone. Keep it that way.
—Susan Blain, Gardner, MA

We really don't need any further assaults on our abilities to engage in our ailing democratics system - so, don't act insanely - Tell the FCC to throw out its rules and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Sharon McGraham, Watsonville, CA

Hello and thank you for taking my comment about this issue. It comes as no surprise that the FCC is swindling the American people when one considers the conflicted interests of some of its members--are its decision-making members are in cahoots with industry lobby? This shameless power-grab and retreat by the FCC is truly another milestone of the raiding of the commonwealth of the people by the few in a position to abuse the power they have worked to obtain not in service to the American people, but of the bottom line. Listening to Wheeler's speech that the rules would be in place "with all dispatch" was to witness a gut-wrenching display of unmitigated arrogance and disdain. Let me be clear to the braindead FCC: The provision of the backbone and all of the appurtenances of what comprises the physical and backend of the internet IS A UTILITY and only a bunch of ignobly corrupt, or perfectly supine prigs would rule otherwise. Get your act together and start representing the interests of the American people and not the voraciously greedy, self-serving, solipsistic monopolies!!
—Lawrence Curtin, Airmont, NY

Damn corporate whores. You sell your souls to big business and to hell with the rest of us. Net neutrality is important and should be classified as a common carrier.
—Wendy Mueller, Haltom City, TX

Failing to enforce Net Neutrality is a failure to recognize the technological progress made in the most recent decade. Taking apart a system that has fostered an entirely new era of availability of information is tantamount to deciding not to maintain a road because it gets too much traffic. The internet is already backbone infrastructure for both small and large businesses, and there is no equal alternative. Net neutrality needs to be enforced because just like every other utility, everyone has a right to receive the service they have paid for. Water is water, just because someone lives in one-particular side of town, or owns a business does not depreciate their right to receive the service they have paid for. Replace "water" with data, natural gas, sewage, or any other utility that is of importance to the modern way a service customer operates and the validity of the statement doesn't change.
—Travis Palmer, Hudsonville, MI

It's the infinite library
—Nathaniel Bechtel, Chicago, IL

The FCC should have the public's best interests in mind when trying to pass any internet regulations. Instead it seems it will only have corporate interests at heart so they can make even greater profit off of the poor. Seems that's the new American way...how sad.
—Rebecca Spindler, UNION CITY, CA

The internet is supposed to be a place for free flowing information and content and in NO WAY should be put in the hands of ISP's who will pick winners and losers in addition to limiting quality access to those who can afford to pay more. PLEASE STOP THIS!!!!
—Mark Vincent, Castle Hayne, NC

the internet must remain accessible to all, not based on ability to pay for better access. Reclassify service providers as common carriers, like phone service used to be.
—Ms. Megan Rollins, Richmond, VA

Tell the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Alysha Schlundt-Bodien, Ann Arbor, MI

It's important to me that everyone has equal access to the internet. Even those with whom I disagree or who don't share my tastes or interests should have the same right to post, upload, download and share at the same speed and at the same price.
—Abby K Alcott, SILVER SPRING, MD

I have a friend who runs a small online business. Your proposed business would be disastrous to him and many, many more! Please, preserve net neutrality!
—Alex Anderson, Greer, SC

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Kevin Coe, Woodbridge, VA

this is FAR outside your mandate ... leave the net alone
—Duncan Bray, ,

Time to start standing up for the People.
—Patrick Smit, Coos Bay, OR

note: for some reason my original comment was not posted in 14-28 and it has been more than a week so I am reposting a comment in disagreement against the new proposed rules.
—Zach Westerbeck, Sandy Valley, NV

Please do not allow the new internet rules to pass, the internet is in fact a form of telecommunication and allowing corporations to dictate band width is unacceptable.
—August Lumpkins, Brownville, ME

I need net neutrality to conduct my personal business affairs from home without slowing down the access. I cannot afford to pay extra fees for my internet access.
—LeAnn Berg, Corona, CA

It is only fair.
—John Hess, Roslindale, MA

There's sufficient "tieredness" in the different connection, broadband vs dial-up for instance.
—Zoe Morgan Z, Albany, NY

If we vote to ensure Net Neutrality, we will be telling the world that we believe in democracy and the equal opportunity for all people, poor as well as rich.
—Claudia Frantz, Fair Oaks, CA

The internet should not be controlled by corporations! People being appointed to head the various government agencies need to what they're supposed to do, look out for the citizens and country not open the door to their cronies and allow them to fleece the public. Anyone doing so needs to be removed from their position pronto.
—Enrico Pelausa, Manassas Park, VA

Besides entertainment, the internet has become my main source for news, I think my generation's equivalent of reading the morning paper. It's the way uncensored information is spread from emerging crises. The core of interaction and the means through which speech is spread, without a free internet, there won't be truly free speech.
—Adem Boeckmann, Anchorage, AK

An internet that is equally accessible to all is a harbinger of freedom. Changing this access will allow active and passive suppression of free speech and signal the demise of free expression. Please do NOT let this happen! It would be a mistake that could never be corrected.
—M Stergos, Florissant, MO

The internet is the best protection for our democracy if treated as a common carrier where every user has equal access.
—Mary Catherine Green, Madison, WI

True net neutrality is necessary for encouraging economic growth and sustainability. The Internet was not built for the profit of a few controlling companies.
—Richard Hyman, Morrison, CO

Is this still the land of the free and the home of the brave? Big corporations are controlling everything from a to z in this country. The job of a citizen is to keep his mouth open and we are! Thank you for opening your ears and listening to the citizens of this free country.
—Vonny Eckman, Carlisle, PA

The internet is by definition free and open.
—Greg Goodwin, Seattle, WA

There is no long-term gain from actions made for the intent of gaining monetary profit. Money is an obsolete article of our current "economic system" and will only become a hindrance for our future generations. Our ability to evolve, adapt and persevere as a species in the light-seconds to come will depend on our willingness to redesign our global economic and social systems. Our greatest strength is intelligence and the internet is the greatest portal of knowledge that humankind has yet created. However, our greatest weakness is that we segregate the inhabitants of our pale blue dot by location, cultural identity and a fictional number which we write every day of the week with our time and labor. However, the concept of global brotherhood is young and malnourished, but there is a chance for it to become strong. Time for the world to put down this monopoly game, make dinner and feed its family. There are bigger fish to fry than a game of monopoly. The internet has already become poisoned enough by the invisible powers of the monetary system. The internet is for the world, not for the wealthy. The future of the internet will be great, but if we let Net Neutrality be compromised, we'd just be buying another pack of capitalism and sucking 20 more little white rods.
—Theodore Reid Vossler, Rockville, MD

We need net neutrality to keep a level playing field for start ups and established businesses alike.
—Meghan Wood, Titusville, FL

Stop the corporate takeover of the internet. It should be a utility and protected as one.
—Mark Spindler, UNION CITY, CA

A Democracy requires equal treatment and access to all. Net Neutrality will deliver that. By the way, it was tax payer dollars, not corporate money, that helped to develop the Net.
—Mitchell Alperin, Haverhill, MA

I depend on the internet for independent news and information. I do not want anyone to filter my feed.
—Mark Homer, Maryville, TN

I pay $41 a month for a cable connection and it is slow enough already. I don't believe we should have to pay extra to keep our already slow connection. Also given our current economy some people would not be able to afford a cost increase. If you are unemployed the internet is one of the only ways to search for employment. Companies do not place ads in newspapers anymore.
—Z Everett, Garden Grove, CA

why do we have to explain that a fair and openinternet is important to us ? there is no issue with an open and fair internet, so why change it ? you want to introeuxe a fast and slow lane ? for what ? for who ? you are an employee of the us government and as such a representative and emplpyee of the american people. this is NOT in our interest ! we pay you and employ you to watch out for us, not corrupt our system to get rich from big corporations
—Sam Slitee, new york, NY

The two tiered internet is extortion pure and simple. They already charge too much.
—Joseph Ferri, Charleston, SC

Net Neutrality is a First Amendment right. The Commission's position is no different than kicking the soapbox from underneath someone and then allowing but a few corporations to sell soapboxes at obscene profits. The Commission is only opening the door for corporate greed. The Commission's responsibility is to serve the public and NOT corporations.
—Jack Jack Jernigan, Magalia, CA

Its terrible because you have to pay more for what your not paying more for now.
—George Noury, Wayne, NJ

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—Amber Heath, Seattle, WA

I believe Tom Wheelers propose is a terrible idea. I am believe in net neutrality, and believe the internet should be classified as a utility.
—David Anderson, Corsicana, TX

This is absolutely unacceptable. Giving more power to wealthy companies will mean most of us will be walked upon as if we're nothing. We're already treated as such by them by unfair billing practices and worst-company-in-america level of customer support.
—Paul Railback, kansas city, MO

The internet is the ultimate tool for democracy.
—Cody, Mableton, GA

Net neutrality is vital. The internet is as useful and necessary as my household utilities.
—Rachel Sousa, Brooklyn, NY

The net is an important source of information for all Americans. It should stay neutral and not allow big corporations to squeeze out free speech and expression. The net must be reclassified as a common carrier.
—Ronald Shaheen, San Diego, CA

The economic future of our country depends upon an open internet. One that is free from predatory service restrictions by last mile monopolists.
—Jesse Shumway, New Bern, NC

I depend on the internet for my income, Please don't hurt the little gut just trying to make a living again in the name of big money.
—Jill K Prettyman, Santa Ana, CA

Everyone in the world deserves to have internet access, everyone deserves to have high speed internet at an affordable price. My internet with AT&T has increased in price $14 in the last year, yet they deliver a lower speed now than I had 3 years ago. These companies still do not deliver internet to everyone, to all locations and they do not deliver the same options to their customer base. Yet they want to discriminate even more and charge even more? Absolutely NOT! My "high speed" internet is the fastest for my location and yet I can barely play a youtube video. My cell phone did a better job.
—Patrice Hocking, Placerville, CA

The majority of people want net neutrality, and the majority of the people pay the majority of the taxes. Give us what we want.
—Lee Lindsey, Cypress, TX

I believe the Internet is a utility that all people should have equal access to.
—Michael Buckhout-White, Silver Spring, MD

Please do all you can to see we have real choices on the internet.
—Scott Link, Eagan, MN

The Internet should be reclassified a a "common carrier" to best represent the interests of all its users. I am a digital artist and will be hampered in my my work with slower services - I'm an independent contractor and a sole proprietor without room in my budget to compete with larger corporations for bandwidth. The Internet is a part of a global commons and not Verizon's source of petty cash.The internet should be maintained as it is, as a commons, with no "pay-to-play" priorities awarded.
—Stewart Hartsfield, Lake Oswego, OR

Leave the damn internet alone!!!, next it will end up like television, taken over by commercials and propaganda and special interest groups instead of free and equal!!!
—Richard Richard Olson, Homer, AK

Maybe I am wrong but I think I have as much of a right to high speed internet as any customer of Comcast, Verizon or AT&T. The airways belong to us all just as does the interstate highway system. Would you see anything wrong if the government allowed me to use the highways only on wednesdays and fridays while WalMart trucks have no restrictions? The same goes for the airways. For this reason alone companies using the airways should be classified as common carriers! Equal access to communication resources, like health care should not be profit-based but an equal right to all. Net neutrality must be maintained if we are to be a democratic nation rather than an oligarchy. Thanks for considering my convictions. [Ralph J. Ellis, Brighton CO]
—Ralph J Ellis, Brighton, CO

The Open Internet opened me to new horizons and new opportunities! Please don't take it away!
—Michael Craig, Clewiston, FL

The internet is important to all of us.
—Carolyn Villanova, Pittsfield, MA

Government wants to shut down the internet so they can impose tyranny more easily upon the common people, NUFF SAID!?!?!
—Andrew Fisher, Huntingdon Valley, PA

Without net neutrality I won't be able to use the internet. Living in a rural area it is essential.
—Glenna Shenas, Whitewright, TX

The internet was created with government support. It should not be used for selective profit. Keep the field level. the internet is one of the most powerful tools for keeping the public engaged in the democratic process.
—Virginia Brien, Charlotte, NC

keep the net neutral, no slow lanes!
—Susan VanMeter, Paw Paw, WV

The statements and discussion you've been having is absurd, needlessly complicated and designed to obfuscate the real issue. Stop this nonesense!!! And protect the internet the way its always been!! Democracy, not oligarchy!! You guys truly are a bunch of idiots!
—John Paul Roy, Minneapolis, MN

I live rurally and rely on the internet for all information, news and personal communication. Many in this region are still waiting on broadband expansion. Building up access along with preserving and increasing the speed of all internet content is in the public interest and best serves my own individual needs. Please reclassify service providers as common carriers to preserve net neutrality and maintain its democratic oversight.
—Scott Hedlin, Compton, AR

Where else do we really enjoy any kind of true freedom ??
—Alan Creighton-Kelly, Vancouver, CA

Begging your pardon, Mr. Wheeler, but I don't see how creating a "separate but equal" Internet resolves the net neutrality crisis.
—I McNertney, Pittsburgh, PA

The Internet should be common carriers.
—John Owen, Essex Junction, VT

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—James Campbell, Placerville, CA

i believe in a free and open internet with equal access for all!!
—Jeremy Dawes, Seaside, CA

Net Neutrality is extremely important to me. I can not imagine an internet that was divided into two tiers, once again allowing those with more money the fast internet and forcing the financially challenged to a slow and frustrating internet like the dial-up. The internet and the knowledge it brings into peoples lives should be equal for everyone.
—Vicki L. Pearson, Lake Worth, TX

Dear the FCC, Let me be clear as mud... I DEMAND REAL NET NEUTRALITY AND I DEMAND RESULTS!! I do not want any of Tom Wheeler's silly shenanigans that he claims is net neutrality. What he wants is net discrimination and preferential treatment, which while he can afford to pay for that, most people in America cant. We don't Tom's proposal and we don't want a Time Warner Cable and Comcast merger either!! Turn your brains on and start listening to us insyead of ignoring us!! We want net neutrality and we want real net neutrality. I have said this time and time again, RECLASSIFY THE INTERNET AS A UTILITY!!!! I am 15 years old and I need the internet to do my homework and get things done and my parents don't have the money to pay for the costs this new plan Tom Wheller proposed will cause. I hope you consider what this will do if you ignore me and the countless others speaking out about this. Do the right think and reclassify!
—Liam Spencer, Louisville, KY

I believe that two things will assure the continued positive progress of civilization: continuing to value and invest in education, and the free exchange of information and ideas through an open internet. The proposed actions of comcast and other ISPs to change the internet from a level playing field to one of tiered access would fundamentally affect the latter of those two principles for the worse. As an American Citizen, I implore you, my elected government to represent my feelings, and not those of large corporations. I hope you all make the right decisions in these pivotal times. Kind regards, Heath Gurganus
—Heath Gurganus, Beaverton, OR

Please don't give the cable companies still MORE power.
—Genevieve Carnell, Tacoma, WA

"Don’t tell me what you believe, Tell me what you do, And then I will tell you what you believe!!"
—Mervin Holland, Vancouver, WA

I depend on a open internet so I can provide free computer support for those that can't afford taking it to a repair shop. I urge that these sanctions/rules are stopped. Providing priority to the highest bidder isn't going to help the commonwealth that makes the internet what it is today. It's keeping it open to the people and ensuring that corporations can't control what sites we can visit.
—Daniel Duke Lazzatti, Maitland, FL

The President has promised this. We rank 30th in the world as to internet access, speed and cost. These companies have failed our society. Please do not favor these large businesses.
—Terry F. Hatch, Mahomet, IL

It's the democracy and commerce, duhhh.
—Paul Szymanowski, Curtice, OH

Without Net Neutrality, online research for school and later work would be subject to obstruction unless I fork over cash I don't have and can't get without Net Neutrality for my degree: it's a utility, like water and electricity, and should be classified as such!
—M A., Hillsboro, OR

Maintaining Net Neutrality (and I do NOT mean the faux neutrality Mr. Wheeler tried to fob off on us) is essential for the United States to stay competitive with the world. DO THE RIGHT THING!
—David & Judith Laws, Bellingham, WA

I’m a senior living on my Social Security, the Net allows me to tour the world and see things and experience things I will never be able to enjoy without the Net. Maintain Net Neutrality!
—Nigel Thornell, Roseburg, OR

As a web owner I already pay for the band with my visitors use. So the lie about video using more bandwidth that needed to be billed for is a lie. The web owners have already paid for that bandwidth, and as far as speed ALL webs should be able to flow at the maxim speed allowed by the Physics of the technology, and not the whim of a private corporation.
—William Peary, Sag Harbor, NY

You should not restrict my accesse to news and informations
—Tom Bianco, Atlanta, GA

It just is, that's all.
—Arden Kirkman, Whitsett, NC

Monopolies can dictate fees by setting them anywhere they want to. No competition equals higher fees! When will this end? Where did consumer protection go? How much were you (FCC) paid to give in to this travesty!
—Susan Sanocki, Azusa, CA

Net neutrality is non negotiable in a modern democracy.
—Madeleine Ras, SF, CA

Net Neutrality is the only way forward for the world and is the only guarantee that the internet will remain equal for all. There is so much inequality in the world today, the internet is an exception that can help millions of more disadvantaged people get a leg up in life. Not everything is about money, some things are more important to our quality of life for all. Clean air, water, food, education and information make the world a better place.
—Jane Stephens, ,

I am an IT consultant. An unfettered internet is a major asset in my business.
—JB B. Van Wely, Baltimore, MD

Protect Net Neutrality. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Nadia Salomon, Natick, MA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Gary W Rowland, Oceanside, CA

INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS MUST BE RECLASSIFIED AS COMMON CARRIERS.
—CJ Dietrich, Tampa, FL

Since big money has been further sanctioned in politics.....the internet is really the only venue left to the majority of us....to exert our influence in the direction of the country. Gerrymandering has locked up the legislative branch. When you take away every reasonable method by which the common citizens of the country have a voice.....you leave them with the consideration of "unreasonable" means, to make their voices heard. Taking away net neutrality...is one more step down that awful road.
—Michael A. Miller, Chandler, AZ

Net Neutrality protects consumer intrests.
—Patrick Bruce, Terrace,

It is apparent that the world has changed and that cable is now a mainstream utility. It should be treated as a commom carrier, and not be in the hands of a few large companies. Neither should media outlets. That isn't todays subject, ut I bring that up to tell you how let down by the FCC as a private citizen I have been. I grieve for the fairness doctrine and things have gone down thr tubes for access to information fir the average citizen ever since . Please do not continue this slide downward. Restore some faith in our government as being by the People, for the People. Corporations are not people.
—Lisa Canning, San Diego, CA

Major American media is controlled and skewed by corporate interest. NO one in the country deserves to be educated by commercials instead of facts. A free and open interbet fair playing field is NECESSARY. Thank you.
—Mike Myers, shoemakersville, PA

The internet was built and created by us, why should these giant companies get to stroll in and make us pay extra to use it!?
—Evan Obler, Plainsboro, NJ

I have been an IT professional for 26 years and run my own consulting firm for the last 12 years. Knowing that the internet is truly neutral and equally open to all is important to my business, my clients and me.
—Craig Vogel, Irvington, NY

Net Neutrality is important to everyone!
—Teresa Matych, Arroyo Grande, CA

The internet is one of the few resources we have left that is truly equal - i.e., access is not stratified as a function of socioeconomic status. To desire to change this reality is nothing but pigheaded and short-sighted. I would hate to live in an America that is this ruthlessly, nonsensically addicted to misbegotten notions of the capitalist ideal.
—Rhodes Hambrick, Georgetown, KY

Your proposed rules are ridiculous, against the very nature of the internet, and just plain un-American! Reclassify these ISP's as common carriers and protect the fairness of the internet.
—Devin, Saltillo, MS

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Sarbaga Falk, Carrboro, NC

The internet should be open to all, not just those that can pay for it.
—Sam Selfridge, Santa Barbara, CA

There can be no democracy without Net Neutrality.
—Deborah Forest Hart, oak bluffs, MA

Do your job!
—AG Gilmore, Walnut, CA

This is the free speech issue of our time. If you grant corporations the right to discriminate what content we can access, they can control the information we receive, and that will destroy innovation, free speech, and spiral into political corruption beyond what we've ever imagined. If you think they'll regulate themselves, you haven't been paying attention. If ISPs want to charge us more for more bandwidth, fine; they already do. They don't need to charge us for certain sites to do that.
—Tyler Newton, Cambridge, MA

Free Internet is something most people need they don;t need to be charged extra for fast lanes and the people would be charged. Big corporations would pass on the cost to consumers cause that is what they do.
—Kim and Lynn Allen, Ypsilanti, MI

Chairman Wheeler, I understand that you are currently being bombarded by comments from all sides regarding net neutrality. However, I, like so many other Americans feel that it is necessary that you hear what we have to say on this matter. You say that you're in favor of a free and open internet, yet your proposed plan does nothing concrete to ensure its continued existence. Furthermore, should these rules be enacted, the extent to which they would be carried out would be at the whims of whoever heads the FCC. You may desire to see them followed closely, but what's to say your successor will be so adamant? The American people need firm reassurance that the internet as we know it will remain open and protected. The only way to guarantee that is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers once and for all and put this to rest. Please, understand that this is a desperate plea from just one of millions of Americans who urges you to listen to our voices. Make a decision that puts the well being of the citizens of this country ahead of corporate interests.
—Rob McLemore, Chicago, IL

Please stand up for small business
—Michael Zhang, Urbana, IL

Let's have equal opportunity for everyone on the internet, in the spirit of our Constitution.
—Matthew Harper, Dallas, TX

I feel this is wrong, and that your generation is not the one to manage this. Let it develop organically.
—Grayson Parker, Bakersfield, CA

I would like to get the results I am looking for when I search for things, not what my gov and their cronies want me to have. Who ever votes for this has no morals and their name should be put on a hit list for when the shtf.
—Jon, Cross Plains, IN

I oppose these new rules. I don't think you should have to pay internet service providers for "faster" service. The little guy will end up being left out entirely.
—Cyd Brown, Holly Springs, NC

You would be making it more difficult for those seniors who have access, but are on fixed incomes to remain in contact with families who often live a long distance. The economy has taken enough of a toll on seniors and "middle income" (read now "lower income" to have anything within our reach. Please don't mess with our net neutrality - rates are already way too high.
—Corrine DiMarco, Orlando, FL

It could monopolize political debate and marginalize our political structure even more. Net Neutrality is the only thing that holds promise for a more egalitarian and happier world society
—Connor DiGregorio, Argyle, TX

My favorite sites are not for profit. They barely are able through donations to exist. They could become slow that I would not being willing to wait. Also, you can speed up the internet; it goes at speed of light. The only thing you can do is slow down the internet through taking out packets of data and releasing them later then their natural flow!
—Errole Ross, Chicago, IL

Net neutrality is crucial to we who are 'customers' of the internet. It allows all content to be treated the same. For many, like me, who live in more rural areas, it is expensive and difficult enough to get internet service. An end to net neutrality would make this worse. I have read that the United States is already behind almost all other countries in net speed and pricing. I see this pay for play as another way for internet providers to impose additional costs to consumers. In addition, I want to choose my own content, not have some corporation decide whether I get certain items faster. The corporatization of America is already beyond the pale, and I don't wish it to go further. What the FCC needs to do is to classify net services as a common carrier and regulate it as such.
—David Underwood-Sweet, Danville, KY

Stop constantly thinking about money! The internet as an awesome and useful tool for EVERYBODY. We will not accept you forcing us to pay more simply because you favor the few over the many. DO NOT KILL NET NEUTRALITY! RECLASSIFY ISPs AS COMMON CARRIERS, PLEASE.
—Kim Cyr, Gatineau,

The Internet was developed to help individuals, families, work groups, administration, CEO's all the way up to our President. There was no plan to change the way the internet was designed for net neutrality to give all who used it to have equal access. Now the same people who think they can run our country because of their checkbook balances, is trying to make the internet another way they can try to control our country. This country was built on equal rights for all. Please do not let these people get their way again. Stand for all of us and keep net neutrality.
—Janet Eaddy Dougherty, Schertz, TX

To Expose Self-Justifying Money Pusher Admin Bummonseat Makework Mission Creep Predatory Necrotising Fasciitis Economic Infections!
—James Barrington, London,

just another example of our corrupt goverment
—Jeffrey A Blosser, uniontown, PA

Dear Federal Communications Commission: When I received the news that the FCC is moving toward creating an internet without Net Neutrality, I was very concerned. I enjoy my time on the internet, looking at independent artists' and writers' work, as well as shopping on independent sites. However, if Tom Wheeler's plan to make the internet into a fee-based "fast lane" and "slow lane" comes about, I'm afraid I won't be able to use the internet as easily for my needs. I also fear that the sites I love will be difficult to access because they may not be able to afford the fees that the internet providers will demand for "fast lane" speeds. So many of us have benefited from the equal opportunity on the internet to express ourselves, to start businesses, and even now, express our opinions to our government. Please support Net Neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Everyday Americans need Net Neutrality to thrive; please support them! Thank you, Karin Silver
—Miss Karin Silver, Colorado Springs, CO

If we have to pay for free speech, it isn't free. We've strayed farther and farther off the path the founding fathers set out and the results have been disastrous, with the economy in tatters, the acceptance of the absurd and patently ridiculous proposition that corporations are human beings, and the predictable degradation of our democracy as those with more power are accorded a bigger voice and a far more liberal interpretation of what constitutes a crime. Taking away my ability to freely access the internet would be the nail in the coffin. Stand up for democracy and defend net neutrality.
—Kathryn Vinson, Seattle, WA

To end net neutrality is to quash not only our rights but smother the Renaissance of our generation, who depend on open internet to connect with others in this time of national recession and support one another in every aspect of our lives. The internet is a community, not a social club for only the elite and entitled.
—Petra Winters, Wilmington, NC

Don't screw around with this. The internet is a UTILITY. The PUBLIC should have control. It should not be "sold" to the highest bidder. PLEASE let it as it is.
—David L. Dority, Nashville, TN

I'm already paying too much for poor choice and bad service. You've allowed cable companies to abuse us at will. Equal access to Internet is all most of us have left. Just do the right thing for once and protect the average citizen. Please.
—Mack Price, Raleigh, NC

A multi-tiered internet will inevitably skew towards those who have and against those who have-not. We have all thrived on an open internet system - why go backwards?
—Judy McCollum, Minneapolis, MN

Net neutrality is the only thing protecting the free domain that is the internet from corporate greed and monopolizing. Without net neutrality essential internet speeds and access will be limited. destroying valuable resources small businesses need to survive, and giving elite groups huge advantages over those who cant afford to pay up rediculous internet fees. The internet is more common than a phone service and should certainly be considered a common carrier being that almost every person in the country utilizes internet for information purposes. without net neutrality the company google itself might not exist, despite countless other business and start ups that require net neutrality to be successful. To abandon net neutrality, would be to destroy a piece of freedom that makes America what it is. It would take from the majority to give to the elitists, and leave the rest of us high and dry. These rules that have been laid out by the FCC allowing discrimination of the internet are completely unacceptable. I hope the FCC will see how wrong they are and immediately halt any further rules or programs against net neutrality.
—Robert Gaven, Delran, NJ

The Internet has become what it is because, so far, it has remained open and neutral--and millions of users as well as countless businesses, large and small, have benefitted from that neutrality. If FCC Chairman Wheeler's plan is enacted, the only beneficiaries would be a handful of large telecommunications companies; small businesses would be severely hampered, individual users would be soaked with extra fees, and everyone would suffer. The large telecommunications companies would effectively become gatekeepers, able to block (with high fees) access to the fast lane for those companies by which they feel threatened or which they simply do not like. And do not trust even the most carefully-written laws to prevent them from doing so, for companies with legal departments as large and pockets as deep as theirs will find or create loopholes soon enough. No, the Internet must remain neutral and open in order that users and small businesses may continue to enjoy its benefits. Please reject FCC Chairman Wheeler's plan and instead formally classify Internet service providers as common carriers. Thank you, on behalf of small businesses, individuals, and Internet users everywhere.
—Andrew Cole, Pittsburgh, PA

I have an on-line business and I conduct ALL of my personal business on the internet also.
—Harley Armentrout, Chino Valley, AZ

Because freedoms are scarce enough in these days of corporate oligarchy owning Washington DC. ENOUGH!!!!
—Rich Wills, Grass Valley, CA

Please keep the Internet functioning as it is.
—Craig Coley, Bloomington, IN

Without Net Neutrality, those with more money are given another advantage.
—Henry Berkowitz, Sabinsville, PA

Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Colton Sorensen, Bountiful, UT

Do not create a class system for the Internet. In this world, a lack of shared experience between the "haves" are "have-nots" leads to a lack of understanding and compassion between the two. Creating a tiered Internet where those with financial resources are able to enjoy advantages over those without will only breed further class-segregation.
—Calixto Flores, Davis, CA

This benefits the few at the expense of the many. I pay my taxes -- government is us. For the people, by the people. Stand up and represent the people and what's best. Enough of Amercia for the greedy, by the greedy. Let's all grow up already.
—Jaben Cargman, Raleigh, NC

I support Net Neutrality. Do not allow a two tiered Internet. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Donna Etheridge, Raleigh, NC

Net neutrality is important to me and my business, Today the internet is a necessity in both our personal and business life. Everyone always talks about small business being the backbone of our country. Any increase in costs on services that are a necessity amount to a undo tax. Actions taken by the FCC should protect the majority of people and businesses, not break their backs with increased costs for services.
—Joe Kutsop, Blakely, PA

I want history teachers and students to be able to use easily and freely the website I have created at UC Davis!
—Sherrill Futrell, Davis, CA

The internet is far to essential to everyday life at this point to be considered anything BUT a public utility. Allowing companies to create these fast lanes for services that pay would cripple our internet based economy by stifling most new competition. Classifying ISPs as common carriers is realistically not only the best choice, but the only choice.
—Joe Crom, Minneapolis, MN

I pay my ISP for bandwidth which MUST not be throttled because of source and type of data. Just because the large users and me forced to pay, on the end this NOTHING to lower costs.
—Larry Hitz, clarendon hills, IL

An open and equal access to the Internet is an indispensable condition for democracy inasmuch enlightened and emancipated action of its citizens is not possible without full information for all and in all matters.
—Alois Stifter, ,

The internet must remain free and untainted for the good of us all.
—Robyc Besly, Honolulu, HI

When radio was invented and commercialized, the common wisdom of our people was to make it a public air waves now called common carrier. To banish net neutrality is to inexorably move toward privatization of communication and diminish the dialog of our citizens.
—John Vieira, Mount Vernon, WA

We already have the situation where corporations can now purchase influence over politicians and finance their campaigns. Now imagine that one of those corporations has the power to slow or stop the transfer of information regarding competitive political organizations, or even competitive companies. We must never give this power to anyone. The internet must remain neutral.
—Nancy Perillo, Westlake Village, CA

Nick neutrality is important to me because it speaks to the core values of American democracy. Without it, ordinary citizens voices won't be heard. Without it , the more optimal the climate for abuse of power.
—Patricia Buskirk, Honolulu, HI

The Internet is one of the largest steps man has taken. Leave it as is.
—George Anderson, Alexandria, VA

The internet is such a powerful and useful tool because it's a level playing field. Furthermore, taxpayers funded its development. I'm sure the ISPs are salivating in the worst way to be able to act like they own the internet and make a pile of money off their proposed two tier internet.
—Lisa Agard, Mount Vernon, WA

Please, save some cake for the chattering classes.
—Robert W Lewis, Conway, AR

I am a massage therapist in private practice. While the internet is crucial to my livelihood, I can't afford to spend a lot of money on my online presence. I can only see one client at a time. My website is self-built. I pay monthly fees for DSL internet and website hosting. If my site loads slowly, or I can't accomplish my online tasks at reasonable speeds, my business will suffer. People like me deserve an even playing field when it comes to internet access. I wouldn't exist as a self-supporting practitioner if I had to pay extra premiums for "normal" phone service--don't let that happen to the internet.
—Carol A. Niemi, Houston, TX

No Discrimination !
—Tom Cuevas, Tucson, AZ

These corporations are NOT people and they have no regard for the PEOPLE!!!!
—Daniel Gould, Falmouth, MA

You know why everyone hates cable companies? They add nothing and take everything. That is the future of the internet as it stands right now.
—Todd Clay, York, PA

At this point in history, the Internet is a right. Do you want to be known for making it anything else?
—Ray James, madison, WI

The cost of cable and internet is insane for people on a fixed income These new rules disenfranchise millions more people and causes disenfranchisement to grow exponentially. This country is becoming a serfdom. So much for government of, by and for the people when unelected bureaucrats can hand over everything to the corporations with no thought of the devastation they do to the vast majority.
—Kevin J. Gosztonyi, Bethlehem, PA

Destroying Net Neutrality hinders equality between providers and carriers. It also creates an unfair advantage for those willing or able to pay more based solely on which provider(s) are can use financial weight to buy their way into the forefront of viewable media.
—Ismael J Rodriguez, Vineland, NJ

Broadband companies MUST BE declared as COMMON Carriers and regulated as such!
—Paula Hitz, Clarendon hills, IL

I am an attorney. I depend on the free flow of information in my work and in my life as a citizen. At a time when access to education and unbiased news is lessening, we need an open internet.
—Kathy Murphy, Livonia, MI

Net Neutrality allows me to push forwards in my education, it allows me to learn without fees, without holes to jump through, and without limitations. It allows me to share my thoughts freely where I like, make friends, connections, and change lives through the technology we have been given. Do not take that away from me.
—Sophia Scott, Gresham, OR

The internet is a utility and needs to be regulated as such. It is not a commodity to sell to the highest bidder. Wheeler just doesn't get that his proposal won't work and needs to be scrapped. He's an industry insider. Unfortunately he thinks he still works for them and not the people. Telecommunications companies have already broken the promise to have the country fiber optic enabled by 2002. Why should they get a single further break from the taxpayers they've screwed?
—Ann Catherine Keirns, Castro Valley, CA

The net is a window to and from the world, and must remain free of favoritism and discrimination toward its users.
—Mary Rexford, Ashland, OR

I make my living online; don't gimp me, bro!
—Andrew Pavlicek, Odenton, MD

We are all citizens and have the right to the same internet.
—Norbert Gernes, Eden Prairie, MN

It's the only thing that's important to me!!!!!
—Jeffrey A. Coleman, Palmetto, FL

You and I both know that all other forms of national communication (newsprint, radio, TV) no longer do more than echo the views of their owners. In the worst case scenario (Fox) they actively distort the truth and are an obvious political arm of the radical Republican party. The Internet, the unconstrained and neutral Internet, is our last source of untainted information. Give Verizon, AT&T and the like control over this access and we lose all pretense that there is any avenue of free speech as guaranteed by our Constitution. It is clearly time to reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers.
—Bob Schilling, South Deerfield, MA

The same Title II authority that required the old telco's to treat all content the same, regardless of source, should be used to ensure that today's ISPs do the same.
—Hank Bromley, Savannah, GA

The internet is a new opportunity for us to create a world that conforms to our best ideals - not greed and profiteering.
—Noleian Reusse, Chicago, IL

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This is why I, like so many others, have no faith in the United States of America! The FCC is supposed to protect the rights of American citizens but like most government agencies it is in collusion with corporate interests. What can you expect when an industry lobbyist like Wheeler is posing as a "public servant?"
—Eric Hultquist, Mesa, AZ

Online line freedom is now as important as a "birth right", please protect all American's from big communication entities Comcast, Verizon, AT&T etal!
—Mr. Jerrold Whaley, Lone Tree, CO

You need to reclass the ISP in order to protect and preserve the internet as an open platform that will foster innovation and the future of the US economy. There is much more at stake than the interests of a few cable companies.
—Aaron Falk, Buffalo, NY

Please do not let the Internet service providers have control of what goes on the internet. We cannot expect them to be unbiased and fair when there's money to be made!
—Diane Patrick, Plano, TX

Dear Decision Maker: I know just by the internet being a electronic provider to many homes and businesses it falls under the FCC jurisdiction however the FCC did not create the internet and should consult with Mr Gates who is the creator of our fast information highway. In my mind as a consumer and as a user of the internet for many uses and not very much for social use mainly for information easier to find because of my AOL provider I do not believe the FCC should throw it's weight around that is not that much different than private companies claiming ownership rights when they have no business dictating how the internet should be run or operated. They buy into internet use just like us consumers and to throw one's weight because of the electronic access is not right than have each provider pay for their share of members and leave the FCC out of it all together after all we pay by provider a lot of us do our volunteer and action activist work by use of the internet so make the rules FCC but inform all consumers of your rate to each provider shopping around for us consumers will be great after all that is what free enterprise is all about . Isn't it? In the meantime I support Net Neutrality and want a reclassifying ISP's as the common carriers. Sincerely, judy wisboro
—Judy Wisboro, worcester, MA

Its bad enough that big money is already practically buying the democratic voting process; lets keep them from buying privileges on the internet!
—joseph I. Donohoe Jr., EAST LANSING,, MI

Having been one of the first online back in 1982, I can tell you that proposals being put forward now will do more to stifle the entrepreneurship and commerce. It was being released from those shackles of speed and data content which created the vibrant web we now have. Don't do this.
—Bob Mutascio, Venice, CA

The internet should be free to ALL, no exceptions. All equal.
—Amy Immel, Albuquerque, NM

If $'s are speech then speech isn't free! Corporations are NOT our government.
—Aaron Tidwell, Burnsville, NC

Fascist, police state amerika controls the MSM! Free, open internet has the the Truth; and the Truth shall set us FREE!
—Pedro Anillo Guevara, ,

I do not want a internet where things travel at different speeds depending on how much money the company has to grease the wheels. I'm sure all of Comcasts services get the highest possible speed at the expense of everything else on the network. Do not let the ISPs stop their only competitors by virtue of them have the only pipe to deliver it. We deserve a world where innovation wins over established players protecting their own interests. I would go a step further and require that ISPs work together on creating a shared fiber network that they all pay to maintain and the company with the best service gets the cutomers.
—Benjamin Webb, Stafford Springs, CT

I work from home entirely on my computer and already feel that I pay a premium for the internet! I don't like the idea of a two-tiered internet at all because I'm quite sure I couldn't afford to pay anymore and doubt if I am the only one in this position!
—Lea Ogozelec, Roswell, GA

we must classify these as common carriers. enough corruption.
—Ray Legault, Kent, WA

Net Neutrality is extremely important to our culture and economy. It is how people keep in touch with their families and friends, whether they live across the street or across the country. It is how many people run their businesses, through facebook pages, blogs, personal websites, or sites like etsy or ebay. It is how people stay informed about important happenings around the world, politically and culturally. It is how many people get their education through online classes for universities, or through free education materials and sites like Lynda or DIY videos that teach people how to build, create, and cook things themselves. It is how people collaborate creatively or intellectually, despite distances that may exist between them. It's how people keep up with the news, how people unwind, how they keep entertained. It is absolutely essential that the internet be classified as a public utility for it to continue to grow and improve all of these wonderful benefits that the internet currently allows us.
—Brita Adamovics, Portland, OR

The People need a free internet where we all participate equally. Please do not create a 2-tiered corporate internet! This is all we have left.
—Susan Peirce, Lyons, CO

Sounds like you're trying to fix something that is broken, leave it alone.
—Darrell monson, Staples, MN

I get and participate in political blogs, whose organizers cannot afford to pay high fees for access to high-speed service. It sure would be a LONG step backwards if my dialogues were sent back to the speeds I had when my Internet access was via dial-up from my telephone... Keep the New neutral. Designate the ISPs as telecommunications entities, subject to FCC regulation.
—Dennis K. Mann, San Jacinto, CA

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Gary P Rost, Falcon Heights, MN

Net neutrality is a global issue, you have no right allowing a tiered system for the entire globe.
—Kathleen Beavin, Bothell, WA

In fairness to everyone who depends upon the internet for communication, information and e-commerce, the internet should remain neutral so that everyone can benefit from it's use. Furthermore, anything that you do to interfere with net neutrality, will seriously hamper on-line merchants. Thank you very much.
—Rosemarie Schaefer, Plano, TX

Your leadership as a public servant is intended to be of the public which includes big corporations AND everyone else. If you do not preserve Internet Neutrality and, instead, favor the big corporations in this plan of yours then nobody in the USA can refer to you as a public servant anymore. We need to call you corrupt, prejudicial, biased. That is a shameful legacy leave behind, and you will have ZERO credibility with me.
—Drew Innenkraft, san rafael, CA

Was created by the government... it should be managed by the government, not businesses.
—Benjamin Schlein, Nashville, TN

Because FFC will be supporting discrimination! By letting big companies with lots of money controlling the fast lane and dumping the rest of us to the beyond slow lane! I totally agree the FCC needs to reclassify ISPs as common carriers!!!
—Rolaine Smoot, Riverview, FL

I am an artist who uses the internet to show and market my work, as well as connect with online communities of artists and art enthusiasts. I completely rely on the internet being a level playing field with Net Neutrality to get my work seen, do business and learn from my peers. For communications with friends and family, as well as clients and customers, the internet is far more important to me than a phone. This is true of most people I know. It has become a crucial communication tool. ISPs should be considered common carriers because they already ARE for most individuals and companies who use the internet. I'm also very concerned that doing away with Net Neutrality will hamper innovation and economic development in this country for decades to come. For example, my husband uses the internet to communicate with global collaborators on a start-up company. How will that kind of free flowing communication happen for new businesses without Net Neutrality? It is absolutely imperative to individuals, businesses and to the country as a whole that the FCC reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Joann Edmonds-Rodgers, Seattle, WA

ISP's are spending millions of dollars on lobbying instead of innovating. This is such a waste of talent.
—Vismay, Minnetonka, MN

DEMOCRACY MATTERS
—H Gray, Hayward, CA

ISP's already have too much power and monopolies in certain locations. This lack of competition means ISP's have less of an incentive to offer faster speeds and gives them the ability to charge businesses and consumers higher prices.
—Tony Delgreco, New York, NY

Researchers like me need to be able to access all internet sites quickly, and we especially don't want to have to go through commercial sales sites before we can get data that we are seeking.
—Frederick Paper, Ann Arbor, MI

The Internet has become a utility just as much as water or electricity. The only way to guarantee the prevention of anti-competitive, tacitly coordinated tactics on the part of ISPs is to create a legal landscape they would not be able to manipulate their way out of - we have to reclassify them as Title II common carriers in order to appropriately regulate them such that Net Neutrality is protected. No rhetoric, no "open Internet" will substitute for this.
—Ryan Cunningham, Houston, TX

This action is anti-consumer. Part of a pattern in government to protect the corporate "entity" at the expense of consumers. Time to wake up and help the customer.
—Theodore Bahn, Tucson, AZ

A free internet allows the ordinary person to have a voice in world events that they have never had before. It is a true democratic voice for the common good of all humanity
—Patricia Newson, ,

The internet is one of the few places where all voices may be heard. It's so important for our democracy! Please save net neutrality.
—Shelly Ley, Coxsackie, NY

Our democracy is at serious risk as the "Elites", "Oligarchs", "Plutocrats" take over more and more power. This current proposal shows Tom Wheeler's plan to be supportive of the Elites, etc. over the interests of We the People and the common good. Do the right thing and reclassify ISPs as common carriers!!
—Marjorie Worthington, Enumclaw, WA

I'm a freelance translator. Most of my clients are overseas; I communicate with them exclusively by e-mail, and I often use online dictionaries and research terms on the Internet in the course of my work. Both slower Internet speeds or higher fees for decent speeds would have a negative impact on how I earn a living.
—Sarah Neufeld, Beaverton, OR

America's postal service compared to other country's (apart from twice a day delivery in England) was revolutionary in its egalitarianism, affordability, and security, and thus played no small part in forming the nation. Now the internet replaces it as the forum that will succeed it, or fail - to undergird? - or to cripple, those early American aspirations now owned by the world. Your rules will contribute to the reversal of hundreds of years of struggle. Congratulate yourselves on that? or be all that you can be.
—Tim Harrington, Weston, FL

People without a lot of money should not be subjected to slower Internet service. Keep the Internet neutral. Throw out the new discriminatory rules and reclassify all Internet providers as Common Carriers.
—Bruce Farah, Eugene, OR

Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon are already gouging its customers! Most of us can't afford for them to launch two or more tiers!
—Allan Francke, Walnut Creek, CA

Big Corporations should not get preferential treatment. This will kill innovation. We are already behind Europe in speed and price. Regulation protects everybody.
—Sydney McQuoid, dallas, TX

Open internet = good for democracy!
—Glen Peters, Elgin,

Equality matters damn it.
—Kyle Bennett, Perth,

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Charles Vaughn, Charlotte, NC

I plan on becoming a video game developer. And this could really hurt my buisness, I rely on the open internet to provide my players a fast and simple play.
—Shayne, Los Angeles, CA

The proposed plan is not what is in the best interest of the Internet, and everyday people. It is to the benefit of the corporate powers. It is not even a compromise. Re-think the Internet and how big it has become. Save Net Neutrality!
—Peter Tummino, Wilmington, MA

One of the only places left that hasn't been corrupted by corporate cash. The only level playing field left in the United States.
—Jacob Setchell, Hampton, VA

I don't like corporations making life decisions for me about what I can and cannot reasonably read, discuss, or access. Keep the internet, and our nation, free. Please support Net Neutrality and legislate for the benefit of the people who have elected you. Thank you!
—Stephen Dahl, Kingston, RI

Net neutrality forever. Keep hand off.
—Ronald A. Sturman, Martin, MI

Don't shut out the common person. Their time is real also.
—Ann Wagner, Fort Myers, FL

Innovation is the key to our country's future, an open internet is important in fostering innovation.
—Martin Jordan, Loami, IL

We are very concerned about the direction the FCC is taking in their recent proposals. We do NOT agree and support this current direction and insist that you consider the people and their voice and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. We NEED for you to hear our voices and concerns and not continue with the current proposals which seem to favor the big ISP providers and not the users.
—William Chambers, Bellingham, WA

What's on the internet should not be influenced by what the media controls...no pay for play.
—Nancy A. Becker, Potomac, MD

People of all ages depend on an open internet. Everything on an open internet is important. Please do the right thing and do not take that away.
—Deborah Peterson, Indianapolis, IN

Net neutrality is one of our last vestiges of democracy! Why can't you see that and do the right thing?
—Lorraine Schmidt, Mountain View, CA

We should be championing a free market. Chairman Wheeler wants to essentially permit bribery to give unfair competitive edges to larger businesses. That is not a free market. This level of stupidity proves that the chairman of a regulatory agency shouldn't be an ex-executive that spoke for the companies that he's supposed to regulate and protect society against their stupid selfish desires. Please stand up and protect our free market society since the chairman wouldn't do his *current* job.
—Alan Alex, Parker, CO

The internet should be classified as a public utility so the internet remains neutral, NOT PAY TO PLAY.
—Nancy Gutierrez, PALM DESERT, CA

THERE IS NO RESON TO LET THEM NOT LET US ALL MOVE AROUND ON THE INTERNET OPENLY & FREELY
—John E. Robie Sr., ORLANDO, FL

Access to the internet should be the same as access to electricity. We pay for power and the power company doesn't get to choose what devices the power is used on.
—Gregory Wilbur, Fitchburg, MA

I believe net neutrality is important because the internet has become an essential part of modern day life. It is a tool of communication equivalent to the telephone these days.
—Jonathan L Respaldiza, Macon, GA

I am a poet, a high school librarian, and a concerned citizen - and I expect the federal government to protect the free and open Internet. The FCC must not institute these new rules that favor the huge corporate ISPs, but must reclassify them as common carriers. It's important for democracy, for the Internet and for all citizens of our nation.
—Mr. Matthew Murrey, Urbana, IL

Net neutrality means that everyday people who must live paycheck to paycheck can still have a way to be heard by more than their immediate friends and neighbors when they spot an injustice...like this one! With the new rules, the only people who will be heard will be the ones with the money to pay for 'air time'. It means the plutocracy that big business has been trying to turn this country into since America's beginning will be a fact and government of the people, by the people and for the people will be just wishes on paper somewhere. When your new rules take affect, the most democratic country on the planet will be just another China or Syria or maybe we can be Somalia cuz the pirates will be running the place. If you can find no justice in your own conscience, please listen to ours and leave the internet an open road. You know it's the right thing to do.
—Laurel Kramer, Seattle, WA

You are here to represent all Americans not big companies.
—Colin Ryan, Elgin, IL

I believe in a free and open internet for all. I do not agree that big corporations should be able to charge for a fast lane internet .
—Anthony Sanfilippo, fullerton, CA

So many small businesses depend on the internet as it now stands.
—Sheila Rice, Talbott, TN

We need to reclassify these ISPs as common carriers, esspecially since these companies run like oligopolies. Please think of the average person, this commodity needs to be universally and evenly shared.
—Paul Bruns-Bielkowicz, San Pedro, CA

Your actions smack of corruption. Shame on you.
—Robyn Blakely, Asheville, NC

as a low income person I need an affordable internet,I can't afford more than I pay now!
—Patricia Vanderpool, applegate, CA

Freedom of speech is a right, and changing the name of the game so crooked corporations can make more money is anti-democratic and should not happen. Our Constitution demands it. Corporations, regardless of what the tea partier supreme farce says, they are not people. We are the people meant its citizens, never it was meant to mean corporations.
—Jorge I. Gomez, San Antonio, TX

Please keep the Net Nuetral
—Kelly V Place, Williamsburg, VA

Which lane would you like to be in?
—Paul Muns, Long Beach, CA

I'm old enough (65) to remember when the FCC served the public interest. NOW YOU ARE CORRUPT AND SERVE GIANT CORPORATIONS AND ABUSE THE PUBLIC. Repent! Serve the public interest!
—Glen Anderson, Lacey, WA

I shouldn't be discrimated against, simply because I don't have a certain ISP. That's wrong. If Net Neutrality goes away, my enjoyment of going online will dissapear too.
—Tricia Flodquist, Shoreline, WA

At my age-i can live without the internet especially if there will be two-tier service.I can only speak for myself but if you want to ruin customer service-be prepared for a backlash
—Alan Griffiths, ,

We must maintain net neutrality and public access to the internet. You may believe that these companies will not abuse the power you are proposing to give - please do not let them have the opportunity to prove you wrong. For years, medical insurance providers in the U.S. continued rejecting valid claims of their paying customers - even when it led to the death of said customers - because their actions were technically legal and benefited the company's bottom line. Allowing the communications companies to charge extra for premium access may lead to a significant reduction of access/services for citizens who cannot afford the additional costs; costs which are likely to increase exponentially over time. Corporations do not (should not) have the right to price gouge customers for what is essentially a public service. Yes, they laid the infrastructure but the public has the right to regulate their activity - the ability to communicate in an ever-increasing technological world is a matter of freedom. Please fulfill your duty as a representative of the American people (corporations are NOT people) and protect our freedom. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you for your measured and thoughtful consideration in this matter.
—Aaron Thomas, Westminster, CO

It's just not fair that the internet won't be a free place!
—Charlotte, West Hollywood, CA

I am a physician and a scientist, we use the internet to move large amounts of experimental data. We occasionally use a large amount of bandwidth for transferring experimental data; without net neutrality, we would not be able to afford to experiment with open protocols and open data sharing, especially for large data sets.
—Daniel Cleary, Portland, OR

Net neutrality is not only important, it is essential. Eliminating NN would send us back to the stone age. It could potentially put us way behind the rest of the world technologically.
—Shawn Fratis, Green Valley, AZ

Hey make internet companies CCS.
—Grayson Malinowski, Minneapolis, MN

It would be extremely unfair to divide the internet like this, since it would be very easy for discrimination to start happening. Furthermore, the internet has always been a free resource, equal to everyone, and changing it would be unfair to those of us who cannot afford higher-speed internet.
—Hotaru Tomoe, Shartlesville, PA

I believe giving away American resources to entrenched corporate interests, which are global by definition, hamstrings American entrepreneurship.
—Arthur j. St. Clair, Santa Monica, CA

We are suppose to have freedom of speech, and that is why the internet should always be neutral and free from restrictions from any government or company.
—Bernadette Belcastro, Floral Park, NY

Daily we see the invasion of corporate money and control over the government agencies and elected officials that are supposed to rule for the people. The internet needs to be reclassified as a utility or everyday people will be priced out of this service. The current consolidation among IT corps is already creating less choice for the people.
—Marcy Donaldson, Denver, CO

Net Neutrality is important to me because a free Internet is true democracy.
—Lucas H. Stewart, Seattle, WA

I've seen communities develop around the exchange of information. It took a while, but these communities grew; and continue to grow. These communities have also done some amazing things. I'm talking about the Fighting Game and the Speed Running communities. The Fighting Game community, while still extremely rough around the edges, has grown into something amazing; and has allowed for people to travel around the world just on the interest of gaming. Communities from around the world unite on this one interest. They've even pulled something amazing in the tournament/exhibition known as Fight for Relief, where the FGC raised around $30,000 to help with relief efforts in Japan when the Tsunami hit. The Speed Running community is also amazing; and not only do they do exhibitions, but they make it a yearly tradition - week long marathons of people exhibiting gameplay for video games and raising money for non profit organizations such as the Prevent Cancer Foundation, which is an organization focused on the prevention of cancer through awareness and education. These two communities would not have been formed if under the proposed regulations that the FCC is trying to push. They would have been buried and lost; and efforts such as those described above, would not have happened. We cannot allow these types of communities to die before they're even given a chance to form. What's worse is that the internet is not a finite resource. It's not something like fossil fuels where fossil fuel usage would harm the environment; and it would only take additional hardware to upgrade bandwidth problems. So I see no reason as to why these types of regulations are necessary. On top of that, so many activities revolve around the internet now. Schools constantly rely on the internet to assign homework and communicate. Businesses, both big and small, require internet usage. Homes require internet usage to do even the smallest things like keep in touch with family and friends; and pay the bills. As I see it now, the FCC regulations do nothing but impede all of these actions. These regulations are therefore, work against all but the ISP companies that profit from these types of regulations; and thus work against the interests of the majority of the American people. Therefore, the FCC, as a government agency that represents the interests of the American people, should not be putting in regulations that work against the American people.
—John Paul Siruno, Bronx, NY

Please listen to your fellow americans on this.
—Samuel Bogdanove, Talent, OR

Anything short of true, non-discriminatory, net neutrality hamstrings the US economically, muzzles its citizenry and press, and sets us further behind the rest of the world in developing a strong infrastructure, for the internet WE invented. It's embarrassing, appalling, and one of the largest economic and social threats to the US since the War on Terror began. If these things aren't clear to you yet, step down, get out of the way, and let someone who understands the landscape do your job!
—Nathaniel James Jordan, Burlington, VT

As a person on disability i cannot AFFORD to have a higher bill for internet. YOU pass this bill and the lower income people WILL pay a HUGE price INCREASE! The internet was started as a education and NOW a lot of people depend on it as a NEUTRAL entity for free news,medical advice and in my case Diabetic help (type 1 35 years) SO i depend on the FREE to ALL internet! Please DO NOT remove NET Neutrality! Clipper Wallace
—Clipper Wallace, Neodesha, KS

Mr. Wheeler keep saying that he is for an open internet but his actions are completely contradictory. I see a blatant liar. Mr. Wheeler should step down and allow someone to take his place that is not so clearly trying to give the internet to the corporations.
—Ms. Brandie Lynn, Ashland, OR

The internet is, probably, the one place where I feel most comfortable expressing myself. I've never been in a place where I could possibly reach so many people, not just from my city or country, but from different parts of the world.
—Irene, Los Angeles, CA

Net Neutrality is extremely important, and not just to me. Don't screw over an entire generation because you want rules for a multi-media resource that is linked between many of the major countries in the world. I have friends in other countries who I probably wouldn't be able to talk to anymore, because I would be unable to afford extra fees. Internet and phone bills are difficult enough to pay now, don't make them more difficult. Also, don't sacrifice the entertainment and interaction of the rising generation because you think companies should have a say about who has access to what. It's the Internet. It's supposed to be accessibe to everyone, to be used as a resource in life and business, not accessed by the elite who can afford it.
—Katie, Downingtown, PA

I live in a rural area where internet service is poor and slow at best. Without net neutrality it will cost outrageously more to get still insufficient speed. Please classifly internet providers as common carriers. The spirit of the US Post Office had it right and still has it right: provide service equally and fairly to all.
—Jennifer Slack, Calumet, MI

The internet is where I do my research. I need full access and many sources for such research. My husband is a photographer and designer. The internet is where he promotes himself and works with clients. He also uses it to connect with other artists. These things would come to an abrupt end if we lose net neutrality. I wouldn't be able to finish my work. My husband would be out of work. There would be no future for our daughter. We can't pay for high access, and we shouldn't have to. Stop dragging your feet and listen to the public.
—Kayla McKinley, Buffalo, NY

The Internet is about equality- a soap box where anyone can speak and be heard. Don't let the big guys choke out everyone else.
—Mark Saleeb, Bellingham, WA

I produce HD videos that are distributed over the web. Without full and complete net neutrality, I might be forced into an internet slow lane in the future, unless I pay a toll to the largest ISP's.
—Michael Murrey, Palm Springs, CA

An open a free internet is the reason we have companies like Netflix, Google, and Reddit. They are each innovators in their own way, this proposal would squash potential innovations that could revolutionize the way we communicate.
—Reiley Weekes, La Jolla, CA

The internet is the modern form of communication. Just like telegrams and telephones were in the past. Classify the internet as a communications utility under a Title II.
—Anthony Gradert, Lawrence, KS

We want to keep free press and free for internet.
—Gisele Germain, Phoenix, AZ

The internet is so globally relied on, and in all sorts of areanas....from education, health, public safety, commerce, entertainment and social networks....that it needs to be protected from all types of manipulation and monopolisation and remain with neutral, open and transparent equality as to any aspect of "competition".
—Gai Anderson, ,

Dear FCC Chairman. I feel very strongly about the need to classify ISPs as common carriers. The ISPs are already merging and consolidating in order to plan even greater power over the network. All these companies are very large corporations with deep pockets. They would like us believe that they are merging in order to be able to compete but this is a half truth. They all have different ways to compete and ensure survival. Charging based on content is truly a recipe for disaster. Carriers should only charge for access and bandwidth. Like a phone carrier charging for a line and for minutes used. Could you imagine paying a different fee for a call to a family member vs a call to a merchant? This is a dangerous slippery slope we are allowing to happen if no definitive action is taken now: ie classifying ISPs are common carriers!
—Laurent Comes, Butler, NJ

Net Neutrality means an open and free Internet. As a free country, everyone in U.S.A. should have a right to a completely open Internet.
—Andrew Yoon, Lynnwood, WA

True net neutrality is the ONLY SOLUTION WE WILL ACCEPT!!!
—Steve Beverly, El Paso, TX

NET NEUTRALITY is DEMOCRATIC!!
—Ms. Linda Rubiano, pennsauken, NJ

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers if you are going to protect net neutrality and have a fair internet for all.
—Carl rl Hosterman, Wausaukee, WI

Creation of a two-tiered internet for those with the clout to force such legislation, and those of us who do not, is a travesty. The internet should be open and non-discriminatory.
—Bill Martin, Tigard, OR

The only way the Internet will survive is being honest and free.
—Roberto J. Gallegos.D., San José,

The internet is the de facto venue for free speech for the vast majority of our country's citizens. To protect the first amendment as it was first envisioned, it you must reinterpret the rules and classify ISPs as common carriers. Please, do what is best for the country and her people.
—Alex Zywiak, Sudbury, MA

Gentlemen, The Internet is now as useful, as convenient, as vital and as necessary as the U.S. Postal Service or telephone service. I depend on the Internet every single day; in fact I depend on email even more than I depend on the Post Office or telephone service. I believe that, after years of usage by all people having equal access to this service, the Internet is a common carrier as is the Post Office and telephone service, as well as a public utility as is gas, water and electricity. After over a decade of Net Neutrality, with common access for all to internet services, email, data acquisition, research, scholarship, and numerous other services, to now deny equal internet services to all except for those wealthy enough to afford a "fast lane" service would be arbitrary, capricious, cruel and unjust. I urge you all to maintain the concept of Net Neutrality. I believe that to truly protect Net Neutrality, the FCC needs to reclassify broadband providers as common carriers under Title II of the Communications Act. Robert M. Camacho Cambridge, MA 02138
—Robert Camacho, Cambridge, MA

The free open internet is the most important device to our generation and culture.
—Kosta, Ogden, UT

First off lets clarify. ISPs are not information providers. They provide a service just like phone companies do (in fact if you know anything about the technology it's amazing how similar it is) It should be treated as such. Can you imagine calling you local pizza joint and being put on hold for 5 minutes every time but be able to get through instantly to Pizza Hut because they paid a premium to the phone company? Can you imagine how that might destroy the local business? The idea put forth with these FCC rules are just like that. Sure you'll eventually be able to bring up your smaller business websites but why wait when you can bring up the big boys instantly. It stifles growing business and innovation. Not to mention the potential damage it can cause to freedom of speech. Protect Net Neutrality so our children and our children's children have the opportunities Google and Netflix and all the rest had to start up. Protect it so we can still have a voice on the net and aren't censored by big business.
—Frank Boyan, Sebring, FL

Net neutrality is another word for essential infrastructure that enables a high quality of life for all citizens of the United States. The internet is a great enabler for education, entertainment, employment, social justice, voter education, innovation, new business development and on and on. Its potential was developed by a shared investment with great amounts of money flowing from our taxes and the profits from other public utilities. Keep the lines open and improve the speed and security - to match what many other advanced countries have deployed.
—Gregory J Rosasco, HOLIDAY, FL

You infringe on our rights as consumers to have reasonable access to the Internet. Policies giving corporations the ability to restrict access to the Internet violate the very reason it was developed, to share and have free access to information. Any attempt to restrict or reduce access, allowing corporations to benefit by acting as gatekeepers charging fees for differential access, discriminates against the rights of US citizens to have equity in access. Stop your interference with access to information and stop preferential treatment for corporations making profit off of Internet access. Remember the reason behind the development of the Internet, the ability to freely access information and exchange ideas. Any action taken to provide restrictions would be analogous to Internet restrictions placed by China and Iran.
—James Wallis, New Port Richey, FL

I am a teacher, and I want to preserve easy, free access not only for myself, but for students of all socioeconomic backgrounds. Money should not be the determining factor in access to the wealth of the Information Age.
—Dianne Schure, Port Washington, NY

this policy of is another attempt by corporations to stifle opposition to corporate policy, as in daily kos' case
—Chris Jones, Stillwater, OK

I prefer to make my own judgment as to what I want to see on the internet. Thank you Rebecca
—Rebecca Haynes, North Vancouver,

If it isn't broken, why fix it? The internet should stay the same with equal treatment for all whether rich or poor.
—Michael Crabtree, High Point, NC

I NEED TO COMMUNICATE WITH MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS FROM ANY LOCATION POSSIBLE. I LIVE IN A RURAL AREA WHERE IMPROVEMENT IN INTERNET SERVICES AND REACH IS CRITICAL FOR OUR ECONOMY AND SOCIETY. SELLING OUT TO CORPORATIONS THAT "punish" us for living in a rural area IS NOT AT ALL IN THE INTEREST OF LAW-ABIDING, TAX-PAYING CONSUMERS. NOTHING WOULD ANGER ME MORE THAN NOT BEING ABLE TO COMMUNICATE WITH MY FAMILY AND LOVED ONES BECAUSE THE INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS ARE DECIDING MY BEHAVIOR ONLINE WITHOUT MY DESIRE OR CONSENT. I WANT TO DO WHAT I WANT TO DO ONLINE. I PAY ENOUGH A MONTH TO USE IT, ANYWAY. DO NOT ALLOW FOR CORPORATION TO CENSOR MY USAGE OR CONTROL MY LIFE. THANK YOU.
—Lorna Immel, Otley, IA

Net Neutrality is vital to ensure a free press. It SHAMEFUL that the FCC is planning to let corporations control our access to the internet.
—Myron Buker, city, IL

We cannot continue to give away our power as citizens of a democracy to the richest corporations. Please protect net neutrality. Thank you.
—Barbara Thorne, Idaho Falls, ID

The internet was created as a research centre, meant to be used internationally and free of charge. Adding costs to websites not only takes away the right to learn, it says that you do not respect education or the scientist who helped create something out of their belief of advancement - scientific and education. Additionally, I work a minimun wage job to support myself and help support my mother. I do not have the extra money to pay for all the extra sites on top of all of the other bills I have to pay for. If this is passed I will have no internet. I won't be able to go to school like I plan to. The people with better jobs than me keep telling me to go to school and get a better job; but how will I be able to do that without access to the internet, where most things are now-a-days?
—Brandi, ,

Some of our biggest businesses today were once small and needed to compete in a fair and open market. Equality matters and changes everyones future
—Jesse lyons, Edmonton,

Net Neutrality preserves the Internet's status as a democratic forum for communication, where everyone has an equal voice on an equal playing field.
—Joel L Steinberg, Washington, DC

The reason why the internet was/is revolutionary is because everyone is equal. It is free to access and post to the world... without the limitations of discrimination embedded in our society. These proposed rules would make the rich have more access than those who need it most. Keep net neutrality and stop economic discrimination.
—Jason Melo Hall, Gilroy, CA

A net neutral internet is the single most important concept to preserve freedom of speech. The average person relies entirely on the internet to receive information from and pass information to each other. No company should be allowed to decide which content is priority.
—James Gass, Dunedin, FL

I can not support a system that stifles creativity and a moral capitalist structure for the customer, so I categorically do not support Chairman Wheeler and the FCC s rules for the internet. As a user and an entrepreneur on the digital medium I say this keep the internet free and open to all, there no appropriate alternative.
—Mason Gregory, Springfield, MA

It’s time for the new FCC leadership to correct the agency’s past mistakes and to reassert the agency’s clear authority over our nation’s communications infrastructure. To preserve the open Internet, the FCC must reclassify broadband Internet access as a telecommunications service.
—Steven Brady, Halethorpe, MD

Because if it's not free, then corporations will get an unfair advantage.
—Ron Frank, Cambridge, MA

Save net neutrality!
—John Belton, Brooklyn, NY

I depend upon the internet for my business and to communicate with Congress. You have done a very poor job in regulating the cable companies and you have made the same mistake with the Internet. Applying extra charges does not support Democracy. Our tax dollars were used to help develop this resource and the FCC wants to create a 2 tiered system. This is not acceptable.
—Donna Williams, Columbus, OH

The rich get richer and the poor get dial-up speed? WTF dudes? A septuagenarian.
—Anthony Barron, Mesquite, NV

Many reasons - for the common good, for business, and for education, the internet needs to remain open and free to everyone on an equal basis. Just like America. Otherwise , you will stifle creativity, risk isolating entire groups of people who can simply be priced out of the system , or go under due to unfair competition.
—Lynne Shamshoian, Cupertino, CA

Throw out the proposed rules and reclassify ISPs as a common carrier. Enact strong Net Neutrality. Creating Fast lanes only makes any other lanes slow, Censorship, cost for consumers to raise, while ISPs triple dip for profit.
—Chris Schlingloff, Rock Island, IL

I am a one-man independent game studio and rely on net neutrality for my business. Internet Service Providers should be reclassified as Title II carriers because that's the best option we have right now.
—Roozbeh Ashtyani, Franklin Lakes, NJ

The net IS a utility...it needs to be available like electricity....the neutrality is key to the free exchange of ideas and services...where would yahoo or google be if they had to operate at half speed?...Please do NOT ALLOW A multi tier system.
—DAV jon cooper, Quarryville, PA

Net Neutrality protects the free flow of ideas and creativity for everyone who wants to participate, whether they are rich or poor, famous or anonymous. It means I can research without having to worry so much about bias in the availability of my sources. It means I can focus on content rather than things that would distract from the intended message. It means everyone gets an equal right to speech. It means I can access and contribute to the next generation of innovations, and even help shape the Internet itself. It means everyone can participate in the worldwide community effort that is our Internet.
—Kathryn Bukovi, Guthrie, OK

You are about to kill my chances of starting an online business.
—Mr. Charles Longoria, Port Orchard, WA

Equal access not favoring the fat cats.
—Daniel Carpenter, Loxahatchee, FL

The internet is our telecommunications business.
—Ronnie Watkins, Merrick, NY

the corporate take over of our democracy, our environment,and so many aspects of our public and personal lives is a terrible thing to have happened. the internet is a last bastion of real freedom. you want to go down in history as the guys who killed the free internet. do the right, just thing. reclassify ISPs as common carriers. thank you
—Miriam Israel, sea., WA

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Virginia L. Latimer
—Virginia L Latimer, BEVELY HILLS, MI

ISPs need to be common carriers because easy access to information should be a right, not a privledge.
—Ben Urciuoli, Wethersfield, CT

Dear Chairman Wheeler, Real net neutrality matters. A two tiered internet is not acceptable to anybody but internet service providers that stand to profit from the newly proposed system. It will ruin American innovation as well as relegate the traditional internet to a back dirt road. All traffic must be treated equally. Please reclassify ISPs as common carries. It's the only way I and many others see to keep this "public" infrastructure open, fair, and a place of American innovation. Ron Thompson
—Ron Thompson, Wexford, PA

I have signed this petition, and numerous others, many times. Over and over again, I have to sign the same thing - keep the web open. I'm sick and tired of this. I'm a believer in a stronger, *smarter*, centralized government but that's not easy nowadays. Please, please - listen to us. This isn't neutrality. If this law goes through...well, it would be a sad, sorry, horrible state of being. So please, please stop it. Stop it.
—CA Drucker, Arlington, VA

As a web developer for a small business our customers depend on us being able to supply hosting solutions that are just as effective as those of major companies. Keep the playing field level for small business's everywhere by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Daniel Pearson, Corvallis, OR

A restricted internet is going to kill small business and stifle the voices of the common person. I will not vote for anyone who pushes this measure to its end.
—Matthew Turner, Frankfort, IN

As a small business owner, I depend on the ability to communicate quickly and accurately with clients and providers, and I would never be able to afford the extra fees. This matters to me!
—Stephanie D Jackel, Vista, CA

We have fees, taxes, and surcharges on virtually every line if communication in our country. The net is the last place where how much money you have doesn't dictate how much voice you have. Please don't take that away from us.
—Allison Stark, Camp Hill, PA

The whole value of the internet is equal access for EVERYONE.
—Bryan Foster, Saint Regis, MT

I refuse to be treated as a "less than" citizen by faceless corporations! As a self-employed artist, I rely on a freely-accessible internet in my work. Please keep the internet available to ALL who need it.
—Tanya Stewart, Berea, KY

I like most Americans have one and only one choice for an high speed internet provider. If my provider puts an application in the "slow lane" I have no other options.
—Cliff Carson, Woodstock, NY

the web is one of the last places you can get information by letting the big companies decide what a person can look up and what they don't want you to see will make the net as bad as our useless "news" programs
—Don Wendlandt, Crystal Lake, IL

The internet was developed by the government and no private business should have the right to create a two-tiered system for access and speed. It is outrageous that the FCC is even considering such a plan. I am a strong supporter of Net Neutrality and so should the FCC be. After all you represent the broad public not a few well-heeled special interests. Do the right thing and stand up for high speed internet for everyone, not just for the favored few.
—James R. Cook, Laredo, TX

Information and the means by which we get it should be equal, egalitarian, and easily accessible and affordable for all. Companies make enough money.
—Chris Rogers, Los Angeles, CA

We need freedom for all
—Deborah Dissette, Salt Lake City, UT

Internet is already expensive. I have already seen my internet bill go up. I am being charged for over g
—Steve Carroll, Glenpool, OK

ISPs need to be classified as common carriers to prevent future abuses in this market.
—Kevin Connolly, Blacksburg, VA

Please check the history of the distribution of electrical service, the distribution of telephone service, and the original intent of the founders of the Internet with regard to Net Neutrality. Also, what happened to the decision to allow charges for Caller ID, Call Waiting, and so on, which cost little for the phone companies to implement and was supposed to pay for the roll-out of high-speed Internet service all across the USA? What happened to THAT money? I guess it's now safely in the pockets of the Telecom CEOs and in storage in the Cayman Islands. Don't kill the open Internet!
—Robert Boeckmann, Bartelso, IL

Because it DOES
—Terry Silver, ,

Virtually all the most exciting innovations in the world today are made possible by the open internet. Providing two-tier services would bake into the internet the very advantages that megacorporations use to stifle innovation and crush competition in the real world. The internet has been the great equalizer and the push to a two-tier system is little more than an appeal to selfishness by anticompetitive corporations to internet providers. The introduction of such a system would, in effect, reduce the global internet to the level of China, North Korea and Iran, where only a select few are provided the privilege of access to the power of information and innovation. Just as the world is pushing the boundaries of innovation, this cynical attempt to milk people for more money to line the pockets of the few will deal a crippling blow to all efforts to tap this power for the greater good. Nationalization of Internet service providers is preferable to a two tiered system.
—Loo Choo Khong, ,

Please do not stifle my speech while giving a megaphone to others. This feels like a violation of my first amendment rights.
—Jana Rice, st louis, MO

Why should those with the most $ rule the net? Stop this!
—Barbara Sue Scholl, Lancaster, OH

The Internet was never intended to "belong" to anyone. It should never "belong" to anyone. These rules will give the big companies like Comcast and AT&T effective ownership because they get to say whose programming gets through unhindered whose doesn't. That's not a level playing field. That's not fair. That's not ethical. That's not what we, the people, want.
—Camille, Olympia, WA

It's not fair to have a two-tiered Internet with fast lanes for those who can afford extra fees and a slow road for the rest of us. As I believe the rest of us are in the majority.
—Carol McMahon, Placerville, CA

A free and open Internetnis as important to our society as free public libraries. The two of them are the primary sources of information and entertainment available to the American people.
—Carol Gronstal, Carroll, IA

It's important because it can allow innovation. It's important because, everyone should have the same access to the same info. Not the way you are proposing. It's very wrong headed to divide the internet between the have and have nots. Matter of fact, it's sickening. It goes against everything we are supposed to be. What's wrong with you all? Shame on you, Mr. Wheeler. As a result of your plan, you now clearly have no business being chairman of the FCC. The internet is supposed to be for everyone, not just those that can afford the high prices. This is some garbage that China, Iran, or Russia, would pull. Makes me sick. Stand up for the little guy, not big business.
—Andrew R., Cumberland, MD

Please protect the open Internet!
—Lisa Ray, San Antonio,, TX

A two-tiered Internet denies equality of free speech and hampers democracy. Protecting Net Neutrality = protecting freedom of speech!
—Sandra Gagnon, Manchester, NH

I am already being railroaded by Time Warner Cable because the have monopoly on fiber optic cable in my area. They are the only viable internet carrier around. Additionally, they limit their speeds and charge outrageous prices. Eliminating net neutrality would be just another step towards large corporations taking ownership of the internet. All companies should have access to high speed internet, not just those that can afford it.
—Anthony Zimmer, Lincoln, NE

They know why Net Neutrakity is important to us all..They don't need to be told..Tom Wheeler is selling out to the Coprotations, and screwing all the rest of us...
—Michael Carney, Runnemede, NJ

I am opposed to FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's proposed that would bring an end to Net Neutrality. Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast, Verizon and COX should not be allowed to create a two-tiered Internet with "fast lanes" for wealthier people who can afford extra fees and slower connections for the rest of us who can't afford ever increasing Internet fees. The worse part of Chairman Wheeler's plan, if approved, is that no one will be able to do anything about this two-tiered Internet once it has been enacted. The public's frustration with companies like AT&T, Comcast, Verizon and COX who presently control television and a growing share of telephone services, is that these companies do not provide the sort of services that customers want and can afford. They will certainly do the same with the Internet without sound Net Neutrality protections in place. Giving these companies the ability to change the fundamental manner in which the Internet has always operated is believed by many, myself included, to mark the end of the Internet as we know it. I do not support the Chairman's new rules and advocate that they be thrown out. I believe that ISP's must be reclassified as common carriers in order to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Most Rev. Russell F. Coates Jr., Rocky Hill, CT

Everyone uses the internet, every day. Keep it open.
—S Arnie, Nashua, NH

So should we do this with the automobile highways as well. Only the rich can afford to use the interstate? Like Bitcoin...people will find another way..perhaps the silk road will become utilized more.
—Eunice, Fremont, CA

Without a level playing field on the Internet, all of the websites and blogs I frequent will be SLOWLY accessible at best, severely curtailing my intellectual life.
—Robert M. Goetz, Wilkinsburg, PA

The populace should not be priced out of the internet, and the access to information provided by it.
—Howard D. Pollard, Philadelphia, PA

Private companies have shown time and time again that they are not trustworthy when it comes to maintaining ethical practices over making money.They will inevitably take a greater cost to the consumer over time and the consumers will once again have services held randsom by the wealthy companies who are policing themselves at being a responsible body.Please stand for the consumer -it is the right thing to maintain net neutrality.
—Peggy Mcknight, Coker, AL

The slippery slope is obvious. The premise for this whole idea is ludicrous, unilateral in favour of the wealthy, and would further fuel the disparity and resentment between the various classes. In short, it's a dumb, un-evolved idea. It should die.
—Chris, Los Angeles, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Jordon P, Littleton, CO

I will never have a lot of money. I help people, that's why. I'm a health care provider, a psychologist in rural USA, to be more precise. Like teachers, home health care workers, doctors, nurses, child care workers, and other people to help those in need of support and care, I get paid little. I am committed to my service to others (I know that may sound insane to you, but I am a psychologist so I insist I am of sound mind anyway), so I know I will never have much money and will have a lot of trouble finding a way to retire without significant work to earn income. And I still have to put my kids through college! Nevertheless, for work and contacting those kids and their schools and to help myself relax occasionally, I need a decent internet service. Don't start the ball rolling toward a multi tiered system. Start it and you set the precedent for many moves to come in the same game! Reclassify all ISPs as common carriers.
—Stephen Benson, Blue Hill, ME

Open access to the Internet helps ensure and promote freedom by allowing all people access to multitudes of ideas and information. By allowing telecom companies to write the rules you pave the way for those very same companies to not only stifle freedom by giving them the power to control Internet access but it gives them the ability to stifle competition by controlling information about themselves and their competitors.
—Sam Taylor, Clearwater, FL

The open internet is vital for the free movement of information, which is invaluable in our modern era. Allowing ISPs to restrict this movement for profit is akin to censorship.
—Oriana Spizzo, Belleville, IL

We need everyone to have the same access to the internet, so that good ideas can flourish, not big money.
—Eric Johnson, Bothell, WA

There's no reason to limit the internet - it accomplishes nothing and restricts our rights.
—Cory, Germantown, MD

Internet is already too expensive and I am being charged for over gig limits. Internet needs to be available to everyone at reasonable cost with no restrictions. I am unwilling to continue with internet should these restrictions be put into effect
—Steve Carroll, Glenpool, OK

I feel your proposal is a horrible mistake which may benefit corporations which already benefit from outrageous rates while ruining Internet freedom for everyone else. Leave the Internet alone.
—M Becksvoort, portland, ME

Taxpayer-funded research created the internet. Citizens have paid for web service that treats all users equally. The internet truly is a globally essential public utility. Serve the citizens and not ever- ravenous corporate greed.
—Ted Kozlowski, Portland, OR

As a web developer my career hinges on internet neutrality. Anyone with a career tied to the internet who is not already extremely wealthy depends on internet neutrality.
—Tyson Runnels, North Ogden, UT

I attend an online college that requires me to use a variety of online search engines and tools in order to complete my classes. If online providers were able to impede the speed of my service unless I paid more, then I, as a college student, would struggle to keep up with my class workload and my academic goals may suffer.
—Nathan George, Racine, WI

I've talked to all my friends at the gym and local newspaper about this because we all use the internet. We all think it's really stupid that a large company can control the entire internet marketplace, and control what we want to see. Internet is like phone that we all use and should be considered a common carrier
—Jeff Carlson, Munster, IN

We need an open internet.
—Zach Goldenberg, Barrington, NH

The FCC was created to protect the public from misuse of the public airwaves. At that time those communication airwaves were free to all. All anyone needed was a receiver for whatever format they wanted to consume. This proposal for a two-tiered Internet, which I'm sure is being sold as designed for the public good in that it will free up faster service for those who need it most, creates a loophole in the very purpose of the FCC and its purpose to protect the public's right to the best and safest communication platforms available.
—Andrew Wells, Marshall, MO

Net Neutrality represents power for the people.
—Mark Barrera, San Antonio, TX

Stop fucking gearing everything towards companies and capatalism. If you stem the internet you're literally killing global collaboration. Stop trying to mess with it, it's annoying as fuck.
—David William Charles Bryant, ,

As a religion communicator, I fear that the churches I serve through websites and social media would be marginalized under the proposed FCC Internet rules. We have a real question as to whether the proposed rules would violate the First Amendment, which not only forbids laws that would restrict religious expression, but also provides for freedom of speech and of the press, which we believe should encompass all communications media.
—Cynthia B. Astle, Dallas, TX

Please preserve our commons and let all people have equal access to the peoples internet. We paid for its development we should have unfettered access.
—Krissly Walter, Tumwater, WA

How can businesses be guaranteed that people can reach their website if there isn't equal access to all sites?
—Peggy Cope, Round Rock, TX

Why should net neutrality be a threat. We need some accountability starting with the President. Obama pissing me off a lot of what he said when he was running for President will not be forgotten. Just let it be.
—Michael James Flanagan, Littleton, CO

Freedom of information is vital to a functioning democracy. Our current news and information sources, other than the internet, are tailored to meet the agenda of those who supply that information. Placing control of information online into the hands of those same private companies relegates it to the same fate, nullifying any real freedom of information. Please reclassify the internet as a public "common carrier" and keep information free.
—Graham D Parent, Keene, NH

To most American families, constant, high-speed internet access is now every bit as important as the a telephone connection -- if not more so. It's time internet access was reclassified to reflect that.
—Tim Keenan, Steamboat Springs, CO

Content providers should compete on the quality of their content, not on who has deep enough pockets to afford fast lane connection speeds to their customers. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Benjamin McCabe, Lanham, MD

Wheeler's use of the phrase "open net" is open deception. A two-tiered accessible "premium, manipulatory advantaged rate" and a lesser, "peasant rate" is not "neutral" by definition. This hand-picked obama fundraiser and "former" cable industry lobbyist is STILL lobbying for cable. He's the least trustworthy FCC chair in a string of untrustworthy industry shills.
—Gary Robert, San Francisco, CA

Don't let yourselves become as corrupted by corporate and foreign interests as the rest of the government. Please keep the internet neutral, and free for all without tiered corporate domination. Please start over, and reclassify ISP's as common carriers!
—Richard Harris, Houston, TX

As it stands now, the Internet is probably the closest thing we'll ever get to a true meritocracy: Start-up costs are low, so anyone with a cool idea and three bucks a month can set up a website to broadcast their thoughts. From there, the thoughts people - all people - like the most get the most traffic, the most money, etc. This is utterly destroyed when a third party - an ISP, in this case - is allowed to discriminate between sources of data, and to adversely effect the experience of other users (through selectively slow load times). Suddenly, it's not just about how good you are. It's about how much AT&T or Comcast or Verizon /likes/ you, either because your data is easy to process, or - and I see nothing to keep this from happening - because you happen to have cut a deal with that ISP. Why should I care how much AT&T likes my website? Americans have never appreciated market fixing in other fields. Why should we tolerate it in the information industry?
—Avery Szafranski, Fredericksburg, VA

The current rules are inadequate to protect net neutrality. Wheeler and the FCC should make the rules more strict by specifying, as a legal matter, that his rules rely on 706 authority primarily, but are also backed up by the full force of the Commission’s authority, should 706 authority fail. This would be a reasonable change to the current rules that would most likely hold up in court.
—Jeremy Pastore, BROOKLYN, NY

The plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us.
—Steve Dickey, San Bernardino, CA

do not end net neutrality
—Nancy Warthan, Arizona City, AZ

Just keep catering to the rich, I for one can't afford to pay more for a so called teir Packages. 40 bucks a month is what I pay and thats enough I think! and for small businesses that rely on the internet to sell there products are screwed if this happens. So Mr. wheeler, get your hands out of the corporation pockets, cuz that is exactly what's happening. FCC please protect the open Internet please!!
—Paul Redmond, Bellows Falls, VT

The ability to pay more should not determine access to the internet. Income inequality is already causing enough damage to those of us who are not in the 1% - don't make it worse by auctioning off internet access to the high rollers!
—Arline Taylor, River Falls, WI

As an artist who makes a large percentage of my living income online, I depend upon the connections and relationships I maintain with fellow artists, patrons, and clients online! Without that, I cannot provide for myself, for others, and cannot tell my stories. Please listen to our stories, please think about the enormity of the situation. Thank you.
—Kim Miranda, Pearland, TX

The taxpayers paid for the development of the internet, and it must remain open to us all equally.
—chris Powers, Portland, OR

I pay for "high-speed" & get 600kbs vs. 6Mbbs claimed. Fast lane would end my links.
—Maureen Roche, Petrolia, CA

I am fond of saying, "The Internet means I never have to be curious for long." The internet is vital to many people who are not wealthy. Students use it as a part of their schoolwork. For many of us it is our primary method of distance communication. It would cause hardship for the average user of the Internet to allow it to be overrun by big business. In the long run allowing tiered service would turn the internet into another narcissistic garbage pile like the film industry and the cable TV business. The Internet is best run as a public utility so it can continue to serve everyone. Converting the Internet to a playthig for the rich and a venue for big business will ultimately kill the internet. I certainly will not shop in the limited market Mr. Wheeler's plan would create.
—Les Rees, Tempe, AZ

Under the proposed rules many Internet startups would be priced out of the (high-speed) market.
—David Citron, Martinsburg, PA

The Internet is the marketplace of the world. A marketplace is typically in a public space. A public space belongs to everyone. The Internet belongs to everyone. It was our governments greatest innovation. Which we paid for. Now a few companies think they own it and while I already pay for an Internet provider that's not enough for them; they also want to charge the internet sites I enjoy visiting which means I will be paying those sites more. What it comes down to is: I pay twice for the same thing. I would like to see more bandwidth and free internet access across american cities; this will set a course towards more innovation and bring on the "next big thing" and I hope lots of new big things. The Internet is too important to leave in the hands of the "internet providers' for what they think is best for me. I want a public utility that answers to me the public. When I turn on a tap I get water instantaneously when I turn on a light bingo I have light, when I search for a website I want it now! I don't want to have to pay and pay and pay to get it promptly. I also don't want tiny startups to have enormous cost barriers to public access. Thank you for your time and consideration. Your friend, Linda
—Linda Vilhena, Eugene, OR

As a small business owner of a web based product, this is horrifying. We employ 10 people and do not have the budget to pay for our data to be given priority access. These rules would hurt our customers as well as our business.
—Joe Koenig, Highland, IL

I own websites and create websites for many small business and web based clients. If we loose Net Neutrality I would loose my business and many of my customers would loose their business. Small business is what drives our economy and without the ability to compete, small business will die. We need small business, we need Net Neutrality.
—Claude Prettyman, santa ana, CA

Denying Americans access to the vast knowledge and information that the internet holds will keep our society from advancing, and the denial of this acces is easier and more possible than we may think through these policies. Anyone can understand that these FCC policies will only serve to ensure that corporate interests regulate the information available online. That is not where we should be headed, not where we need to be headed, And the American public will hopefully take action and act on our best interests as citizens.
—ben, Boulder, CO

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Raphael Clearfield, Durham, NC

I remain quite concerned regarding the efforts to secure ruthless American corporate takeover of the Internet. Sirs, anyone with a functioning brain can figure out in 4 seconds what is going on here. I would hate for an Obama appointee to be overseeing the parceling out of even greater cutthroat corporate greed at citizens' expense. Do the right thing. History will record your treachery, if you fail to protect the citizens.
—Michael Scott, Nashville, TN

Why did you born losers? You can't even take one decision. Look the whole world is against you. This proves that your decision is wrong. As you are a civil servant of a democratic country i order you to stop using your small brain and take back your stupid decision. Thank you. *Note: To get some respect, do some good work. I apologies if any thing written is else I mean it.
—Gunjan Yadav, ,

I have no confidence that you will act in the interest of actual human beings who benefit from the single tiered internet. Prove me wrong.
—David M. Beyer, Allentown, PA

Throw out Tom Wheeler's plan, and reclassify ISP's as common carriers. I like having my ISP not interfere with what I do on the internet. And actually getting the service that I pay them for.
—Aaron Killpack, Draper, UT

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers
—Evan Howell, Honolulu, HI

Your proposed rules threaten internet neutrality! Reclassify ISPs as common carriers immediately! Protect internet neutrality!
—tom Frouge, Placitas, NM

The open internet is an important tool for all. It should remain NET NEUTRAL. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Judi Burns, Henderson, NV

corporations have too much control over media already
—Andres, ,

Neutrality is a misnomer, this is about fairness.
—Gary Elshaw, Wellington,

I object to the two-tiered plan because I believe it would reduce competition and lead to an Internet monopoly.
—Noel Elliott, Silver Spring, MD

Our society is already stratified enough economically. A neutral net is one of the few ways left to give all citizens equal opportunity when using the net. AT& T and Comcast and Verizon should not be responsible for making even more money when there is so much to lose when you consider the concept of equal access. Please let the Net remain neutral.
—Trudi Westwood, Evanston, IL

Giving corrupt corporations control of the Internet over people would be incredibly ignorant and prove that the FCC was in bed with corporations. Keeping the Internet free and neutral means that everyone can co-exist and interact with one another and speak their mind online. Many use it to communicate with loved ones all around the world. Do not allow this to happen. Reclassify the Internet and make ISPs comply with regulations to protect everyone.
—Bill Lindner, Greenbrae, CA

Selling out to the wealthy Internet Service Providers is not good for America.
—Clark Nelson, Wethersfield, CT

Internet should be available to all equally and without restrictions. The internet is already ridiculously expensive. If these restrictions are put in place then it will be yet another thing that is only available to the wealthy/elite. Do not allow this to happen, it is unamerican, pro wealthy and com
—Kandice mallinger, Glenpool, OK

I am a science teacher and I rely on the Internet to stay informed and to deliver information and activities to my students. Please do not allow this tremendous resource to be more easily accessible only to the wealthy. The Internet has become the great leveler where people all over the world can compete and better their situations by having access to information and being able to utilize and share their creativity with the world without having much money. How else can those of little means, who strive for success, break the cycle of poverty if the playing field is stacked against them? America is supposed to be the place where anyone and everyone can attain their goals if they work hard. It looks like hard work will no longer be enough if only those with means have the greatest access to such an amazing resource.
—Dana Barbato, Staten Island, NY

The internet is for everybody, and is increasingly more important all the time. Allowing Corporations to control it for profit is an assault on Freedom of Speech.
—Rex Baumgardner, Kingman, AZ

The internet is, to me, far more important than land line telephones. It should be a utility! At the very least, protect our interests by maintaining net neutrality!
—Angela Sharer, Seattle, WA

It is the little people who make the world go round, including small businesses. If the only the ones that can pay to play passes.... the world will stall...
—J Jordan, RICHLAND, WA

Think about consumer needs, not corporate needs.
—Keith Hanson, Seal Beach, CA

Internet Service Providers are just like any other common carriers of basic utilities. Just like any other basic utility in this Country; like water, electricity, or gas, these industries do not have a two tiered pricing system. Mr. Wheeler; Just the other day you told the People of the United States of America, that you support Net Neutrality, and by the oath that you have sworn to be in your office, you had better not betray the People by not reclassifying ISPs as the common carriers that they most assuredly are !
—Shawn Sargent, West Yarmouth, MA

THIS CANNOT HAPPEN. I am dead serious when I say I will move out of this country. The internet is the backbone of American life, and as a student, I use Google Drive, and we watch all movies on Amazon Prime and Netflix, etc. If this is approved, I will be against all your causes my whole life.
—Hoon Kim, Cherry Hill, NJ

Net neutrality is important because some people can't afford to pay extra fees and that could be unfair and the rest of everybody will have terrible internet which is stupid because why do we need to change the internet. It's already perfect as it is.
—Unknown, San Diego, CA

Net Neutrality is vital to innovation and free speech. A free and open Internet is essential to the survival and growth of democracy in the 21st century. ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers -- it's only common sense!
—Carl Capotorto, New York, NY

Pretty simple. If you can explain to me how companies paying for faster internet lanes is "neutral" and have it actually make sense then go ahead with the bill. For some reason I think you will have a hard time justifying that... So do us all a favor and just stop.
—Brent Rood, Cockeysville, MD

The internet has revolutionized the way we communicate throughout the world. It's been used to bring down tyranny, and bring light to issues that were otherwise invisible. Allowing a few individuals, [as corporations are considered individuals] to control the flow of information is a new form of slavery. The internet is the beginning of a new era of connectivity that can be used to bring all of humankind to a better, higher place of understanding. The FCC proposal will castrate the internet as a tool. I demand, as a taxpayer, voter, and citizen who's served this country in the Armed Forces, that the open internet be preserved as a new resource. Classify ISPs as common carriers, that the Internet remains the open forum of communication which made it useful in the first place. To do less, would be to impose a new kind of slavery upon the populace.
—Eric Anderson, Spokane, WA

This discrimination is absolutely horrible! You should throw this plan out immediately!
—Joseph Hilton, Provo, UT

It's clearly a unnecessary money grab, we have the right to equal grounds on all sites. The only person it benefits are the people from these companies.
—Daniel Sullivan, Dundas,

Thew backbone of the internet belongs to the PEOPLE - the service providers only bring it the last few miles. It should be classed like a utility with the ISPs as common carriers. Fair and just - and neutral.
—Marc Habern, Phoenix, AZ

It's important to me to be able to use "boutique" sites where most of the content I care about is located. If the carriers are allowed to accelerate their favorites and slow everything else, the internet's value to me will be greatly reduced. I believe it also will cripple innovation here and let other countries become the dominant developers and providers. Do we really want any of that? Isn't our country about innovation and change? Why should we let the big corporations lock out new challengers and innovators?
—Donald Weigt, Madison, WI

The internet truly has become our dominant source of information, entertainment, and business. It has also become one of our main coping mechanisms for dealing with the pressures of life. If we let such a precious tool become abused by those who have more than us, then we shall lose not only our money but also our window to new worlds and our right that established us as true independent thinking human beings. That right is none other than our freedom of speech.
—Athena Baker, Germantown, TN

Save the net!
—Pat Avendano, Arlington, TX

As Americans we do not want discrimination! Please protect us by making sure the open Internet is re classifying ISP'S as common carriers. I don't want the slow lane.
—jann Reynolds, Chattanooga, TN

Net Neutrality is important because who the hell NEEDS to have it controlled by faceless greedy corporations?
—Austin Saks, Grayson, GA

An open Internet is the most concrete expression of the freedom that the United States of America stands for. Be a leader and an advocate for freedom. Do the right thing for US citizens -- not for the corporations.
—Jesse Bernstein, Philadelphia, PA

Ending net neutrality will lead to censorship by powerful corporations, which are NOT people despite the Supreme Court's absurd claim otherwise. Ending net neutrality will also make the American people second-class citizens in relation to corporations.
—Dennis Welch, Cary, NC

I am already paying high fees just to have the internet. If I have to pay for each site, it would be prohibitive. I wouldn't be able to access news or important issues. Throw out Tom Wheeler's plans to make his friends more money. Keep NET NEUTRALITY!!!
—Elizabeth Jones, Roanoke, VA

I pay for unlimited access to the internet and for you to allow the provider to control the rate of that access to particular web sites will unfairly influence my web site choices. The provider is nothing more than a common carrier providing me access to the internet and should be classified as such.
—James McKnight, San Marcos, CA

In our society the internet has become as essential as electric power, water and sewer. It is possible to live without any of these, but it shouldn't happen here.
—Willard Seehorn, Cary, NC

The Internet is a utility!
—William Roos, Bloomington, MN

These proposed rules will render the Net nothing more than another cable TV type service or "Big Box" shopping cart. I myself will be dropping all net services if this is allowed to happen. I imagine many others will do the same. What will be the point if the net is nothing more than a shopping cart. Why would I or anyone actually pay for that. This will be a huge blow to those that wish to find out rapidly what is going on around the world and being able to have there voice heard. I seriously doubt this will go without a hitch. You think the Occupy Wall Street was a mess. This promises to be far worst. End result, these new rules will result in higher prices across the board (higher phone service - band width limits that will crush VOIP services, Internet data rate limits re-instated like the old days of MindSpring and AOL, higher retail prices for merchandise - basically there would be no competition for the "big box stores" - band width crawl would dry everybody out, More expense for entertainment content - smaller services like Netflix and the like will be sent to buffering hell leaving only the higher cost cable and communication media mega corps offerings - less choice polluted with annoying pop-up adds and so on. This is just the tip of the iceberg. CNN will load instantly while online alternatives such as Daily Kos or AP will just be a spinning soccer ball and timeouts. Dissenting View points would effectively be silenced. The only truely democratic choice is to declare the internet a utility that requires that everyone has access to it. I did not even mention the education that aids that local school systems strapped for cash have come to rely on for free or near free tutoring and instructional aids. As I previously mentioned, the loss of Net Neutrality goes way beyond a few corperations increasing there already obscene profits so they can stuff there fat faces with more lobster!!! The voices of girls being exploited by extremist and natives who are the victims of genocide a and ethnic cleansing. By allowing this travesty to stand, you could have literal blood on your hands. It is imperative that Net Neutrality be restored.
—james Thackston, Smyrna, GA

Mr. Wheeler, Let me get this straight, you're seriously considering segregating the free internet in the name of money? You're seriously considering putting the clamps down on free enterprise, freedom of speech and the ability for an average American to make a living from anywhere in the world without having to depend on the unstable economy? Not only will you take away many of the basic freedoms of the internet from the majority of the American public, you'll also invite large foreign companies to advertise in our country while inhibiting the ability of your own citizens to do the same. Where will these companies spend that money, Mr. Wheeler? In the U.S.? Maybe enough to pay your "toll" and for advertising costs, but they'll be taking the rest of it home - I guarantee it. What about the individuals that will lose their incomes from your action? Have you ever taken the time to look at the number of individuals and small businesses that rely on a free internet to earn a living? Do you even care? For your information, there are thousands of individuals now earning their living online, some of whom have disabilities. Many of us may who are disabled will have no choice but to apply for Government assistance in order to make ends meet simply because of the greed of individuals like yourself. I'm extremely upset that this is even being considered. If you're successful, you are going to hurt a lot of innocent people. I want to know how you people sleep at night? I have to stop writing now. I'm in disbelief that this is even being discussed. Mr. Wheeler, I urge you to reconsider your position. Try thinking about the lower and middle class instead of how to line your pockets further. Sincerely, "One of Many Disabled U.S. Veterans"
—Joe Stewart, Scottsdale, AZ

Net neutrality is important to everyone. This is the most important decision you have to make. The internet is too important for ANYONE to not have access to. Life is not live-able without access, so we need to make this the same as electricity. Everyone can get it and it will not bankrupt ANYONE!!!
—Joshua Wood, Rotterdam, NY

Make sure ISP's are treated as "common carriers" - do not allow information and access to become a tier service - subject to the providers decisions - not consumers.
—Brandon Belcher, Knoxville, TN

Because it ensure the free flow of the information. A free internet is the most important invention since the Gutenberg printing press
—Robert Wagner, Rosevile, MN

It's nonsense and a money scam! Stop the greed!!! Some people need the Internet to do their job get education and they can't afford more outrageous prices that are allllll ready outrageous !!!!
—Courtney Legleu, Milford, OH

companies should NOT have preference over everyday people! we all should share the internet.....how much money did they put in your bank account to bribe you to support big business you FCC jerks
—David Jernberg, Elgin, IL

Free and open means of mass communication is the backbone of democracy. To allow a handful of major corporations the ability to limit any citizen's access to information - the world of information - and to also limit the ability to desiminate this knowledge, is pure lunacy. It is also dangerous. Our ability to communicate as a society, as a people should never be controlled by anyone or anything than us, we the people.
—Robert Galbreath, Gardnerville, NV

We know, Mr. Wheeler, that you once were a lobbyist for the cable industry-is this why you are so bent and determined to destroy free enterprise and net neutrality? How far will you go to protect the interests of those who bought you? What are the real costs to the American people when you do the bidding for the giant cable industries? You are indeed a despicable human being. Unless you grow a conscience and wake up, we will demand that Obama remove you from your position.
—Emily Johnson, League City, TX

The Internet was not made into the phenomenal source of free information that it is today by people giving certain content preferential treatment. The Internet is arguably the greatest invention of the last 25 years - as such, it's imperative that net neutrality is preserved and that everyone continues to enjoy the free access they do today. Anything less is short-changing the people who did so much work to make the Internet what it is, and will result in a degraded, poor experience, not only for all the people who currently enjoy the wealth of information that the Internet has to offer, but also those who come along in the future.
—Gus Luxton, San Jose, CA

Tell the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality. Anything else serves only lobbyists and BigCable.
—Michael Berquam, Spokane Valley, WA

The 2 tiered system is unfair to everyone of us who is not a big carrier. You claim that you're wanting it for us to. Now is the time to prove it. Thanks.
—Carole Katz, cortlandt manor, NY

There should NEVER be a pecking order to speed on the Internet! It's counter productive to innovation, invention, and abusive to the general public. Internet service quickness has become part of life. Once there is no Neutrality, you create financial discrimination across the board!
—Antoinette Rubino, Staten Island, NY

I need a fair and fast internet for all my communications for whatever reason. Please protect the internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Martha Spann, Blowing Rock, NC

The word "Neutral" by definition means: "To not pick sides or favoring one over another. Not helping or supporting either side in a conflict.". Net Neutrality does neither and is only going to make things worse. For years we had to deal with cell phone issues where we were locked down by how many minutes we got. Then minutes and texts. Then text were free but you had to pay for minutes. Now we're at a point were we can pay one flat rate and get unlimited everything. And now Net Neutrality is going to allow corporations to do the same thing that we fought for years to get away from with cell phones, TO THE INTERNET? NO! With Net Neutrality, browsing the internet will be one price and more than likely limited by how many Gigs of data we can use a month. If you want to stream movies from Netflix or Youtube you have to pay an extra fee for streaming. Oh you're a gamer? Well extra fee for that. Skype video chatting? More money. And so on. People are already paying in upwards of $300 a month for Comcast TV, Internet and Phone, which is ridiculous, and I'm sure if you said they could they would do exactly as I said above...They would. AT&T would for sure. They were charging customers extra money for Facetime usage on Iphones when the feature was built into the phone and didn't even work over AT&T's network. People had to purchase Internet with WIFI capabilities form their cable company to use the feature and AT&T was charging them extra for it just because they could see when people were using it. That's flat out corporate greed and corruption at it's best and it needs to stop. Comcast is just as bad. Comcast was throttling internet speeds down for Netflix because they feel Netflix is stealing their TV subscribers. The Netflix customers thought it was Netflix's fault that their videos were constantly buffering and not getting HD quality. So they complain to Netflix, costing Netflix more money, because Comcast wants more money from Netflix. Ultimately Netflix has to pay Comcast so Netflix customers can use Netflix service over Comcast Internet and Netflix has to raise cost to their customers because of Comcast. So basically Comcast customers are paying money to Comcast for Internet. Those customers are also paying money to Netflix for Netflix service. Then Comcast doesn't let their paying customers get another service they're paying for form another service they're paying for.Total BS! I guess if you wanted to use Net Neutrality to STOP the abuse from corporate giants such as Comcast and AT&T who are screwing over other companies such as Netflix who need the internet. That would be fine. But allowing them to charge more money to Throttle up or down speeds FOR the corporations is a big no go.They are the ones who need to be limited.
—Matt Macy, BRANDON, FL

I'm very concerned about the free flow of information. I'd almost like to see the small businesses and personal web sites have BETTER access to the internet than the monied companies.
—Alex Logan, San Jose, CA

Internet rules cannot be written to disadvantage any class of users. All must have equal access and equal treatment.
—Richard L. Godfrey, Madison, WI

The Internet has become a necessity, and already the carriers are charging high fees. Eliminating Net Neutrality would make getting this service significantly higher. Maintain Net Neutrality.
—Cheryl Edwards, Fayette, MO

liberty
—Taylor Phelps, Aurora, CO

Phone companies were designate as "common carriers" because they provided service essential to commerce and safety. That is what the internet does today.
—Richard H Staples, Louisville, CO

The internet should be considered a UTILITY. How does someone like Tom Wheeler even get elected? RECLASSIFY ISPs as COMMON CARRIERS. THROW OUT YOUR BOGUS "PROPOSED" PLAN!
—Stephen Schoenith, Grosse Pointe, MI

Knowledge should be free! And not just for the upper class. Everyone deserves to be connected!
—Catrina Tidey, Port Orford, OR

you bastards have sold all the public airways and all the emf spectrum to the fat cat robber barons that have enslaved the american public for far to long. and now the internet ? what's next our first born ....when will you greedy pigs have enough ? sham on you and may your houses burn down . keep the peoples internet free for all the people!
—Joseph Capshaw, burbank, CA

The internet is part of the people's commons and mega corporations have no inherent right to scam and price gouge us. We need the internet to be open with equal access for all. A level playing field for everyone.
—Donald Cooney, Santa Fe, NM

The internet has become a vital resource to all people and to divide it up between the upper class and lower class is only going to further separate the two and unbalance our economy. All people should have the equal right to information.
—Sophie Flynn, Lewiston, ID

We demand that you protect the people's interests and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Prevent massive multinational corporations from controlling what sites we do and don't have easy access to!
—Margaret Hornick, Kalamazoo, MI

WE PAY ENOUGH TAXES TODAY & W E NEED TO HAVE INTERNET TO BE LEFT THE WAY IT IS
—Mary Dolores Aitkins, Mc Clure, PA

The real way to trash the internet is to start regulating it in this manner. Keep the internet open, useful, & neutral.
—RW Etheridge, Cantonment, FL

The Internet is like the phone, in fact, it is the phone these days. It should not be monopolized!
—Gale Greeley Kempner, Gainesville, FL

Net Neutrality is crucial to democracy
—Robin Cohen, Boynton Beach, FL

Money shouldn't dictate our internet quality!
—Jaclyn Lenggenhager, Saint Louis, MO

Why are you against poor Americans and American Senior Citizens and Veterans? You should be ashamed of yourselves. I happen to fit in all the above categories. This is not justice for this nation this is a form of economic slavery. Many of us old folks have only the internet as a form of communication and expression to friends and family. But hey, we will be dead soon so what does it matter to you. And to think I once wore the Uniform of the U.S. Army.
—Mr Allen Watters Gildard, Apple Valley, CA

Nobody wants this.
—Everyone, ,

This is disgusting and a complete betrayal of the public you serve. The internet is public commons not a place for corporate profits to rule over the people's right to communicate.
—Steve Fryburg, Bellbrook, OH

I cant afford to pay for every little thing on the internet. I pay comcast for my internet. I dont need to pay to go to certain websites.
—Jannette Pastrana, Miami, FL

You cannot allow giant corparations to continually monopolize every aspect of business globally. You've seen the corruption is beyond obvious your whole board is filled of ex lobbyist to telecom stations and cable stations. If you pass this bill, the quicker anarchy will rise and you'll be on the end of the knife.
—Tye Daley, Grand Rapids, MI

Let's not pick winners & losers on the Internet! This is the only place where everyone has an equal voice!
—Mark Zall, lynn, MA

It is the only way!
—Steven Hibshman, Foster City, CA

You and your Corporate Plutocrats can go to hell. You're too damn stupid to know that your killing the fatted calf. Morons!
—Mr. Ll Ss, Atlanta, GA

Recently,it seems that courts have been ruling in favor of corporations over people. I urge you not to follow their mistaken lead.
—Jim Ahearn, Clearwater, FL

Net Neutrality is essential & equivalent to freedom of speech. Leaving it as it is makes an equal playing field for all; rich and not so rich same net experiences. Stop stomping a class or caste systems on the net.
—James Loh, ,

Corporate America should not be the gatekeeper on Free Speech. Ending Net Neutrality is simply another form of pay-as-you-go politics that will further marginalize the voices of the average citizen in the US for the sake of lining the pockets of the major corporate powers that have only their own greedy interests at heart. We need a voice, too.
—William Christina, Danvers, MA

and Please enforce the Anti-Trust Laws
—Martin Lemke, Elk River, MN

When the US President and the creator of the internet are both telling you not to do it, then maybe it's time to listen. Keep the internet neutral, reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Christina Queen, Seneca, MO

Net Neutrality is the cornerstone of the Internet. The proposed rules would replace it with an admission price turnstile. Do the right thing for the people and reclassify ISPs as common carriers under proper FCC control.
—Kenneth Christopher, Plymouth, MI

Read the definition of Common Carrier. It applies to ISPs a priori. This debate should have been over a long time ago.
—Hugh Cushing, New York, NY

We all know what will happen if Net Neutrality isn't maintained.
—Ms. Joyce Carlson, Ft. Collins, CO

This is unfair discrimination of those of us that live on a limited income and use the Internet to try and supplement our retirement income just to make ends meet. How many more times can you tax and add fees to the already overtaxed middle class. This will adversely effect my business and my quality of life. Please reconsider this plan.
—Sandra Vlier, Frisco, TX

The Internet is essential to American business, innovation, and democracy. Allowing monopolistic Internet providers free reign to censor, slow down, or block websites while requiring higher fees for faster service and more content is not only a gross infringement of the rights to access of information, it would effectively cripple our economy and technological progress. For the sake of American progress, please scrap paid prioritization and protect Net Neutrality!
—Zachary Anderson, Gowanda, NY

Net neutrality is the backbone of free speech and knowledge in our era. Without it we will create another gilded age of the haves and the have nots. It is imperative that we preserve net neutrality for the good of society globally.
—Martin I. Montoya, Milford, MA

Just another way TO SCREW THE PUBLIC
—Patricia Swenson, Gravelly, AR

The Internet will not remain the unique human endeavor that it is if ISPs are allowed to create fast lanes. Fast lanes and net neutrality cannot coexist.
—Sebastian Ferrari, Ann Arbor, MI

I depend on a variety of news sources to help me form my political opinions. These in turn, inform my voting patterns and my habits as a decent member of society. If certain news sites are given preference over others, interest groups will be able to blanket the voices of many news outlets while smaller ones are silenced. Please keep the internet open and classify all ISP's as common carriers!
—Mr. Maxwell Kessler, Los Angeles, CA

ISPs are common carriers--the end of net neutrality is the end of the useful internet.
—Steve Hoffman, Peoria, IL

My clients are small start up companies that can not afford the extra cost this will bring to them to have a present on the web. Also, it will create an unfair corprate advantage that will kill of the small business owners. The ISPs need to be reclassify as common carriers.
—Ralph W. Tobin, Fort Worth, TX

Please don't force me to have poor internet access because of my low income.
—Donald Goppert, Sylvan Beach, NY

Net Neutrality matters to me because of its many economic, social, and educational uses. The proposed plan is playing with fire, tinkering with the most important tool that the world has created. Why? Because of special interests that have taken advantage of either the incompetence or low ethics of the decision makers. These special interests already enjoy monopolistic benefits due to government's mismanagement. The line must be drawn somewhere. Classify ISPs as common carriers!
—Shaun Currier, Naperville, IL

Internet is a public good. Innovation will drop dramatically with different levels of internet.
—J Hynd, LOS ANGELES, CA

The internet, in its current awesome, usable form, can only stay that way if it remains an even playing field. Even advertisements couldn't kill its buoyant freedom, so just, please, don't make me spend the little money I have left on the very thing that allows me to forget about all my money woes in the first place.
—Richard Karl Schneider, Bellingham, WA

This is a democracy, FCC, and you work under the auspices of We the People. End your mission-drift immediately! Thank you.
—Franz Kitzberger, New Ulm, MN

Net neutrality is a must! Two-tiered internet is only a profit scam and the people should not be subjected to such greed.
—Laura Farah, Eugene, OR

Dont want to buy internet packages like cable channels. I want to access all of the internet.
—Darlene Quinones, Yauco, PR

We Don't Need More Large business running the government and Cable tv internet
—Max DeRoin, Spring Hill, FL

The only internet provider in our area is already as slow as one can imagine. This proposal by Mr. Wheeler will only make it worse. We might as well learn how to use smoke signals.
—Robert Hasselbrink, Pueblo, CO

Let me get this straight. You're going to limit and change the world's greatest economic engine and put it in the control of profit hungry companies that have used their power to lobby you for there profit. The FCC was formed to regulate for the Publics greatest benefit. in my opinion if you pass this new rule you're considering you will be regulating to the Publics greatest detriment. The Supreme Court recently ruled that all public officials are publicly and personally liable for their actions. Please consider your actions on this critical matter. The public is watching closely.. Thank you.
—Mark A. Gardner, Las Vegas, NV

Equal access for all!!
—Ralph Thomas, Mount Shasta, CA

There are so many of us who use the internet for a variety of reasons in our lives. It is incredibly important that it remain a place where information can be accessed without a company controlling how and what we have access to. It is so valuable that the internet is a fair market for the consumer at this point and so many people would not be able to afford the access to everything and we do not need large companies controlling what we see and how we get to it.
—Kristen Jordan, Hoboken, NJ

Net neutrality is important because freedom of expression is important.
—FJ Logan, APO, AP

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jordon Nagler, Monticello, MN

This is nothing more than a way for big businesses to screw over the rest of us by charging more for services we NEED! Services that were created through PUBLIC funding and as such, it belongs to the public. Period the end. The internet was funded through US. You know? The people that are meant to be protected not screwed over by the law? It is a utility. It is something that is needed to function in our lives now that it is so integrated. Be it cell phones or emails or social media, most of us rely on these services for important things. This is greed fueled and just plain selfish. AT&T, Comcast, Verizon already make billions. Stop taking more! You are not entitled to it! You already earn enough! I work hard, I'm not entitled to decent services? I'll be reduced to slow lanes and my content being selectively displayed because I'm already struggling to pay for my expenses at a full work week (which includes my internet) because you, FCC, allow the companies do what they want?
—Amber Gilbert, Canterbury, CT

These new rules would create a financial incentive to make internet service as slow as possible to compel businesses to sign up with the "fast lane" service. It allows cable and phone providers an easy way to restrain the trade of their competitors and disincentivises innovation
—Matt Williams, Highland Falls, NY

I DEPEND upon an open Internet for my tiny business - and, unlike Verizon, AT & T , and Comcast, I DO PAY FEDERAL TAXES.....
—Patricia Guthrie, Chalfont, PA

Yes, please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jan L Bergeron, Sacramento, CA

Money is not speech.
—Bill Burns, Buda, TX

Fair and just would be to have ISP's classified as COMMON CARRIERS. The Gov. should not regulate my freedom and fair structure basis. My communication source should be structured on a FREE equal to all basis. Thank You ! , Please record my comments / JC
—Jerry Conradt, Wayne, NE

I no longer subscribe to Cable TV. I get ALL of my TV Viewing streamed over the INTERNET so, for me, the Internet is my only Media Gateway. Your proposed rules would restrict my ability to get news and other critical information by DECREASING competition. All Internet Providers ARE media broadcasters and NEED to be classified as such. Don't Kill Net Neutrality for Me!!!
—Carl Mccall, San Diego, CA

The internet is important to me and I hate to see it taken away.
—Alison Ziemba, Lemont, IL

Think of the folks who are on a fixed income and also vote. We also have need for affordable internet service. We also remember that there used to be laws against monopolies.
—W C., Louisville, KY

It's absolutely insane that you guys are willing to break something that has created more American innovation, business, success and opportunity since the discovery of fossil fuels. Making the web a common carrier simply must be done. It's a more important communication backbone than telephones. Don't sell off Americans' access to knowledge, and opportunities for innovation .
—Brian King, Sherman Oaks, CA

The FCC's decision is unacceptable. Internet traffic must be treated equally. This obvious corruption cannot stand.
—Alex Sparrow, Ashland, VA

At this stage in the game, fair and equal internet access is essentially a civil right. It's necessary for everyone to have a level playing field when it comes to access, and it is NOT for big businesses to decide who gets priority.
—Jessie Hodgins, ,

Net mobility is essential for my work every day!!
—Mary Harte, Berkeley, CA

FCC: YOUR NEW RULES FOR THE INTERNET ARE VIOLATIONS OF FREE SPEECH. THROW OUT YOUR RULES.
—Craig Spring, Los Angeles, CA

Net neutrality is very Important to me and all Americans'.
—David Kallechey, Atlanta, GA

As a writer and editor, I earn my living via the Internet. It's not a lot of money, but I would be out of work without net neutrality. And I also fear the changes to our democratic access to information that the end to net neutrality threatens.
—Amy Henry, Northampton, MA

While I doubt extra fees will be passed onto the consumer, I have no doubt websites that forget to pay their protection fees might find their load times measured in aeons.
—Khalil Sheehan-Miles, South Hadley, MA

The Internet is a communications utility and should not be manipulated by corporate special interests and money!
—Kathy Bradley, Lugoff, SC

The future of our communication is via internet and associated technology. It is not in our best interests to let any one group (or special interest, or based on any other attribute) decide who can see what, when or where.
—Leslie Cummings, Lakewood, WA

An open internet is required of a democracy.
—Katherine J Batsis, Greenfield, MA

I want the Internet to stay open. I don't want preferences given to those with more money
—Nathan Shively, Shreveport, LA

I want to see the internet IPSs classified as common carriers, subject to the same rules as utilities. No cable or phone company should be able collect additional money to assign my downloads or email service to a 'priority' que. All internet users should have equal access to information.
—Paula Kraus, Westland, MI

Companies should never be trusted to police themselves, as history has proved. Please don't allow companies to make these decisions. I don't believe Nickle and diming people is the right decision here.
—Sean Kingsmill, Hinckley, OH

If you go ahead with this you will have demonstrated that, in all likelihood, you never had any intention of listening to us. Do not call our anger 'boffo'. Do not ignore us by saying that we are right and then going ahead with your plan anyway. There's NO NEED for a fast lane. Dozens of other countries have no such lane and their internet is far faster than ours. The USA and Canada are suffering from, not a technological or infrastructure handicap, but from lazy, slow, greedy corporations who depend on long-term contracts and exorbitant service fees (believe me I've had experience with those) to make more money than they have any intention of ever spending on improving their services. Please do not let yourself be influenced by corporate interests; there has never been a single corporate interest—charity, advances in environmental friendliness, or responsible action—that was motivated by concern with anything except the corporation's own benefit. The only time companies have ever been philanthropic is when they were privately owned and the owners were philanthropic themselves. Giving them yet another way of choking money out of people is not going to make the internet faster and you should know this, given the fact that it is your business to know this. Most services for web hosting, etc. are in the USA. I am going to suffer if the United States' FCC does a gaff like this. Don't do it.
—John Robert Rutherford Fraser, Niagara Falls, ON

Please vote no to this merger.
—Ivan Weissmann, Dallas, TX

Because I quite like the net as-is, thank you very much
—Hester Kenneison, ,

Let's keep the internet non-commercial !
—Fred Brown, Palomar, CA

I don't want internet rules. please support net neutrality.
—Andre LeBlanc, Maurice, LA

I have a small business. Let us market too!
—Genevieve de Mahy, Baltimore, MD

I rely on the internet for a range of diverse opinions on news and events. To allow certain carriers special privileges to present their opinions is to stifle opposing points of view.
—Robert Adams, ft collins, CO

to allow ISP's to pick and choose who gets reasonably quick access is like letting alcholics hold the gin.
—Mike Andrewjeski, San Francisco, CA

The Internet is a lifeline for me, it is my only means of communicating and by being neutral in its processing, it facilitates the information exchange to be vibrant and ongoing. DO NOT turn it into another censured tool of the corporations. Maintain pure equality.
—Rudy Sovinee, Escondido, CA

As the internet has progressively displaced traditional phone service to become the de facto common carrier, REGULATE IT AS SUCH.
—Jon Longsworth, aptos, CA

Net Neutrality respects all people, allows free speech to all, allows access to services and education to all, so it must not be structured to favor rich corporations, but open to all equally.
—Timothy Hoyer, Jamestown, NY

It is very simple: WE demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Period finito
—Randall Dollins, Kansas City, MO

Without Net Neutrality there can be no competition between websites and online companies, and without competition companies have no motivation to change for the better.
—Samantha Bronster, Edgewater, NJ

I'm a blind person who uses the internet as a form of communication, so don't control where I can and can not go. I can see if I worked for you guys, but I don't
—Raymond Lombardi, east dublin, GA

The internet is a truly great resource for everyone. No private interest should be allowed to limit access or charge higher fees for certain privileges on use of internet features. It's just plain WRONG!
—Dan Avery, Butte, MT

We don't need big corporations limiting our choices just so they can rob us blind. Rule for regular people not the elite.
—Robert Poulsen, Santa Cruz, CA

free flow of ideas and information is critical to the health of a democracy
—Rick Myers, ashland, MA

Just like the telephone was to the 20th century, the internet is the communication technology of the 21st century! Like telephones, water, electricity, sewer and roads, the internet is a modern public utility, and must be classified as a COMMON CARRIER. These few powerful corporations want to govern and filter all digital communication. It is worse than thought police. They seek nothing less than to give themselves a total monopoly on what ideas live or die. They are trying to make themselves the gatekeepers to everyone's business and communication-- the ultimate arbiters of innovation and discourse worldwide. This is happening now, in Mexico. It will happen here if you let it. There was a time when the FCC stood for the people of this country. Your forebears regulated against foreign ownership of 20th century media on the basis of national security. Today, the companies and billionaires who stand to benefit from controlling content on the web are more powerful than most governments on Earth and hold no allegiance to anything but themselves. Allowing them to monopolize discourse on the single most important commerce and communications network of all time is dangerously unAmerican.
—Adrienne Arno, Los Angeles, CA

The internet is part of day to day laude. It should be a utility. Don't tell me what information I can have when I am paying for it!
—Tristan Bell, ,

I'm a teacher and the internet is a constant resource for me and my students.
—Joanne Thiele, Norfolk, VA

Everyone deserves fast internet. This plan of the large corporations is about greed, not about service. They are providing service and all customers deserve equally fast Internet service.
—Camille Gilbert, Santa Barbara, CA

Owners of the means of data transmission should not also be in control of content. Thus, I favor treating the internet as a common carrier, preferably owned and developed by the public.
—Dr. Patrick Tchou, Pepper Pike, OH

Internet service providers and other corporations already have too much power. Please stand up for the 'little guys' - WE THE PEOPLE - who supposedly matter in this country.
—C Born, Portland, OR

Because it fosters innovation by small companies, and gives equal voice to smaller internet providers
—Stuart Montgomery, Mountain View, CA

The use of the internet should not be treated like a luxury.
—Mark Harrison Jr., Bedford, IN

Democracy depends on freedom of speech and thriving public discussion. That doesn't happen by letting the market rule; it happens through choices to support it. To put it another way and to mis-paraphrase a former FCC commission, no, internet devices are not just toasters with data.
—Dr. Bruce Lenthall, Rosemont, PA

Net neutrality stands for poetry and science and above all justice.
—Max Frazier, COLUMBUS, OH

PS...ALSO Please be Aware of: AMERICAN “CorpoCRISY” $$$ CORPORATE Media CON-OCRACY $$$ & SOCIAL TREASON ~ Definitely Not the Sound of *We the People* Or We the WORLD* (Washington D.C. or B.C.? , Yes BEFORE Christ OR JUST PLAIN BIZARRELY CUCKOO!) Good Luck on this One for Sure! Greg's Universe Publishing/Th.Trkstar www.GregsUniverse.com On Going UNIVERSE the Thread to Mend...
—Greg Garbulinski, Lapeer, MI

Please allow free speech.
—Jason Nutbrown, Albany, VT

AT&T and Comcast are much more interested in control & their bottom lines than in the American consumers. Don't let them control our Internet.
—Gayle Spencer, Menlo Park, CA

A free and open Internet is vital to democracy and free speech in the 21st century. The protection of free speech is in the 1st Amendment for a reason. Stand on the right side of history, stand with We The People and protect a free and open Internet.
—Amalio J Martinez, Dumont, NJ

Freedom and equality for all to share equally, diversity makes the world stronger and stable, don't discriminate for profit for the few only.
—Sean Livingstone, ,

Every voice should have equal representation, not just those supported by big money. Why don't you do the right thing and keep the internet a democracy? I thought that democratic ideals were what this country was built on. Your actions fly right in that face of that. Is that the message you really want to send?
—Kc, Fairfax, VA

These people need to be re-classified as common carriers; which is all that they are -just like telephone, cable,, etc. There is no reason to allow them to turn the internet from a useful communication device to a major profit center for the corporations; they did not invent it; should not control it. And turning control over to the UN or "international body" is not a good plan for free communications.
—Charles R. Ross, Rio Nido, CA

This should be obvious!
—Skip Vena, Woodland Park, CO

Net Neutrality is probably the most important issue of our times. Everything from voice, commerce & social data is exchanged via the internet. It is crucial that any party has equal access to the same bandwidth and speed to the internet.
—Alan Tsuyuki, Brea, CA

I use the internet for research and discovery. My 10-year-old daughter uses sites designated by her school that are a big part of her education. There are millions of citizens like us. We cannot afford the high fees that will result from the discriminatory pricing that will result from your proposed rules. In the information age, ISPs are now the quintessential common carriers. Any final rule should reflect reality and classify them as such. Please do not take away our access by turning the internet into an elitist tool.
—Mr. Mark Lee, Dallas, TX

As an independent musician that relies on websites such as bandcamp and blogger to spread the word of my music, net neutrality is very important to me. If the services I use to generate revenue are compromised I am, in the vernacular of our time, screwed.
—Matthew Wasik, Cary, IL

As a disabled American, I depend on neutral. affordable internet access to keep contact with everything important to me.
—Ruth Hardy, cincinnati, OH

Are you really interested in destroying innovation? If so, these rules are a great way to do it! If you care at all about SMALL BUSINESSES, NEW IDEAS, and/or ANYTHING NOT MADE BY RICH PEOPLE OR LARGE CORPORATIONS, then these rules NEED TO BE TRASHED.
—Sarah Ammerman, Columbus, OH

Everyone but a few phone companies want net neutrality. Don't fall for te phone companies' line by saying that the FCC will stop transgressions. Spell out in the rules that the phone companies cannot differentiate between customers. Your approach sounds good to you, but fails miserably in the real world.
—Roy Gamse, Arlington, VA

An open Internet is absolutely essential to contemporary research. As a graduate student I depend on it to obtain references and collaborate with my advisor and fellow researchers. If these rules go underway, countless online data archives and outreach sites -- which depend on already very sparse NSF funding -- will fall victim to the restrictions imposed by these rules and the biases of ISPs, and affect scientific progress nationally as a result.
—C Austin, Champaign, IL

Dear Federal Communications Scumbags: This is ridiculous. The internet plays a HUGE role in our daily lives, and you monopolize it? This will have a HUGE negative impact, and pretty much a guaranteed backlash from the public, IT ALREADY IS FACING A GIGANTIC BACKLASH FROM THE PUBLIC. This isn't what our country is about, you are ruining that, and just making us worse. I don't know exactly how this is going to end up if Net Neutrality get's killed, but i'm sure it won't be in your favor for a long time.
—Francisco Gomez, Miami, FL

I am trying to tell folks we are being poisoned by food & pharma as a disabled RN
—Maureen A Absten, lewis center, OH

Creating an OUR interNet that can be controlled in any way by moneyed power brokers that have only profit on their agenda, must not be allowed by any of OUR trusted public agency servants.
—William J. Ashwood, New Brighton, MN

Net Neutrality is what allows users and content creators to share both ideas and content in a fluid and dynamic way. Without it, creating both will slow down, and our American companies and citizens don't need or want to be slowed down by the service provider. Thanks, David Ball
—David Ball, Boise, ID

Ending net neutrality would make us a 2nd or 3rd rate country in the information age. Let's not sabotage our ability to compete.
—Gordon Kaswell, Eugene, OR

The Internet was created to be free. Net neutrality has to be protected from anyone who would control it.
—Manuel Sanchez, Laredo, TX

NO MORE discrimination based on INCOME!!!!!!! STOP BUCKLING TO THE WEALTHY!!!!!
—Sherry Evans-Carmichael, Los Alamos, NM

I've been in this business space my whole career. The internet needs to be free and accessible to all as a fundamental utility. Please classify it as a common carrier.
—Anne Walker, North Reading, MA

These rules are great for our growing telecommunication monopolies. The big fish get to make money hand over fist while smaller businesses are left with a decision to either pay to compete with large multinational corporations for big pipe access or try to make due with capped/limited bandwidth. Infrastructure pays for itself. There is no reason to not treat internet access like a public utility. Please spare us all from the disastrous path these rules will lead us down if they remain as currently written.
—Timothy Forsythe, Greensboro, NC

No matter how you slice it, there is a limited amount of internet going thru the wires. If they keep a part reserved, then the other part runs slower due the extra demand on it.
—Shawn Owen, Tulsa, OK

I'm disabled, and depend on the internet to communicate with my League of Women Voters Unit.
—Ruth Hardy, cincinnati, OH

Protect Net Nuetrality, a free and equal internet is this democracy's and humanity's last and only hope! A corporate dominated internet will be as bad as our corporate dominated democracy!
—Aaron Pearl, Culver City, CA

Without Net neutrality, I lose the freedom to pursue my interests as I wish. I lose the ability to freely browse and expand my knowledge of the world. I'm not talking binge-watching Netflix. I'm talking research for my novels, inspiration-gathering, even posting snippets of my work online for comments. You would be preventing the spread of the arts, stifling free speech, and generally screwing over the generations of people who have grown up with the Internet.
—Laurissa Corbin, Spring Arbor, MI

I am a small business owner. Small businesses make up: 99.7 percent of U.S. employer firms, 64 percent of net new private-sector jobs, 49.2 percent of private-sector employment, 42.9 percent of private-sector payroll, 46 percent of private-sector output, 43 percent of high-tech employment, 98 percent of firms exporting goods, and 33 percent of exporting value. Not supporting Net Neutrality is not supporting small businesses which, in turn, is not supporting AMERICA.
—R Erwin, Kahului, HI

The Internet is possibly the greatest invention of all time, and letting megacorporations like AT&T create fast lanes for the rich would destroy the equal playing grounds that have been the internet for as long as we can remember
—Virginia Hutchinson, Birmingham, AL

please keep the internet equal so all people rich and poor get the same benefits.
—Patrick Scarry, o'fallon, MO

Please do the right thing for the people, not big business, we need YOU to make things right. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank-you.
—Vicky Bauer, Mount Airy, MD

Your dictatorship tactics to take away freedom from American citizens and give more power to cooperate near monopolies is fucking discussing. Tom, please Retire and go live in Siberia, this country no longer needs you or people like you. Thank you
—Zach Oeser, Elizabeth, CO

Do any of you actually care about free markets and the heart of capitalism? If you have ever used that line in your political careers, then STOP selling out to the highest bidders and allow everyone access to the marketplace.
—Austin Nelson, Bend, OR

Because I don't want 5 people deciding such a big issue for the American people!
—Cindy Koch, Long Beach, CA

Net Neutrality enables me to talk to my far flung family though Skype and other media.
—Jean Perkins, Phippsburg, ME

You're letting corporations pimp the internet?! Shame on you!!!
—Prescott H. Paine, Wesley, ME

I demand that you toss out your rules, and support the internet as the free and open service it's intended to be. Listen to the citizens contacting you and wanting to be heard. Don't sell us out to big telecom because that would cripple the internet, stifle creativity, and silence voices which need to be heard. I demand REAL NET NEUTRALITY instead of some gift to the Verizons, AT&Ts, Time Warners, and Comcasts. I am begging of you to deny those aforementioned companies the ability to have an almost dictator-like control of the internet, and to instead leave the internet as it is. Thank you for reading, and I STRONGLY urge you to re-consider your current proposal. Thank you.
—Steven Byrd, Ball Ground, GA

It should be an equal playing field for all on the internet.
—E Amba Caldwell, Santa Fe, NM

I want an open internet so everyone has a chance to do something great. Google started small, so did Amazon, and Netflix. It is sad to see that new start ups would not be able to compete with people who have a lot of money. Please protect the internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Megan Wilcox, Middletown, NY

I take college classes at home and if you add fast lanes to net neutrality, It will be impossible to take classes. Please, reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Evan Worster, Brownville, ME

Anything that America does, and the world will follow when implemented. A world where money will provide you with a better services is calling for corruption. There'll be even more inequality in the world when this happens. Remember, if the world regards America as the role model, then America must be responsible for its decision as it never affects just the States alone.
—Tan Yan Ling, ,

The Internet is a foundational technology, critical to the leadership, innovation, and future of our country. How in the world can anyone think that placing such a huge responsibility in the hands of the likes of AT&T, Verizon, and Comcast would be a good idea??! These guys want to find ways to make more money without providing any new, improved services. Please don't let them. IMO, America already lags far behind other nations in providing access to the information universe. Destroying Net Neutrality will bang us even farther down the list. The consequences will be awful. I'm embarrassed for my country that we're even having this discussion. Are we a leader or are we bought and owned by Big Corp and Big Money? C'mon, leaders. Listen to the people and then lead, here.
—Holly Croydon, San Andreas, CA

I am an educator, and it is important to me that my students and colleagues have ready access to online information without it being filtered by ISPs.
—Susan Goldstine, California, MD

Internet should and must be free and neutral, even here in south america we understand that, Brasil is taking steps to ensure that what you guys are trying to do, never happens. Please, internet is a incredible source of knowldege, it allows people to communicate overseas, it is VITAL that remains neutral, PLEASE alter your rules, PLEASE protect the internet from the corporations that only want power and money, everyone deservers to have a free internet, our children, or grand children, PLEASE.
—Damian de Arce, ,

The internet is like any public utility and should be regulated accordingly. Everyone deserves to have the fastest internet connection available - not just the wealthiest among us. Internet Service Providers need to be reclassified as common carriers so we will have Net Neutrality.
—Carole Hope Seplin, Hollywood, FL

Two-tiere internet will lead to further discrimination of people on low incomes.
—N Watson, Enniskillen,

Destroying net neutrality flies in the face of the 1st Amendment of the US Constitution.
—J, Woodinville, WA

WORK FOR THE PEOPLE!!!. Not big greedy corporations. Protect Net Neutrality. Chairman Wheelers new rules need to be trashed! Throw out the rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Protect the internet.
—Christopher Coleman, Blue Creek, OH

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. It's a shame what has happened to the broadcast industry in the United States. I believe we have lost forever the notion of “broadcasting in the public interest”. I have been involved with the FCC beginning in 1975 when I took the test in Long Beach to receive my FCC Third Class Broadcasting License. I spent the next 30+ years in radio, mostly with non-commercial station KXLU-FM, working as an FM host, disc jockey (with real vinyl records!), and taught the basic principles to countless college students either pursuing a degree in Communication Arts, or willing to put in the time because of a love of music. I preface my plea to you with this information, so that you may know that I care deeply about communications in general and specifically now about net neutrality. That we are today faced with the behemoth of Comcast and a pending deal between Direct TV and AT&T reflects the loss of a true principle of “local broadcasting” and its importance to every community. That the wholesale media consolidation in the United States has turned 180 degrees, allowing such mergers to occur with little or no opposition is an outright shame. The consumer is faced with ridiculously frequent rate increases by what can only be called a monopoly. Sure, let them charge as much as they want for your access to television, telephone, and internet access. That we are forced to pay such a high premium (Silicon Valley adjacent no less) for a service that still utilizes cable installed, in most cases, going back to the e early 1970’s is at times unbelievable. When one measures the speed and quality of local internet service, in comparison to many other much smaller countries throughout the world, it makes me feel bad about the United States, and that is a feeling with which I have very little experience. That being said, what the FCC has allowed to take place over the past several decades has certainly not advanced the medium, or the intent, of local broadcasting. It seems lately that the news carries only the story of how the American consumer is being rounded up and quashed by unbelievable mergers that line the pockets of these corporations. I’ve not seen any display of goodwill, nor even concern, for the public that they “serve” – at their discretion. The advent of the internet and the changes it has fueled are really something to marvel at. Unorganized, uncategorized, worldwide entertainment, information, communication, learning, and the world at your fingertips (at whatever speed Comcast ‘hosts” in your neighborhood) seems to me like a miracle. One is so meshed with the internet now that it seems almost unbelievable that we got along without it. The innovation, creation, boundary-breaking nature of the internet is something to be celebrated for its uniqueness – not quickly “sold off” to multi-national corporations that seek to take over this last form of “free communication & free speech”. Why the FCC even entertains the notion of totally changing the way the internet works to allow for a “movie company” to stream their content over Comcast or the like, somehow thinking that this is more important then any of the other mass communication or private communication uses of the internet is so totally “out of touch” with how the internet works today as to make one just stop and stare at such a power move. Perhaps the FCC is overly challenged with duties at hand. Surely, what you have control over has grown just as exponentially as the diversity of communication mediums within your oversight. I thought it a challenge back in the day when you had to control radio and television. Anymore, those are looking like tired business models that such corporations like Comcast seek to have any interest in only if they own them. The internet should be allowed to grow as it has. Marvel at the changes it embraces, and how it continues to grow, unimpeded by wholly private money-making corporations, with profits ruling their intentions. Hey, save one for the “little guy” for a change and speak out against and further do not allow such as has been proposed and voted on. It’s not too late to change my opinion of The United States, and that of people throughout the world. We could use the positive PR for a change here in the USA. The little guy and the Big Country could be proud of taking a stance and NOT allowing further encroachment of private concerns on our communications. Stand up, throw out the whims of internet service providers, and bring some shine to the FCC again. You could really make an important stand at this juncture of the growth of the internet with a vote against your proposed rules. Don’t seek to allow further encroachment of companies like Netflix and Comcast, allowing them to make the internet their little party of profits. Who knows, I could even enjoy what used to be warm and fond memories of my old Third Class License, sealed in its aging dime-store frame. Old and yellowed from sitting on top of a tube-based transmitter for most of its life, subject to the heat of analog technology, the embodiment of Marshall McLuhan’s concept of a “Hot Medium”, but it stands for so much of what is important in general with regard to communications. Dismayed by the way people approached and used new media such as television, McLuhan famously argued that in the modern world "we live mythically and integrally ... but continue to think in the old, fragmented space and time patterns of the pre-electric age.” Stand up to these powerful, money-fueled lobbying concerns and make the right choice on this one. I’d put money down (if I had any left after paying my ISP bill) that in 10 or 20 years from now, there won’t even be something called “Netflix”. Times will have inevitably changed and new forms of communication, unimagined today, will evolve and help bridge the gap between people of different nations. The World – it’s a big place, yet so very small at the same time. Do it a favor guys and turn the tide against further private interests in the internet. Sincerely, James Dunfrund
—James Dunfrund, Pleasanton, CA

Is this another attempt of corporate America to rule the US?!
—Connie Stone, santa barbara, CA

Innovation. Big companies don't like innovation, anything that's new is risky. large much prefer to take safer, well known ideas, and run them into the ground until they wring the last penny out of them. theses days new ideas and concepts don't come from major companies, they come from individuals who come up with an amazing idea and just decide to run with it. the modern gaming industry is one place that shows this quite well. A few years ago, when the market was still being flooded with hundreds of identical, boring, badly-made first person shooter titles, Minecraft came along, and showed everybody what it was like to have an imagination again, it was made by just a few guys with a few computers and an idea, now it's one of the biggest, most popular games out there. it showed people that if we wanted good games again, we'd have to make them ourselves. The internet, and net neutrality, were key to all of this. if net neutrality ends so does the chance of anyone else ever being able to create something wonderful like that. if you think for one second that big businesses won't take advantage of this proposal, then you're blind. Corporations literally exist to make as much money as possible, and they attempt to block anyone who tries to move into their market. this proposal is essentially a big steel wall they can slam down in front of any independent developers to stop them from getting any sort of start. We need net neutrality in order to keep new ideas flowing. Please, don't do this. ~Joshua L. Castro
—Joshua Castro, Brooklyn, NY

Really? This does not require an explanation.
—Brian Steinberg, Crystal Lake, IL

I depend on Net neutrality! Please keep the internet open!!
—Charles T Lakin Jr, Ocala, FL

My husband is a business owner and a content creator. We should have a fair shot at Internet traffic- there's no way we can compete with companies like Verizon when they can afford a faster experience for consumers.
—Cameron Edwards, Pasadena, CA

I depend on net neutrality to help with school,and project proposals. DO NOT GET RID OF NET NEUTRALITY. If that happens then educational system will lack an placing the united states lower on the educational system list.
—Kyle, Idaho Falls, ID

Net Neutrality is no different than freedom of speech and press as it gives every individual an equal opportunity to be seen and herd.
—Logan Afton, Curwensville, PA

Net Neutrality is vital to the growth of new American businesses (like mine) online. Without Net Neutrality, small websites will not be able to compete with larger websites, creating a situation where competition can literally be rubbed out by more powerful businesses, and startups would have little recourse. Help us build a better America today, let the seeds that have been sown grow without broadband discrimination. Reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers. We independent web entrepreneurs are counting on you to help us make a better and brighter future possible for all. Thank you.
—Alex, Wisconsin Rapids, WI

The internet is an invaluable tool for information and knowledge. Slowing it down means that only people with the ability to pay will have greater access and control, which is completely unacceptable.
—Nezka Pfeifer, Scranton, PA

Please please please don't bring the strife of class division into the Internet. Do not be bought. Por favor, protect the people and not the corporation. The average person and not the top percentage. Thank you if you would.
—Maria, Bronx, NY

The Internet is essential to my daily life for work and keeping in touch with family that live several states away. The tiered Internet proposal would likely force me into the lower tier where my ability to stay in touch via Skype or download short home movies would be greatly hampered. My family is important to me. If it were not for my job, I would still be living just down the street from them. Please do not let corporate greed take that away from me. They are not hurting for profits. These telecommunication companies earn higher profits every year. They don't need your help to bolster it further.
—Brett Ussher, Tempe, AZ

Without Net Neutrality, the internet is subject to abuse by the service providers and would negatively impact most people (excluding of course those who want to suck even more money out of the American people).
—Ek, Irvington, NY

Everyone should have equal access to all sites. Corporations should not have the right to censor & limit access to anything.
—Karen Sewick, Downers Grove, IL

This country does not belong to just big corporations, the internet is all of ours and needs net neutrality
—Louis Drinkwater, Chelsea, MA

Net neutrality lets me have a job! Don't kill the information business I work for so a certain number of monopolies can further line their pockets!
—Samantha Bartley, Spencer, IN

We want net neutrality, not another corporate takeover. Try serving the needs of the general public for a change.
—Mark Bordine, Gold Canyon, AZ

Now days when we see the Country that we love and care for the only way we can fight back to stop the Corporations and the multi Billionaires to slave all of us and the rest of the world Is to keep alive NET NEUTRALITY so don't do this.
—Marcial R. Ramirez, San Francisco, CA

The Internet is not broken--so why are you trying to "fix" it. Please stop meddling with Internet. Instead, work to undo all the media consolidation that has narrowed the range of public discussion, limited information dissemination, and damaged our democracy.
—Patricia Walsh, Boston, MA

I truly dislike what I have read about this two tiered system. Since I live in a rural area, my service is already slow.
—Paula Denissen, Wolcott, CO

The Internet is one of the greatest inventions of the 20th century and is poised to change the world. It should be treated as the valuable resource it is. The attempts of the telecommunications companies to establish fast lanes or charge data providers for any services beyond connection is reprehensible. They have already proven themselves untrustworthy guardians of the Internet, and I find it amazing that the government gives them as much free reign as they do. Since Verizon successfully lobbied to have the Internet unregulated under current rules, the only thing to do is to declare Internet Service Providers a Type 2 carrier and enforce Net Neutrality with an iron fist.
—Chris Gottschalk, Cresco, IA

Please do not play favorites with the internet; it will create classes of haves and have-nots and will be detrimental to our democracy
—Laura Strom, Los Angeles, CA

I already pay heavily for the internet and do not want tiers.
—Richard Cassidy, Winston Salem, NC

I live in a rural area where the internet is my main means of communication thru e-mail. Please keep Net Neutrality cause my wait time is long enough as it is.
—Veroune Chittim, Selma, OR

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Gary Schaible, Warren, MI

hope you folks @ the FCC don't ruin a good thing and keep the airways open for us the PEOPLE
—Raymundo Martinez, los angeles, CA

I don't think it is fair that big telecom. companies will be able to regulate the internet speeds. We should be working on improving the internet, not creating fast lanes for those who can afford it and slow lanes for those who cannot. We already pay very high fees to the telecom companies and have slower speed compare to Europe. President Obama promised he would protect a free and open internet when he first campaigned and he should be kept to his word.
—Cheryl Dzubak, Yardville, NJ

Please classify ISP's as common carriers; I run a small business and need net neutrality.
—Michael Hocevar, Georgetown, CO

Carriers should only charge for access and bandwidth. Like a phone carrier charging for a line and for minutes used. Could you imagine paying a different fee for a call to a family member vs a call to a merchant? This is a dangerous slippery slope we are allowing to happen if no definitive action is taken now: ie classifying ISPs as common carriers!
—Hazel Bell, Watchung, NJ

The internet all ready sucks we don't need it to suck more
—Johnathan Dudley, Cumming, GA

This is not acceptable the internet has led to so many opportunities for small companies, given big money more advantage seems to make it even harder to build a business that can power the next generation of prosperity.
—Corbin Hoenes, South Jordan, UT

Dear FCC Committee Members: I am deeply disturbed by your proposed Internet rule changes. As the network that originally created what is now known as the World Wide Web was designed entirely at American taxpayer expense, I believe it should now, and into perpetuity, remain an equal and open resource for all Americans to democratically use. Such a vital telecommunications tool should not be turned into a source of commercial discrimination, where the wealthiest amongst us benefit at the expense of all others. Specifically, I believe there should be an outright ban on any "fast lanes", where corporations, groups, or organizations could charge larger sums for faster service than what is currently available to all. The greed of Internet Service Providers (ISPs) is potentially endless, jeopardizing the access and affordability to many American consumers, innovators, users, and edge providers of the Internet. As such, those same ISPs should not be left free to legally rebut prioritititization issues, in any court. Their avarice would be destructive to us all. Additionally, broadband access needs to be classified as a Title II common carrier & regulated as such, including full transparency regarding specific network practices, performance characteristics, and terms/conditions of service to end users. There is no question that the Internet is the primary telecommunications resource across the USA today. As such, it needs to be treated as all other major telecommunications resources are - a public resource with all having equal access and full disclosure of all aspects of services provided/offerred, including any new services provided. An ombudsperson's office needs to be created, to act as watchdog and advocate for start-ups, small businesses & consumers. That ombudsperson needs to seek out comments on how to ensure all parties, particularly those that are small, impoverished, or just starting up, have access to the office's dispute resolution & enforcement processes. Additionally, whistleblower protections need to be firmly ensconced within that office's purview, as well. Smaller users of Internet services need responsive recourse and protection from the abuses of larger Internet corporations. Finally, the new Open Internet provisions need to cover all wireless (mobile) broadband corporations and useage, as well. Since the World Wide Web is now accessible via multiple devices and formats, it needs to be treated democratically and neutrally across each of them. Whether one is accessing the Internet's resources via a desktop, mainframe, tablet, or smartphone, Americans have paid and paid and paid for a neutral, democratic telecommunications resource they deserve to have remain open and acessible, for all. Too many would be gravely harmed if your new Open Internet provisions were to discriminate between Americans, by creating paid prioritization arrangements , not treating broadband as a Title II common carrier, and/or separating wireless (mobile) broadband regulations/rules from those of all other broadband types. Thank you for listening to my concerns about the changes to the Internet you are now considering. This is one of the most serious issues impacting Americans today and well into the future. I hope that you dedicate yourselves to the highest levels of integrity toward all Americans, while designing the Open Internet provisions. Too many American officials have opted , in recent years, to place profits above people - as evil a formula as has ever been invented. Cordially, J.D. Staton
—Janiece D. Staton, Beaverton, OR

I do a lot of investigating on the internet. If we lose the equality of net neutrality many sources of information that cannot afford to "pay" extra will be lost or require significantly greater time to access.
—Howard B. Weithorn, Sherman Oaks, CA

The Internet our main means of communication with the world and we should have equal access to it as with any utility
—Mr. Mary Ann Graffagnino, Tucson, AZ

The internet is one of the last true bastions of innovation and freedom. Where most of this country has failed and crumbled, the internet has held steadfast. Do what you were appointed to do and stand for true Net Neutrality.
—Kevin Wrobbel, Livonia, MI

I enjoy having access to lesser known websites. Please don't let the big companies get priority!
—Melissa M Nece, Palm Harbor, FL

You are in your position to serve the PUBLIC, not the providers. DO YOUR JOB.
—Richard Harmon, Greenacres, WA

Do the right thing.
—Ileana Hernandez, Rensselaer, NY

Please do not go through with these terrible new rules for the Internet. The Internet is an important resource and allows for people to connect and share ideas that can lead to great and wonderful things for the world. Such blatant discrimination as was proposed by Chairman Wheeler are a truly terrible idea that will undermine the possible great opportunities and ideas that will lead to a better future. Please denounce these terrible rules and make ones that will benefit not just the select few but all of us.
—Km, Fremont, CA

Essential to keep democracy free from those who have all the money, but they should not own our votes! It is important to protect access to free speech--to pronounce it and to hear it!
—Theodora B. Crawford, Berkeley, CA

Everyone deserves equal opportunity to the same type of internet access as the person next to them. Higher speed internet should not be an elitist opportunity. Please give us all the same access.
—Jacqlyn Rohlfs, Petersburg, IL

Allowing internet service providers to do this would be a crime and you should NOT allow this to happen!
—S Rogers, Lynnwood, WA

Net neutrality is the last thing neutral in this country. Now Tom Wheeler wants to end it to kiss up to big money.
—Ry Moran, Salt Lake City, UT

This is so wrong. We the people don't deserve this. We are tskig a step backwards in advancing in technology with this plan. What happened to being the best country in the world? With this terrible plan we will be slipping away and will lose the credibility that makes the US the best. We will stand up as the citizens of this country and demand that this plan be changed. Why should a past cable company employee be making these decisions?
—Andrew Dotson, Duluth, MN

The tiny little bit of democracy that still exists in this country depends on Net Neutrality. Kill Net Neutrality and you kill our country.
—Robert Juelich, Tacoma, WA

I am counting on the FCC to protect the Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. I hope you take to heart your responsibility to protect the public interest .
—Laura Pines, Monroe, ME

Net Neutrality is important because the internet is the lifeblood of innovation and is the future of our country. The longer that discriminatory practices such as those that could potentially be put in place as a result of the FCC's new rules, the more difficult it will be to change those rules in the future after seeing the consequences.
—Ned Bless, Evanston, IL

The internet may be the most important communication utility in today's world. I have Comcast "broadband" but they have a geographic monopoly and at peak use hours service is already terrible. Please don't make it worse by permitting even slower speeds for users unwilling or unable to pay even higher prices.
—Claire Broome, Berkeley, CA

All citizens should have equal access and communications equality in having their voices heard!
—Richard K. Kurz, Rochester, NY

Some people like myself cannot afford higher rates for higher speeds. This would not only kill the open internet, it would hinder thousands of college students who depend on the internet to complete their assignments. Most of these also work, and depend on home internet to do these. Not to mention, most of these students also struggle as it is financially to make it...why make it even more difficult for them? Do not support this guy's proposal...it is far more detrimental than it is beneficial for anyone.
—Tammy, Palm Bay, FL

USA is not for sale. Grow a pair and do your jobs.
—Amos Yang, San Diego, CA

it ia unconcieable to give the internet to big business- the government built the internet and it belongs to all citizens!
—Ms. Dorothy Binder, Kula, HI

The internet is effectively a utility like power and water, and should be equally available to everyone.
—Michael Smith, Hobart,

I may live in Australia, and so the rules only indirectly affect me, but Australia is taking after the corrupt, elitest, corporatist nature of the United States more and more every day. This has to stop before it goes any further, and indeed should have a long time ago. I will fully support maintaining an equal internet for every service on it, with no discrimination.
—Daniel Lyons, St. Ives Chase,

I fear the voice of the small guy will be lost if net neutrality is not upheld. Help Obama keep his campaign promise to keep the internet neutral so we can continue to reap the benefits equally.
—Frank Pedersen, Dunedin, FL

Hey FCC, we need Net Neutrality. We need ISP's to act as common carriers. Monopolies are bad and this is what is being created. Don't make the internet a place only the rich can enjoy. For a lot of people the computer is the only fun part of their lives. Don't ruin that for them in favor of making the Comcast richer. Please reconsider your plan.
—Doug Nuttall, Wheaton, IL

Because ensuring a free & neutral internet, insures us our continued existence as a free & independent nation.
—Tova E. Samuels, Fair Lawn, NJ

The country is going to be worse off if you make information more difficult for everyone to access.
—Nick, Huntington Beach, CA

Internet pathways were created with the intention of all having fair access at reasonable prices. Competitiveness is expected as we are a capitalist state. But the advantage should not go to those with the biggest pocketbooks! Chairman Wheeler, why are you easily swayed by big corporations?? (something going in your back pocket?)
—Terence Lyons, Monroe Township, NJ

Neutrality has been a basic feature of the Internet from its beginning. There is no good reason to abandon it, and good reasons not to do so.
—Julie Spickler, Menlo Park, CA

i visit sites that have a lot of social aspects about them, you cant let big companies limit those sites because they would be infringing on our freedom of speech, and freedom of creativity. the internet is fine the way it is.
—Dylan Rule, Cape Coral, FL

I would like to see the internet become a public utility!
—Elizabeth OHara, Roseville, CA

Big business should not control the availability of the internet, an important means of communication. Allowing this to happen will stifle open and free enterprise and award unfair rights to pre-established and more successful businesses. There have been numerous large petitions on this issue to your organization, as well as the branches of the government. The masses of voters have spoken.
—Derick Stevens, Vacaville, CA

Because Im not going o pay for internet. No one wants this except for corporations. Businesses are not people.This is supposed to be a country of the people, so listen to them.
—Ivy Welsh, Franklin, TN

Why do we have to have slower internet just because some rich people want it that way? There are more in the lower tiers of the economy and we will vote you out, get rid of you, and do what we can to restore net neutrality. Your plan will not succeed.
—Matthew Ng, Mendota Heights, MN

An open internet is necessary to protect and defend the freedom of expression across the world. History will judge our actions in this important time. This is far more important than increasing the profit margins for a few corporations.
—Sean Tempesta, San Francisco, CA

I am a single mom, not wealthy by any means, and we use the internet constantly. I run three blogs and use the internet daily for information gathering and staying in contact with people. We would definitely be the "losers" in any two-teired internet scenario and it would make our quality of life soooo much worse. Please reconsider this situation and reclassify ISP's as common carriers. The internet should be a vibrant, diverse place - not another corporate take over that results in diminishing it's users to peasantry. Thank you very much for your time and consideration. Sincerely, Kerry A. Vill
—Kerry Vill, Eugene, OR

I am in Thailand and need news from America without interference from big business!
—Robert Swanson, Penn Yan, NY

Net Neutrality is essential to having a prepared and educated workforce in the modern age. Anything that inhibits the free flow of information will further marginalize those who are already at a disadvantage with regard to internet connectivity.
—Keelan Smith, Indianapolis, IN

Until now, the internet has functioned a bit like that great, democratic American institution - the library. Don't let private corporations limit our access to information and communication! Keep the internet neutral!
—Sharon Levine, Simi Valley, CA

It is unacceptable for the internet to be two-tiered. Back-room deals to disadvantage the public are out of the question. The internet, like telephone lines, is a common carrier. We are counting on your good judgement and and democratic fairness to uphold these principles. ISPs must absolutely be reclassified as common carriers. Thank you.
—Christina Roberts, ,

The internet is for EVERYONE!
—Karen Christian, Vail, AZ

We don't want big money GOONS taking over again. Look at what Hollywood CREEPS have done with ludicrous "intellectual property" legislation. It never stops unless you STOP IT!
—A W. Cynor, Anaheim, CA

For most Americans, access to the Internet is available through a very limited number of companies. Recent plans to discard Net Neutrality would subject consumers to the whims of monopolistic communications companies. The network has become a utility, and its access points should be designated as common carriers.
—Rick Simkin, Chicago, IL

Unless we protect access, the net will essentially belong to the wealth corporations. It belongs to the people.
—Joseph Lite, DAYTON, OH

Because the internet is an incredible resource and tool that has revolutionized the way we work, think, act, and play. It should be open for everyone to access and use and it shouldn't be privatized or closed off to anyone and certainly not by private corporations and/or wealthy individuals.
—Jasmin Pettie, ,

The Net is the PUBLIC's domain not to be exploited by corporations for profit. The publics' access cannot be abridged for private purposes and needs to be free from any and all private encroachment by business.
—Jerry Matsui, Seattle, WA

Please do not allow money to dictate people's access to information.
—Peter Victor, Ho Ho Kus, NJ

If financial interests are allowed to govern the rules pertaining to internet access then democracy will be harmed. The internet has become the most important means of disseminating information, which is important to our liberty. Our government should protect that for the People. Chairman Wheeler's plan forsakes that duty.
—Bruce schottland, Round Lake, IL

I began using computers as a student in 1983 and since then, electronic communication and the internet have become an integral part of my life - and expanded my horizons and abilities to work and learn in ways that were unimaginable even 15 years ago. Similarly, the Internet has spawned an incredible amount of innovation in commerce, technology, and communication that has created amazing opportunities and benefited for individuals, small businesses, and the economy and society as whole This transformation has been possible ONLY because of a free and open Internet. It has been the great equalizer of opportunity and innovation because EVERYONE was treated alike and all had access to rapid communication. The new proposal by the FCC is one of the most despicable proposals I have seen in recent years. It panders to giant corporations and the oligarchs who run them, allowing them to control how I communicate, with whom, and at what speed. This is NOT the American way and I am appalled that the FCC would even consider such rules. These rules, if implemented, will destroy the internet as we know it and fatally damage our ability to innovate and create in the United States. The FCC is _supposed_ to work for the citizens of this country and protect OUR interests - not those of giant companies whose integrity, service, and value is laughable at best. I speak from experience, having been a client of AT&T and Verizon. ISP's are common carriers. Its obvious and it is the right thing to do. The FCC should throw out the rules written for Mr. Wheeler by his corporate owners and act to protect the internet and the citizens of this country. Clark A. Dobbs, Ph.D.
—Dr. Clark A. Dobbs, Minneapolis, MN

I think if they destroy the internet by giving big business and give up crappy internet I don't think that's far since we pay for what we get I wish it was better also faster speeds instead of this slow speeds now and if the internet get worse now people are going to stop paying companies will lose so much money why put this stupid rule up screw theres big company's suffer its a shame how this world has become and will be its like we are all slaves
—Earl Walsh, Easton, PA

The united states has been continually falling behind other developed countries in terms of infrastructure, especially internet connectivity. The mass majority of all modern business is done thought the internet and this proposal would further cripple our weakening infrastructure. It does nothing to improve the lives or profitability of anyone out side of the telecom industry, and forces people to pay twice for everything that comes through the internet.
—Jason Berkenmeir, Concord, CA

Keeping the Net neutral allows innovative new technologies take root, and makes the network more reliable. This is not at all dissimilar to the breakup of AT&T that took us from the standard rotary wall phone to the high-tech uses of the POTS system we see now.
—Michael Carson, Brick, NJ

Everyone needs easy access to the Internet- for work, school, or other reasons- not just the rich.
—Marty Rachap, Atlanta, GA

Net Neutrality is important because its something we have lived for since the internet is out, we made it what it is and we dont need any restricitions on it. Thank You.
—Brandon Loyo, APO, AE

The internet is a vital resource for all humanity. Allowing corporations to control axcess to the internet for their profit is unacceptable. You must take action to defend net neutrality for the good of the people and the nation. The new regulations must be thrown out. Internet service providers can not be allowed to regulate internet traffic, they must be classified as common carriers.
—Forest Burkhart, Parker, CO

Net Neutrality is a part of our daily lives please don't turn your backs at us.
—Chris Scholl, Neptune, NJ

The internet is a worldwide utility, time to treat it as such.
—Michael W. Butler, Clayton, CA

The internet is the greatest resorice in the world and to allow anyone to restrict who is able to be on it and how much they can be on it would be a tragedy. Our greatest resource is as valuable as it is because of net nuetrality and the ability for anyone to use it as they can right now. Please group it with telecomunications services so that the world wide web reamains as usefull and free as it currently is, it is for the benifit of the nation
—Zach Welch, Troy, NY

I cannot afford to pay any more for internet access, and the ISP's are not hurting for cash at all. Reclassify ISP's as COMMON CARRIERS!!!
—Stephanie Goodwin, Kent, OH

This is so simple, and I think that you understand it and want to abolish net neutrality because you're greedy. Internet Service Providers own cable companies. Cable companies compete with internet TV services like Netflix. Said Internet Service Providers can degrade the network speeds of Netflix so that their own service is better or more reliable. Consumers have little choice when it comes to Internet Service Providers on top of all this. It would be as if GM owned our roads and allowed only their vehicles to drive faster than the posted speed limit, roll through stop signs, and park wherever they want. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers so there is no abuse of the network that we partly paid for with our tax dollars!
—John Hundley, Valencia, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me because it permits me to be free from oppression and be a True Patriotic American.
—Ryan Gene Schablowsky, East Carondelet, IL

It's unfair to let the carriers call the shots. They are simply delivery services, and they shouldn't have an unwritten tier system.
—Christopher Kirchwey, Cambridge, MA

Small business owners need access to be successful.
—Julene Weaver, Seattle, WA

I refuse to have to pay money for information that should be FREE and FLOWING. This proposal would do nothing but weaken an already weakened democracy in America. I don't think I can even call this a democracy, like it was when I grew up in the 1970's. It's more of a PLUTOCRACY. Shame on you for even proposing this and DOUBLE SHAME on YOU if you approve these new rules.
—Mark Sarcone, Ankeny, IA

The Internet should be a public utility. Please don't let corporations give preference to those with the most money. They've already gotten their way in terms of letting money equal free speech.
—Robert Reichard, Olympia, WA

I am not in favor of censorship. Why are you?
—John de Forest, San Francisco, CA

Please support Net Neutrality. Keep the internet open and available for all. Supporting discrimination according to wealth is grossly irresponsable, the consequences would be tragic, don't let that be on your head. Please protect the Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Shana Michele Matheson, ,

Freedoom for everyone
—Greg, ,

Internet access is too important to be left to the profit motive alone. Regulate ISP's as common carriers.
—Mary White, Ann Arbor, MI

Please declare the internet a common carrier under Title II of the Telecommunications Act of 1996. The internet is a telecommunications service as much as phones.
—Peter Peterson, Knoxville, TN

It must remain open to all citizens, rich, poor, etc. without exception!
—Mary McGaughey, GrEsham, OR

ISPs should not be allowed to pick and choose which sites get the higher bandwidth
—Ms. Rachel Deierling, Tucson, AZ

I pay my internet bill to build and maintain infrastructure that's available evenly to everyone. I don't want a big company adding money to the pot for preferential treatment. That will certainly distort the representation of individuals, small businesses, and ideas. Allowing businesses to pay for bandwidth is a terrible idea, morally wrong, and anticompetitive. ISPs are common carriers.
—John Burak, Fort Collins, CO

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and really protect Net Neutrality.
—GlendaRae Hernandez, South Bend, IN

The Internet is a form of unity which spans across the world. It is this because everyone on the Internet is equal, as no one has jurisdiction over anything more than their own choice of words or perhaps their own website. This is Net Neutrality. If you give control over the Internet in any fashion to any particular entity, this will break equality, thereby breaking the unity, and, as a result, destroy the beauty of the greatest of the modern day's world wonders. I implore anyone who reads this comment to do what you can to maintain Net Neutrality. -sincerely, Adam Price.
—Adam Price, Pickens, SC

Leave the Internet alone. Transition all ISP's to common carrier status. These new rules are thinly disguised theft of the Internet "pipe". Pay more attention to making the Net faster and more secure rather than allowing the conglomerates to take over what, since the beginning of the Internet, has been a level platform. I cannot believe our own government is pushing for these new "net non-neutrality" regulations. Make all ISP's become common carriers and also do not approve the merger of Comcast/Time Warner. It is a gross misappropriation.
—Walter Knox, Wilmington, NC

Tell the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Aaron Laufman-Walker, Chicago, IL

I feel I am already a "victim" of Comcast as my latest bill from them for "bundled" services was $213.00. This did not include any premium services. This was a $41.50 increase from last month. For comparison, my combined bill for my electric, water, sewage, and garbage collection was $160.00 for the same month. I can only imagine what the providers will charge in the future if given a free reign over my internet/phone services. I don't think the Europeans pay these high rates. Why should we? Aren't you to be advocating for all Americans, not just corporations?
—Barbara Beattie, Chambersburg, PA

So disgusted with so called leaders these days. Smh
—Patricia Chambers, Winsted, CT

The Internet offers the possibility of radical democracy! Don't bow to plutocrats and corporate overlords in allowing them to prioritize content from the highest bidder. Let big media compete with start-ups, entrepreneurs and small businesses on CONTENT, not PRICE!!!
—Gordon Brode, New York, NY

Everyone deserves to have equal share in the internet without having to pay extra money for speedier access. Keep net neutrality alive.
—Mary E Heinz, Denville, NJ

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—Samuel Scharff, Seattle, WA

Internet is as important to everyday modern life as access to health care.
—Trevolyn Twohy-Haines, Chino Hills, CA

Internet service providers — cable and telephone providers, too — are common carriers, and must be classified as such.
—Benjamin Melançon, Natick, MA

The Internet is the largest and most important store of knowledge in the history of mankind. This proposal destroys its value for the sake of already obscenely profitable corporations. Groups with profit as their goal do not have the people's best interest at heart, and if the FCC truly serves the American people, it won't cater to the rich and powerful at everyone else's expense.
—James Hightower, Oakland, CA

Internet service providers are companies with some of the worst customer service imaginable. I believe that these companies already illegally slow down there service at non-peak hours thinking that nobody will notice, thus they are not providing the service they pay for. Giving these companies the power to create a two-tiered internet would turn one of the greatest tools available to the entire population to something elitist.
—Collin Fishman, Annapolis, MD

Net neutrality is tantamount to freedom of speech. The internet is a utility, and equal access and speed for all must be preserved!
—Bertino Marro, Brooklyn, NY

The Internet was conceived with an intrinsic concept of net neutrality. It Is outrageous thse gate-keeper ISP's now want to violate that when they've already made absurd profits despite the notoriously mediocre broadband we get here in the U.S.A. These rules will create a terrible historical president.
—Eugene Scalisi, Camarillo, CA

It is important because I am disabled.
—Jeanne Govoni, Middleboro, MA

Net Neutrality is freedom.
—Edgar Chico Bosque, Aurora, IL

Reclassify ISPs as Title II common carriers! Save the free and open Internet! The internet is not for the corporations, or anyone in particular. The internet is defined by the people who use it. Without the people using the internet, there is only a mass of useless websites. The internet must remain free and neutral to optimize the use of the internet and the subsequent evolution of the content, information, and the internet itself!
—Marshall Ross Winkler, Scotts, MI

As a citizen of the United States of America, the internet has become a part of my life. I could never afford to finish college but the internet has allowed me to learn and prosper in my life. I cannot stand here and allow some single individual to propose a bill that will literally kill the internet a I knew it. All of the opportunities I had growing up will be handed over to the future generations as a crippled, stunted version of its former self. It's a tragedy and a travisty and I'll fight in every way possible that I can to have a free unprejudiced internet for as long as it takes. Having a free and open internet is as important to me as my right to vote. If nothing else gets your attention, I hope that does. Please hear our cries.
—Cody Prince, Greenwood, MS

I don't have decent internet to begin with. Anything slower would be near unusable.
—Anthony Zeman, Paw Paw, IL

Hi there, Letting the worlds largest telecommunications and media company, Comcast, create a pay-to-play internet with a cabal of other telecoms businesses would be a catastrophe for freedom, democracy, and everything America pretends to represent on the world stage. Allowing Comcast to merge with NBC and Time Warner was an absolute abortion of reasonable decision-making and has created a giant, hydra-like, many-tentacled monster which our regulatory apparatus obviously cannot and will not contain. I do not expect a sound decision from this body, the FCC, because this body is staffed thanks to a revolving door between big corporations and government. So it's hardly worth saying why Net Neutrality "is" important to me. It was important. And ya'll done fucked it up. Sincerely, James
—James Neimeister, Chagrin Falls, OH

The Internet is the most recent and valuable manifestations of democracy available to Americans. Once again the federal government (FCC) is about to destroy this vital asset for The People and hand it over to The Corporations to so they can increase their profits at the expense of ordinary citizens. I love my Internet as I have known it since its inception, where it is open to everyone equally, as it should be in a "democracy" which we have held up to the rest of the world as an ideal to strive for. Losing "net neutrality" is its death knell. What a pity!
—Jennifer Humiston, Huntsville, AL

Ultimately, innovation is more precious than profit. It's especially more important than protecting entrenched interests. If we'd been too protective of entrenched interests, we wouldn't even have an Internet. The Internet has an egalitarianism about it that is a great leveler, and not coincidentally, an incubator of innovation. If you kill Net Neutrality, you kill that innovation -- which incidentally is driving much of our economy. Bad Idea. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Robert Ewing, Ames, IA

It is my livelihood
—James Wilson, Mountain View, CA

I hold a very small subdomain, and without net neutrality even I won't be able to access it. If I can't access my own website, then how will others be able to see and share my ideas? Granted MY ideas might not be the most valuble, someone else might have cured cancer, but couldn't share it because his internet wasn't fast enough, and no one wanted to pay.
—Colum Cross, Albany, NY

I feel that if the public doesn't have Net Neutrality, pricing and access to the internet will change dramatically as we know it, and it will only give these corporations the ability to be able to control further the access and make it difficult for the public to be able to control their access and costs down the road. Ultimately, it's all about control and profits..
—Timothy J. Larkin, San Francisco, CA

The internet belongs to the commons. It belongs to all of us. Stop corporatizing and privatizing our country!
—Chris Baral, Richmond, CA

The internet is a medium upon which people may converse and share information without fear of discrimination. These rules will quite quickly remove the manner in which many people can use this collection of information.
—River Jones, ,

Having a "Gated Community" on the Internet will really kill the average person's ability to get the information they want and need quickly. We don't want to be like China where news is censored, or like Russia where comments about Putin can put you in jail (beginning this fall). A democracy needs an informed citizenry. This system began as a way to communicate when other modes are down, but if we make it commercialized with fast lanes and slow lanes, and restrictions on which sites can be visited, the Internet will lose its place as the "Information Superhighway" and become another mindless gridlock of commercials. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Gloria Short, Fair Grove, MO

Please do it for folks. Not for the rich.
—Thomas Langdon, Bronx, NY

It's not right for those with big bucks to get better internet service. Be fair and avoid such bowing to moneyed folks.
—Anne McManus, Bayport, MN

It would also open the internet to political abuses, and allow the internet to deteriorate even as prices for service rise - and the biggest (maybe worst) companies with money could easily destroy smaller businesses. The big ISPs already get away with lax business practices; this would let them take over the country. NEUTRALITY!
—John E. T. Blanchard, Pittsburgh, PA

I urge you to designate ISP as Common Carriers. I don't support your proposed rules.
—Michael Perry, Milwaukie, OR

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Tamara Hazlett, Algonquin, IL

Net Neutrality has served the internet well so far and if we start charging for speed we are going to miss out on so much creativity and worldwide communication. Please keep the Internet Neutral!
—Damon Tang, Farmington, MI

All Americans are depending on you to keep the internet free and open by passing rules that enforce true net neutrality, without providers being able to set up a system where large corporations are able to get priority speeds to the detriment of all internet users. I urge you to do the right thing and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jon Lay, Rockland, MA

too many big companies already control our communications; this is sort of the last chance!
—Therese de Vet, Tucson, AZ

Just like the telephone networks, information networks (Internet) must be protected from by Government to prevent abuses and to ensure free and open communication for all. Our democracy, economy, and future innovations depend on Net Neutrality -- where all bits are treated equally without discrimination.
—Keith Steward, Framingham, MA

In Denmark and other parts of Scandanavia, the internet backbone is owned/maintained as a public utility. People in Europe and Scandanavia pay significantly lower access rates and receive much high speeds than we do in the U.S. The internet (especially the backbone) is a valuable public resource--which everyone has equal access to and should not become the private turf of a few companies charging whatever they can get. Mr. Wheeler, I know you were a big player and lobbyist for big telecom. But now you are in public office. Your present job is to act in the interest of the public--doing favors for your contacts in telecom only breeds more public cynicism. When your term of office is over, you can always go back to being a telecom lobbyist, but for now--please--act in the best interest of the American people and support and strength network neutrality. Thank you. Jeff Bloomfield Please do so by supporting net neutrality.
—Jeff Bloomfield, Berkeley, CA

The FCC had been regulating the ISPs before the recent federal appeals court ruling without real issue. The court itself said that while the previous regulations aren't technically allowed, it would be fine if the FCC merely reclassified the internet as a telecom utility. The internet is generally considered as a utility in society now anyway, and this reclassification is an appropriate designation. Please stand for common sense. Otherwise, ISPs will jump on this opportunity to make a new (and expensive) market out of the core principle of the internet: freedom. Equal opportunity access, both for those who view content and those who provide it, is required for a healthy online marketplace; without it, the internet would become a much different place than it is today.
—Liz, Winston Salem, NC

I have created several online startups and this would kill us
—Michael Davis, Boulder, CO

As a supporter of independent media creators (and an independent game developer myself), I find it very worrying that in the future the internet may become yet another market in which large, established companies have priority over smaller independent companies due to their superior funds, rather than creative merit. Do not allow the internet to become anything close to the cable TV model; it is not right for a small set of institutions to be the gatekeepers who decide what art and ideas have merit and should be distributed, which is what will happen if ISPs become able to speed up selected traffic at the cost of slowing down the rest. Furthermore, I find it appalling that this important decision is being put in the hands of a former lobbyist for telecom companies, and it is clear from the way that Wheeler is dismissing the concerns of so many citizens and noteworthy internet companies such as Mozilla or Google that he is involved in an enormous conflict of interest over this issue. The clear, heavily-endorsed solution is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers, and the fact that Wheeler continues to side with the ISPs over the people of the United States is proof that he is not fit for his position. Tom Wheeler should be replaced with a true advocate for consumers and average citizens immediately if the FCC is to maintain any amount of credibility in the public eye. After Wheeler has been removed, the FCC needs to impose on itself strict regulations to avoid such a conflict of interest from occurring again in the future.
—Nigel Kilmer, Seattle, WA

I believe that all Internet traffic should be treated the same, so that I can get the service I am paying for at the speed I am paying for, no matter my use, be it gaming, video streaming, or web browsing.
—Mr. Ryan Cavanaugh, Newark, CA

Pay-to-play will kill innovation and entrepreneurship in the last remaining frontier for achieving the "American Dream". Ultimately, internet bandwidth should be regulated as a utility, and available to everyone without discrimination.
—Anthony Koerber, Chicago, IL

This comment is meant to justify that net neutrality is imperative. If we let the of likes of AT&T and other corporations have their way it would be the downfall of the Internet!!!
—Joyce A. ELLS, Oakdale, MN

The Internet is important to me because of the freedom
—Jeremy Zapor, Blue Bell, PA

Freedom of information is at the core of our society. Don't undermine that bedrock principle.
—David T, Kensington, CA

In another time this would be the equivalent of a library having a high priced card that would allow the holder to take any book in their hands to read, and force those with the lesser cards to access them from across the room through a dirty spyglass, turning the pages with a long stick. Full access to the information, communication, and entertainment services of the Net - NET NEUTRALITY - belongs to all in a FREE society. Could it be that the FCC does not support a free society in the United States of America, where we proclaim that we believe in "...liberty and justice for all"?
—Richard Fullerton, Winston-Salem, NC

The net is a means of free speech and should be available to all on the same terms.
—Penny Cragun, Duluth, MN

Net neutrality is important to me because it means the corporate world does not get the final say on morality. As long as we have a neutral internet, we can know that truth is not being obscured by money.
—William Weiler, Hyattsville, MD

The internet represents everything that America has stood for since our Declaration of Independence. The internet is a community of flowing creativity from all alround the world that will thrive best as it currently is, available equally to all of us. Any reatriction on that infinite flow of creativity will bring that flow to a much slower trickle. As a student, I don't want to make my way into the world with restrictions on how I connect to the rest of it. Thank you.
—Peter Talbot, Culver, IN

Net Neutrality is important to me because I do not wish to be under the thumbs of companies who wish to charge whatever price they wish. It also helps small start up who does not have the money to have the same playing field as the bigger ones.
—Phuc Nguyen, San Jose, CA

The internet's indifference to my socioeconomic status has allowed me to learn, grow, and do more than I ever could have imagined. Net neutrality means that this amazing network of knowledge and innovation can continue to grow and provide opportunities to people of all classes, races, and ages around the world. Please do not let the special interests of a select group of organizations destroy the future for billions. Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers. Please, the future literally depends on this.
—Stephen Surace, Norwalk, CT

Net Neutrality is one of the last bastions of free speech remaining on Earth.
—Annabel Fogel, Oceanside, CA

This matters so that EVERYONE has the same opportunity! It is NOT about giving the big telecom companies an even bigger license to make more profit.
—Malcolm Wellington, ,

Giving an unfair advantage to large internet companies goes against the spirit of democracy. Please do not get rid of net neutrality!!
—Leah Hunter, Tallahassee, FL

Internet access is a utility, open to all on the same terms! And it should remain so.
—Hilary Beattie, Brooklyn, NY

it allows for open and free markets
—Kelley Caudell, Williams, OR

Keep Net Neutrality!
—James L. Holman, Lombard, IL

Freedom of speech is important! With the decline of printed news, it is all the more important for NET NEUTRALITY to be enforced so important new and fresh solutions to economy and other issues be shared without bias constraints that would exist without NET NEUTRALITY!
—James DeShong, Fort Myers, FL

My daughter has a small business that depends upon Net Neutrality in order to survive.
—Karlene Gunter, Rochester, NY

Individuals already face the realities of wage slavery and a growing (ever more difficult to surmount) gulf between the moneyed and the poor. Destroying Net Neutrality will widen not only this rift, but the intellectual gulf that has also been growing between the social classes in this country. The internet must remain an open source of information, free of corporate or political favoritism. This (very American) ideal has already suffered numerous blows. Fewer and fewer options remain to the majority of the American people to earn some kind of life for themselves in the States, and restricting their access to an open internet will only worsen an already egregious disadvantage faced by the poor. "Free country?" What a joke. Stop attacking the few liberties that remain to individuals regardless of their economic status, and leave the internet alone.
—Hazel Jones, Austin, TX

The intermet should be the same experience for both the rich and the poor. Stop catering to ISP lobbiests and actually do what is right for the American public! Corporations will not "do what is right," they will do what makes them the most money. The FCC is supposed to be regulating fot the benefit of Americans, not working to make sure the ISPs can bleed us all dry for access to the internet.
—Miss Jeanette Brown, Reno, NV

Net neutrality is the best thing about the net. Let's keep it that way!
—Gayna Uransky, Garberville, CA

Because the net is the only place we can find honest information that is not messed up by the greedy corporations. It's all that's left of our vanishing liberty. Please do not keep this horrid rule. Treat the internet as a public utility, please.
—Hugh McFadden, Bozeman, MT

Due to the rise of 24 hour news, the quality of national debate has entered rapid decline. The internet is the last open forum for discussion of all ideas, without regard to personality politics. Please protect or right to assemble and organize online by classifying isps as common carriers.
—Logan C Belew, East Canton, OH

Our democracy is at stake. You are a traitor if you sell us out.
—Michael J Nolan, Carbondale, IL

I really want at least one section of the government to be FOR THE PEOPLE. At least one part of the government to not be corrupt. Just one governmental body not to bend themselves over the barrel and lube them selves. Please, work for the people, not for the corporations that spit on the American flag for a few extra bucks.
—Anthony Munger, Phoenix, NY

Don't let big business take over the internet.
—Floyd Van De Vere, Monterey, CA

I sam 80 yrears old and re;y on my computer for many things and conveniences, and I cannot afford any extra expense in using my computer and am therefore fearful that the big communication corporations will do just that.
—Elizabeth Koundakjian, Cambridge, MA

Don't let Internet Service Providers would become the “gatekeepers of the web." Your proposal is not favorable to small business.
—John M. Lara, Wichita, KS

to the hell with We The People, it's all about the money. so what is your kick back for no net neutrality Mr. Wheeler?
—Steve Thorne, Nampa, ID

It is important that we not hand more power to a few mega-corproations
—Karen Smith, Aripeka, FL

Do right by the consumer!
—William Lawn Jr, Marmora, NJ

The Internet shouldn't be divided into slow lanes and fast lanes. That will only serve the few (corporations) while the many (innovators) will be shut out of the ability to learn, read, grow, create and change the world for the better. Technology shouldn't be taken from the masses in an effort to control content and create revenue for companies who haven't kept pace with the evolution of the technology. Doing away with net neutrality could be the action that prevents someone with few financial resources to be able to create something that could be as powerful as the polio vaccine or an energy source that saves mankind. Please keep the Internet equal and open for all.
—KD Armatrading, Phoenix, AZ

I run my own small website. Without Net Neutrality, I have no chance in competing against large corporations.
—Jerish Brown, Los Angeles, CA

Let the market - not the ISPs - decide the winner and loser web sites and blogs.
—Steven Chesney, Brooklyn Park, MN

This has all the earmarks of a Monopoly as the giants consolidate and squeeze the people out of OUR internet. This has to stop NOW!!! FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—James Sisk, Pembroke Pines, FL

Monopolizing the internet to this extent is just WRONG! This time, corporate greed has really gone too far. This plan will do nothing but ruin communication and add expenses that weren't there in the first place. The open internet is one of the few things we have to connect to the world. Can we really afford to lose it all just for money?
—Brittney Wilson, chicago, IL

The internet has become more like a public utility that everyone needs instead of a special service used by only a few people. It must be neutral and impartial for all users, and not be faster and better for those more economically advantaged than others.
—Daniel Amstutz, Greensboro, NC

The internet is NOT a service that should be divided up for the rich and taken away from the less effluent. Everyone who uses the internet should have access to the exact same speed on the internet, and should be required to be provided at competitive prices, not inflated prices determined solely on the whims of the service provider. Any other action taken by the FCC is an abuse of its powers for the benefit of a minority of filthy rich companies.
—Daniel Hulseapple, Middletown, NY

Our country's talent, intelligence, and creativity depend free and speedy and equal access to knowledge and information. Please do not make these unfair changes!
—Jane Mann, Saint Paul, MN

Net neutrality is the only way to ensure that the internet remains the open and free communication network it is intended to be.
—Joel Watt, Hannibal, MO

Too many potential governmental restriction which users of the net do not like or want..
—Ronald Miller, ,

The Internet is one of the greatest achievements in human history; it initially was intended to be a world wide form of communication, and it had evolved into that and so much more. It's become a place where ideas can be shared, dreams can become reality, where theories that were once considered crazy or impossible, can be proven. The freedom of the Internet has made it possible for companies like Amazon and Google to be created, is made it possible for ANYBODY to be able to create their own company, invent products, and for someone who was once poor to be able to become rich. If you stop that, if you make it impossible for these amazing and revolutionary things to even happen, All of you will be remembered for that, as the people who helped to kill the American dream, the people who proved that the government no longer represents the people. So, along with millions of other Americans, I implore you to do the right thing, preserve net neutrality, so the ingenious and creative things Americans are known for can continue to be made. Thank you.
—Quentin R Holmes, Denver, CO

Why are you messing with something that works.
—James Myer, Sealy, TX

All income levels need equal access or wealthy users will dominate it to the detriment of less wealthy, and often more creative users.
—Patrick and Sigrid Huston, Portland, OR

As a small business owner, I think it's important to have a level playing field in order to compete with larger businesses.
—Demarcus Bowser, Southaven, MS

Everything should be treated equal on the internet just as in life. Do you remember the "Separate but equal" policy set for African American? What makes this any different. There should be no discrimination among data on the internet. KEEP OUR INTERNET FREE!
—Jason Neal, Kaufman, TX

The newly proposed Internet rules hinder the use of the internet for many of us. Please keep Net Neutrality and protect the open Internet!
—Laura, Edinburg, TX

This is the last bastion of free speech in the United States and should not be touched in any way, shape, or form.
—Arthur Braunstein, Kingston, NY

I need unbiased information more than people who can pay lots need to indoctrinate me.
—Patricia Blochowiak, East Cleveland, OH

The internet does NOT belong to large companies of hypocrites. The internet rightfully belongs to the PEOPLE. The CITIZENS.
—Murphy Thibodeau, Barboursville, VA

I depend on Net Neutrality and because I choose to live on a farm and grow food for my fellow Americans If your plan goes into affect I wont even have internet. My Husband is a National Guardsmen taking online classes to further his ability to help this nation and if your plan goes into affect he wont even be able to take those classes. Don't take my internet away simply to out more money into the pockets of big company's like AT&T.
—Lola England, Saint James, MO

Because the internet is not controlled by big corporations
—Andrew Sertich, Wood River, IL

Net Neutrality is important to me because it allows me the freedom to navigate the internet as I choose and not allowing the use to be dictated or having to pay fees for its use. Don't we pay enough???
—Tamara Yilla, New Orleans, LA

I am 86 years old, on fixed income, and need my computer. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers so I can still access what I need to make life bearable.
—Jeanette Davis, Winston-Salem, NC

Tom Wheeler has responded to previous petitions to protect the open internet with assurances that he would do just that. It seems these were empty promises. Do not allow this duplicitous shill to determine the fate of the most important technology of our time.
—Ernst Adrian Henle, Eugene, OR

because theirs more to the internet than business
—Andrew Kroese, Lincoln, NE

Freedom belongs to everybody and not into the hands of a few.
—Barbara Seigerschmidt, Whittier, CA

It should be obvious!
—David Di Gioia, Evanston, IL

This proposal is another example of give it all to the "big guys" and forget about the effect on (little guys".
—Bernadine Hoeft, Milwaukee, WI

Any situation where large companies are given the ability to control the way a public system works should be cast aside. The internet is not a place for monopolies. The internet is a place where information can be, and should be, shared openly and unrestricted (in accordance with copyright etc). This is the driving principal, behind the internet's inception. The proposed ruling is a drastic and unfortunate step in the wrong direction. We already pay these companies enough. They simply want to bolster thier revenues so as to ensure their continued domanance. This is not what our country was founded upon. Companies are supposed to be regulated and swayed away from organizing monopolies. Monopolies along with corporate control, lead to lazy business models. Lazy businesses do not innovate, and are not concerned with the interests of thier customers. Do we really want to hand over control to these types of people? I firmly denounce the current FCC proposed ruling, and require an immediate re-evaluation and re-examination of the impact of such control on We the People. These companies have been wining battles for years, it's time they lost the only one that matters.
—Devon Stern, San Francisco, CA

Do the right thing-- the internet is a pillar of democracy and should be classified as a common carrier since it was developed using PUBLIC MONEY!
—Julie Edgar, Bethlehem, PA

To create "fast lanes" and "slow lanes" as AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon would so love to do would be to block all the sun a plant receives: you might as well stop watering it because you're giving it a death sentence by your other action. The Internet has been one of the greatest innovations the US government has introduced to the world, to allow service providers to privatize it and charge premiums for speed would follow the same path that privatizing our rail systems did: in an area we once led we'll be behind the rest of the world in terms of speed and innovation and no one will benefit. Japan and Europe are already leagues ahead of us in terms of high-speed rail, are we going to surrender another of our innovations to the rest of the world. The free and open internet must stand, and the only way to do that is to classify ISPs as common carriers.
—Devin Henry, Nichols, NY

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Damian Floring, Salt Lake City, UT

Allowing the ISPs to put what are essentially tolls on the internet will benefit absolutely NO ONE but the ISPs themselves. The negatives would affect everyone else. This cannot be allowed to happen. A free and open internet is essential to our country's future.
—Matt Grabczynski, Maspeth, NY

The internet as we know it today was molded and shaped by entrepreneurial small business. Mr. Wheeler the internet belongs to all and the consideration of lining the pockets of big business and those who undoubtedly are sponsoring you in some manner has far reaching consequence. The business that will benefit from the changes you are considering already benefit largely. Leave the net alone and please cease this pursuit.
—Michael Denham, Portland, OR

Because it is a great way to connect with people worldwide and to also find other stuff easily. The FCC needs to stop trying to take control of the internet and let us have the freedom to do what we want to do.
—Seth Bailey, Charlestown, RI

Net Neutrality if done right can ensure a free and open internet. Sadly it hasn't been done right quite yet, and the rules currently up for consideration are not making it any better. I know the large internet companies have teams of lawyers saying that "it's not fair" for their companies. Of course, what they really mean is "we can't milk the US population for everything they're worth by restricting access with these rules" but I digress. You really have to think, not what is really good for the companies. But what is good for the entire U.S. population. This is not some product that your trying to make rules for. This is a means of communication, freedom, and knowledge the likes of which the world has never seen before. There is a wealth of information that can be found on it, you can set up rally's, create a business, find love, get married, do live performances, talk face to face to a loved one across the world or even in space, create works of art, find works of art, educate others, learn about anything you can find, share your passion with the world. I personally would not have gotten through college, had it not been for the openness of the internet. Nor would I have found any of my jobs, or met any of the many friends that I have. I'm sure there are hundreds of millions of people including yourselves who would also say the same and more. The internet is not just some object, it is much more than that. The internet is a digital version of our lives. It is no longer something that is a commodity. It is a necessity that will only blossom more as time goes on and will make the world a better more educated and loving place, as long as it well kept and given plenty of room to grow. Please, for the love of God. Do not give in to the large internet companies looking only to make a ridiculous profit by using underhanded discriminatory tactics. Protect our open internet, to ensure it's bright and radiant future. For the betterment of the world.
—Jason Tenney, Kentwood, MI

As a retired computer scientist, I encourage you to adopt net neutrality. It is critical to maintain a free, unlimited transfer of information for educational, corporate, and please uses. The provides of the transfer mechanism should be classified as common carriers. They can then compete with other content companies, but should not be able to block or change other companies content.
—Gary Carson, Westminster, CA

The Internet should remain, or return to, utility status. The two-tier system is inherently unfair and the administration of a two-tier system would impose unfair hardship on service providers who have lesser resources than the major ones, thereby concentrating even more power to the big guys.
—Ross Chamberlain, Las Vegas, NV

There are far too many people for whom access to news and information is already limited. By allowing ISPs to discriminate between who gets access to what based on finances you are further alienating a large number of the U.S. population.
—Sondra Loucks Wilson, Grand Rapids, MI

Open communications are necessary. We need somewhere where someone does not have an agenda, is not buying and selling us. Do not take away net-neutrality!
—Kathy Roberts, Dulce, NM

Ending Net Neutrality does not serve the public interest! It increases the gap between the haves and the have nots by making information a commodity, one that the have nots already can't afford.
—Raymond Kalas, Knowlton, NJ

We already have a country hobbled by economic inequality. To create the solutions and cooperation needed to survive our global problems, we must have the free flow of information. The internet is that source for most of us.
—Dawn Kimble, Boulder, CO

Net Neutrality may well be the only means by which "we, the people" human can be heard over the den of noise enabled by massive amounts of cash being poured into our political system to influence elections and those elected. Corporations are not people or even places -- they are things -- legal and tax constructs -- a tool to enable some of the greediest of the wealthiest among us to avoid personal liability for their actions. Money is NOT free speech. Some cash in an election is a megaphone being used to shout down the voices of others, but the massive amounts of cash now being "INVESTED" in politics (think Koch brothers, et al) is a super stereo surround sound system that all but drowns out the individual voices of the majority of US citizens. Maintaining Net Neutrality is the last best hope to fight off this impediment to the voices of the majority being heard now being used by those who desire to enable economic tyranny of the few over the many.
—LW Dodd, Mount Airy, GA

Let's have no more sloppy logic when it come to handling net! Net Neutrality is the only way to go!...
—Steve Walsh, Gresham, OR

Discrimination of this kind is not what our democracy is about. Urge you to reconsider. Throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Shirley & Stanley Romaine, Great Neck, NY

There are two reasons I think net neutrality is vital to me, and to America as a whole. 1) without it, American internet companies will be at a significant disadvantage. There's a reason companies like Netflix and Google are for net neutrality. Without it, America's lead in internet services will be lost. All to benefit a handful of companies which are functional monopolies. However, the second reason is even more vital. Democracy depends on communication. Tiered internet service, depending on work-around, will erode the robust conversation the internet enabled. I, like most Americans, don't have a choice of carriers. That's not a free market. It's not a market that will take care of itself. The UK has internet competition because they classified common carriers. As a result, they have faster, cheaper internet that no company or companies dominate. It's better for business, and its better for democracy
—Samuel Crockett, Chicago, IL

Net Neutrality is important to me because I have a wide range of interests on the Internet. I like websites from Amazon to indie small websites like channel101.com. Since everyone has easy access to the Internet, it should be regulated as a public utility just like water or natural gas. Fast lanes and slow lanes are unacceptable in this high-tech day and age.
—Angela Miller, Lambertville, MI

Net Neutrality truly helps make sure ALL voices are heard, and makes sure ALL Americans have equal access to the internet whatever their financial situation. A truly open internet is ESSENTIAL to DEMOCRACY.
—Joan Stigliani, Albuquerque, NM

My ability to carry out research and reach patients abroad depends on the internet. Restrictions as to speed are a disheartening threat to ready access. Nora Klein, MD
—Nora Klein M.D., Houston, TX

I am an artist and small business person. I must have the free flow of the Internet in order to stay connected to the world.
—Nina Flowers, Renton, WA

The internet is a place of vast information and freedom. There's a reason it has been untouched for years; because it works without being tampered and blocked. Please, in the name of Nyan, Doge, and Helix Fossil, keep the interwebs free!!!
—Robert Gilbert, Miami, FL

Freedom of speech on the internet REQUIRES internet Neutrality!
—Maureen O'Neal, Portland, OR

Neutrality is the BASIS of the internet and it's role in the world today. It should NOT be in the hands of individuals or individual companies to control it. It should belong to, and be a part of, the freedoms that should be available to US citizens in this day and age.
—Allen Holloway, Phoenix, AZ

The Internet gives the average person a chance to start their own retail store, magazine, encyclopedia, production studio, arcade or even a combination of them all. A few weeks before the proposed Net Neutrality rules came out I had just bought my first domain. It was so disappointing to hear that companies would be able to an "Internet fast lane" as most news outlets are claiming. It was even more disappointing to see how little the Chairman seemed to care about the interests of American citizens. The internet needs to be as neutral as possible. Which means no one should be able to pay for an advantage at the expense of others.
—Rafael Alexander, Bellingham, WA

Internet must be a public utility.
—Donald Holden, Cartersville, GA

Wtf is your problem Wheeler? Did you truly jump to the dark side? Or is this some diversionary attempt to meet in the middle at the last second?
—Gregory Frassetti, Briarwood, NY

Enough with the privatizing of US! Internet is free access to the web! Stop the theft of our internet!
—Charlene Boydston, Pahrump, NV

Represent the common people and not the corporations!
—Patricia Boland, Paauilo, HI

Yes, I really do depend on net neutrality, and so do *You*, even if the solicitors are telling you otherwise. I hope you'll preserve the precious POWER that net neutrality brings to American Innovation and Can-Do.
—Karl Olsen, Louisville, KY

Internet is basic and extremely important for my profession, I'm a teacher!! There is no other tool more powerful for educating populations on a big scale and with lower prices. If we want humanity to live better and improve this world, we need free Internet for better education.
—Lucy, ,

Net Neutrality is the only way to make sure that fair access is allowed for everyone who desires to be on the Internet. There's an old saying that also applies here. "If it isn't broke, don't fix it." The Internet is NOT broke and Net Neutrality has provided trillions of dollars of economic opportunity across the world. The FCC should throw out its new rules, and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—James K England Jr, Saint James, MO

If I don't have to pay for faster phone calls why should I have pay for faster internet. The internet should be open to all, especially for those who can not afford the best. It is a learning tool for many students and they should not penalized for their parents inability to afford better internet speeds.
—April Hoffman, Clovis, CA

We need equal access to all information.
—Rachel Herbener, Evanston, IL

The internet is a major form of communication. It should be classified and regulated as a common carrier. I want all the sites I access to be treated the same way, not some fast and some too slow to be useful. The sites I use most would end up in the slow lanes. If the internet is to be provided by private companies and not the government then it needs to be regulated so that everyone gets the same treatment.
—Theo B. Giesy, Norfolk, VA

Net neutrality is the only way to keep the internet fresh and innovative. We sadly lack any real competition in most parts of the country. Please reclassify all ISPs as common carriers
—Pat Kennedy, Spokane, WA

Because, again, the large corporations are taking over our world and we need to keep a free press for the common people. I am already being profiled for every purchase I make and web site I go to. We have to have Net Neutrality!
—Kathy O'Brien, Redway, CA

The internet should be regulated like a utility to ensure that there is equity for all in terms of access. Corporations should not have free reign over something created with taxpayer money.
—Michelle Martin, Franklin, WI

The internet is NOT an entity for the government to control!
—Mrs. Ashley St. Pierre, Pflugerville, TX

I believe that the power of the internet lies the medium's capacity to connect anyone with anyone anywhere any time in a free and open manner. The internet of this moment only requires a small fee in order to use it--internet connection, computer, etc. A two tiered internet, as the FCC proposes, would ruin the internet as we know it, and undermine the very thing that makes the internet so powerful--the freedom to connect with anyone anywhere.
—Alie Fofanah, Eugene, OR

I don't want to be the one left in the dust with this slow internet. I cannot deal with that. This is discrimination because my family cannot afford to pay for even more. This is not fair to those who have the internet but can barely afford things. This is by far the stupidest thing I have ever heard since SOPA. Internet users will begin to stop using the internet if you decide to follow through with this plan and not listen to us. Because we're just people, we obviously don't mean shit to you. We're obviously nothing to you. All you want is even more money, money to keep away from people that really need it. Just drop this entire thing and listen to us. We will not succumb to this idiocy. We will never stop fighting.
—Wynter Mendez, Saint Michael, MN

The networks that provide access to the Internet absolutely are and should be considered common carriers. To not allow them the protections as such puts far too much control over both the flow of information and the ability to innovate and compete in business into the hands of a very small and shrinking number of companies. We cannot rely on promises made by ISPs that are already being shirked by unnecessarily clogging their networks until ransom payments are made. Content owners should not have to pay to access customers that have already paid a fee with the promise of certain bandwidth speeds and unfettered access to whatever content is available on the Internet. To allow ISPs to demand additional payments from content owners betrays the promise already made by the ISPs to their end users. The possible and increasingly likely extinction of other means of access to news and information such as broadcast television, radio, and print media make the importance of ensuring free and unfettered access to ISP networks and the information they carry not only important for business innovation and fair competition, but vital to the health and vigor of our democracy.
—Kevin F Shively, Trumbull, CT

No fast lane, no slow lane, just one lane....for all. We demand that you do what is right for the American people as well as for the economy and continued innovation.. Designate ISPs to be common carriers!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! !!!!!!!!!! Harry Burcher Capitola CA
—Harry Burcher, Capitola, CA

because discrimination between those who can afford and those that can't.
—Andrea Olandag, Pinole, CA

Since you have no concern for the general public I will have no concern over how much money you and all those that don't support net neutrality have to gain with this. So I will dedicate my time to spread the word and make sure that every congressman that supported this is known and immediately voted out. \
—Vanessa Magarino, Concord, CA

THE INTERNET SHOULD BE A PUBLIC UTILITY! END THE RACKET! PROTECT THE AMERICAN PEOPLE AND MAKE THE INTERNET A PUBLIC UTILITY.
—Manel Saddique, Los Angeles, CA

Small businesses (I really mean micro businesses, like Mom and Pop, and work from home Moms) would be severely impacted by disasterous two-tiered Internet. The Internet has opened great avenues for us all. We must all be equal. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Michal Bouilly, Camarillo, CA

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Hal Chambers, Chicago, IL

PLEASE DO NOT!
—Bakermanb@yahoocom Baker, milton, NY

Net neutrality is critical for future innovation and economic development
—Ray Kaplan, Bogart, GA

Because net neutrality offers me a great chance to offer my viewers great quality streaming entertainment for long hours if this goes on i will be out of a job as my isp will start capping my bandwith and throttling me
—Robert Brevard, beltsville, MD

Allowing ISPs to effectively throttle Internet traffic will impact the open, free (as in "thought" and "speech") exchange of information and innovation on the Internet, as these companies will do because they are beholden not to these ideals but to the almighty dollar and their share holders. Because they have a special interest in slowing all traffic unless payments are made by the deliverer and delivered (per Helgi Walker, Verizon lawyer "my client ... would be exploring [a two-sided market]", Verizon v. Federal Communications Commission, 11-1356, U.S. Court of Appeals for the District of Columbia (Washington).). Reclassify them as common carriers so that it's at least HARDER for their special interests to limit my access to what I would like to see, or not to see.
—Zach Hatch, Boise, ID

is time to fire Tom Wheeler for being a traitor to the people, at least fired him...not time to put him against the wall yet.
—Nando A., des moines, WA

I think we need to tell Chairman Wheeler that he needs to change his mind & come out to tell the public we demand that the internet is for the public interest, not for the corporations. I know there might be some politicians & CEO's laughing about approving discrimination, but these new rules don't go far enough. We need to tell the FCC to fight back against. We know it's an election year & if the Republicans take back the Senate & keep the House likely, this could be another death knell for our Democracy. Please tell Congress to tell chairman Wheeler that these rules a mistake for the American people & that our internet shouldn't be privatized.
—Derek Gendvil, Las Vegas, NV

Net Neutrality is completely necessary to insure uninhibited, non discriminatory acess for all citizens to the Internet. Do rhe right thing, and fix the classification.
—Dan, Saint Paul, MN

I don't have any choice in Broadband provider. Your discussion could raise my cost !
—Michael Molder, Newberry, SC

Please reclassify internet service providers as common carriers so as not to end Net Neutrality. It is very important that all internet users are on a level playing field with no favorites. Thank you for your consideration for the average American citizen.
—Jean Dahlheimer, Hamel, MN

We can't live in the fantasy that consumers have a choice in their providers. Regulation needs to happen. Citizens need help.
—Wyatt Tigert, San Francisco, CA

The Internet is an amazing creation. There's never been anything like it before -- we've been able to watch as the entire world communicates, without limits, and to see what humanity (not just bits and pieces of it) comes up with as a result. To regulate and to restrict that would be the death of this grand experiment and all the future things that may come of it. We need this, especially as Americans. The Internet is the one place where the American Dream still lives. With enough luck, knowledge, or ambition, anyone who can access a computer can find a way to make it online, and it should stay that way. The new regulations would make it easier for those who already have to get further ahead...just the way it is everywhere else. Please, let the net stay open and free. It is far more valuable to everyone as it is now.
—Molly Lemke, Camp Hill, PA

It is absolutely unacceptable for Internet service providers to have control over the content their customers access. This is a violation of our freedom of information. Allowing big businesses to impose what is essentially censorship on the people of a nation is a move worthy of a dictatorship, and it is downright unconstitutional! Furthermore, a fast and a slow lane would only exacerbate the gap between rich and poor. America stands for FREEDOM and EQUALITY. If you allow this violation of our principles to stand, you are betraying our country.
—Felicity, Forest Grove, OR

Please call it a utility and regulate as such. Many people on fixed incomes need the internet for ordering meds and other business transactions. Small business needs it too. They can't afford to have to pay more. This could have recessionary effects to two-tier the internet.
—Jane Mahoney, Oregon, WI

Internet access should be a utility with suppliers classified as common carriers. Compared to the rest of the world, our broadband system basically sucks.
—Michael Monteleone, APO, NY

I understand that the goal of the large ISPs is to extract as much money as possible from the public. Since they have an oligopoly on Internet access, they should, however, actually provide a NEUTRAL service, as Canada regulates, not a gross sludge fund.
—Kerry Crouse, nashua, NH

Chairman Wheeler, I know how easy it must be to become submerged in the politics amd power of Washington DC. I have grown up in Oklahoma and Texas and have never been in politics nor have I had to contend with all of the extremely powerful forces that you deal with each day. I can assure you that I strongly believe that you are doing your best. But, sir, you must see that the special interests are wrong on this issue. It is imperative, for people like me, that all ISPs are classified as common carriers so that the average citizen has equal access to the Internet. Special interests did not conceive of, design or produce the Internet or the Web. People like me did that-and they did it for the good of society. We know what the right thing is-please just do it.
—Mark Mark McFarland, Austin, TX

An open internet is likely responsible for the development of countless new technologies, which would not have developed with paid prioritization. As we strive to progress as a nation, we seek to expand accessibility to the internet such that it is ubiquitous, like other utilities. To achieve this, we need to ensure there are no artificial barriers to internet access and capabilities provided through the internet. Reclassification protects the consumer and promotes economic growth.
—Charles Galyon, Knoxville, TN

The internet was designed to belong to everyone, not only the rich. Keep it that way.
—Susan Lozano, Kelseyville, CA

Please stop the attacks on Net Neutrality once and for all by reclassifying the Internet as a common carrier.
—Edwin Philbrook, LATHAM, NY

A free and open Internet is important for independent businesses, as well as to anyone who wants to read unbiased news that has not been sifted through the filter of our mostly-corrupt media sources.
—Dianne A McDowell, Eaton, NY

Don't discriminate!!
—Kathy Colton, Cedar Rapids, IA

We need the internet to provide a clean, unfiltered source of firsthand information to people across the world. Limiting it in any way is the equivalent of censoring society.
—Saba Dunbavan, ,

Net Neutrality is vital to keep the internet as a basis of democracy.
—Gloria Gaspar, ,

An open Internet with a level playing field is important for a democracy. Otherwise,it is the corporations that will dictate what we watch,or the size of our wallet.
—Victoria Crampton, Bozeman, MT

We need access to all information equally! Anything else amounts to censorship!
—Patricia Ann Liske, Falls Church, VA

I care about Ne Neutrality.
—Michael Burton, Emeryville, CA

Please keep the internet neutral and keep the important principle of net neutrality.
—Darryl Nordstrom, Honolulu, HI

It's freedom. Equal freedom. They want to destroy that for more wealth. True capitalist, that's evil.
—Eric Torres, New York, NY

Net neutrality is a big issue with me as a private citizen, a retiree living on a fixed income. If you allow rampant discrimination on line then you set all of us up for unfair and greedy rate hikes. Sure, they say one thing now, but later they change their minds, voices, positions. I want a free internet. And unless you are being paid by some pac or lobbyist, then you want a free internet also.
—Bill Hamilton, Wichita, KS

Why are you all bent on the Destruction of AMERICA!!! Is money that important??!!
—Rod Steskal, Clay Center, NE

Government by, for, and of the people. (No corporations mentioned anywhere in there...)
—Tim Talbert, Cedar Rapids, IA

The People overwhelmingly support Net Neutrality and a few corporations oppose it. Who are you working for?
—Paul Deeter, Keaau, HI

Please let the common person have equal access.
—William Jaskowiak, Eau Claire, WI

Chairman Wheeler, The internet has become in many places around the world the only instrument of free speech. This freedom is one of our most basic rights in the United States of America and it MUST be protected at all costs. Regulation of the internet is a huge step in erasing that instrument like it is in China. The FCC must keep its hands off the internet even under the pretense of business regulation. The internet was created to allow the free flow of information between people and institutions. It MUST remain as such.
—Fred Barthell, Santa Maria, CA

I support non-profits and ending net neutrality would destroy them.
—Houston Wong, Kirkland, WA

I as an American value Net Neutrality as the only way to have even a slight chance at getting back our democracy from the corporations that run it and you now.
—Steve Adler, chicago, IL

Please pay close attention. Thank you.
—Patricia Byers, Kingman, AZ

A single, self-serving company does not have the right to dictate allowable content and its worth to its customers. The company is there to provide a service, not filter the service for the customer. ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers.
—Dana Lopez, Rochester Hills, MI

I get so disgusted that absolutely every facet of life in the US turns around the almighty dollar. The internet is a tool for the world, with all due respect, stop trying to make another #$%@* dollar.
—Margo Hamilton, Sonoita, AZ

After years of dial up service in the slow lane now the FCC can let the ISP put the breaks on the system so they can charge more for high speed connections is not net neutral in any form.
—Lee Terbot, Colorado Springs, CO

I use the internet as a utility. It replaces my phone in some instances, I use it's FaceTime feature so I can see as well as talk tomy kids and grandchildren, who live half the country away from me. Without true neutrality, our connection will in the slow lane, which will spoil the experience. Why should I be confined to the internet sites that the highly profitable ISPs decide to deliver on the fast lane? Their political and social interests may vary substantially from mine. The two lane approach opens the door to political "Big Brother" who feeds us the information that they want people to see. You can prevent this, by favoring the interests of we the people, rather than the interests of wealthy and powerful corporations.
—Kent Wilson, Glenview, IL

Allowing ISPs to to force us to pay extra fees or suffer slower service is like letting a power company force us to pay extra fees or only power half the lights in our houses. Also, Net Neutrality allows new small businesses to compete on the same level as established businesses. I don't want to see innovation stifled by an ISP's greed.
—Daniel Ladror, Chicago, IL

Freedom should be for all and not controlled by any entity regardless of what form. Internet providers are carriers and nothing more. Why is our government allowing it to be controlled by corporate giants? The internet should stay free for all and ISP's should be a carrier as that is all they do, they carry the signal.
—charles Sloan, Rocky Point, NC

Big money owns the TV News & the newspapers - freedom of speech is more about who can have pay to have their "truth" (if you can even call it that) shouted the loudest & the most. The internet is the last refuge of the free. Don't let big money take that, too.
—Marni Wilson, Albuquerque, NM

Net neutrality is of critical importance to American citizens, commerce and innovation. I pay for Internet service at a particular speed and I should be able to use that service to access to content of my own choice without interfence, interruptions, or slowdowns caused by Internet Service Providers.
—Mitch Voehl, Eagan, MN

We need access that is equal for all to important information online.
—Sandra Zylberman, Owings MIlls, MD

I want the internet to stay available to me, not just the businesses.
—Richard W. Thrower, Spokane, WA

Remember free speech? It applies to EVERYTHING! When you mess with free speech, you're messin' with ME! Quit your ass-kissing to the corporates!
—Julius Rasmussen, CLOVIS, CA

We all need equal access to both large businesses and small businesses, corporate media and independent media. Without equal access to both, innovation and communication will effectively wither and die.
—JT Smith, Sellersville, PA

I don't want the big Internet company to be able to control the Internet and make us pay more. It cost enough as it is. They should not have control. Thank you for your time. Michael Mariarossi
—Michael Mariarossi, Plant City, FL

Allowing ISPs to play favorites is like allowing the DoT to play favorites. Imagine it every Walmart had a highway, but every mom and pop shop was forced to build on an unpaved, single lane road. That's what the end of net neutrality will do. The big sites will be able to pay for a fast track, but all up and comers won't. It would mark the end of any true competition on the net. Companies won't have to buy their competition anymore, just pay the ISP for priority and watch the competition crumble.
—Brandon Allendorf, Columbia, SC

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Bryan Yarberry, berwyn, IL

In the digital age, this is the best easiest statement government can make that it represents the people (not corporate personhood) and it's not just about democracy, it's about what's good for the sustainable furture of America and American ideals.
—Chuck Jaffee, Grass Valley, CA

don't control our internet freedom we face enough discrimination in this world
—Mandy Croft, ,

Equal access means broader development and greater democracy for all
—Irving Lee, New York, NY

With the net providers buying the best Congress money can buy, let us do something novel like ensure there is adequate competition to benefit the consumer and the world in general. The internet is a utility and should be heavily regulated as such to protect the consumer.
—Don Ely, Tacoma, WA

This flies in the face of EVERYTHING about net neutrality. The internet being free and EQUALLY prioritized, no matter what sites you're visiting, is one of the best things about it. This will quash new businesses trying to start up, especially social media businesses. Internet access is A PUBLIC UTILITY and it should be regulated as such.
—William S Irvine, arcata, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because all internet traffic should be treated equally. Packets should be equivalent to water or electricity. Discriminating with "fast lanes" (or any other throttling) will fundamentally change the internet and will negatively affect current and future generations. Let's progress not regress!
—Zachary Saunders, Springfield, MO

Democracy depends on equal access to information, not for those who can afford it.
—Andrea Lieberman, Los Angeles, CA

Net neutrality is freedom of speech and freedom of expression, it is inherently wrong and more than likely illegal to require the use of those rights to sit behind a paywall.
—Brandon Doss, Carl Junction, MO

We deserve a free and open internet, without net neutrality corporations willl be the dictators of our internet.
—John Paul Markham, Princeton, KY

I use the internet for work and school. If it is throttled back based on the sites I use or the searches I preform, it will not only anger me but will also take away from the service I pay for. If it is bad enough I will look into lower cost or free solutions.
—Ron Morgan, Lexington, SC

Please don't take away the last place where race, class, or sex have equal freedom.
—Elizabeth DuPree, Adel, GA

At the beginning of our great experiment [Democracy for the western hemisphere], our then citizens believed and stated that a dynamic, free and independent press was absolutely essential to success of our new democracy. The same principle is true today. We remain in monumental need to an independent and free media, our internet. To succeed and evolve, our Democracy needs a media free from government and corporate control. Please act to reconsider and pass a vote and document to keep the 2100s media free and open.
—Robert Hilgenberg, Everett, WA

I'm 13 years old and want to be an online enterprenuer. If true net neutrality is taken away then you take my dreams away. Please reconsider this move.
—Braden Frondorf, Cincinnati, OH

Internet Service Providers are simply that. Nothing more. They do not deserve any right to discriminate on what content goes where and at what speed. We (US citizens via govt proxy) are allowed to design these systems (internet) to maximize/democratize the benefits to the users of the system. Our government exists to protect and support the citizens of this country. An ISP is a means to support this goal, and should not be confused as having rights that are allowed to significantly harm those of real, breathing US citizens.
—David Hecht, Indianapolis, IN

Facing retirement and a fixed income, like many seniors I hope to have access to all Internet options in spite of a low income.
—Karen Fletcher, Waynesboro, TN

Money is not free speech.
—Joanne Rauch, Warren, OR

Equality, plain and simple. Look it up.
—Jessica Reddy, Hamilton,

As an independent artist, it's difficult enough to reach fans, listeners and potential customers online. If these new rules are implemented, it will become nearly impossible for me to find and cultivate new commissions, performances and to develop new markets for my future recordings and concerts. I urge the FCC to reclassify the ISPs as common carriers to facilitate opportunities for individuals and businesses of all sizes and income levels.
—Mark Taylor, New York, NY

The simple fact that there would be a "fast lane" and a "slow lane" simply isn't fair. PERIOD! Big internet providers (ANY internet provider for that matter!) SHOULD NOT be allowed to "play favorites"! This is going to do more harm than good, and should NEVER HAVE been considered in the first place! KEEP NET NEUTRALITY!
—Cassandra Morris, Summersville, WV

The Internet, as envisioned by former Vice President Al Gore, who famously referred to it as the Information Super Highway, was created as a public resource, to which all who seek to avail themselves of its content should have equal and unfettered access.
—Nick Tsambassis, Clarksville, TN

Small businesses, start-ups, and individual bloggers would be especially hurt by a two-tiered system, since they wouldn't be able to afford paying extra fees for an Internet fast lane and stay competitive. Don't let Internet service providers choose winners and losers online!
—Rebecca Borrero, Bellerose, NY

I work for a small company (under 5 people) that depends on the internet for our business. We provide remote support using the internet for our customers who do not want to pay for travel. Avoiding travel times to customers in different cities also allows us to support more customers in the same business day. All businesses should have access to the same information pipelines, just like we all have the same phone lines to talk and paved roads to drive on. Allowing the internet service providers to decide who can pay for faster access is like allowing cities to decide who can drive on the interstate and who has to take back roads. It will force businesses to fail and close and will make it harder for new companies to start and to innovate in the modern world. Do NOT allow this two-tiered internet. Protect Net Neutrality. Thank you, Mark Earnest
—Mark Earnest, Waukesha, WI

Equal and fair access to the internet for all is important for social justice in our country. We do not want to live in a world where those who have massive financial resources can monopolize the usage of the internet for their financial gain while the rest of society is left with the "crumbs" and leftovers.
—Ron Torretta, Canon City, CO

The Internet is up there with food and shelter for me. Don't do this to us.
—Michelle, Loma Linda, CA

We need net neutrality because we need competition. Competition is the reason we are where we are today as a nation, having led the world in so many parts of society like art, technology, aerospace, etc. Not having net neutrality puts the entire nation in a corner like my entire town, where we have exactly one choice for or internet. If we want to pay less or move to a more reliable option, we absolutely cannot. This nation was built on competition and letting the government destroy this is a disservice to almost half a million people and burying the hatchet on letting this great nation fall behind the rest of the world voluntarily by letting the the few, the corporations, dictate what the many can do and see. At its root we are becoming an oligarchy, letting the rich lead and control us, and destroying the democracy we once thought everybody deserved.
—Marshall Burns, Kutztown, PA

In a democracy, it is assumed that each of us is starting upon a level playing field. Giving preference to those with the deepest pockets simply trashes that notion. As a trusted, public gatekeeper, would you want to retire knowing this happened on YOUR shift?
—Duane Hanson, pdx, OR

Like so many others I work hard, long hours for my money and creating tiers for the speed of internet is free enterprise, but poor or rich we all expect the same level of service that is affordable.
—Bob macias, Brighton, CO

Net neutrality is important for freedom of speech, equal opportunity, fair pricing and not only big business and corporation to take advantage of.
—Jeff McCaleb, San Antonio, TX

A free internet is like air. We all need it to breathe. How do you think it would be to breathe through a straw?
—Daniel Hilburn, Mesa, AZ

Net neutrality is the key to entrepreneurship and an internet that can lead us to the future of innovation
—Amy Lourenco, Leesburg, VA

YML livelihood as a Japanese-English translator and expatriate depends on Net Neutrality. Keep it intact.
—Michael House, Redwood City, CA

The last thing we need is additional clamping down on our freedom of speech. Haven' t the past 15 years been enough!?!?
—Michele Eason, Montrose, CA

I want the internet deriver to be declared a utility and under government control not in the hands of private business whose only concern is personal/business profit.
—J Stufflebeam, Oregon City, OR

I'm on Social Security. And, I'm tired of paying through the nose for what should be considered the same as old fashioned phone service.
—Charlotte Edwards, Summerville, SC

I want open internet to continue as it should. I want net neutrality. Thank you.
—Judy Edgar, Phoenix, AZ

Net neutrality is one of the tenants that allows the internet to be the single greatest collective repository of information in human history. ISP's don't own the internet they have no right to offer premiums for prioritized traffic that well inevitably cause slowdowns for all traffic that is not prioritized. If you have any shred of responsibility to the American people you will fix the wording so that Net Neutrality is legally enforceable.
—Ryan Morris, Juneau, AK

My college student sons and I depend on the open internet for learning, communicating, telephoning, bill paying, non-profit volunteering. The internet is our little family business' portal to the world. It is a means of moving the dial on community engagement around social and environmental justice issues and it is the best and farthest reaching tool for democracy the earth has ever known. You are charged as public servants to protect the interests of your constituents – The People – over those of any commercial interest. You must act to protect the internet, and to keep it open and just. My family begs you to take your role of stewardship seriously and protect us and Americans everywhere by declaring internet access via broadband, wireless networks and public wifi, an essential public communication service.
—Kimi Wei, fair lawn, NJ

I want all content providers to have equal access to the internet.
—Miriam Dunbar, Fairbanks, AK

It's not fair to make people pay more or less for the Internet. I use it for everyday purposes like social connection, paying my bills, budgeting my business, networking, research, and pleasure. We all use the Internet and the people who use it the most are not the people who can afford to pay lofty fees for being able to use it with ease. DO NOT allow these laws to take effect. I promise you, the quality of life for people all over the world depend on that.
—Juli Sellers, Sammamish, WA

As a disabled Vietnam veteran I live on a limited budget and depend on at least a modicum of competition to keep comcast/att prices in line
—Terry Hockett, Lake Bluff, IL

I care about net neutrality.
—Dawn greaves, Emeryville, CA

Reclassify as common carrier with liberty and equal access for all.
—Paula Gibbens, mesa, AZ

Net Neutrality is NEEDED by not just the American Public, but the entire world. Look at the global connectivity the internet has spurred. Do YOUR part as an FCC chairman and shut down wheeler!
—Ben Loesch, Los Gatos, CA

The FCC is supposed to be a citizens advocate not do the bidding of the corporations in their efforts to squeeze more money from the citizens. A two tiered internet would stifle innovation and free speech. This is an attempt at a corporate takeover of a government created program that benefits tge citizens. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and stand up for the people.
—Adam Gluckman, Dallas, TX

Please keep the internet open and not better for the highest bidder.
—Adam Booth, Edmond, OK

There's nothing else that the uber-wealthy and corporate elites haven't taken over. The "people" will have NOTHING if you don't protect net neutrality !!! Please !!!!
—Steve and Roberta Raps, Eaton, OH

If the FCC does not re-regulates broadband internet as a public utility, what we will end up with is nothing short of the corporate takeover of the internet and an end to Net Neutrality. This is unacceptable.
—Guillermina Aguirre, Westminster, CO

If you do this..... I'll go outside again.(rampage)
—Michael, Garland, TX

The Oligarchs own enough....keep the Internet tubes free and equal!
—Joe Wasson, Fort Smith, AR

In this modern age, equality includes equal access to information of all kinds. The internet is the source of information for now and for the future. Leave it open to everyone the same.
—Donald E. Britt, Princeton, MN

Wheeler's plan for "net neutrality" leaves too much ambiguity, and will ultimately be bad for consumers. The only benefit is for the cable companies and the lawyers who will represent them as the intentionally ambiguous phrasing is brought into the court system. The FCC needs to stand up for people, not companies!
—David Schubert, Minneapolis, MN

IT IS THE LAST DEMOCRATIC MEANS OF COMMUNICATION.
—Ana Coria, LONG BEACH, CA

A free and open internet is essential to freedom in today's world. Do not side with corporate power over the needs of everyday people. Our tax dollars pay for you to do the right thing and protect our citizens from those who would take away our freedom of free and open communications in all forms.
—Aida J Sheets, St. Petersburg, FL

We have come to the point where many small businesses and communities make use of the internet to conduct their business. It's because of the open internet that smaller businesses are able to find customers, aspiring journalists can report on their communities, even if they're reporting information that large entities may not want to have a spotlight on. It's because of how pivotal the internet has become for society to function, it is only logical that it should be classified as a common carrier service. We depend on it for business and communication, much like telephones. Allowing for the two-tiered internet would undermine that.
—Stephen Romney, Salt Lake City, UT

Every Internet user has an equal right to this global network. As my dear Dad always said, "If it ain't broke, don't fix it." Please keep the Internet neutral or I might be losing the only contact I have with family living outside the US.
—Paula Fougere, Seabrook, NH

The only truly free media we have left.
—Niels Finsen, Liberty, PA

costs are multiplying everywhere. Please don't charge us more to use any part of the internet universe. It should and must be equal and available to all at the highest possible speed.
—Gerard T Redpath, Charlottesville, VA

Dear FCC, Net Neutrality is important to me because everyone has the right to have all access to information everywhere at a equal and fair low price. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you for hearing me out.
—Raymond Yee, ,

Protecting smaller businesses and consumers should be the focus of any proposal regarding the future of the internet. The idea of faster speeds in exchange for financial considerations is a blatant attempt at a cash grab from companies that do not have the best interests of consumers in mind. It will stunt growth and progress of small businesses in a time where it is vital that they succeed.
—Andrew Klingensmith, Pittsburgh, PA

Please google and read "Fourteen Defining Characteristics of Fascism" by Lawrence Britt. 2 pages. We are close to 14 of 14
—Steve V Eklund, Sallinas, CA

Keep things simple: the Internet is content, the ISPs carry it, not produce it. Classifying them as common carriers reflects this reality and avoids creating special regulations when we already have regulations in place that could deal with the situation.
—Morgen Peschke, SEVERN, MD

It's important to me because anything I don't know about politics, the news, or how to do, I look up on the internet. People shouldn't be charged money for the pursuit of knowledge.
—Chris, Cathedral City, CA

Keep the Internet a LEVEL PLAYING FIELD, without special privileges for those who are wealthy or more powerful politically that the regular user!
—Patrick Young, fresno, CA

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—Nathan Jones, Oklahoma City, OK

The proposed rules are anti-democratic and amount to giving away a public asset to the private sector, thus allowing a couple major corporations to control content and accessibility in accordance with their own political agendas and profit goals. This set-up does not serve the American people, but rather is a capitulation or responsibility on the part of the FCC. Do your job and ensure net neutrality, Reject the current proposed rules.
—Gary R Cook, RIO NIDO, CA

My service sucks,my options are limited,and this proposal would just make it worse.My friends are even worse off. Don't do this.
—Pete, Whiting, IN

Please show your courage and do the right thing. It will be hard. It may be "war". But your forefathers fought wars and won.
—Thomas E. Tracy, Houston, TX

This, an many other rules and proposals made by you guys, are all going to do more harm than good. You need to think more about the innocent people that you are SERIOUSLY harming by doing this!
—Nathan Smith, Vancouver,

It is vital to our countries technological advancement to keep the internet open.
—Andrew Riggs, Pahrump, NV

Dear Federal Communications Commission, FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan will encourage and allow Internet service providers like Comcast, Verizon and AT&T to create a two-tiered Internet, one fast lane for the very wealthy and one slow road for the rest of us. This is not appropriate for our system of democracy. Wheeler's proposal would kill the open Internet. Millions of Americans depend on Net Neutrality! I demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying the Internet Service Providers as common carriers. Thank you, Kathleen Kerner
—Kathleen Kerner, Valencia, CA

No fast lanes for the rich on the internet.
—Brenda Boren, Bethany, OK

The Oligarchs will buy up the internet to force their views on the nation
—Charles Blume, Indianapolis, IN

I lead a social justice group and depend strongly on swift, reliable internet for communication. Please continue to insure Net Neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers -- just like the modern telephone!
—Daniel R. B. Fary M.D., Fort Atkinson, WI

I'm tired of being screwed by the big guys.
—Leroy Frankel, Longmont, CO

Educators and Students need equal access to ALL information - not just the info that major corporations decide is important.
—Brent, Costa Mesa, CA

Net Neutrality is important because it allows us to use the internet the way we want
—Antonio Gonzalez, Ocala, FL

Everybody should have equal rights in using the internet. I am tired of corporate takeovers of everything. Please make sure that net neutrality continues for everyone.
—Linda Parena, El Sobrante, CA

Having a two-tiered Internet, in which wealthy persons and businesses have an advantage over everyone else, is unhealthy for our democracy, for businesses, and for my own work. I need to be able to access a wide range of sites and information as I work to build my own business, yet I am only at the beginning of this process. If a two-tiered "pay for better play" system is instituted, then I will be able to make as much progress as I would on a truly open Internet. PLEASE re-classify the Internet as a telecommunications system -- which it is! Make the Internet truly available for everyone in the US! Throw out your proposed pro-big-business rules and make the Internet permanently open for EVERYONE!
—James Findlay, Los Angeles, CA

Net neutrality is important in protecting free speech in America, especially the free speed of average citizens. Do not take away our free speech.
—David Chen, Lewistown, MT

The Internet belongs to everyone, and everyone should have equal access, period.
—Roger Keith, Albuquerque, NM

Because the Internet is the modern day equivalent of the public square so often spoken of in the writings of men such as Thomas Jefferson. For free speech to mean anything, we cannot have "preferred" speech based upon commercial interests.
—Ms. Stacey A. Ward Esq., Los Lunas, NM

Please don't allow discrimination online based on who pays ISPs. All online content should be equally available to all users of the Internet! Without Net Neutrality, small and medium online business will be in unfavorable position. Online start ups will have much less chances to survive. I demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Mikalai Panasiuk, Bellevue, WA

The Internet is replacing telephone and television services in many places. These services don't have tiers. I believe that ISPs should be treated as common carriers.
—Martin Rost, Islip Terrace, NY

Because I've come to depend on the even modestly fast American 'high-speed' internet. Japanese high-speed internet, last I heard, was 18 (!?) times faster. Dont slow us down, speed us up, thieves…
—Ted Voth Jr, Madison, WI

I am partially disabled and am unable to leave my home without assistance. The internet is my source for news and contact with other people. I don't think big communications companies should be able to cut me off from the outside world or decide what websites I can visit. I am also afraid for our faltering democracy. It's obvious who big telecom will support and whose message will be censored. I won't tell you it's your responsibility to protect public access because I know you don't care. The only reason we have this comment period is because our wrath took you by surprise. We haven't lost it and you will feel it again every time you try to cut us off from the outside world. Make the internet a public utility.
—Debbie Bremner, Shoreline, WA

Please let the internet remain a level playing field for all share ideas!
—Michael Garza, amarillo, TX

My business would be impacted by being forced into the proposed internet slow lane. Please classify internet ISP providers as common carriers.
—Karen Murphy, Bellingham, WA

I feel that the Internet is already run by enough companies. A adding amiddle man (or company in this case) is going TOO FAR! All Internet service providers should be classified as common carriers.
—Jesse Smith, Pearland, TX

As a small business owner who conducts ALL (100%) of his business ONLINE, it would be absolutely horrendous for this to happen. If ISPs are not reclassified as common carriers, I could literally go out of business. My livelihood ruined. Is that what you want on your conscious? Knowing tens if not hundreds of thousands of small business owners will go out of business and drop down to poverty, and that it's all your fault? How can you lot sleep at night knowing you had the power to stop this, and still allowed the extremely rich to get richer by screwing the little guy.
—Aldo Barreras, Miami, FL

Giving the Internet to corporate greed is abdicating your responsibility. The Net is a common carrier, same as telephone service was a generation ago. SHAME on you for whoring to corporate greed!
—Jan Lindner, Columbus, OH

FCC: Have you ever thought about why the internet is where it is today? The open and free nature is what has allowed it to grow and become what it is today in not a whole lot of time at all. After seeing such amazing results, you want to inhibit it. You take advantage of the hard work from the many involved, and then tell the many that it's no longer going to work the way the many want it. Essentially, you want to destroy innovation and growth. That is what you are trying to do correct? If you would like to destroy future innovation and exponential knowledge growth for all, please continue doing what you are doing. If your true desire was in the best interest of all, you would sincerely reconsider what you are trying to do here-- Because it really sucks.
—Philip E Saltsman, Tampa, FL

I use the net to do research for Work (Critical Care RN), For Play, My Kids education and to enhance my life. I don't need anyone telling me what i can or cant do, especially for a profit. Thanks You for listening and please do not allow this change to happen.
—Seth, Fort Collins, CO

I am an IT professional and started working before the Internet became widely accessible. I have witnessed the explosion of creativity and innovation that the Net has fostered. Please don't start trying to clamp down and control it! You'll kill everything that is good about it!
—Carla Robinson, Tulsa, OK

The internet is a place for individuals and small businesses to be creative and connect - it is a vibrant and exciting community due to the efforts of individuals. It belongs to the people not the giant corporations.
—Barbara Cohn, Carlsbad, CA

The Internet is not the place to allow fast and slow lanes, all access needs to be equal. Don't sell out the internet as we know it, and the only way to do that is by having New Neutrality be the rule and norm.
—Diane Marlo, Wrn., MI

I provide a non-profit music blog that couldn't possibly compete in a two-tier system, and is far too strapped to pay for fast-track access. I do not want to take this down, but the quality would suffer and users would no doubt be driven away.
—Jon Cosby, Seattle, WA

The last bastion of free press for the common man. Stop ruining the American Dream for the little guy just so the fat cats can get fatter.
—David Scott, Yakima, WA

Net Neutrality is important to me for many reasons, one of which is that much of the infrastructure was not created and is not owned by the service providers, but by public means. A free and open internet is vital to our country. Communication should not be limited in this way, as it will limit the reach and growth of the creators and investors of our future. Please. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Please. Don't ignore the voice of the people in this. Please.
—Ann M, San Jose, CA

As someone who is getting into the arts industry, I've seen time and time again that having an internet portfolio, particularly your own website, is very important for putting yourself out there and getting a job. In essence, I need something online to help me get a well paying job. If net neutrality were put to an end, I could face a very serious problem of how to get my artwork to possible employers. These companies could make it so smaller websites, like an online portfolio, are difficult to find, or never get seen. In that case, you're creating a problem when, for example, a company in New York can't find the artist that best suits their needs because that artist lives in Georgia. In a normal case, the company in NY could look up artists that suit their needs across the us with just their computer. But if these companies can't even reach the artists, how will anyone be happy? Also, I do not want my internet provider determining what I get to see online. If my company gets in a fight with a major website I frequent over some fees, I'll be left the victim when I can't even access the information I want (remember time warner and cbs?). Think what would happen if this was between time warner and Facebook. Sure, the company could create knockoff or copycat websites, but is it really social media if only people from one internet provider HAS to use that website because we get cut off or slowed down from one? It's like going to Walmart and only the great value products being available- a limit wouldn't make sense. The internet thrives on it's availability to everyone, not on the limiting of communication. Please take my words into consideration before acting on any decisions. That is all I can ask, so that is all I will say. Thank you for your time.
—Nicha Meyer, Rowlett, TX

We need open access to the internet.
—Stacy Grossman, Columbus, OH

The internet is the people. It's freedom is ours. Giving control over it to greedy corporate interest is trying to give them control over the lives and minds of a free populace. This must not happen!
—Steven C Andrews, Santa Rosa, CA

Not everyone is wealthy enough to afford the best of everything. Stopping this is important because adding more discrimination within society should not be allowed. Discrimination against those who are disabled or aged will be punished. Elizabeth P.Dodson
—Elizabeth Dodson, Twin Falls, ID

Look, im on SSDI and im already disenfranchised by most people, now there should be no fast or slow lane...you are acting like IRAN, have some decency for the REPUBLIC FOR GOODNESS SAKE. ethically you are wrong, you lack ETHICS!
—Rebecca Trammell, Cedar Park, TX

In a few years I may look back to remember the days when anyone could put up a website on the internet and create something for anyone to see. Then I'll remember the day the FCC wouldn't stand up for the public interest and allowed the established corporations to limit our freedoms and expression in the name of greed. DO WHAT IS RIGHT...for everybody.
—Edward Marx, Oxnard, CA

Because own markets are the best, especially open markets that don't actually hurt/hinder people.
—William Morroe, Racine, WI

Keep your hands off our Internet. It works.
—Marilynn Jerry Wadden, Des Moines, IA

Keep the Internet equal!
—Amanda Williams, Poolesville, MD

Net Neutrality is absolutely important because people have a right to free information. Not only that, but the internet has been untouched for decades. Fuck the big corporations who just want to make money off of it. Sure, ISP's are the ones who allow access to the internet.. But it's THE PEOPLE who keep the internet alive. Stop trying to control everything. Tom Wheeler, pull your fucking head out of your ass. I don't care if these corporations are bribing you with millions of dollars.... Have a conscience and change ISP's to common carriers. SIMPLE. END OF STORY. EVERYONES HAPPY. Fuck Republicans.. They are extremist WANKERS. Who gives a shit if a few of them have a cry. Tom Wheeler, I've read that you have also said that you disapprove of discrimination. To this I ask, how would you feel if your FCC website was slowed to the point where NO ONE could access it.... YOU WOULD FUCKING HATE THAT. Just STOP trying to make money by controlling something that should be FREE. ISP's control the internet because companies have capitalised on top of the already existing internet... That's IT! If ISP's didn't capitalise on the internet, it would be controlled and accessed through EASIER, CHEAPER means. So tell the Cable and internet companies to go FUCK THEMSELVES and keep the internet NEUTRAL!
—Peter Ormsby, ,

Stop this big business manipulation of the American public!
—Rb, Flint, MI

The net is the one place where almost everybody is equal. We can't screw that up.
—Steve Gibbons, Springfield, OR

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In order for creativity to be encouraged, Net Neutrality is necessary. Creative minds need a certain amount of leeway to bring their creative thoughts to fruition. Killing the open internet would be sabotage to all of the creative thought that we experience on a daily basis. Keep the internet free and flowing!
—Rene McIntyre, San Francisco, CA

I want an internet that is open and free, giving no preferential treatment to those who can pay for top billing or fast service. In other words, don't mess with what we have now!
—Sharon Smith, Dayton, OH

The internet is the last free and open forum in which honest debate occurs and through which the masses can easily access large amounts of information. Unless you prefer the world of the Dark Ages in which the wealthy lords had all the information and their vassals were kept uneducated and in the dark, you should see to it that Net Neutrality is maintain and oppose any efforts to change that.
—Edwin M. Jackson, Houston, TX

If you want to crush the only new entrepreneur avenue in a generation and ensure that China, Russia and Europe will be the new cradles of software products and jobs then these rules are a great idea.
—Jason Pirie, Hooksett, NH

I am a retired educator who is a lifelong learner. I rely on the Internet to continue learning. I can barely afford Internet access now. I cannot afford to pay anymore. Our democracy is based on equal access. Don't betray our heritage.
—Linda Ahart, West Roxbury, MA

I rely, like so many of us on a fast internet. It is needed as lot of my elderly friends depend heavily on this fast internet for information on their health, news which I pull together and hand it over. I use it to buy certain medicines and items which are not ready availably for them anymore, as a lot of shops have shut down. So the businenss community will loose out if the internet is artificially slowed down. I need it to look for new jobs for me to watch TV and so on.
—Petra Ricketts, ,

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Julio A. Segarra III, Seymour, CT

I pay $50 bucks a month for faster internet. I shouldn't get ripped off into paying more.
—Paul Kruse III, Merritt Island, FL

We live in a world increasingly defined by those that already have everything. While the rest of us watch what we have slowly and methodically erode. Don't let something built specifically for the greater good become yet another symbol of class distinction and a bitter denial of equal services.
—Eric Fenton, Bountiful, UT

Net Neutrality is the wellspring of online democracy. Allowing telecoms the ability to charge more for a "fast lane", creates a perverse incentive for them degrade service to the "rest of us", which will drive more customers to the fast lane. Infrastructure improvements, or lack thereof will be cover for Censorship-through-sloth as sites that don't pay more slow down, losing viewers. Keep the playing field level. The current model provides historic profits to the telecoms.
—Dean Keesey, Oakland, CA

The ISPs do not provide the content or available services on any websites other than their own, they only provide the ability to connect to the internet. They should not be able to dictate which websites/services people can choose to use and by extension which online companies get to even have a shot at being successful.
—Melissa Albright, Federal Way, WA

The concept of common carriers has served millions of Americans well in the telephone industry and has allowed providers to make reasonable profits. Classification of internet service providers as common carriers is the only way to insure true network neutrality.
—Ian Reid, Lake Oswego, OR

The everyday consumer needs fast internet just as much as companies. If you slow the internet down for us, many services everyday people use will lose consumers because their speed are too slow for them.
—Victor Tang, Cupertino, CA

US citizens should not be put at a disadvantage with other developed countries with a plan as proposed by chairman Tom Wheeler. Return our ISP's utility to the designation it was prior to the Bush administration... COMMON CARRIER!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! !!!!!
—Kevin Allemann, Harrisburg, MO

Think about it: The Internet, the World Wide Web is a sea of interconnected information used by billions of people the world over, myself included. Why make it accessible only to those with enough connections or deep pockets? It is practically the same as right to live and we all have that right. Why make a decision based on another one person's greed than make the right and just one? Think about it.
—Max R. Carlson, San Francisco, CA

The internet is the last open place for equality. Please don't change that with your proposal to kill the open internet.
—David Farr, Crystal, MN

My ability to get quick and unfettered access to the internet is essential for my job and for keeping all citizens informed about the events of our times, without a corporate, profit-orientated gatekeeper. Label internet ISPs a common carriers because, in all senses of the term, that is what they are!!!
—Steve Mudd, norwood, MN

Limiting the internet is the equivalent of putting toll booths at every intersection and penalizing poorer drivers. Protect Net Neutrality.
—Hunter Holmes, Portland, OR

It is absolutely absurd that something as vital to daily life, commerce and culture should be allowed to be portioned off at will by corporations with zero interest in the free flow of information. Absolutely abysmal that the issue could even advance this far.
—Mr. Daniel Powell, Portland, OR

I have a small non-profit website that I created with my brother and the disappearance of net neutrality would kill our small site!
—Tracy, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality is veey impotant to me. I don't live in China or middle east.
—Mohsen Shenas, whitewright, TX

As a small business owner, this ruling will clearly hurt my ability to complete. Don't let kill the Golden Goose that the free internet has been!
—Tom Flint, Valliant, OK

Net Neutrality is essential unless you are trying to control masses of people which we are too informed to let happen. Change the rules.
—Molly Taylor, Cotatic, CA

Any move that leads to any kind of two tiered price system where the haves and the have-nots do not have equal access is bad for all Americans. It's time to stop this trend in this country. Healthy competition leads to fair prices for everyone. Full Internet access should not be decided by income level.
—Doryce Seltzer, White Plains, NY

Throw out its rules and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. As a citizen and small business owner a neutral fair internet is absolutely necessary.
—George Rawalt, Whittier, CA

I believe in Net Neutrality because it's one expression of our Constitution - life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. The internet needs to remain FREE and accessible by everyone regardless of income, gender, religion, ethnicity, and any kind of discrimination, including the discrimination of what I can and cannot use the internet for. It's a resource that is common as air, water, and the sun. As such, it should be reclassify as a basic utility for everyone. That means its for the benefit of everyone rather than the control and gain of corporations who can't think on their own or do anything except through the few people who run them. Our society cannot continue down this path of power, control and greed for the few while the many are made to suffer. For this path has only one end, collapse and annihilation. The history of our species is rampant with this from every empire that has ever existed, including the first democracy in Athens, Greece. The public's welfare must be first and foremost, not the sole welfare of corporations who already control and own so much. For without the public, there is no country, no Constitution, and no life. I ask you to join us and stand for the people: reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Protect the rights of the people that all of our children will have a country and a home to grow up in rather than a cage.
—Alixen Pham, West Hollywood, CA

All content sent through the Internet should be treated in the same manner, without the telecom companies being able to pick winners and losers to increase their profits. If the telecoms are allowed to charge for "fast lane access" it will stifle innovation and make it difficult for a start-up to compete.
—Stephen May, Sun City, AZ

You really don't care, do you, FCC?
—Jim Sells, Red Bank, TN

The cable companies are already charging too much for programing I don't want.
—Georgia Shankel, Chicago, IL

Every citizen deserves to access the internet unfettered by laws and monetary restraints.
—Maude Nagle, Hamilton, OH

Net Neutrality was the basis for what today is an incredible form of communication and commerce, don't destroy this for some short term corporate profits. Don't destroy, but build it up.
—Abram Blitz, SANTA ANA, CA

The internet needs to be the voice for democracy and if Net Neutrality goes away there is a very real risk that voices will be silenced. ISPs are no different than other common carriers and as such should be so treated.
—Mr. John Countryman, Yelm, WA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Ian McKinney, Albany, OR

The net is a great asset to all of humanity. It should never be turned over to private intrest to be throttled by monetary demands.
—Noah Reon, Mandeville, LA

Our roads are not just for the rich, and neither is the internet.
—Will Pelletier, Chapel Hill, NC

I love the internet. I do business on it every single day, connect with friends, make new ones, make art, make money, share knowledge and lots more. I love that the internet is a level playing field, where good ideas can flourish on their own merits. It means that real excellence and innovation can rise to the surface, thrive and grow. This what net neutrality means to me. I firmly believe that this freedom and flourishing of excellence and innovation would not happen with a two-tiered internet based on money/fees. It would slow us all down. Please throw out FCC rules and reclassify ISP's as common carriers. Please protect real Net Neutrality. Thank you.
—Rachel Davies, Kihei, HI

Reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. No you shouldn't be able to funnel traffic which while there is open to look at all their personal information. I don't care if it does stop terrorism the government has gotta back off. The internet wasn't created so the government could feed off of it as it sees fit. Just change things so they stay neurtral and accept that extra cash the government would be raking in never gonna happen.
—Kiley William Blass, Catawissa, PA

The internet is amazing, and it should stay that way. No one likes boundaries.
—Ben Plath, ,

We deserve better internet service than in China where content is limited by the provider. The internet is most important for free speech. Why should the provider have such control over what used to be a government service ??
—Martin Springer, washington, DC

equality
—C G, San Diego, CA

ISPs should NOT be allowed to act as gatekeepers. An informed public is essential for a functioning democracy.
—Cecily Stephens, Pittsburg, KS

High prices and poor quality is what consumer will get. We are dumping cable tv because of this. This is just another example of corporate greed that will in the end kill jobs and innovation.
—James Bradley, Media, PA

I can't afford to have a computer at home. For Internet access, I depend on free public-access computers that are available at the local public library, or free wi-fi service (like that which you might find at your local coffee-shop). Once Net Neutrality ends, which the new rules make almost certain, the "slow lane" will make it much harder for people in my situation to access websites on the Internet. Those free public-access computers at the library? They are time-limited. And the slower a website loads, or the slower data downloads from them, the less effective time a person has to use that part of the Internet on those free library computers. Without Net Neutrality, you are effectively penalizing anyone who has no choice but to use a public-access, time-limited computer. And if that person is simply trying to email their government representatives, or make use of an Internet petition (which most petitions are, nowadays--like this one), you are effectively limiting the access to their government that people in a democratic republic are supposed to have as citizens. Protect Net Neutrality! Restore the Open Internet!! Classify all Internet Service Providers as common carriers, just like telephone service providers.
—Matt Loach, Plattsburgh, NY

I spend a lot of time on the internet and I want the ISPs reclassified as common carriers so we have true net neutrality.
—Howard Steeley, Olympia, WA

If the open internet ends then their is not much reason to spend big bucks to even be on it . I will just give up and quit .
—Dave Howard, Reynoldsburg, OH

The nation shouldn't place complete trust into an entity who's sole purpose is to make it's owners richer. If corporations are allowed to control the traffic flow of the internet, we are placing the last medium of accessible public communication to an entity that is widely known to be motivated by the pursuit of profit. This country is already owned by the 1%'ers. I implore the FCC not to allow the 1%'ers to have the power to control the most powerful voice the rest of the 99% of the country has.
—Dexter Dimasuay, Long Beach, CA

Innovation and the free flow of ideas are the very core of the Internet. They can now only be preserved through reclassification.
—Carmine Macchia III, West Hempstead, NY

I ran (and hope to again) a small Internet newspaper. Slowing down the Internet would kill my business.
—Karen Boehler, Roswell, NM

You BASTARDS leave the Internet alone. (Obama and your shit for brain minions!)
—Gary Bennett, bellingham, WA

Change the internet, you change how the world works. Not to mention piss off thousands of people. Don't be stupid.
—Taylor Davison, Helena, MT

I care about net neutrality.
—Carol Hannah, Wilmer, TX

Net Neutrality is important to me because I need the internet for school -- University. To have me pay thousands of dollars to go to school and then have to pay a lot of money to use educational aids is ridiculous. I also should be able to relax on the internet for free and not have to pay for my internet and whatever website I want to be on.
—Jessica Williams, Kirksville, MO

I strongly disagree with the notion that broadband internet providers are not considered common carriers. They should definitely be considered as such.
—Jan Boshoff, Tulsa, OK

there WILL be unintended consequences . people will not need to upgrade their electronic devices if the only way to utilize the new functions depend on paying up for faster internet. I haven't bought a new computer in years and at this rate I guess I won't need to.
—Bill Jamison, spring, TX

The internet is where myself and nearly all of my fellow 20 somethings go for news, both global and domestic. I use it to research for elections, I use it to stay informed on global human rights issues, I use it to watch what the economy is doing, I use it for everything that can be most important for making an informed and intelligent voter. Also, like many other 20 somethings I do not have a high paying job. I live with my parents. If I was not a dependent I would be below the poverty line. I cannot afford to pay anymore for information on the internet than I do right now. I strongly believe that open Internet is essential to today's informed voter, and a loss of Net Neutrality would be a blow I will regret not only for myself but my peers, family, children and Americans.
—Chelsea Miller, Plymouth, MI

One of the exciting facets is the fredom to go to any active web site. To limit the freedom of the internet would deal a critical blow to what makes the internet so wonderful! Please do not fix it when it isn't broken!
—Mark Lee Severns, Phoenix, AZ

I do not think the FCC should be involved in anything that has to do with the internet. Please withdraw your agency from anything that has to do with the internet in any way.
—Cynthia Welch, Hearne, TX

Net Neutrality is the one thing that lets us connect and interact by making friends over common interests like astronomy, theoretical transportation designs, or the continued peace and protection of the human race from potential dangers through shared information exchanged like dangers in space.
—Michael Gray, Butte, MT

The internet is not all about big businesses and multi-millionaires. In fact most of those big businesses on the internet today were little fish or nonexistent 20 years ago, it's as important today as it was then that everyone have the same access without preferential treatment. Without that guarantee how will the next great strides in our economy come through. These huge companies aren't about innovation and paradigm-changing technology, they're about maximizing profit, minimizing competition, and keeping things as much the same as they can.
—Christopher King, Diamond Bar, CA

Many of the Websites I read will be gone if we do not retain Net Neutrality
—Susan Delles, Rogue River, OR

Small businesses rely on the equality of the internet to compete with multi-million dollar corporations. Allowing companies to pay for "fast lane" access would give them an unfair advantage over smaller businesses who can't afford to pay the extra fees.
—Matt Conley, Marion, OH

Keep the internet open! Don't let corporations take away this freedom of speech and silence those who can't or won't pay!
—Jen Bainbridge, Bellingham, WA

The Internet does not need any Corp. or Gov't intervention that ends up costing more and restricting us more. Net Neutrality!
—Virgil Dempsey, Leadville, CO

I should be able to access what I want without your opinion on the matter.
—Alejandro Gonzalez, Passaic, NJ

I'm an entrepreneur working on multiple Internet companies, as well as software. If you end Net Neutrality, the feasibility of getting these projects off the ground will stagnate, thus hurting the economy. If you end Net Neutrality you hurt the economy, something we cannot afford to gamble on right now.
—Joshua Voydik, Del Mar, CA

ost Americans, they have no choice for all the information, data, entertainment coming through their house, other than their local cable monopoly. And here, we have a situation where that monopoly potentially can pick and choose winners and losers, decide what you see, how interesting and interactive it is, how quickly it reaches you — and then charge whatever it wants."
—Rosemarie Waiand, Houston, TX

It might be our last chance to prevent us from losing democracy alltogether
—Serge, Athens, OH

Communication is the lifeblood of democracy. The internet is our primary tool for that purpose. It MUST be protected.
—Peter O. Childs, Miranda, CA

The Net should be equal for everyone.
—Brad W. Nelson, Oxnard, CA

NET NEUTRALITY IS VITAL
—Stephen Brockmann, Indianapolis,, IN

Net Neutrality is the most important part of the structure of the Internet. Quit playing into the hands of big business. This proposal would kill the open Internet. Instead of this nonsense you are proposing. Reclassify ISP's as common carriers!
—Steve S DeGregorio, Trenton, MI

Innovation requires a level paying field. If the Internet is tilted towards the ones who can already afford it, the innovators will be unable to compete.
—James Keplinger, Bloomington, IN

As a small business owner, I would lose a competitive advantage if people can simply pay more for higher speed. Net neutrality is critical to level the playing field. Please relcassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Alison Gartlan, Eugene, OR

FCC, wake up. It is the 21st century now. Your scare tactics are so 20th century. Your head in the sand shows you don't know that we Americans want to step forward. You are so busy protecting the outdated, soon to be busted trusts that you are barely functioning except for the rich 1%. Hauling in big paychecks on our dime and doing nothing to earn them. Wake up and make the internet free with good management common carriers classification. BTW, Tom Wheeler lies.
—Judith Nappe, North Bonneville, WA

Just why are you ruining the Internet!? Do you really think your new rules will cause ISPs to make more money? I just bet you that most websites won't pay an ISP more money to get on that "fast lane". Since most websites won't pay more money to ISPs to get onto that "fast lane," they will not artificially be made faster. Since most websites will be rendered useless due to their speed, most people who visit the Internet on a regular basis will choose to go to somewhere other than the Internet. Thanks a lot! That will ruin the Internet! Just leave it to the government to ruin everything!
—Lester E. Rees, Mott, ND

To allow startup companies the chance to enter the market and compete with established companies. In that way innovation is preserved.
—Robert Scofield, Woodland, CA

The Internet is a utility. It is provided, in our house, by a utility company, Verizon, and billed with our telephone bill as part of a package. It is an essential service today, the same way heat, electricity and the telephone are. It is basically a communication service, communicating with book (reading, research, etc.), companies (purchases, questions, complaints, entertainment), and other people. To classify the internet as anything but a utility makes no sense. The only reason to do so would be to pump up profits for already well performing companies.
—James McGinley, Philadelphia, PA

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. No pay-to-play, multi-tier "service" nonsense.
—Mike Welte, Monroe, NJ

Internet means really the only world where all the people on the Earth can be connected together without any borders. Why do you need to make any? Real borders in the maps are not enough for you? You need just MORE? More bordes for more money? WHAT gives you the right to behave like a half-God, to make this decision. That you are sitting on the right chair?? Remember what luck did you get sitting there. Or do you want to JUST divide people and companies, because of "all are equal, but some are more equal than others"?? Did you read that clever book where this sentence comes from? We are living in modern times, not in the Middle Ages, when it was common to divide people at noble ones and plebs. Don´t recur back to the Middle Ages rules. I though people had learned. Why do - you powerful - think that you are irreplaceable, that where you sit, you´ll sit forever? Are you perhaps immortal? No. After you another men will come. Don´t think what those new rules will bring to your pocket - only. Think for the future.
—Zuzana Ulrichova, ,

The proposed rules would cause irreversible damage to the Internet, giving the ISPs complete freedom to discriminate content as they please and destroy any internet-based buisness they want. It is imperative that they are reclassified as common carriers to protect the Internet from that.
—Krzysztof Bieniek, ,

The internet should be non-discriminatory towards all users. Thank you.
—Kevin Woodworth, Little Elm, TX

ISPs are utilities like electric and gas providers. They need to be regulated as such.
—Michael Reich, Glendale Heights, IL

The internet should be free to all. In the future If i plan to start a company and we use the internet as part of our business model
—Allan K Chapman, Toledo, OH

The new rules are bad policy for a utility, which the modern internet is. Classing this "new" utility as a common carrier just makes good logical & policy sense.
—Erik Andersen, Chewelah, WA

I think the lack of net neutrality is just a money maker for your corporate sponsors and a way to control the internet. Internet speeds have been down and I pay $70 a month for internet just so it can be restricted by internet oligarchs.
—Carolyn Davis, Morongo Valley, CA

I feel inferior to second and third world countries because we pay more per capita for bandwidth that belongs to the public to start with. How about these corporations start paying on the free handout leases or discount the services to realistic prices to repay the public for capitalizing on something that does not belong to them?
—Steven Simpson, Glendive, MT

A two tiered Internet is a death sentence to a great component of what democracy is.
—Regine Bohar, ,

The main issue is the whole freedom of speech thing. Throwing out net neutrality is taking away a form of communication all to make a quick bucke. Forgery, fraud, malicious activitie, and most imuortant, treason, are all in line to flow through heree. Just because youare the government, doesn't mean the people don't matter. You guys work for us, not the other way around.
—Dommer laric, Grand Rapids, MI

the internet has contributed to freedom in more ways than I can mention in a short note. In addition, new jobs, businesses and perspectives are offered to a larger audience than ever before in history. Why would this freedom of expression and way of life need to have a price placed upon it?? Why not let those who wish to pay for more immediate action, have the choice to do so, while letting those who do not be allowed to make that choice?? or at least have trial period for those options, to observe what the majority of web users wish to use??
—Farrel Williams, McAllen, TX

Who are you to set up a class of have and have nots.....this is not India with a caste system!!!
—Abigail Howes, Berkley, MA

I can't afford to pay extra for certain sites I visit. The airways are Ours, not the corporations. The internet should remain accessible to all for thesamre rate.
—Spencer Stall, El Prado, NM

The internet was working just fine before corporate lobbying got you fine people at the F.C.C. to give in to your greed. The internet was financed by the taxpayers and does not belong to the telecoms, or to elites who think they deserve better access than others who use the internet for work, school, play. Quit tampering with something that isn't broke just because you want extra income beside what we, the taxpayers are already overpaying you.
—Sean Thompson, Riverside, CA

A two-tiered internet hurts consumers. It hurts men, women, children, teachers, police, fire fighters, soldiers. It hurts Americans. Net Neutrality can protect the nation and the people you serve - for better or worse - from open discrimination policies, from obscene and unnecessary price hikes, and from companies suppressing access to information for personal reasons. These are the floodgates, and there's no reason to open them. Protect us from discrimination from corporations, who use ideas like "fast lanes" and "multi-tiered" internet as a proxy to circumvent the need to innovate, or improve their service in a meaningful way. Instead they intend to put a sizable portion of the nation on the chopping block to offer a better service to those who can afford it. I want Net Neutrality.
—Brook Brownfield, Spokane, WA

Access to information is the core of our democratic system of governance. No website should be given preference over any other. How could small businesses compete? How could minority opinions in politics get a fair hearing? Equal access is imperative.
—Jan Cohen, Boonville, MO

Law of equal liberty
—Travis Rickett, Wichita, KS

Differing fees for different service levels suggests to me a violation of freedom of speech. Those with more money can shut out others.
—Stephen Vandivere, Centreville, VA

Net neutrality has become one of the essential cornerstones of the internet. This not simply because of business or innovation, but because it has become so pervasive in our lives through the communication and sharing of ideas and invention. With the impact that the internet has on our lives,we should re-think how it is classified. Thus I strongly encourage that the FCC re-classify ISP's as common carriers. This may be a long and difficult process, but it is worth it in the long run so that the internet is properly handled and regulated.
—Patrick Cole, Lansing, MI

The Internet should remain open for everyone.
—Cynthia Claro, Oklahoma City, OK

Don't change how the internet works now! Don't allow last mile providers like AT&T, Comcast & Verizon dictate what users of the internet can access, which is what you will be doing if you enact new rules that allow service providers to charge web sites & internet applications for access to a "fast lane" for their content to be provided to end users. Please reclassify broadband as a "telecommunications service" so that the Internet stays open and free of corporate gatekeepers.
—Ken Stacey, Hudson, MA

The internet is a necessary utility just like water, gas, garbage, public television, etc. It is the government's responsibility to protect the quality of and guarantee access to this utility for it's citizens. Do not give free reign over this vital resource to capitalist companies. They will degrade the product to maximize profit.
—Keelan Johns, Salt Lake City, UT

Keep the internet open and equitable for all.
—Richelle Boller, Fountain Valley, CA

In my opinion a two tiered internet is bound to favor the major providers such as ATT and Verizon and be more costly for consumers and not only because that is the current trend but an obvious opportunity for profits for the providers.
—Suzanne Schmidtke, Universal City, CA

Once again, our government is standing with the wealthy corporation to make them wealthier, rather than the people of America. We need real governance and not a bunch of bribed sell-outs.
—Daniel E. Chase, Portland, IN

Please try to understand how much innovation will be stifled if net neutrality ends. It contradicts the free exchange of information the internet was founded on and what makes it great. A two tiered service will completely destroys the hope of any start up looking to compete against established companies with vast amounts of capital at there disposal. This is a slippery slope.
—Paul Terrasas, Modesto, CA

As a small web site owner operator, this is very important to me. We need the closest possible flat ground battlefield.
—J R. Jarvis, Seattle, WA

As a freelance illustrator and person of color, I depend on the internet in order to reach my audience and tell the stories I wish to tell. As an American, I depend on the internet in order to help me with day to day life--news, paying bills, keeping healthy, voting, applying for jobs, staying active in my community. I need Net Neutrality, because as a regular human--not a multimillion dollar corporation--I'd have no chance of survival. Killing the open internet would kill America's voices and people. If you really, truly care about your fellow Americans, you'd reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—L Planas, Alameda, CA

Absolute BS! Stop this madness!
—Requiem J, Wahiawa, HI

It's not fair to have one set of rules for the rich, and another for the poor.
—Ricki Iannitti, Hamilton, OH

I'm sick of paying taxes and the rich 2% pay bloody nothing and now they are taking away our net neurtrality. No wonder the 2% are hated more than pond scum and cockroaches.
—Mary f Brady, Dubuque, IA

The whole benefit of the Net is its universality and freedom of access. Anything which infringes on those principles must be resisted.
—John Birkbeck, Seattle, WA

As I already said, these rules are total bullshit. The US already pays more than other developed nations for internet access and this will further worsen the situation. There is no real competition amongst the ISPs amd this will only make matters worse.
—Abhishek Singh, ,

Mr. Wheeler's plan would be just another display of the "haves" lording it over the "have-nots"! The Internet must remain egalitarian for all people on this planet!
—Sharon Fummerton, ,

We need the ISPs classified as common carriers. The internet is a VITAL communication and business tool. The ISPs have zero competition and can force Americans to take whatever they choose to give them. This is a ridiculous situation for something so important to our economy as the internet. Reclassify the ISPs as common carriers now!
—Shai Azoulai, Solana Beach, CA

Most of the internet sites I visit regularly or even only occasionally are unlikely to be granted the corporate fast land. I see no reason why my tax dollars should have been used to create a common carrier that discriminates against me.
—Norm S Conrad, Seattle, WA

Discrimination really. Sounds like I am living in China. What kinda crap are you trying to pull?
—Alex W Kovalchuk, Topeka, KS

We are aging, our income is shrinking, as is the purchasing power of each dollar and we rely on the acccessability of a neutral internet.
—Nancy Dean, Norwich, VT

Net Neutrality gives us the ability to view content made by everyone, not just content put out by the highest bidder, this is the internet after all not cable television.
—Mohamed Alturkistani, McKinney, TX

Our freedoms are not for sale. And we are tired of them being stolen from us.
—Doug Westendorp, Minneapolis, MN

This is wrong for consumers. By allowing broadband providers the ability to control bandwidth for those who can afford to pay the most, consumers get the short end of the stick. There needs to be provisions in place that guarantee adequate bandwidth for consumers well into the future as well as increases in speed as demand continues to accelerate.
—John L Wolfgang, Bensalem, PA

The internet is a valuable public good. Please side with the public, and not the interests of few. Thank you for listening.
—Bryan Claro, Oklahoma City, OK

While you may monopolize on a seemingly sleeping and inoculated population to push your elitist agenda THE PEOPLE will fight back. There are those who are no longer sleeping. Goodbye matrix.
—Ray, Lancaster, NY

As a entrepreneur, the Internet is a important tool to me. Creating paid "fast lane" access and removing Net Neutrality will burden start-up and other small business which are the future. Don't do it.
—Ronald Dibble Jr., Lakewood, CA

net neutrality is equality!
—Geoffrey Mole, Denton, TX

Internet has become a necessary part of our modern life. Therefore, it is unthinkable that fast and good quality connections only are available to those who can afford it. Besides, people must be able to decide for themselves what they want to use the internet for. If some company decides what's good and what not, that's the end of democracy and comparable to the end of freedom of speech.
—A Eenkhoorn, Lander, WY

I am a small business owner and I depend upon ease and accessibility for both website and email correspondence with my clientele. As a sole proprietor such communication, if it cost more or was limited by speed, would impair my work and ability to earn an adequate income in my business. PLEASE, do not impair the net neutrality from which we benefit equally today. Thank you. Len Lowman, LCSW
—Len Lowman, Little Rock, AR

Access to the internet should not depend on money...that is like making you pay to have freedom of speech.
—Julie Cain, Sturgis, MS

"Open" is not "Net neutrality." My Internet connection is slow enough already. I both create, and follow small academic and non-commercial sites and blogs. Fast lanes would ruin my experience and handicap my clients. Fast lanes would be yet another serious roadblock for innovators and startups. A terrible idea.
—Linda Price, Kearney, NE

I work from home. Net Neutrality keeps my work expenses low. If you allow this absurd plan to discriminate against the poor or those who do not want to pay more for the internet they are used to, it will drive up costs for anything that relies on the internet. Stop this insanity NOW!
—Curt Kliewer, Chilliwack,

The tremendous growth and innovation around the Internet has depended on all traffic being equal. Internet access is a utility, period. It shouldn't matter what's in the packets I transfer through the connection - my provider should treat all traffic exactly the same.
—Kevin Brice, Bellevue, WA

Please leave the internet open for the free and unhindered exchange of ideas. This is one of our greatest achievements as a civilization, don't gridlock it by allowing service providers to charge special access fees. Thank you, Kate Wageman, RN
—Kate Wageman, Burlington, VT

The internet is the last bastion for honesty - do not censor the poorest amongst us.
—VadeM, Phoenix, AZ

PLEASE do NOT allow those companies to undermine what the internet is and always has been about!!! When the internet got started it offered the promise of a means of communication that we would all have access to. For practical purposes the new rules are the end of that dream. What else is new right??! But it's horrible!!! PLEASE DO NOT LET THAT HAPPEN.
—Sam Ashley, Lancaster, CA

FCC: Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Robert W Moody, Tallapoosa, GA

Stop lobbying the government against us! Corporations are taking over America (and the world) and this is just another step in the WRONG DIRECTION! Tom, do not pass any bills that let them charge for data, ISP's have traditionally not charged for bandwidth, and it has been that way since I entered the ISP business back in the 90's. It is NOT a time to change because something is "new". This idea is trash, and it's just to make more money by making the common people suffer! WHY? If anything, pass a bill telling these companies to increase their Bandwidth and speeds to that of other first world countries like those in europe where people pay $60 for a 120 MegaBYTE connection up AND down. No more of this"6 megabyte connection" but we only download at 500 KB, and get 100 KB of upload. MAKE EVERYTHING CLEAR TO EVERYONE! This is wrong, and these companies are wrong, marketing schemes are ruining common knowledge, and misleading people with lies and fraud. These companies are no better than someone selling snake oil as a cancer cure! >:(
—Kevin Ballard, Calhoun, GA

As an IT professional for the past 30 years, I have seen the Internet grow and blossom. It has provided me with innumerable new experiences and a vast wealth of information. You are killing that in the name of additional profits. Shame on you.
—Frank Riha, Cleveland, OH

The internet should not be for sale to the highest bidder. It may be the last vestige of an America where a regular citizen can compete and succeed against big money monopolies on a even playing field. The last place in the American economy where innovation and success cannot be crushed by the big money establishment. In other words, an open internet is pretty much the last, best hope of achieving the American Dream. Couple that fact with the fact that democracy does not work, and cannot survive, without an educated, informed citizenry and the best source for information is a free, equal, and open internet and you have to be stupid or corrupt to not see the necessity of reclassifying the internet as a "common carrier". FCC chairman Tom Wheeler talks the talk for net neutrality, but he doesn't walk the walk. He speaks out of both sides of his mouth...speaks with a forked tongue. Duplicitous. So what is the story with FCC chairman Tom Wheeler? Stupid of corrupt? One thing for sure. He is wrong about letting the internet be tiered for corporate profits. That would be a disaster and a tragedy for all Americans and the nation. Eliminate this power grab and reclassify the internet as a "common carrier" forever.
—Gary Alderette, Santa Rosa, CA

The internet should not be ruled by money and corporations. It should remain as it was intended and created - open and free.
—Mr. Eric Mastro, Cary, NC

I have been using the internet for about ten years now. It has become a very important part of my everyday lifestyle. And this idea of a fast and a slow lane is almost devastating. Please throw these rules out.
—Subhajit Sanfui, Kolkata,

Do not end net neutrality! Protect DEMOCRACY!
—Susan M. Blubaugh, Milford, NJ

Please do not permit internet servers to offer "fast lane" service for people and business wealthy enough to pay for special privileges. The FCC is supposed to provide a level playing field for all users. Linda Keir
—Linda Keir, Sandy, OR

Under Net Neutrality, the internet represents freedom and equality for many people and organizations. Protect us! Don't cancel Net Neutrality!
—James Costa, Albuquerque, NM

The internet should be neutral and not based on who pays the most to have the fastest connection. Otherwise there will be an imbalance and this will mostly affect small and medium scale businesses.
—Autumn Kennedy, Culver City, CA

Keep the internet fair and balanced for ALL.
—Myrna Castaline, Boulder, CO

Killing net neutrality will squash innovation on the web.
—Aaron Ekstrand, Carbondale, IL

The net neutrality has been a boon to the American people and to destroy one of the few good things we all enjoy is wrong. A few greedy companies do not have the right to run the internet for their own avarice. Deny them this and let the Internet continue to be the great communication and social network it is now. It doesn't belong to anyone and should never be subject to anything ever again as it is now. This was started by the Darpa agency and was given to the American people. It was not given to greedy corporations for good reason. Please allow net neutrality to continue and put an end to the cancer that is corporate greed.
—Robert Clark, Wichita, KS

We need competition between all providers, not just the Big Boys!
—Nancy K Brown, Black Mountain, NC

In this day and age, the Internet is a requirement for life. Our children have to have it for school. Adults, and young adults need it for work, or to seek work. The information exchanged between various entities and people around the world are what keep the internet operable at all, through software and protocol updates and patches. Many VOIP companies both large and small provide many people with reliable telephones and businesses use them for conferences. Considering how and why the internet works, ISP connections, just like telephone service, *IS* a common carrier. The ISP is just a transport layer, just like Telcos were in the past (and still are). Also, phone service itself is at jeopardy with the proposed rules, as almost all voice traffic around the world is carried by the internet! Please, reconsider this ruling. Web traffic, from applications, work, school, and even voice, is a required part of today's life, and only works because of network neutrality.
—John Thomas Banks, Raleigh, NC

The internet is the greatest equalizer we have ever seen. If you strangle it in the name of corporate interest, you are simply handing the best tool we have ever had for educating our children to those with the most cash. It will become another way to segregate society
—James Molesky, West Palm Beach, FL

An open, common Internet and open lines to obtain info are extremely important to me and to all citizens. We cannot have a two-tiered system that relegates some users (those who pay a premium) to a slow lane. Protect the interests of us to have unfettered access to the information and interchange we find so vital. Information must not have to pass through a pay-gate to reach the end users. We need net neutrality and if the concept of common carriers will accomplish this, that would be a good approach
—Mollie Steward, Bridgeton, NJ

How dare you let BIG BUSINESS win again, against the PEOPLE. All of you are bought and paid for by these corporations and filthy rich people, who want to destroy this country and the rest of the world! Enough is enough! I am one of the millions of people who are living from paycheck to paycheck and barly making it! I can't afford another thing, that I need, with payment just so I can get on the internet faster and/or pay extra just to get something that I can get already! Enough! Enough! You are as corrupt and evil as the fucking 1%! I want my tax dollars back! WE, the people, pay for your ego-inflated job that you don't even do, except to give the RICH MORE!!! ENOUGH!!!
—Phillip Cooper, Houston, TX

Net Neutrality is important as it the Web is the greatest source of free speech anywhere, has enabled countless corrections of civil rights, enables communication on a level exceeding even cellular phones' potential, etc....and a lack of Net Neutrality, offering favoritism to Web access as a whole, be it to private enterprise, to religious zealots, to political SuperPACs, etc., completely guts that. Cut this cretinous hogwash out and keep the Net Neutral.
—Christopher Borriello, Seattle, WA

The internet is truly democratic, and giving preferential treatment to the companies and corporations who could afford to pay for the so-called "fast lane" would destroy the level playing field as it currently exists - where a solitary blogger, a non-profit company, or a grassroots movement enjoys the same level of access to the public that an Amazon, Comcast or Wal-Mart does. The idea that one can preserve the open internet while creating "fast lanes" is self-contradictory. You can't have it both ways.
—Michael Olcsvary, Lynnwood, WA

Junk your present rules and instead reclassify Internet Service Providers as common carriers! This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality!
—James C. Stevens, SEATTLE, WA

Internet is a a PUBLIC UTILITY for information that must remain free, open, and NEUTRAL. I am OPPOSED to any ruling that allows Big Telecoms to give faster service to preferred customers who pay extra.
—Stephanie Stout, Houston, TX

We depend on the internet in our daily lives to receive all information in a timely manner. It should not be a tool only for those with deep pockets.
—Lynn Barbieri, Great Barrington, MA

The Internet is a public service like the library or schools. If you take this away you will be taking away the very best our society has to offer it's youth.
—Danika P Risher, Kirkland, WA

The internet has become a critical avenue for information sharing, community building, and public education. Its continued existence as a neutral platform, equally accessible to all, is vital to the health of our democracy.
—Karen Newman, San Luis Obispo, CA

Too many people rely on the Internet. Don't mess it up.
—J Geldermann, Lancaster, CA

It's time for our government to work "for the people" and not big business! Stop the greed!
—Laurie Sherer-Weinsier, Marietta, GA

You sent an email saying that you would protect Net Neutrality? Why did you lie?
—Rita Meuer, Madison, WI

I mainly utilize minor Internet vendors. A tiered Internet would would mean I'll wait longer for service - and that's not fair. Net Neutrality is fair - and it's democratic, and it supports the practical and creative activities of all Americans. A tiered Internet would not support these ends.
—John Gittins, North Brookfield, MA

should be free,without the haves having it all.
—Howard M. Lau, Flushing, NY

As a software engineer and entrepreneur, an open internet means the products and services I make have a fair chance at success and aren't dead on arrival. As a consumer, it means I have the choice to access the content and services I choose instead of what my ISP chooses for me. Maintaining net neutrality is vital to both of these aspects of my life.
—Andy Morris, Norman, OK

As long as people have limited access to providers and you guys continue to allow mergers between competing companies. An example is the current merger with Time Warner and comcast or At&t and Direct TV which does nothing besides make it so the big companies can charge whatever they want. FCC throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carrier
—James Muller, Salt Lake City, UT

Net neutrality supports the equal opportunity which is part of our American tradition. Net neutrality gives me equal access to email businesses: to take it away is to promote control by the highest bidder, an anti-American change.
—Sharon Larson, South Beloit, IL

Comcast already has a 2 tiered system with internet service, & they charge way too much for it. Also is the only service provider in my area, except for satellite
—Candy LeBlanc, Placerville, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because the internet us vital to the world and limiting access to it would be criminal; The telecommunication companies aren't going to use this law to make new super fast lanes. They'll slow down everyone and make our current speeds the "fast" lane. This blind trust the FCC has in our telecoms companies shows the world just how little the FCC actually communicates with the people of America.
—Nicholas Chen, Castro Valley, CA

Do your job, assholes. Your duty is to the PUBLIC, not the CORPORATE propaganda machine that is destroying our country. Traitor!
—Arlene Boyle, Phoenix, AZ

This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and desperatey wish to ask that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Is money worth the future of the country as we know it?
—Jeffrey Thomas, Geneva, NY

I want to continue to have equal access to all websites and do not want have a slow connection because I chose not to consume from the major corporate web sites.
—Nathan Klein, Anaconda, MT

Net Neutrality matters to me because the internet has been the protal of the unkown and land of equal opportunity. By allowing tiers of internet, innovation will be strongly stifled and many great companies and websites that are leading today may never have gained the same influence and traction.
—Iain Nash, Lookout mountain, GA

This is no different than ensuring that telephone service would be available to EVERYONE decades ago. Please reverse this terrible trend and keep Net Neutrality! Thank you!
—Robert Augello, Escondido, CA

I'm for an open internet! Net Neutrality is important as a whole and should remain open and unrestricted like it already is. You guys get enough money and taxes as it is without having to touch the internet!
—Chris Hunter, Shreveport, LA

My entire life will be effected. I work mainly on the web for a small start-up company. I am also a freelance illustrator. I witnessed the internet as we know it come into being and was lucky enough to see an amazing boom of innovation. I grew up with it. The entire world can be brought together in ways that past generations would consider a form of magic. What the FCC is willing to do will restrict the magnificent freedom and truth that the internet is capable of. The world can only get better when we face the truth in front of us. The net is home to innovation, and communication. Businesses already thrive on the internet, the individual has the power to be a successful entrepreneur. I myself pursue my entire career through the web. Americans who say this country hasn't been headed in wrong directions are ignorant. The freedom and truth of the web as it is remains one of the only remaining "American" parts of this country and putting it in the hands of out-dated conglomerates is short sited, un-patriotic, and foolish, and inconsiderate to humans world wide.
—Brendan Mauer, Richmond, VA

It is bad enough that with the rise of the misleading fox news and other ridiculously slanted media, that people today think that climate change is not real, that the government is our enemy, and that even sensible gun regulation is somehow unAmerican. Net neutrality is important, no, vital, to the survival of our Democracy. It is important that real facts can get out to the public. No company should be able to control the flow of information over the internet.
—Blayne Goodman, Livermore, CA

Hello, Please reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality. In Romania we really know how it is to have very fast internet for everyone and we would like for this option to be available everywhere in the world. If Romania afforded it, i am sure that many other countries will afford it. Just make sure it's not more proffitable to just keep the old internet infrastructure in place and even more, limit its traffic depending on the ISPs subjective wishes. Please do your part of the job, as providing legislation that would serve the people in the long run, and freedom of speach, not just the ISPs and their profits. Thank you very much!
Alexandru Peptan, Bucharest, Romania
—Alexandru Peptan, ,

Net neutrality is essential for the future prosperity of the US.
—Larry Lohrman, Salem, OR

The internet is a public domain and must remain so. IT IS NOT A CORPORATE ARENA-IT IS BY THE PEOPLE, FOR THE PEOPLE AND IS INTEGRAL TO OUR DEMOCRATIC VALUES!!
—Scott Chapman, San Luis Obispo, CA

My research on cancer and hypertension depends on large datasets from academic institutions around the world. These can take hours to download with a good internet connection. In any given project, we may transfer dozens of these files to multiple machines. Already we are starting to lose some of our best talent to research communities overseas. Restricting access to high-speed connections would stifle scientific research and further threaten America's competitiveness.
—Mark Rogers, Fort Collins, CO

Everyone needs to have access to the internet, REAL access, not the ridiculous second tiered farce providers are trying to push, especially those people who would only have the second tier option.
—Linda Ault, Huntsville, TX

I live in an area with an internet provider, Time Warner, that maintains a monopoly on acceptable internet service. If there were provisions allowing for new companies to compete with existing giants like Time Warner, net neutrality would not be necessary. However, as it stands, consumers like me have no realistic options to approach a competing company for internet service. Americans like myself need the protection of the government to prevent our service providers from degrading certain services at the expense of others. They will essentially be picking business winners and losers based solely on collected rents and the whims of management. Please act to protect the internet as it currently exists.
—William Dawson, Raleigh, NC

Protect access to internet for all not just those best equipped with cash to get there first .
—Deasy Bamford, ,

The internet needs to be an even playing field and not skewed in favor of those with money and power. This is the only way to maintain a true and free democracy!
—Jerome Comeau, Minneapolis, MN

Because open Internet is a right for all, not a privilege for the elite!
—Michael Oghia, Jackson, KY

Giving an edge to corporations that already dominate in their respective markets is detrimental to the development of smaller businesses as well as detracting from the competitive nature of the business environment. Its practically an oligarchy (BAD.) already the way the communications market is nowadays, and this would not only make it even harder for that to change in a desirable way for consumers, but it would make it worse.
—Evan Grassi, franklin square, NY

Net Neutrality is necessary to preserve our freedom of speech and our democracy. PLEASE keep net neutrality. I do not want money to decide what news source is available.
—Molly Schreiner, Avon, CO

Equal access to the internet for all income levels is essential in today's economy. This country needs to take a stand to support that freedom of access and be an example to the world.
—Margot Gwin, Desert Hot Springs, CA

The Internet has inspired an unprecedented amount of innovation. Anyone can imagine something great - an application, a web site, the next Facebook or Twitter - and make it a reality because the playing field is level. Their innovation isn't squelched by big businesses who don't want the competition. The new upstarts are just as available to someone like me as the big companies are. However, if this proposed set of rules becomes a reality, that will all become a thing of the past. These rules will allow big businesses to "buy" better Internet access than the small upstarts, putting the small companies at an extreme disadvantage. It will also allow the ISPs to demand more money from anyone who wants decent access to the people who surf the web. Those companies that don't pay or can't pay will effectively be pushed out of business. This will also give the average consumer fewer choices for where they want to take their business. I know that the new rules supposedly specify that this cannot happen, but only an idiot would believe that. Taken in entirety, the rules will completely destroy Net Neutrality. Net Neutrality must be preserved; this is so important. The proposed rules must be thrown out and the ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers. We already pay far more for poorer access to the Internet than many other countries do. Don't make it worse for us by destroying Net Neutrality.
—Janetha Beck, North Chili, NY

What makes an ISP any different from the telephone? They do the same thing. They are both 'common carriers' and should be treated equally.
—Ransom Greenfield, Ventura, CA

A free and open internet will encourage a healthy and viable small business growth, the backbone of US economy.
—Joseph Robertson, Stevenson, WA

Make Companies only Common carriers! Throw out these new rules that you have no right making in the first place! The internet does not belong to YOU!! So get off your high horses and stop putting flags in everything claiming they're yours! If we are ever going to have a huge economic crash this will only further the gap between poor and rich because you people take advantage of us! Quit now before its to late.
—Aj Shannon, Ingalls, IN

Net neutrality allows for everyone who is not a service provider, or stinking rich, to browse the internet for whatever they wish to learn about, be entertained by, or to express their individuality and opinion on. That is all done as of right now, so FCC chairman Tom Wheeler, your proposal is still not garnering approval from the millions upon billions that use the internet for the reasons stated. Do you really think that you will be allowed to get away with this garbage. Service providers have always been common carriers and should continue to be just that. Quit feeding us your bullshit because we will always defy you the satisfaction of getting your way with us, YOU DO NOT SPEAK FOR THE REST OF THE WORLD, WHEELER. YOU ARE ONE PERSON AND OUR NUMBERS WILL ALWAYS OUTWEIGH YOUR OWN!!!
—Austin Ross, Sherwood Park,

Tom Wheeler: Net Neutrality is important to me, because I'm a startup entrepreneur. The fact that I can think of a product and just deliver it on the web that can be just as easily accessible to millions out there as a large company makes it possible for me to compete against incumbents, innovate in spaces that have stagnated, and quickly iterate on a product with a customer-first mindset. If it costs me both time (in terms of setting up the fast-lane for people to see my product), and more money (in terms of paying a lot of money for the fast lane), then that's all barriers to entry that will only favor incumbents. The proliferation of all the fantastic services that have sprung up is the result of lots of people trying lots of things, and being able to do it with little cost, on a level playing field. Take that way, and you'll be hurting a large chunk of the few parts of the American economy that's actually doing well, that's actually growing, and that actually has a role in inventing the future. Throw out your rules, and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. You'll be doing us all a favor. William Chung
—Mr. William Chung, Mountain View, CA

i would like to continue to have unhindered fast access to what I need to access online using any internet provider, without having to rely on old fashioned and expensive triple play cable company plans that favor data transfer speed only for what the big cable monopolists allow.
—Arjan Brussee, Redwood City, CA

Destroy net neutrality and you will destroy the internet, and everyone will hate you forever (except the people making stupid amounts of money of course). Basically destroying net neutrality destroys what makes the internet so wonderful. Without net neutrality the internet will no longer be a place where ideas can be expressed equally, but instead a place where someone will be able to decide which ideas they want people to see and to share. It will give internet providers an overwhelming power. All of this aside, it will slow down the growth of the human race, as the rate of information and new ideas will be reduced/controlled and selected. It will give unfair advantages to people/organizations with money, or people/organizations who are 'friends' with the internet providers. Basically getting rid of net neutrality is a terrible, stupid idea. Please don't do it.
—Christopher McGahan, Kirtland AFB, NM

I do not want to be treated as less worth just because I'm a private citizen and not a big corporation. ISPs must be seen a common carriers providing a service to all.
—Mike Tobin, Melbourne,

Net Neutrality is important so there is not a corporate takeover of it and of free speech.
—Sef Magrath, Spokane, WA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan will create an apartheid of an Internet; I don't think that is something you should be facilitating.
—Daniel Hooke, Rowville,

Internet access should be a fair playing field. I want to be able to access whatever website I want, not just the websites that can AFFORD for me to see them. How will Non-Profits be able to afford a world without net neutrality?
—Kimberly Pedersen, Sonora, CA

Classifying the Internet as a common carrier is the only reliable and consistent way to assure equal and open access for all.
—Michael Griffin, Saint Paul, MN

Don't take away our right to freedom of information.
—Randy Hoepker, Canton, IL

I want my kids to have the same amount of access to information as I did growing up using the internet for information for school and personal projects. Everyone should be allowed the same amount of instant access to information. The fact that this plan would make it more favorable to who ever has the most cash is a very vile tactic for extra cash.
—Kevin Mendoza, Stockton, CA

The public domain has no lobbyists, no political action committees, and limited defenses. Yet it is a wellspring of cultural progress. While much of the net neutrality debate focuses on the internet-as-public-utility argumnts, oft ignored is the issue of *content* provision. Public domain content, and the means by which it is accessed, will certainly be slow-laned. While peer-to-peer is derided for it's piracy potential, it's also dramatically reduced the cost of provision of public-domain materials while increasing accessibility. Much of the content that I utilize is legal, freely available public-domain material and absolutely critical to my work. This will cripple innovation and development when new public domain materials - including academic works, software, and research materials - get slow-laned because they are not profitable. The creation of a two-tiered internet is a short-sighted investment that benefits a privileged few at the expense of a functional network.
—Nick Eddy, Columbus, IN

Give us the public carrier that we may be aware of these last days, this final time. Allow us to watch as democracy and civility slowly slip into the great oblivion of "everything has a price and you don`t have enough."
—David Black, Tucson, AZ

The internet is a powerful agent for the kind of political activism that keeps our democracy representative of the american public and not just those who have the money to buy fast track,preferential access. As a senior citizen, I rely on a net neutral internet to inform me about pending legislation and communicate with my representatives in Congress, as well as to support persons and causes which I think benefit our country. Only by your reclassifying ISPS as common carriers can you permanently remove challenges to net neutrality and assure that the democratic promise of a government of the people,by the people and for the people continues.
—Meredith Einaudi, Stanford, CA

As a researcher and college faculty, my professional work absolutely relies on a fair & open Internet with net neutrality. Please ensure that this standard is upheld.
—AD Butz, Portland, OR

Dear sirs, Please continue to classify internet providers as common carriers. Neutrality is important to myself as well as future generations because America is home of the free and what better way to send a message to the world than by one of America's greatest invention that is used around the world ! Sincerely, John P. Hamilton
—John P. Hamilton, East Chicago, IN

WHAT?! YOU ARE NOT SCREWING US ENOUGH ALREADY!!!!
—Karen Laakaniemi RNC MSN CNM, Pensacola, FL

Net Neutrality is the base of today's global society and business. What you are doing could mean the end of modern communication and destroy any chances of small businesses that depend on the free internet to succeed!
—Robert Glavak, ,

If we want a healthy democracy, we NEED net neutrality and an open internet, not dominated by huge, greedy corporations!
—Kevin B Havener, Chicago, IL

My 90-year-old mother lives in an assisted living facility. She watches very little television, but still enjoys watching tennis. Comcast cable is the only way for that to happen and they are gouging her to the tune of $80/month. This is exactly what will happen to the internet and it is unacceptable! The internet is a common carrier. It must be classified and regulated as such.
—Daryl J Shute, Littleton, CO

well this seems like a no brainer, it has to do with my freedom to experience the same internet as anyone else! it has to do with the education of my grand children , medical records, on and on! i am not going to stand still on this I refuse to be sold down the river to line the pockets of the rich and selfish with my money! as in transfer of wealth, do your job! you were hired to protect all the citizens not the few
—Fred Coplin, Saint Petersburg, FL

I was a grad student in Computer Science at the start of the Internet as we know it. An open Internet has broght the world to where it is now based on equal access to information. Changing this in any way goes against everything. Do not cave into the corporations that want to make even more money by changing the playing field.
—Michael Brown, San Miguel, CA

Save Net Neutrality! This is a gruesome proposal and we cannot afford the extra fees! Internet was created by several parties, including military, government, professors, etc. These companies do not have the right to claim ownership and implement charges at their convenience and will.
—Fabiola Aguilar, San Antonio, TX

Having a free internet allows us to be free just like how America is supposed to be.
—Elizabeth Y., staten island, NY

I do not understand how proposals to hinder net neutrality are still making their way though. People are suppressed enough as it is. Even some companies want to make sure there is real net neutrality because their business depends on it. We the people depend on it. I support net neutrality.
—Bryan Blacksmith, Las Vegas, NV

Net Neutrality puts all opinions on an equal playing field on the web, allowing for freedom of thought to be exercised. This freedom defines free men. Let the people be free.
—Tanguy Wattinne, Los Angeles, CA

Why are you giving away our internet a piece at a time? We should all have the same access and not allow the faster lanes for only those that can afford it.
—Manuel Rivera, Rosendale, NY

In the 80's, you always had those post-modern dystopia films about how the future is rules by corporate giants and the government is nothing but a figurehead. If we don't reclassify all ISPs as common carriers, we'll be well on our way to making that a reality.
—Craig Apfelbeck, Poulsbo, WA

I want to access every site at the speed not two tiered
—Rosli Omar, Kuala Lumpur,

Do you really think it sounds fair to make me pay even more on top of my $250 cable/internet bill, just because an ISP decides it wants more money for certain sites? This is supposed to be America, you people are supposed to be protecting us. Please protect your first amendment right. Don't limit our freedom of speech.
—Maggie Holman, Troy, NY

We will never accept this betrayal!! This goes against everything democracy stands for we will never stand for this!
—Caroline Scullin, West Chester, PA

The Internet should absolutely be one of the Commons!
—Louise Fjeld, Loveland, CO

Not having Net Neutrality means having a hidden tax to the consumer. My decision on the .com I do business with shouldn't be based on the big guys paying for a 'fast lane'.
—FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler, Birmingham, AL

Dear Mr. Wheeler, In just twenty years the internet has fundamentally changed the way we communicate and obtain information. It has empowered and liberated many, and doing so it has changed much of our society for the better. Net neutrality has been instrumental to this positive change, and reigning it in would certainly be detrimental to its organically innovative nature.
—Menno de Boer, Redondo Beach, CA

I don't want internet providers to control which sites function quickly and therefore which sites I or other people will use more often. This is an undemocratic. This creates an unequal playing field. It would be like having better telephone quality for some people and not others, depending on who you were phoning.
—Chris Berryman, ,

The Internet belongs to everyone, not big business that will put a No Trespassing gate across it.
—Orion Lyonesse, Lake Stevens, WA

I do not think that it is a good thing to allow the providers of the internet to be able to extort money out of content providers. The slope to a dangerous internet is a steep one, if we give power like that to corporations that do not have a free internet at the heart it will be a matter of time that only partners of said ISP's will then be the only ones getting decent service. We should not have to be a part of an internet that you have to pay protection money to be able to run a viable internet business. this is not what the internet is or was ever about. They are common carriers as it was made in the beginning. Give me Net Neutrality or give me Death!
—Justin Latham, Benson, AZ

The internet belongs to the people--NOT to corporations who can bastardize it & try to make millions off it. It belongs to ALL the people. Throw out your rules & reclassify ISPs as common carriers. WE the people have spoken....
—Sherrie Munday, Boulder, CO

My small business depends heavily on Net Neutrality. Losing it would mean the loss of my livelihood, as well as for many others. Greed does not have to rule the world. Net Neutrality should be protected.
—Katy Picard, Warren, MI

Net Neutrality is important because it was guarantee the freedom of speach online. If Net Neutrality goes down the internet will disappear slowly because people whose opinion is rejected for wrong reasons will cease to use it, which will make a lot of personns as the opinions who are likely to be slowed down/ rejected are the one in favour of human rights and democracy. Indeed companies from the IT sector will suffer huge loses as more are more people will stop using the internet. And above all people will search and eventually find another way to replace internet by neutral communication network.
—Charlotte Cremaschi, Chalons en Champagne,

Net Neutrality matters because it's the main mode of communication. It should be classified as a common carrier. Our telephones, texting, social networking all function over the internet. It isn't a luxury. It's a necessity. No one should have to live life in a permanent " slow-lane!" We need to catch up with the rest of the world on this one, not move in a direction that moves us farther to the rear of the bus, so to speak.
—Mark X. Hatfield, Evansville, IN

I would never have time to wait for a slow and substandard internet.
—Corrine Molling, Onalaska, WI

Do not do this. It's akin to allowing the banks to crash the economy because they say they won't risk too much money... Don't go down in history as the scum that destroyed the internet.
—Robert Muller, Ballston Spa, NY

Monopolistic communication carriers like Comcast cannot be trusted to look out for the best interest of Internet users. Like public transportation telephone companies major Internet cable providers should be designated as common carriers, and serve public interests, not private profiteering. The FCC was created in the early 20th century to protect the airwaves and communication channels as a public good. Please follow the FCC mandate to support the public good, not private corporate profits, by supporting Net Neutrality.
—Bruce Wolcott, Seattle, WA

Hey 'Bama!! You promised 3 things that matter to me and got my vote: 1) Health care reform. 2) Financial services reform. 3) Strong Net Neutrality. So far you've delivered on ZERO of the above. Change we can believe in? Nope. Just another high priced whore, selling out the voters who elected you in the first place to the highest corporate bidder! Change we can believe in? Nope. Not even close. Business as usual: Government by BIG BUSINESS, FOR BIG BUSINESS. May you rot in hell.
—Ken Gunderson, Boise, ID

The internet needs to remain an equal frontier for everyone. To allow companies to control it's access is a great injustice to everyone and against the principles and purpose for what the internet is originally intended.
—Chris Dale, Windsor,

This is a bad idea. What is next? Putting computer chips into infants to control what they are able to say? Your position in life has no bearing on your actions online. This tool is liberating to people being persecuted. This tool is empowering to those who do not have access to education. We could go through with this plan to place rules on the internet, but only if you want to slow down human societies progress to a better future. If you let money decide what the currently free thinking internet is allowed to do then money will hack away anything that makes this vast wealth of knowledge worth while.
—Ryan, ,

I do not see a need for further control of an internet that's already having to much regulation put upon it.
—James Chaney, Mesa, AZ

Because I think it's wrong, I can't afford it & social media gives me a life I'd otherwise not have. As I'm a shut in. Please don't take it away from most of us! We cannot afford it. Please & thank you!
—Teresa Segal, Hemet, CA

This proposed plan sounds very discriminatory. Please re-engineer your proposal to aid in internet equality.
—Devin Peyton, San Jose, CA

Seriously? Why in the name of all that is good is this new plan of Tom Wheeler's even being considered? Is the FCC full of That Many idiots? Honestly?
—Felicia La Belle, Warrensburg, MO

These proposed rules are contrary to the open exchange of information and ideas that the internet is based upon.
—Mikkel Ridley, Oakland, CA

It is completely unfair to let service providers dictate what internet users can see. We pay a blanket fee to explore the countless possibilities presented to us by the internet. Information, group forums, art, music, even pictures of cute animals to cheer you up on a bad day, and new content is being created every second. The internet is called cyberSPACE for a reason. It's infinite. Killing net neutrality would destroy many of those infinite possibilities and resources. It would violate free speech. Don't do this. Keep the internet open to everyone.
—Laura Shapiro, Denver, CO

We should have Freedom of Speech. If Net Neutrality isn't adhered to, our freedoms will be lost, with the biggest bidder making the playing field uneven. They shouldn't get faster lanes because of having more money to play. Not fair. I cry foul. Don't let this happen.
—Camilla Bowman, Lebanon, IN

Abolishing net neutrality will stifle commerce by de-incentivizing innovation, threaten digital democracy by allowing moneyed-interests to boost delivery speeds of content (to the detriment of others) and basically undermine the very essence of what makes the internet so powerful and unique.
—Jacob Resneck, Petaluma, CA

Internet Service Providers ARE common carriers. The simple, obvious and fair thing is to reclassify them as such.
—Don McClure Jr., Champaign, IL

Access to all kinds of information, from all kinds of sources is very important to me. Killing net neutrality will rob me of that ability.
—Dorothy Lewis, Norton, KS

Because Net Neutrality allows for something that's a lot closer to my idea of modern-day democracy than the actual democracy that governments seem to employ. Everyone votes, not for one or two people to do whatever the heck they want once they're picked, but for all to cast a voice on new and previous rules. Removing Net Neutrality would create way too many ways to undermine this.
—Michael Hansen, Aarhus,

Information should not be witheld from the poor and underprivileged in the interests of big business. In Australia our internet is already one of the slowest in the world, so we understand the crippling effects of a "slow lane". It's disgusting. The internet is for everyone.
—Jayde Hunt, ,

The internet is where my friends live!
—Caitlin Segal-Mains, Yakima, WA

Please keep access to the internet equal for everyone!
—Maya Kurtz, Glenwood Springs, CO

It is of the utmost importance that ISPs be reclassified as common carriers in order to protect Net Neutrality. Access to information is essential in a democracy. To protect Net Neutral access to online content and applications ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers.
—Ross Emmerson, ,

Let's keep network neutrality for as long as we can.
—Daniel Morrisey, Petaluma, CA

Because it's proposed rules are dumb, and shafts anyone hoping for a choice outside America.
—Emily Knox, ,

My internet service is already poor. If corporations take greater control, it will be worthless. Don't allow corporations to buy our public information services online.
—Stephanie Johnson, Durango, CO

The ability to have high speed internet is something everyone should be able to have in today's modern world. If companies are allowed to control who can and can't have high speed internet based on standards they set it is denying those without the ability to meet those standards a chance to experience what a privileged few can. Save Net Neutrality and do not allow internet providers the ability to exclude those Americans that they do not feel are worthy of high speed internet.
—Chris Nehring, La Porte, IN

Information flows freely. You can be a part of it or you can watch it shrink around you. Take heed, history is watching.
—Christopher Chun, Concord, CA

Equal access for everybody!
—DMD U.S. Army (Ret.) Douglas KInney, Otego, NY

Net Nutrality is important to me because it is a massive knowlege and entertainment base, with no discrimination on who gets what when.It I a powerful tool for the better of all man-kind. Allowing coorporations to desdiscriminate what we have access to is downright un-american, and can spread ignorance while also serving to support the provider's own political and economic agenda. Failure to protect we the people and supporting big business is dangerous. I've noticed there were the words,"within a reasonable means", dealing with how much a corporation can slow our internet speeds down, but who is making sure their measures are "reasonable?" The government is already spiralling in debt, and a separate entity to monitor such action would prove both an inefficient use of my tex-dollars, and more cost to our government. On the other hand, are the corporations expected to regulate themselves? I hope to God not. Remember, the interests of the people and the interest of big business rarely are parallel. Whatever your decision is will be written in the history books and read for decades beyond all of our time's. Our children, our grandchildren, will look up at us and wonder if we really did the right thing. I hope we can tell them,"Yes, wedid do the right thing." Thank you, Mr. Wheeler. I sincerely hope you choose the correct path, because hell hath no fury like an American scorned. , Tarron
—Tarron Clary, Waupaca, WI

Please recognize ISPs as Common Carriers, which is simply the reality. Democracy itself is dying if you do therwise.
—Tim Baer, Vashon, WA

I always knew cyberspace should be free, ever since I was young. Why must VZ screw up cyberspace for its own profit? Corporations are NOT PEOPLE, NO RIGHT TO PROFIT, MONEY != FREE SPEECH!
—Michael Dotson, Carterville, IL

Stop trying to ruin the internet you have no idea what you are getting yourself into , doing this will result in more strikes
—Maks drzezdzon, ,

Shame on Chairman Wheeler! He says he stands for one thing yet supports the exact opposite behind the scenes.
—Sean Dorsey, E Taunton, MA

The gate keepers will soon be creating their own their own content, and when they do they will stifle any competition and alternative choices by overcharging for fast enough access.
—Tim Kilbride, Louisville, CO

I think its important for us as citizens to be treated equally. Therefore, taking freedoms away from citizens slowly degrades our ability to prevent unhappiness. I challenge you to consider the consequences! Thanks,
—Jeremy Burgess, Auburn, AL

The same freedom of freely choosing services in all of "real life" needs to be on the Internet as well. ISPs should deliver ALL data I ask for, not what they want.
—Daniel Börresen, ,

My one-man business is 100% dependent on the Internet and often involves the transfer of large files. Much the same is true of millions of other small and medium businesses. It is long past time that the big ISPs were reclassified in keeping with business fairness and the openness to entrepreneurship that has created so many great companies and products in the past. Allowing a two-tiered Internet is a recipe for suppressing competition and innovation. We demand a truly open Internet!
—Adam Cornford, Oakland, CA

I work in a pharmacy, an independent, and we need a fast working connection to send to insurances and receive e-prescriptions. And we can't pay top-dollar for it all the time, and if this happens it will take out the independents.
—Jennifer Chen, Indian Head, MD

The FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler is a former lobbyist for the cable industry. The rules the chairman is trying to push forward is in contrast with the FCC's role in the government. It will stifle innovation. Allow the ISP's to push there views on the American people by slowing the "lanes" to information they do not agree with or is critical to them. On the Internet information is communication. Communication is speech. Speech needs to be free and open for a healthy government and society. The 1st Amendment should not be censored but encouraged.
—Ilea Martinez, Plainview, TX

The internet should be a utility like energy and water. The amount of business and other things the internet is used for should not be restricted or altered for profit of anyone other than the consumers. Since it is the consumers who are taking a stand against this, there should be no question as to how bad of an idea this is. It has the ability to send this country in to nation wide riot.
—Robert Miller, Redding, CA

Since the implementation of the internet, it has been an open vehicle of communication and information. For ISPs to be able to say what their customers can and cannot do on the net is unthinkable. To be allowed to establish a dual system that goes beyond paying for service rendered is a poor idea. Startups and independents will surely suffer under this poor decision by the providers. Help us keep the net open for everyone, and stand up against the ISPs and cable providers. Reclassify broadband as a communication medium.
—Christopher Stoddard, Lawrenceville, GA

This proposal will kill the free internet!
—Caleb Long, Montgomery, AL

Music and friends. All that keeps me going. Don't take that away from me.
—Brendan Johnson, Albany, NY

As international standards go, the USA is a laggard in the internet races. Never mind that we invented and built it. We're not even in the top ten today (See below.) Fact is, we're barely in the top 50%. Why is that? The 'for profit' system we've built around our internet discourages improvement. Improvement in a system this broadly spread, geographically and socially, requires a continual technological improvement, which requires capital. The contemporary business model attempts to shift capital requirements downstream to a contracted provider, who tries to do the same, on an ever smaller scale. As a result, connectivity is never improved because no one is willing to spend time and money on it. If we allow profit to control internet connection speeds, it's guaranteed we'll be in the bottom ten. For a profit-driven enterprise, there's no incentive to improve the product when the customer has no where else to go. It takes the social conscience of a government to make that happen. Top 10 in Desktop Speeds (in seconds) Slovak Republic (3.3) South Korea (3.5) Czech Republic (3.7) Netherlands (3.9) Japan (4) Denmark (4.3) Switzerland (4.3) Sweden (4.5) Belgium (4.6) Norway (4.8)
—Carl Clark, Redondo Beach, CA

Without Net Neutrality an important part of modern life will be crippled. Corporations like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon WILL strangle creativity, economic development and political activity via the Internet. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Randal McGavock, Denton, TX

The Internet should be a public utility, equally available to everyone no matter what their income or social status. Do not create second or even third class Internet users.
—Karl Sittler, Marion, MA

The internet is a utility and part of the commons which all Americans should have equal access to.
—Kathryn Riley, El Cajon, CA

Because I don't think internet activism should be shut down.
—Paul tidwell, Tigard, OR

The internet is really the only thing that keeps me out of the brink of poverty.
—Jesus Vizcarra, Gardena, CA

The internet is a public utility not a private product to be marketed to the highest bidder. Putting control of the internet into the hands of profiteers is not in the public interest. These corporations already make outrageous profits off of the internet, a service that they didn't create and have no business controlling. Enough is enough.
—J T. Smith, Clarksville, TN

so we all get the same speed
—George Cornell, pleasanton, CA

The Internet, as it is currently implemented, is a shared resource. It is important this resource continued to be shared equally because the Internet distributes knowledge and that promotes freedom for all users. If some get more bandwidth, others will get less bandwidth and the value of the Internet will be decreased for those who are forced to live with slower access.
—Ron VanAbrahams, Citrus Heights, CA

Corporate ownership of every medium is against everything this country should stand for. This give away is a step to far.
—Jerry K F Chilson, Enumclaw, WA

As a musician, the internet is a very useful tool and for me to contribute creatively to society, I have to know my government will defend my right to an open and free internet!
—Kenny, Goodlettsville, TN

You either protect the public interests or you are clearly in the service of corporate interests. This is not subtle nor ambiguous.
—Joel Hawthorne, Oroville, CA

The Internet is THE major conduit for democracy and freedom across the world. Allowing the creation of a two tier system is the beginning of of net censorship by non neutral powers.
—J Taylor, ,

Everyone depends on the internet these days, and it should be open to everyone equally, not a two tiered system of haves and have-nots. There's more than enough income inequality in this country now; don't add more to it.
—Patricia Panitz, Seattle, WA

Your proposal threatens the free and open platform to share ideas and information to line the pockets of a few wealthy CEO's. Taking away the rights of the many to enrich the a few should ring some alarm bells.
—Jonathan Zito, Chicago, IL

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Mark Parton, Stevensville, MT

When I hear about an "Internet Fast Lane", some way corporations can pay for preferential treatment, it doesn't sound like something that will help me, or anyone low-income, or any small business... it sounds like creating a slow lane for everyone except the wealthy people and the giant corporations. I want equality. I want to pay for Internet service, and then not have to worry about whether the people hosting the webpages I want to access can also afford to pay to use a special "fast lane".
—Gregor Passolt, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality means the difference between a free and open internet, and a garbage cable subscription.
—Matthew Baer, Pemberville, OH

Your responsibilities are to the Citizens of the US, NOT to a few, favored private corporations. Please protect the public!!
—Richard Frith, Seattle, WA

"All men are created equal." If corporations are "men," as the Supreme Court has ruled, then they don't deserve preferential treatment when it comes to what is basically a public utility. Do you believe in "We the people," or 'we the corporations?'
—Winn Wilson, willimantic, CT

WOW! YOU REALLY ARE A BUNCH OF CORPORATE WHORES.
—Ggeorge Loveday, GRASS VALLEY, CA

Net Neutrality is important to all citizens of the United States of America. It is unfair to allow this monopolistic companies AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon to own something that's supposed to be free for everyone. The idea of putting web surfers on a slow lane is right down ridiculous.
—Edgar Robert, Hialeah, FL

I have enough trouble with getting a fast connection, let alone getting the speed that other countries routinely supply. Do not drive a wedge between the rich and poor to further the greed of the ISPs.
—Leigh Hill, Felton, CA

Chairman Wheeler: I came of age in a time when the internet was just starting to expand and become accessible to society at large, and as I've grown up I've watched the internet--with all its discoveries, pitfalls, and triumphs--blossom into an amazing source of knowledge, support, and global exchange. Net Neutrality is crucial if that free exchange of information and ideas is going to continue. To impose any of the rules that have been proposed as part of the FCC proposal would be akin to muzzling more than half of the united states population (the poorer, non-influential half of course) and calling the result a democracy. Furthermore, it would damage the very spirit of entrepreneurship and innovation that has given us so much of the technology we have and covet today. Please protect this vital resource. Uphold net neutrality. Sincerely, Camera Ford Brown University '16
—Camera Ford, Providence, RI

If the FCC hands over the internet to the ISP's with this plan it won't be long before they are themselves put out of business by the companies they gave it over to. If they maintain Net Neutrality they will have the mandate to continue to protect to do so.
—Lindsay Dyson, Petaluma, CA

These companies already screw their consumers. We all deserve net neutrality, not just big business again.
—Judy Chun, Concord, CA

I care about new neutrality
—Lee Davenport, Pleasant Hill, CA

Hello Mr. Wheeler. Internet neutrality shall be kept the way it is. The steps you're planning to take are nothing but bad. You will destroy the internet allowing easier spying and electronic molesting of the users like me. I know that's what you want but you should think again. Think for the people who pay your salary. Not those who bribe you. Have a nice day!
—Stefan Deliyski, ,

Ending net neutrality would be taking freedom of choice away from internet users. It would be the Citizens United of the internet and would result in the fastest download and transmission speeds being available only to the highest bidders.
—Justin Picken, Vail, CO

Please, as someone who has been around since the true birth of the internet, who remembers baud modems and BBSs and MUDs, PLEASE reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This road was meant to be open.
—Jonathan Finite, Beaverton, OR

Free speech for all, not just the ones who can pay the most!
—Robyn Cleaves, Tacoma, WA

We can't live a normal life in America today without the internet. The internet is necessary to all Americans. The internet should be considered a public utility. Please don't let rich corporations take that away from us.
—Diane Kupelian, Bethesda, MD

In view of the evident lack of competition among fixed (non-wireless) broadband delivery (cable and fiber “ISP”) in most markets, in view of the fact that wireless (satellite or cellular) broadband is and will remain for the foreseeable future considerably slower and less cost-effective than fixed broadband (and truly serve only remote or mobile users respectively)... And in comparison to intensely competitive global markets, where we see American broadband lagging both in raw speed, performance/price, and general availability across the nation, exacerbating the “digital divide” of haves and have-nots... Fixed broadband is plenty profitable. So why not the necessary investments? No incentives for each de facto monopoly to invest in their infrastructure. And indeed there are two very revealing examples that illustrate this. First, we see that each foray by Google to lay fiber in a local fixed broadband market has shaken-up the incumbent very narrowly in that market; and we also see that municipal and locally-owned fixed broadband roll-outs in communities nationwide are being pre-empted or challenged by anti-competitive ALEC-driven legislative pressure. The proposal to ratify extortion — pay to play “fast lanes” — by fixed broadband providers is completely misguided; another attempt at the self-regulation model that has lead to such dismal outcomes in every other industry. Instead, there are two clear approaches to solve this problem. First, we can accept the argument that infrastructure is expensive to maintain and upgrade, and that it is prohibitive for competitors to enter into existing markets. In this case, the monopolies need to be classified as common carriers and be regulated as utilities. Second, we can remove barriers and promote competition at the local, municipal, and regional levels. This seems more difficult to accomplish, and would also incur unequal rates of deployment and long delays before competitors could have an effect. So not a productive direction. But worse yet is the current proposal, which devolve primarily to the narrow economic benefit of the incumbents -- with clear dangers and uncertain benefits to We The People.
—Robert Spector, Somerset, NJ

Please,its the one thing we we have!
—Jennifer Gutierrez, Willmar, MN

Freedom of speech and communication is an American right! Please protect Net Neutrality.
—June Stepansky, Woodland Hills, CA

We must have an internet with equal access to all. ISPs are providing a public service, and should be classified as common carriers. THIS IS ESSENTIAL FOR A FUTURE OF FREE EXPRESSION AND EQUAL OPPORTUNITY. Don't destroy the internet! Commercial success should depend on quality of service and content, not on being able to buy priority placement. Small businesses won't sand a chance. Right now, ISPs have a monolpoly in most markets, and there will be no competition for those that purchase priority bandwidth. DO THE RIGHT THING.
—Mr. Rob Nienburg, Palm City, FL

Please represent the individual people of this country, not the "big guys"....we the people have very little left to help us gain information that we choose.....
—Paula Gooding, Seattle, WA

Do not simply favor corporate profits!
—Ryan Weller, Orwigsburg, PA

Do not bring the Caste System to the internet. it will change the basic nature of the internet. Maybe that is what you want. I hope not.
—James Thompson, Santa Monica, CA

I think you know why equal, public access to infrastructure is a good thing. I'll just say that I'm really disappointed. You can affect lives in a way most of us can't. And you choose to use that power to be a troll under a bridge. I can't imagine that's what you grew up wanting to be, yet here you are. Charging companies for premium access to consumers - I wished it stopped at putting a few coins in your pocket but it doesn't. It's going to rig a system to favor the advantaged for a long time to come. Eventually, you or one of your descendants is going to be on the wrong end of that stick.
—Max Lin, San Francisco, CA

Stop your proposed terrible internet rules! The internet is a critical utility for global commerce and communications and this proposal will enable deep pocket companies to pay for a critical competitive advantage, crushing entrepreneurs, and small businesses -- the source of most major innovation driving the success of the internet in the first place. You should be protecting Net Neutrality, for everyone -- not creating and enabling a class system that has been opposed by every major successful internet company.
—Michael Klieman, Belmont, CA

FCC, perhaps you have heard of the First Amendment, freedom of speech and expression, the Constitution... Then STOP SELLING US OUT TO THE WEALTHY CORPORATE IDIOTS AND PROTECT NET NEUTRALITY!
—Billy Angus, Hamilton, MT

Net neutrality is the only thing that keeps the internet as a fair way to do business in a large chain dominated economy.
—Ereck Schwartz, Huntington Beach, CA

The proposal by definition is a discrimination against startups. How will they be able to launch services on the slow Internet lane to compete with the big guys on the fast, highway lane? What will FCC gain from killing the startups where they have launced great producst that we use everyday? How will Facebook be launched globally on the slow lane? How will Twitter? What about IFTTT? The proposal to end the net neutrality is plain wrong. Listen to what Google, Amazon and all the big tech companies are telling you. Despite they will be the ones who will benefit from FCC's proposal, they are fighting against it. Just think. You are doing wrong.
—Tolga Balci, ,

KEEP THE INTERNET AS IS!
—P M, CHICAGO, IL

PLEASE throw out your proposed rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Inga Dahl, LONDON,

You took an oath where you promised to uphold and defend the Constitution against enemies both foreign and domestic. Multinational corporations are, in effect, "foreign" powers. Whether or not they are already or could become our "enemies" is debatable. Many of them, including some of the ones that you want to turn the Internet over to, have repeatedly shown that they will inevitably put their own private interests above those of the American people. Currently, self-serving private interests control most of the major communications systems in our Country, including TV and most of the major newspapers. The Internet is and should remain both an outlet for uncensored and unbiased news and also an open and public forum.
—Tim O'Hanlon, Waimanalo, HI

For the good of humanity. Free access to information creates an educated free public that can work together to solve our common problems. The marketplace of ideas should be open equally to all.
—Katie Rouse, Parkville, MD

The net neutrality is one of the things the internet has but the real world dont have. The online gaming industry could almost crash and if it crashes the social parts of gaming will die.
—Johannes Andersson, Schenectady, NY

It is wrong to allow carriers to set prices that discriminate against the average person. If you pass this, only the rich will be able to afford the faster Internet, and the promise of equal access for everyone will be broken. This is clearly another case of big business setting the rules and leaving the rest of us out in the cold if you allow this to pass.
—Mark Poland, Palmdale, CA

Just because it works for other countries where the Internet is limited and censored does not mean it'll work for us. There's a reason we're a democracy. There's a reason why we have the rights we do. There's a reason why people from other countries want to live here. Please don't take that away from us. Don't murder our rights. Don't try to limit creativity and jobs for future generations. We need to move forward not take a step backwards . Let's leave a better and enjoyable world for our children with no limitations.
—Erin Spence, Austin, TX

Net neutrality works just fine since equality is a core value of democracy. No need to fix something that isn't broken. A fast lane on the internet violates the basic principles of equality on which democracy depends. Keep the internet open equally to all!
—Marian Lotz, North San Juan, CA

Ending net neutrality is like hammering one of the nails into Jesus as he lay on the cross. The other nails, like deregulation, ending campaign finance limits, the Patriot Act, and allowing corporations unrestricted access into the political realm have stripped from America most of the principles and freedoms that made us great. Don't be the final nail in America's coffin. Ending net neutrality will, in essence, end equality in America. That is un-American! Be a REAL PATRIOT and stand up for real American values, not corporate interests. Thank you for listening.
—Amy Orlauski, Los Osos, CA

I play internet games and I can't afford a faster internet service.
—Terence Rieth, Lewisville, TX

It isn't fair to change the rules of the Internet being free. The FCC didn't create the Internet so they shouldn't have this right!
—Janice Feeley, Fremont, CA

Net Neutrality allows me to go onto any website from anywhere around the world, connecting me with the rest of the world on an international level. Without it, such a thing would be impossible.
—Ian Torres-Brown, Springfield, OR

I'm English, but the decision on this act is going to affect me and other internet users throughout the world. If I suddenly have to pay extra for reasonable speeds, that's going to cause so many problems for me. It doesn't even have to be every internet service, just the juiciest miracles that'll net ISP's the most cash by forcing them to pay a premium- high-traffic or data-heavy things like email providers, online gaming, YouTube and so much more. If we're unlucky, they'll do it to every site, and the ones who can't afford a premium access plan will find their traffic plummeting. It wouldn't surprise me if the ISP's were paying anyone out- they'd have it back in a matter of weeks, if not days. This isn't the case for normal people, though, and it is imperative that this doesn't happen. Please, for the sake of every internet user on the planet, classify ISP's as class two common carriers.
—Alex Phelps-Jones, ,

All data on the internet should be treated equally and without discrimination.
—A Belanger, Windsor, CT

We are counting on you to do what is best for the people, not the business. The internet is a leveler and it should be free and equal for everyone. Please do the right thing.
—David Netting, Pottstown, PA

It is my right under the First Amendment. To pass these rulings, and laws, would squelch my right to freedom of speech, and expression. I urge you to stop this insanity, and keep our internet free, and neutral, by reclassifying ISPs as Common Carriers, like they should have been in the first place.
—Anita McInnis, Bellflower, CA

Whitout net neutrality we kill the economical power of inovation in the heart of web.
—Xavier Hape, ,

The internet should remain accessible to everyone. Those with wealth already control too much. It is the responsibility of the government to keep the internet neutral. Gordon Rowe
—Gordon Rowe, des moines, IA

Good access to the internet is crucial in the world today, even in the poorest countries. It is clearly infrastructure of scope and importance exceeding the telephone. Given that our government saw the importance of regulating telephone line providers as common carriers it is obvious that the same status is appropriate, indeed necessary for Internet Service Providers. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you.
—Kenneth Belcher, Chicago, IL

Please rescind your proposed plan to alter the nature of the Internet. It is not at all in the interests of the American people. If, over the past two decades, the Internet has been able to have a vast impact on American life, it is because it has mainly been an instrument of communication and communal interaction, & as a marketing tool it has been an excellent engine of innovation, one of the few true such that America still retains. This is largely due to access to its potential being molded by the needs and desires of the individual user, not those of corporations and corporate interests. To take control over access from the user and hand it over to corporations at this late date, as your proposal would, would give them the power to strangle all three things: communication, interaction and innovation. While you don't specifically propose ISPs switch to the cable television model, where the providers choose the offerings available to the user & allow them to choose from the menu rather than all possibilities (as the Internet is structured now), it isn't difficult to envision that model being installed, as cable companies in particular have desired that model since they began offering Internet service. You have proposed rules that would supposedly preserve net neutrality, but these are flawed and unnecessary. Flawed because they would essentially allow cable companies to procede however they like and deal with complaints - of crippled bandwidth for "unprefered" websites, of restriction of access to websites entirely, etc. - and then until arbitrated by a government official. Unnecessary because that additional layer of implicit permission and government regulation can be done away with simply by listing the Internet as telecommunications - something the FCC could do effortlessly - and reaffirming the Internet as a place where such practices are simply not condoned, rather than opening the door to them in the first place. This is not the time - there is not a time - to increase inequality on the Internet. America has benefitted greatly from a free and open Internet, and the FCC should be doing what it can to keep it free and open instead of making it less free, less open, and far less competitive.
—Steven Grant, Henderson, NV

The internet will be taken over by corporations and become useless to people who can't afford big fees, like retired people, for example.
—Don Minnerly, Portland, OR

People deserve to have internet access that isn't more monetised than it already is, especially those who can't or can barely afford to pay for extra subscriptions, or else have to deal with throttled internet. Don't limit the internet to cater to the already rich and privileged, while shutting out those who may use it as one of their few sources of education, communication and entertainment.
—N, Erwinna, PA

Chairman Wheather – your proposed agenda for the Internet is utterly indefensible! The Internet should be used only as a COMMON CARRIER! No other option should even be tolerated by ANY American citizen! You have ABSOLUTELY NO EXCUSES WHATSOEVER to even begin to think about tiering prices at all!!!
—Stuart Borman, San Antonio, TX

NET NEUTRALITY IS A TRUE FREE MARKET. REMOVING IT ISN'T FREE, IT'S RESTRICTIVE TO COMPETITION!
—Ethan, Bryan, TX

A free and open internet is the single greatest technology of our time, and control should not be at the mercy of corporations.
—Mike Emerson, Ellensburg, WA

The decision by the FCC will have effect far beyond the US and will mean travelling the information highway with the brakes on. Net neutrality opens the door to a synergistic multiplier effect but two tiered structure locks out many sources from many people as it changes the payment structure.
—Richard Fahlman, Gillies Bay,

please take charge of this matter and put us before the money
—Diane Di Vittorio, Oakland, CA

The net should be a FREE, OPEN, and EQUAL resource for everyone to use. Any commercialisation, consumerisation or the creation of a two-tiered internet is completely abhorrent to me and a should be illegal! ISP's are common carriers. The FCC need to throw out any rules that create a two-tiered internet or fast lanes. It is vital for the globe that information is equally and freely available to everyone regardless for their wealth or geographic location! Discrimination is illegal! No person, company or corporation should have the power to control online content! Perhaps Barrack Obama's words should actually be implemented - that any attacks on internet freedom are fascist and despotic, any control on internet freedom should be illegal! DO NOT implement the proposed changes to FCC rules regarding the internet!!!
—Nick Chugg, Hobart,

The internet has been a level playing field of creativity that has enabled companies such as Google. With an optional paid "less congested" lane, a two tier internet will emerge over time (as the performance gap between paid and unpaid grows) stifling newcomers that could one day be the next Google. That could leave non-US companies in the driving seat for the next generation of internets business.
—Neil Mitchell, Gilroy, CA

As a librarian, I know how important free and equal access to the internet is for all citizens seeking information. Don't price out the public.
—Lana Touchstone, Vallejo, CA

We cannot make fast internet available only to those who can afford to pay! This will quickly become yet another arena for unfair power mongering by the wealthy. Our democracy continues to take blow after blow by the influence of the rich.
—Leslie Dee, Savage, MN

Net neutrality is important to me because if the internet is tiered I am sure those of us with less money will get slower internet or will be asked to pay more and my access to progressive media will be limited just as the mainstream media now does not discuss the real issues like NSA and Fast Track and Free Trade and Monsanto taking over all the seeds. Giving Corporations more power just steals from the rest of us. It always does. And to say other wise is like the Supreme Court saying giving corporations the rights of people will not corrupt politics or saying this nation no longer has racist problems. These things are all blatant lies.
—Lorna Paisley, East Dubuque, IL

Dear the FCC, Let's not pretend that the market is an unbiased place. If you put the equality of the internet on the chopping block like this, it is no longer free. Political and monetary ideologies will have free license to censor anything they choose without recourse. All the prejudices and inequalities that currently rule in this country will reign online, too. Maybe you haven't pitched it this way, but that is the reality that will ensue. I hope I'm wrong when I assume that this is your aim. Are you really already bought out? The United Nations has already taken the position that access to a free internet is a basic human right. I know we live in a country that is notorious for egregious human rights violations while simultaneously chiding others for lesser crimes. Do you want to continue to be a part of that? We like the internet. It makes good things happen. One of those good things is that our voices get heard. You're supposed to be looking out for our voices.
—Peter Wong, San Francisco, CA

Information should be freely available not governed by 'who can pay the most can have the loudest voice' which would be the result if American companies are allowed to have their way.
—Mark Hutchings, ,

A bunch of men & kids are on a sinking ship & the men can PAY for a spot on a lifeboat. So, let the kids drown ? THAT !!!
—Jimmie Hultman, shelby, NC

The internet is a critical resource for people around the world, with essential features of modern life (including banking, paying bills, access to government, education, and business) depending on it. Overturning net neutrality puts all these things at risk by allowing ISPs to discriminate in the service they provide.
—Aedan Lake, ,

When the FCC was created, nearly ninety years ago, its primary purpose was to regulate America's mass media (mostly radio at the time) to secure for all people public service programming to serve the public interest, convenience and necessity. As new mediums came into being that basic requirement was applied to each, even though major media owners often claimed their basic purpose was to produce profits. The prevalent but misguided notion that the Internet is not a mass medium is simply an acknowledgment that its technical quality and its means of distribution is different than over-the-air broadcasting or cable connections. The loss of media public service as the FCC's proposal to kill the open Internet is severe blow to democracy and that the FCC has lost site of its chief purpose is to insure that all mass media serve the public interest, convenience and necessity. Unfortunately, it is this blind spot of the commission that leads to such sad fulfillment of the reason for which it was created. The FCC must assure Net Neutrality is secure for all people until such a time as the Internet has been supplanted by the next new medium!
—Ben Gums, Jamestown, ND

Throw your rules out the window. Reclassify ISPs as Common Carriers!
—Freddy Polanco, Lynwood, CA

I depend on easy and affordable internet access!
—Steve Aydelott, Bend, OR

The internet should stay open and free. Please do not allow only those with big money to control this important medium. Please do not implement the new Net Neutrality rules, things should stay as they are. ISPs should be classified as common carriers. Content should not be discriminated against. Thank you.
—Scott Hartsfield, Camas, WA

It's as old as TV. It failed in the 1950s with Movie-Vision. It failed in the 1960s with WHT. It failed in the 1970s with QUBE, the 1980s with TV!nteractive, the 1990s with WebTV, and even in the new millennium with Enhanced DTV. It's the Same Damn Dream: a two-way pay-TV scheme to jack advertising directly into our heads. Time and again it's met with consumer apathy or rejection, and time and again it's been pushed by Big Media. Pushed and pushed and pushed and pushed. Meanwhile, the Internet happened. Suddenly, WE could determine the content, or even create it, and it would be available worldwide for anyone to view at will. But now the Same Damn Dream is back. Allowing Big Media--who now include the big ISPs--to pick and choose who gets priority access would effectively turn the Internet into yet another two-way pay-TV scheme. True, "Imminent Death Of The Net Predicted!!!" scares are as old as the Internet. But this one's real. Allowing this latest incarnation of the Same Damn Dream to become reality would result in massive consumer backlash. Don't let the Internet suffer the fate of Movie-Vision--protect Net Neutrality!
—Mark Alexander, Fayetteville, AR

We are a small web based business that we love evan though it has narrow profit margins. Without net neutrality we could not compete with larger companies and will be put out of business, not because we do not sell a quality product. The internet is a public utility, why don't you understand that and protect my rights?
—John Crawford, Newport, OR

I fully understand that the FCC is in the telecommunication industry's pocket and that your purpose is to further their wishes, but wouldn't it be good if your agency actually did what it was created to do; serve the public (not corporate) interest? It is abundantly clear that by ending net neutrality, not only will the Internet become a two-class reality, but the providers will impose censorship on our access to any kind of information that does not serve the corporate (read conservative) agenda and sensibilities. Just saying.
—Lauren Rivka Goldman, San Francisco, CA

The internet is a public service, it is a conduit for everyone's thoughts and opinions. We should not be controlling that.
—Mary-Sue Elfman, Houston, TX

The internet has been a fair and evenly balanced resource for many of us who use it. Changing this to allow the wealthy corporations to control the speed of it will destroy what has been an open and accessible resource for all - no matter their socio-economic status. This is giving WAY too much power to a few mega-corporations. Our freedom of speech is threatened by the possibility of this plan.
—Genevieve Cormiae-Foster, Portland, OR

Allowing the merger between the two worst internet providers in America proves the FCC to be a joke, beholden only to corporate interests, with no regard for the consumer and greater good.
—Barney McComas, Berkeley, CA

Net neutrality is important for the opportunity of innovation. Without it, business will become reactionary. Without it, the United States will set itself on a trajectory of becoming completely irrelevant on the world stage.
—David Monasevitch, Lihue, HI

Without net neutrality there will be higher barriers of entry for new companies and new ideas on the internet, thus slowing innovation
—Anders Ivner, ,

Net Neutrality is the conduit of my livelihood, my citizenship, the bulk of my relationships, and my civil rights. You do not have the mandate of the American people to destroy it.
—Michelle Gale, Coconut Creek, FL

Favoring those willing or able to pay more for faster internet is wrong. The FCC must classify providers as Common Carriers in order to maintain equality. Allowing a two-tiered Internet will have the effect of adding a tax burden to the common person for the purpose of providing increased profit to what would otherwise be a Common Carrier.
—Michael Patton, Englewood, CO

The Constitution Of The United States matters. Allowing corporations to block free speech and free assembly would be treason.
—Scott Vanrossum, Milwaukee, WI

This will be bad for start ups and job creation.
—Mr Robert R Racine, Mesa, AZ

GOVT INTERVENTION ANDSUPERVISION OF THE INTERNET IS NOT WANTED OR NEEDED!!!!
—Eugene Howard, Franklin, TN

The Net neutrality it is the true nature of Democracy
—Jorge L. Lizárraga Lizarraga, la paz,

We want privacy,and freedom.
—Espen Helverschou, slemmestad,

I really don't like the idea of my internet connection being policed by large corporations that don't have my best interests in mind. The internet is the only place that I can reliably get my news anymore and stay current in the world. To lose my online freedom would be a detriment to my current standard of living; it would be similar to being restricted from freely visiting public areas in my city.
—Zack Holmes, Canyon, TX

In a globalized era in which humanity faces unprecedented change and uncertainty, our ability to share ideas and communicate across communities, nations, and generations is imperative. The internet is the best tool we have available for this. Allowing those with wealth to have better access to our collective knowledge and communication networks not only imposes unfair economic disadvantages and barriers for upward mobility to those without, but it sets a shameful precedent. Ending net neutrality says to future generations that we value wealth and greed over our collective ability to share knowledge and speak freely. Our Ideas are not the property of these ISPs. Allowing them to segregate access to our knowledge and ideas would be a terrible legacy. Instead of trying to improve internet access and infrastructure for some, we should focus on doing it for ALL.
—Daniel Miller, Eugene, OR

keep the internet open and free no corp favoriteisem
—K Lucas, Westminsrter, CA

People with low income should not be cut off from normal internet access!
—Ernst Lammer, ,

Net Neutrality is a last bastion of true equality in our once great nation. It needs to stay that way!
—Jamie C Thompson, Sparks, NV

FCC are idiots why would they change something that has been working soo well the past years just so they ca money out of us , I find it pathetic
—Sunny, London,

The issue here is obvious - profit vs individual rights - another brick in the wall on what is best for our collapsing society. Welcome to the oligarghy...
—R Peterson, Floral City, FL

Neutrality leads to a fair and balanced system
—Franc Karpo, ,

Because doing away with net neutrality is a blatant violation of the 1st Amendment of the US Constitution. If there's going to be competition on the internet, it greatly needs to be on a very level playing field.
—B Thomas Diener, Albuquerque, NM

Your chance to show you are NOT Fascist Coercion Committee
—Di Iuliochiacchia Sandro, ,

Protect the Internet as it is: a medium for all to communicate without discrimination, harnesses, and the thousands of straps of bondage that the for-profit corporations would like to add to it (They already have loaded it down with ads.).
—Angela Bellacosa, Seattle, WA

Because money shouldn't determine a websites importance. The internet has always been a relatively even playing field, let it remain that way. I understand its mild stimulation of the economy, but I just can't agree with this action. Legalize pot and tax the stoners, jesus, or raise alcohol tax. Gahd.
—Cole Lindenbach, ,

The United States of America became what it is due to protections of freedom and equality. With these proposed plans the internet loses these. The internet is the most powerful system of information and communication in the world. If you allow a few big corporations to control the flow of this information and communication, our economy will be stifled, innovation will be blocked and stymied. Americans will be starved of open free press. Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Austin C Germer, NOVATO, CA

The Internet is too important to public information and public discourse for us to allow it to devolve into nothing more than a pay-for-play advertising medium. ISPs must be administered as common carriers or they will follow the money wherever it goes.
—Lance Williams, Toluca Lake, CA

In what way are ISPs NOT common carriers??? The Internet carries the most important communications we have today - don't dodge the responsibility of keeping it open to all
—James Russell, Chicago, IL

Net Neutrality is the reason why our country has prospered by leaps and bounds in the Information Age these past three decades. These new rules that Chaiman Wheeler has passed is threatening the livelihood of small businesses and the people of this great nation. Please, I'm asking you to re-think what you are doing. Don't destroy Net Neutrality. Don't hurt America.
—Lawrence Cheung, San Jose, CA

Free and open communication is at the heart of democracy.
—Phil Johns, Plymouth,

Net Neutrality is vitally important.
—Warren Land, Pensacola, FL

Ending net neutrality for special interests is not fair and goes against the true purpose of the fcc; free access to information is key for our future generations and essential for a real democracy.
—Peter Louis Amaduzzi, Menlo Park, CA

Virtually everything I use the Internet for--from political action to research to submitting my manuscripts to my publishers to getting my contracts from my agent--will be put on the "slow lane." I cannot afford what Netflix can, and neither can the sites I use. And yet, MY TAXES helped pay for the development of the Internet, as I am 63 years old and have worked since I was 15!
—Mercedes R Lackey, CLAREMORE, OK

Net neutrality is the fundamental cause of the unleashing of online American business creativity. Kill it and you kill th goose that lays the golden eggs.
—Martha Koester, Seattle, WA

The internet is not a place for big business to interfere. It is one of the only last bastions of free speech where people can share ideas and have access to unlimited amounts of information. Censorship, or its online equivalent, is unacceptable on the internet. The access to information should be equal and consistent not biased on what multinationals can afford to pay for.
—Zachary Maher, Modesto, CA

The internet has become a crucial part of our precious democracy; it must have no impediment.
—Honora-Bright Aere, Blodgett, OR

Those who control the Internet will control the public consciousness.
—Laurie "Ryan" Norton, Durango, CO

The internet of things connect countless business, entertainment and social systems, applications and ecosystems. If you screw with the pipes, you unbalance it all.
—Brian Ulm, Monrovia, CA

As a startup entrepreneur, I need the internet to be fast without any additional costs. Some of the biggest and most profitable companies in the world were startups once and they would have absolutely needed the same when they started up. By allowing corporate sponsorship you are allowing for monopolies to form. Worse still - you may very well be removing free speech. We don't care if your government makes empty promises about not abusing the powers to control the internet - but what about the next? If you enable big money to control information you are essentially throttling a free and open democracy so that only the richest can take part. I want none of it!
—Mathew Henson, London,

ISP's are, in reality, common carriers. Please classify them as such. If you want to protect open communication, there is this simple fix. Please ignore the revolving corporate door, the financial and political pressures, and do the right thing for democracy. Thank you.
—Janet Tache, Penn Valley, CA

The internet must remain open for information to flow freely and people to meet and ideas to be exchanged!
—Wilfred Damhuis, ,

These Big guys make too much as it is! Why not require them to provide high speed (fast lanes) for us all without charging extra fees?! Keep net neutrality at the very least and do not kowtow to the Big guys (like AT&T, Comcast, Verizon, etc.).
—Ronald E. Kaufman, Spokane, WA

im telling you again... leave the internet where it sits right now.are you people so hungry for money? dont you have enaugh yet? leave it be ....its the most beautiful thing in the world..to be able to acces what information you want at any given time is very good... why would you want to change that? the internet is of the people and should remain just like it is today!
—Apostol Petrut Petrut, ,

I know we live in corporate world today, but I also know we live a lot of our lives online. We just have to assess if we appreciate a human life more over the money. It's that simple. If this is going to be real, then we have already lost the battle, and we mind as well can move to Syria, because we have no vote over this. In the name of invention and American dream, I ask you not to do this, not to sell out yourself for a new house or boat or plane.
—Dominik, ,

Meaningful democracy may already be dead in the United States, as the noted Princeton/Northwestern study asserts, but its hope for rebirth appears to lie with a neutral internet. If corporate elites assert control of it, the hope dims to nothing.
—Evan Kroeker, Carbondale, IL

WHEELER, YOU WROTE THAT YOU WERE IN FAVOR OF AN OPNEN iNTERNET, BUT IT LOOKS LIKE FAST TALK FOR A TWO-TIERED INTERNET. FORGET COMSAST AND VERIZON, WHEELER. WE ARE NOT GIVING UP ON THIS FRIGHTFUL TACTIC YOU GOT GOING. DR. PW BROOKS
—Prudence Brooks, GLENDALE, AZ

Net neutrality represents the philosophical underpinnings of the Internet. Everyone has an equal voice and small businesses and ideas with merit can grow without worrying too much about whether your ISP likes it or imposing fees that might cripple it. Without Net Neutrality the Internet might become a place not unlike the real streets where the same five stores dominate every street corner. Net Neutrality and common carrier status isn't going to hurt these companies, it just decides what the playing field will look like, and gives us a chance of understanding how the game is played.
—Cameron L Palmer, Garland, TX

For small business to have a chance at competing with big corporations, the rules that are being suggested, must not be acted upon. Gone will be the days that local mom and pop shops have a chance of making real profit via the Internet. This will directly affect the hospitality sector as chain restaurants will dominate local business' and mcdonalds will become an even bigger part of the North American life style. I personally plan on opening my own restaurant some day, and I really hope that you look out for the average consumer, protect net neutrality and protect our right to succeed as entrepreneurs.
—Andrew Murphy, Niagara Falls, NY

The internet has become an integral factor in our precious democracy; it must meet no impediment.
—Honora-Bright Aere, Blodgett, OR

Free the internet, no rules!
—Wilson, Martinsville, IN

I can't afford TV/cable. The internet is all I have. It should be treated like any other utility. Gas, electric etc.
—Linda Ehrisman, Gasquet, CA

Because I want to be able to find information workout interference from anyone. And I pay the IT'S a lot of money for access to the Internet.
—Thierry T Takara, Lanham, MD

Internet is a knowledge sharing platform. It's intention was to freely share knowledge. It intention should be preserved.
—Grace Jackson, San Jose, CA

You have a responsibility to the Public's longterm interests here, and that serves not only our economy but democracy.
—Larry D Nooden, Ann Arbor, MI

I believe that open internet to all citizens is very important. We need less big companies who are only interested in their bottom line taking charge over things that in this current generation is almost deemed a absolute need. Within the past 10+ years e-mail has taken over regular mail. Us citizens do most of our shopping online especially during the holiday season, we connect to loved ones when they are far away. All citizens should have the right to the same internet as everyone else does. Thank you for your time.
—James Cranston, Bussey, IA

A purchased fast lane would lead to the death of the kind of entrepreneurship the 'net fosters now.
—Linda Quinet, Windham Center, CT

how can you sell your internet to big corporates? if you continue, you only prove to the world that the united states is a corrupted country and that u should be ashamed of yourself.
—Sebastien Lautie, viroflay,

Net neutrality is important to me and I don't want fay lanes created. Leave the Internet the same.
—Aaron Smothers, Minneapolis, MN

The net is one of our few defences against the criminal corporations represented so blatantly by Tom Wheeler and the FCC.
—Vic Norris, BOIS GUILLAUME,

Net Neutrality is important because of equal chances. On the internet, it is important that everybody has the same chance of speak, and you proposal would deny that to the poor.
—Joren Swinnen, ,

Net Neutrality is the base for comunication between people. If this will stop it means the end of free information and free personal expression with dignity and respect. What FCC wants is enslave mankind and treat us like idiots and there is no argument against it, except that this is not what people want, its what rulers want. They want slave and people who don´t know that their are slaves.
—Eva Traumann, Stadtoldendorf,

A tiered Internet, especially in this economic climate, is a plan that would mean Internet usage contraction, the exact opposite of what is occurring in the rest of the world. Internet rates and service in the U.S. are already substandard when compared to Western Europe where an Internet connection, cable TV and telephone service can be had for less than $60/month. It would be ironic if corporate greed is allowed to derail the growth of the Internet in the country that invented it.
—Fran Grabenhofer, Addison, IL

The net transfers public data akin to a telephone utility that transfers public talk, akin to electric utilities that transfer power, akin to gas utilities transferring natural gas. Therefore these are all utilities for the public good and should be regulated as such.
—Jere Sponagle, Glendale, AZ

Because a free and open internet..... "is the single greatest technology of our time, and control should not be at the mercy of corporations. ....stimulates ISP competition. ....helps prevent unfair pricing practices. ....promotes innovation. ....promotes the spread of ideas. ....drives entrepreneurship. ....protects freedom of speech."
—William Sherwood, ,

Money seems to be all that matters. But on the internet, a single person with a good idea can generate more interest than all of Viacom's advertising money put together. But if you make bandwidth reliant on money, you just further shift us into a plutocracy. I'm on the internet a lot, and have great interest in small, niche, money-poor sites. You are forcing them to either start charging for something that was hitherto done altruistically, or just cave in and die to larger corporations. It would severely hurt my life if net neutrality is ended. If net neutrality ended, I would do everything I could to NOT support those who abide by it. The internet is about information, and sharing in a way never before possible. Don't give further power to those with money to control information.
—Red, Damascus, MD

NO DEMOCRACY WITHOUT NET NEUTRALITY!
—Bernhard Wahr, O Brien, TX

NO DEMOCRACY WITHOUT NET NEUTRALITY!
—Gloria Lucía Wahr, ,

Freedom of speech, choice & interests
—Pat Duff, ,

Seriously. We need an open, free internet. This is why it has thrived to date, not through some terrible notion of competetive advantage. Please sort this.
—Mike Ellis, ,

Mr Wheeler, your proposed plan is outrageous. It would create a two-tiered internet and that would mean the end of the internet as we know it. You should withdraw your proposal or resign, because if this is approved you would have failed in your position as FCC chairman.
—Sarantis Karakatsanis, ,

Ner neutrality gives small businesses a chance to succeed and small business provides most of the employment opportunities for young people.
—Martin Potter, ,

I am getting older and it is all ready not getting any easier to pay the bills as is, if I have to continually pay increasingly more expensive rates for service or be limited in my selection of content or speed of loading content is compromised by ISP providers until I cough up more and more dollars, No! No! No! No!
—James Brunkow, Portland, OR

As a small business owner, I expect media from my web site to have equal status on the Internet. Creating a system where companies can pay extra to get special treatment would harm small companies like mine and kill technology innovation.
—Caleb Ruth, New York, NY

Net Neutrality is very important to me because it allows openness and full freedom on the Internet,which is what the Internet mainly needs to keep it flourishing and alive.
—Steven Millan, Las Vegas, NV

It is utterly depressing how the dystopias of past decades are getting their chance at reality now and it should be blatantly obvious that it is your responsibility now to stop this before it becomes just one more case of the way things slide down until suddenly we're at the bottom of the pit and everyone is wondering "how could it ever come so far"
—Silvana Leiss, ,

I am retired and living on Social Security alone -- I can't afford to pay for a higher tier to use the sites I use now.
—Carol J Lapetino, Downers Grove, IL

Net neutraility expresses our true freedom of speech and information sharing. The end of net neutrality will have very negative consequences and will simply send us back to the middle ages. Ending net neutrality is putting the financial interests of few powerful elites over billions of men and women.
—Dor Peer, Ottumwa, IA

I believe in equality and power to the people, not just the rich minority. People use the internet for everything from education to entertainment, and we all deserve equal access to it.
—Chloe Norling, ,

The US already has one of the most expensive and slowest Internet (http://www.bbc.com/news/magaz ine-24528383). Your recent "slow lane" ruling, as well as revcent consolidations in the industry, is only going to make this worse. The FCC should instead focus on first ensuring net neutrality as a base rule, then opening up the market to new competitors (cities, local operators, etc) in order to improve quality and reduce cost for all. These are necessary to keep the US at the forefront of the world nation in terms of innovation and quality of life.
—Nicolas Ganivet, Denver, CO

ok you want to what now? really ? you really think that a spineless act like this will help you try and define the rich and the poor on the net leading to obvious discriminatory attitudes and dismissive assumptions? here the deal, grow up! the internet can no be controlled regardless of how pretty you paint your words! your rules are an insult and I am ashamed to even have to spend my time telling a bunch of children to watch what they say and be careful of what you do. throw out your so called rules stop with the fat cat favoritism and stop letting mindless billionaires tell you how to run things and grow a flipping back bone for a change! throw out the rules because this will not go unchallenged and it will not be tolerated!
—Mr. Paul C Johnson, Las Vegas, NV

Net neutrality is extremely important to me. The FCC has allowed far too much concentration of news and broadcast media into too few corporate hands already. Now it the chance to hold fast on the most universal of media still left to us.
—Mary Kissane, Saint Louis, MO

Net Neutrality is the basis for our internet usage and it always has been. So many countries have already made sip's common carriers. Without a common carrier ruling the internet would soon devolve into a corporate feeding frenzy. We have to protect our last access to this most important freedom of speech before this. If not I am afraid we will lose all of our freedom of speech zones. Ariel M. Faye
—Ariel M. Faye, Parma, OH

I really don't like the greed of the big ISP companies , they always want more, meaning more money for their services. I'd really like for some services to stay free.
—Tiles Bakeerv, ,

We in America have been getting terrible internet service compared to many other countries, and have had the "privilege" of pay more for it. Why are we going to allow these companies who only care about making a buck push us even further behind?
—Jimmy Misner Jr., Atlantic, IA

The proposed rules are antithetical to everything the Internet stands for (and against the very nature of the web as envisioned by its creators). Openness and equality are not optional, they are integral to why the Internet has - and continues to - be so essential to so many facets of our lives. Scrap these terrible plans now.
—Ed Melly, ,

Net Neutrality is important!
—Joshua Lindstrom, ,

Because we are ALL equal in rights.
—Romeo Lungu, Sallanches,

I'm paying my providers for a specific connection speed. My and sp many others moneys worth is at large. We have paid for a service, with this the services we won't get what we pay for and as a developer I am dependent on certain requirements. Having to pay extra for a service I'm already paying for is both damaging for my economy and my business. This is not something I had expected to see.
—Per Blom, ,

Net neutrality is part of the re-enabling of small business, giving them to wherewithal to create the kind of true competition and real free market that we haven't had in more than a generation. To allow giant corporations, fresh off their triumph with a Supreme Court which has essentially declared them to be a special class of person with all the rights and privileges citizens are guaranteed in the Constitution, but subject to none of the sanctions to buy their way into a competitive advantage over other businesses is to end all possibility of a real, functioning democracy for the future. Networks- whether the world wide web, networks of people trading goods or services, networks of small energy producers or networks of independent news producers are part of an emerging system which has the potential to solve the crucial, potentially terminal problems of our age. The internet is its backbone. To allow tiered access renders it a paraplegic. The companies that supposedly benefit from this will not last long in the age of declining demand and increasing network interruptions that this will initiate. With climate change now an urgent problem, and network disruptions likely to result from that source, anything that threatens to further slow and interrupt network services is an existential threat to us all.
—Sarah Shaw Tatoun, Rockville, MD

I find that your proposed "rules" for the internet are, quite as expected unfortunately, discriminating. It is never right that those who are fortunate (for it is a truth that at times, hard work doesn't earn you enough money) enough to be able to PAY, should "enjoy" more information, enjoyment, usefulness etcetera, via the internet. And worse yet, the possibilities would open up for arbitrary discrimination against content and applications available to the users! It is not, not not, not EVER, the job of COMPANIES to decide what information an individual, a citizen, should be allowed to find. It is, quite frankly, abhorrent. "Beware of he who would deny you information, for in his mind he dreams himself your master." - Pravin Lal, "Sid Meier's Alpha Centauri" Laws and rules are an instrument to aid, not to deny, dominate or control. I'm sure you're aware of this, and currently ignore it. Please do better.
—Ellie Gydemo Östbom, ,

No two-tiered Internet. There should be no fast lanes for AT&T, Comcast and Verizon. We've had more than enough of these big corporations who exact extra fees at the drop of a hat. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Memoree VanderHeyden, West Bend, WI

As republicans and democrats increase the cost of goods and services through privatization and monopolies, the increased prices of fast internet services will be prohibitive for the poor and working class. They will be denied information and all the other benefits of a free an open internet -- Democracy.
—Joseph A. Mungai, Elgin, IL

I'm ecstatic about one thing and that is all you patsy's of the oligarchy, all you luciferic freemasons (ignorant, sic), all you polititian's who only think of themselves and their own pockets, will all one day have hell to pay and will reap the suffering they have sown. I'll look forward to this day.
—Ted Nugent, Ronkonkoma, NY

Everyone should be given equal access and speed to any website, regardless of ability to afford a faster option. This is the only democratic way to regulate internet speeds.
—Benjamin R Fox, Cambridge, MA

i dont believe this is fair as it would destroy the way of live for people, alot of them need fast internet to be able to study and talk to family
—Shannon Amber, ,

Please protect real and uncompromised net neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. No corporation should be given the power to discriminate and award online communication.
—Tom Schwenkenberg, Darwin,

The fundamental premise of the internet is equality, whether for businessmen, ranchers, missionaries, scientists, paupers, or princes. I beg you, do not take away this venue for people without material wealth to improve their life, for hardworking citizens to contribute to their country alongside special interest groups, for upstanding people to support others all around the globe verbally, socially, financially, and spiritually. This is the only way we can realize better lives for everyone on the planet. Thank you for your time.
—Scarp, Kimberly, WI

In a democracy, we should have equality. Money is already a huge advantage in life, and most of the people are not happy with it. Nobody should have disadvantages in something, because others pay more and (in thix example) have prioritised net traffic, so yours automatically slows down. Also net neutrality is a huge thing for the internet. It allows people to state their opinions without having to fear that someone will punish them for it. It allows people to be loud, to spread it, to share opinions, to show it, without necessarily revealing who they are. In this way, it's an aspect of freedom and privacy, and should not be suppressed.
—Kevin Laube, ,

I rely on a free and open Internet to communicate with my friends and enjoy their independent creative endeavors. I rely on a free and open Internet for MY OWN creative endeavors. Keep Net Neutrality.
—J'aime Smith, Klamath Falls, OR

I said once before and i'll say it again. The internet is not designed to be slowed down or choked by LSPs for profit. I fear that allowing any company who has some sort of control over the internet (in this case, Comcast or Verizon) could lead to expensive, censored, slowed, and dwindled growth in the internet with small, upcoming companies being pushed aside if they can't pay the bandwidth for said ISP. That or the companies disallow the access to the internet or make their sites a snail-pace to traverse. Truly i'm concerned about the long-term effect this may have on the internet and what would happen if it were to be hanged and turned backwards from growing into something else....to being controlled, hard to use, censoring, and more. Some of the things I mentioned may not happen soon, (except for the slow/fast lane problem that's already happening.) but if Net Neutrality remains dead and nothing new or something that improves upon Net Neutrality happens...these things may become real. So real that it'll damage the growth of the internet in significant ways, more so that it prevents growth of the technology that happens online and begins restricting it...dwindling it...killing innovation and creativity slowly. They're many things I find wrong with these Internet Rules you're trying to propose and pass. It reminds me so much of the SOPA/CISPA bills of the past...I hope that doesn't continue to happen overtime, especially if these Internet Rules were to past which I will say i'm against and want you guys at the FCC to support Net Neutrality! It pains me to see this happening and I type these words with sincere thoughts that you guys understand how I feel about all this. It's important to me and it would not only pain me, but scare me if these rules you're passing were to well...pass. Please support Net Neutrality Tom Wheeler and the people of FCC. Just please...restore it, fix the loopholes/issues, and make it darn better without giving all the power in the hands of large companies like Comcast and Verizon.
—Shai-Dre Dillard, LYNN, MA

One of government's most important roles is to safeguard the integrity of a lawful marketplace and thereby the equality of opportunity. The Internet is just such a marketplace: of commerce and ideas. To sell it off like we have other vital, universal rights, would doom us to the false promises and real failures of privatization - that would lead to more inequality. I can promise you that if you allow this to happen, the people will rise up. So be wise and do what is just for the right reasons!
—James, Croton, NY

Because freedom of speech is one of the ideals of our country, making the Internet, an important form of communication, discriminatory runs entirely counter to out ideals. Please take that into account and decide not to do so.
—Karen E Macrae, Litchfield, ME

The Internet is extremely important for disseminating information, conflicting views, news etc. It can be an enormously empowering tool, and can be fantastic for self education. While I can understand how a person in power might want to keep these benefits away from the people they represent (maintaining the status quo), doing so would call the legitimacy of said person in power's intentions and interests.
—Mr. Roberto Aviles, Fremantle, OR

Allowing these companies to prioritize access and exposure for those who can afford to pay more destroys the Internet's level playing field. Every company with a great idea deserves the same chance. If the proposed rules are adopted, countless great ideas will never realize their potential, simply because they can't afford the extortion demands of the companies who clearly want control over what people see. For a TRULY open Internet, these companies MUST be classified as common carriers.
—John Schneider, New Milford, CT

As an advocate, for net neutrality, I believe the FCC's proposed new rule gives the biggest Internet service providers (no need to name them you know them well) too much latitude to charge higher rates and show preferential treatment to their favored content companies. The loss of net neutrality would spell disaster for small startup companies and independent content providers who can't afford to pay higher tolls. It would be a shame to lose the 21st Century's greatest entrepreneurial driver. Many of today's successful Internet companies started in someone's garage because they had the ability to compete through open access, delivering their service or app to millions of homes around the world at the same speed as everyone else. In many respects, the Internet has become a vital and global public utility, like phone or cable service. I think the FCC should exercise its option to regulate the Internet as a common carrier under Title II of the federal Telecommunications Act. It is evident that other recent legal challenges have clearly informed the FCC that it can reclassify Internet service providers as telecom carriers, thus allowing users to send and receive information without meddling by ISPs. Do the right thing for the people and regulate the Internet as a common carrier. Thank you David L. Seals
—David Seals, Fairborn, OH

Keep the Internet free and open for all.
—Luke Kim, Honolulu, HI

We the people developed the internet. It belongs to us. We pay for access, but it belongs to the people. The internet is the people's greatest tool in the pursuit of happiness.
—Keith Koelling, melbourne, FL

To whoever it may concern, As the constitutional law abides for rights equality and individual freedom it is not amenable to divide the net access to citizens on a strictly financial basis. And there is nothing more to be said or written. Thank you very much,
—Xavier Ballestin, ,

The internet is a public utility for ALL NATIONS, not a private superhighway for corporations. We must go back to NET NEUTRALITY.
—Joel Hildebrandt, Berkeley, CA

Who benefits? Shame on you, Tom Wheeler and FCC, for proposing outrageous, anti-democratic, pro-fascist internet rules. You are no public servants - you are the puppets of the corporate welfare state. The world your children will inherit gets darker, more unequal and unjust by the minute. But, your kids will be the masters of the future society, so what do you care of the serfs? If you approve the proposed rules, you further inequality in an already extremely unequal society. I've heard of the "American Dream" - but you would prefer to further the corporate-state nightmare in which we currently reside.
—Mary Bell, Seattle, WA

I already pay TOO MUCH for the fastest inet speed I can get and having to pay even more for the same speed is NOT ACCEPTABLE!
—William Lee Kohler, Eugene, OR

The internet is the one place where everyone truly has equal opportunity. Without a neutral internet, we have nothing.
—Kaya Williams-Tuschling, ,

The internet is information for all. Not for who can afford to get it. These rules do not promote an open marketplace, what they will do is kill it. Do not enact these rules and come up with something that will work for the betterment of everyone, not just big business.
—Chris Clayton, Peoria, IL

Jobs. The Internet marketplace is one of the last places Americans are working, making a decent wage, and creating something other than a hamburger. The internet is also the only low capital business startup source. Due to China, et. al. cost under-cutting via slave labor wages and monopolies, like Comcast and Time-Warner , new businesses can’t be created without millions in capital and compete.
—Patrick Reddeck, Kent, WA

another assault on our democracy, hands off!
—Matthew Gegenhuber, Hawkins, WI

Please reclassify the ISPs as common carriers. Please.
—RO O. Mitts, East Lansing, MI

I believe that net neutrality is something really precious. The whole idea of the internet relys on it. We cant just give the most open minded platform of the world the a few companies, which will start slowing down or make us normal people pay for service. This network has brought up so many creative ideas that started out as a small business, but, because of net neutrality, quickly started to grow to enormous things. Many of these are in our daily lives, like facebook. Giving away net neutrality will take away the chances of those small companies. I believe that a politician can not think it is a good idea to end net neutrality in any way. I think politicans are being paid for those actions by big companies. This is wrong and makes me angry. Politicians should serve the people, not the companies. Also i believe its a hazzard to a free mind. Dont like that site because of different political views? Just slow it down! That is no good. Please dont do that.
—Michael, ,

Now separated and living on the markedly reduced income of being underemployed for the last six years as a single mother of a teenage boy, the costs I pay to keep myself and my son healthy and steadily working toward an independent and respectable future grows more difficult with every rising cost for essentials. Make no mistake, our internet access is critical in our home every day for everything from online banking to homework and research for school, job searches, skills training videos, and extra work opportunities, and keeping in touch with family who live thousands of miles away. Please consider the everyday struggles parents and families bear as they work to create a secure future in these economic times. Please understand this is not a plea for the right to access games and entertainment or the ability to buy more junk online; it is a plea to defend the access to a decent future for my son and me for which, already a painfully costly burden, I prudently and dearly pay.
—M Alicia Manson, New York, NY

To proceed with this plan would be a mistake of historic proportions for the FCC and would be seen in retrospect as further evidence of both the Commission's submission to corporate interests and the Obama Administration's perplexing but irrefutable hostility to the First Amendment values and traditiions that had once made the United States the global champion of greater media freedom and greater opportunities to hear citizen's views and voices.
—William A Orme, Brooklyn, NY

Comcast is at this moment blocking content for net neutrality. What will it be like when the government turns over complete control to the big telecoms? Like cable and satellite is now. A person has to pay for content that they do not want. Why is the government doing just the opposite of what the American people want. Other than big corporations showering the appropriate channels in power with cash. Robert Widgery
—Robert Widgery, denver, CO

It's a basic right, or it should be named one!
—Susanna Purucker, Miami Beach, FL

Corporations have no business fixing what isn't broken. They should stop trying to get their grubby hands on the Internet.
—Alexander McElroy, Exeter, NH

The Internet has been free and open until now. Making a hierarchical system that those with money can take advantage of will take away the equalizing values the Internet has had. I am a proud American living in Japan and I want my country to protect the freedom of the Internet just like we have protected our other freedoms.
—Kelly Olsson, Modesto, CA

If you do allow your previously proposed rules then we just sold out to comcast and ruined internet
—Brett wallace, Mountville, PA

This is atrocious. Do you want a revolution? This is how you get a revolution.
—Harry, ,

Stop being so focused on helping corporations and help the people you selfish greedy dog
—Matthew Catterall, Melbourne,

We want out internet free no fast lane or slow lane
—Arnold Schwertman, Rockwall, TX

Protect citizens' privacy. Stop centralization of information and risk of its arbitrary use.
—TEManning Edward Manning, ,

Customers should pay for upload/download speed as they used to, not content providers. A two-tier internet is just a way to stifle legal internet rivals to cable companies. It will cause a boom in piracy and kill non-profit services like Wikipedia by turning them into second-class sites.
—Maja Čović, ,

It's all because of money and greed again! How can middle-class people afford to have a fast lane internet if you are going to charge an extra fee for it? Or really want those middle class people to suffer on a slow connection? If you are doing this for the sake of profit, please consider the needs of each individual not just those who can afford your extra charges.
—Neill Abayon, Varney, KY

Please don't destroy our internet, I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet.
—Alan Stevens, dublin,

Anyone who truly values freedom of speech must support net neutrality.
—Eugene Bersing, St. Paul, MN

Giving internet service providers the power to slow down peoples internet on a whim, and stop people seeing content they don't like sounds like something out of a dystopian futuristic novel. It would be a slippery slope to big business gaining total control of the internet, and only allowing us to see what they want us to see. These rules will mean nothing but an even larger gap between the rich and the poor, and will give companies like Verizon and Comcast even more power than they should have. Please, for everyone's sake, reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Isaac Bull, Chesham,

I rely on the internet to get news and political updates from source I trust. The ability of these sources to send me these updates would be gravely threatened by a two-tiered internet. Such a result is completely unacceptable.
—Michael Ludwig, San Jose, CA

It is important for the majority of the population who do not have the money for the fast lanes. We are doing it hard enough out here without another assault on our equalitly
—Mandy F Morris, Doonan,

Discriminating against thoses who cannot afford to pay more for faster speed is not democracy and the American way of life! This would create a two-tier system: one for the wealthy who could afford to pay for faster speed and those who cannot. Your job is to protect Americans; not divide.
—Diane Brine, Groton, MA

The Internet does NOT belong o the corporations to which you are trying to hand. It belongs to the people.
—Brad Swinehart, Hartville, OH

Reclassify Internet service providers as "Common Carriers!"
—Justin Christian, Traverse City, MI

The internet is a national resource, just like the radio spectrum. It belongs the people, not corporations or individuals!
—Thomas R. Copley, Saint Petersburg, FL

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Steven Fenwick, Olympia, WA

We depend on Net Neutrality, and the FCC should protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Henry Moore, latonia, KY

Your rules on internet usage need to be thrown out. The internet should be equal for all, and all ISP's should have the same access as the rest of us. There shouldn't be discrimination for whom the internet functions.
—Billy Swain, Bossier City, LA

Having access to information is of vital importance for the teaching of our youth. The US is sliding backwards in education compared to the rest of the world. Taking away another avenue for improving education by putting up a pay wall or by vendors using already existing loop holes to take more and more money from customers for decreased services is reprehensible. I speak as an IT Professional in Telecom whose company has figured out that we are the connection between people, and should start acting as such.
—Andre Croy, Jacksonville, FL

Don't do this!!! All information on the internet should be treated equally. No special treatment for wealthy corporations please. If our bill rises due to this we will have no choice but to terminate our services with Comcast. They already have a monopoly. Please listen too the citizens of the United States of America. We are the ones who lose because of this. Thank you for your understanding.
—Paul Anthony, Oil City, PA

These proposed plans will destroy any semblance of neutrality online. You seem to have forgotten who you work for Tom, you're not a lobbyist for the telecom companies anymore, could you at least pretend to act like it?
—Daniel griskewicz, Windsor, CT

It is bad enough that our phone company has a monopoly on services and can get away with charging top dollar, but this is crazy.
—Trina LC Sonnenberg, Nucla, CO

As a senior citizen on a limited income, higher fees for using the Internet would be a catastrophe for me, please do not go down this road.
—Katrina Hall, Hancock, NH

The amazing thing about the Internet is its democracy-the ability of every user to access and share information. In order for this to remain, it is vital that the Internet is properly neutral
—Mel Deo, ,

Money isn't speech. Especially on the internet.
—Len, ,

Net neutrality is a powerful weapon to combat the growing inequality of our times.
—Mrs. Susan CAmpbell, The Villages, FL

Our entire family uses the web daily. Moreover, our business depends on a free and fair web. Net neutrality is vital!
—Jake Schwartz, PETALUMA, CA

Please protect us, do not allow corporate interest and the oligarchy we live in to further dominate our lives. Government and the entities within it are designed to protect citizens and provide valuable services to them, do that for us please!
—Franklin Hyatt, Joplin, MO

Net neutrality matters to me not only because it enables my activism but because it is the only way to insure a truly just and fair internet which is the only kind worth having at all.
—Mike, Austin, TX

if only some contents got through, the internet would not be much more than a TV channel
—Franz Kriftner, Linz,

I want t have access t all humanity even the horror
—Richard, ,

Please do the right thing and keep the internet neutral. ISP's must be classified as common carriers.
—Todd Carlson, Rolling Meadows, IL

The internet is the only medium that allows freedom of the press to exist in the media of today.
—Clayton James Conway, Seattle, WA

The internet belongs to everyone equally!
—Robert W McAllister, Denver, CO

FCC proposed rules are anti-democratic and unjust. They foster the growing inequality that is becoming a major concern in the US.
—Eve Webster, Amherst, MA

I am a college student at Fullerton College and this semester, I gave a speech for my Public Speaking Class about Net Neutrality and Chairman Wheeler. This monetizing of the internet will anger 30 students and a professor if it passes. Death to Bike Thieves and Greedy Politicians.
—Joseph Kim, buena park, CA

The internet has become a utility, necessary for living in the modern world. Net neutrality is the cornerstone of access to all citizens, enabling creativity, innovation, and learning.
—Steve Brown, Dover, NH

I live on a fixed income on Social Security disability. The rules you are proposing would make a huge dent in my monthly check. Many of the services I rely on require Internet access. I'm already paying quite a bit for my access, but it would really hurt me to be stuck in a two tier system and have to pay more just to get the access I need. I think I can speak for others who are in the same position as me. Also, it may be catastrophic for schools. If an ISP doesn't like a particular online database it could block access, thus hindering research students may need to do for whatever project they are working on. Small businesses and online startups would be left behind, which, in turn, would cause unemployment at worst and slow growth of business with more accrued debt for the owner at best. Freedom of speech is freedom of speech. Freedom of expression is freedom of expression. No company should ever censor it, ever.
—Alyson Creider, Richardson, TX

Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers is the only sensible option we have. It's ridiculous that this is still being questioned.
—Holger Kelz, ,

In most areas of the country, internet providers already have what amounts to a monopoly on the sector of internet service and connectivity. They set extreme prices with little to no competition to hold them accountable, and have been buying out smaller companies that formerly offered alternatives. This is a violation of the spirit of US antitrust laws. Giving these corporations further power is a huge mistake. The internet as it stands today is a global connector; something which is important in a world where we must increasingly recognize our common, connected humanity over borders of nationality and class. Net neutrality must be upheld for the use of the people - NOT killed for the profit of the corporations.
—Amy Anderson, Newmarket, NH

Net Neutrality matters to me, because it allows me to communicate with my family, far and wide and without this i would not get to speak with relatives for years.
—Calvin Johnson, ,

You Tell America That Corporations Are People To Under Citizens United. If This Is True, Don't Let These Three People, AT&T, Verizon, Comcast, Alter The Free And Open Internet For The Multi Millions Of Other People. Net Neutrality Is Vital To The Future Liberties Of All. Thank Youm
—Van Lewis, Middleburg, FL

Without a doubt, these new rules will DESTROY the internet we've come to love so much.
—Joss Classey, ,

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Protect real Net Neutrality!
—Sue Payne, Houston, TX

We need Net Neutrality because: - A free and open internet stimulates competition - A free and open internet helps prevent unfair pricing practices - A free and open internet promotes innovation - A free and open internet promotes the spread of ideas - A free and open internet drives entrepreneurship - A free and open internet protects freedom of speech
—Shehab Al Al Rahma, ,

If you pass this bill as it stands you will create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow road for the rest of us. companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. Please think again and have another look at these proposals as they will affect not only the USA but will spread around the world.
—Mr Christopher R Manley, Kingsbridge,

Net neutrality is important because its the one playing field that is fair for competiotion. Dont start making barriers to enter the market when there doesnt need to be one.
—Adam stevens, Riverside, CA

Having an Internet with equal access is one of the great levelers in the 21st century at a time when everything else is going in the opposite direction (exclusive access to people with more money). Please keep Net Neutrality as was intended by the creators of the Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Thank you.
—Matt Gatto, San Francisco, CA

stop Wheeler... the internet needs stronger regulations to prevent monopoly & preserve net neutrality ... rightNow
—Rw Cory, fontana, CA

An open Internet is a vital part of today's world. Don't strangle it by allowing ISPs to act as you have proposed.
—Ann Kinsinger, Columbia, SC

I support the reclassification of ISPs as common carriers as this is a key component of strong and innovative tech market contributes to maintaining an informed populace in our democracy.
—Sandor Silverman, Albany, NY

Having a separate fast lane for those who can afford it is bad news for regular consumers. I already pay for how fast of a connection I have, so why should a content provider have to pay its ISP AND mine to guarantee that I can get their content. It just doesn't make sense. Please keep the Internet open for all of us and reclassify it as a common carrier service.
—Jody Saige, Goshen, IN

The internet is a wondrous thing that should not be limited or controlled anymore than the air we breathe should be.
—Shirogane Ōkami, Palatine, IL

Without Net Neutrality I would have no free access to my current sources of free local information.
—Salome Mayo, Port Macquarie,

This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Random Man, ,

The internet is a resource everyone should have access to. These new rules will mean big companies with deep pockets will dominate. The internet will become more expensive for consumers and fewer people will be able to afford access, or only have a connection to certain ISP approved websites. This is terrible.
—John Stainton, Edinburgh,

Net Neutrality ensures everyone is on a level playing field. Your "internet fast lane" only caters to those who can afford it. Besides lobbyist money, what makes you think this is a good idea??
—Salvatore Condegni, Bloomfield, NJ

Net Neutrality = Democracy. It's that simple. Anything else effectively allows censorship of dissenting voices in the form of price discrimination.
—John S Pearson, Chicago, IL

We don't need yet another system that favors the rich, the proposed rules would lead to a system where only those who could pay would be heard. Please protect your citizens, not the corporations.
—Sky Slayton, North Fort Myers, FL

For the sake of profits is not an acceptable reason for this proposal to pass. Government should represent people, not business. Put People over profits by strengthening Net Neutrality.
—Mitchell Slatin, Lakewood, CO

You should be ashamed of yourselves for putting corporate interests above those of the American public! Allowing tiered internet will be the last nail in the coffin to internet as we know it. Please protect my right to an open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Tom Froehner, Columbus, NE

I enjoy the internet. And I believe that a reasonable fee should be charged. However I do not wish any company offering internet access to be able pick and choose who should get slower speeds and others get faster. Honesty and compassion is needed in business and in every walk of life.
—Daniel m Stimson, St.Albans, VT

The fox is about to enter the coop. As one who lives (and uses the net)there,I say STOP IT!!
—Susan Stanton, Gainesville, FL

please junk your proposed rules which would allow a two-tiered internet, thus destroying net nuetrality. Instead it is absolutely vital to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Don't let the public down, we're depending on you!
—Dan Perrone, Dulles, VA

Internet should be free from corporate greed , stop bowing before your overlords and work for Net Neurality
—Martin Dubuc, ,

We want the internet to stay neutral!
—Ruby Adams, ,

I pay my ISP for my connection to the internet, and I choose what speed service I would like. Beyond that it is no one else's business what I choose to have passing over that connection (providing of course it is legal). There is already enough inequality in the world around us today, the internet has, since its inception been above this, and it should remain so as it is a great enabler of communication and sharing.
—N Shephard, ,

As a researcher I need quick access to many varied sources. And, innovation in technology is critical to the prosperity of this country. A two-tiered internet would stifle innovation. As a citizen, I assure that your definition of "net neutrality" is nothing of the kind.
—Liz Gaspar, Shelton, WA

Net Neutrality IS important because it's for ALL of US, not for big business to run things. DO YOUR DAMN JOB FCC! Show the rest of the government agencies that YOU WILL STEP UP AND ACTUALLY DO YOUR JOB!
—Nancy Borg, Stowe, VT

NO TO WHEELER !!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
—Eeckhout, Brugge,

If you want to do something, ban all the porn sites! Quit catering to GREED! Also do your job for TV programs!
—Paul Schultz, Buffalo, NY

Without net neutrality America as we know it will change for the worse. Ending net neutrality would allow for discrimination and undermine free speech!
—Aron Davis, Hollywood, FL

The internet is my only window to the world! Please fight usage discrimination!
—Paul Harrison, Edna, TX

Please listen to the people!
—Terry Wilson, goldsboro, NC

I'm so very frustrated, as a voting citizen who participates in campaigns that I care about in order to let my congresspeople know my opinions, that we have been so ignored on this Net Neutrality issue. I'm so disheartened that cable company lobbying is winning out over the voices of many Americans who ardently desire a free and open Internet (and we each speak for many more who aren't fully aware of this issue but would support Net Neutrality if they weren't in the dark). I'm ANGRY over the conflicts of interest in the FCC, how chairperson positions can be held by former cable company executives and how politicians can cower before their donors from big business. My very faith in the political system has been harmed by the actions of the FCC and those who are not ensuring Net Neutrality. Please, please listen to those of us who are speaking up. THIS MATTERS.
—Heather Ebert, Franklin, TN

the www was devised by a Brit and given free to the World. The USA does not have the moral right to steal free access from the citizens of The Free World. This is International Piracy and would make the USA a rogue State.
—John Shale, wigan,

Enabling large for-profit corporations to rule the Internet will harm non-profit organizations (e.g., libraries, museums, archives), small businesses, and the people who rely on them. Creating a two-tiered Internet will bring an end to life as we've known it online. No longer open end to end, no longer enabling anyone and everyone with access to innovate and compete on a level playing field, the proposed rules will unnecessarily exacerbate discrimination and inequalities already rife in our so-called democracy. Shame on you.
—Denise Troll Covey, Pittsburgh, PA

The UK has net neutrality and their internet is cheaper and open to competition among internet service providers. The US needs to reclassify broadband internet service as class two telecommunications. If not, corporate interests will prevail over the rights of the people to net neutrality. Mega-monopolies like Comcast and Time Warner are not "people". Their money and lobbying may have swayed congress away from supporting the best interests of the American people. Please FCC, do what is right by the people who are relying on you to regulate this industry and keep the internet neutral for all users.
—Margaret Paul, Burlington, VT

Your proposed rule would deform information flow on the net. Reclassify isps as common carriers!
—Peter Costanza, Cambridge, MA

We should have the right to a free and unhindered internet,not one which puts sites and a fast and slow track depending upon how much is paid to them!!!!!
—Arthur H. Swers, Floyd, VA

I what way are internet providers significantly different than water, sewerage or electricity providers?
—Ron Stephen, Haines City, FL

Time to cut the bullshit. One doesn't need to be a deranged moron to understand the dangers embedded in giving someone or something with a clear economical or political interest, the rights and the tools to make more profit, gain more influence and more power, by limiting the options and rights of others based on the size of their wallets and their wish to open it. How can anyone willingly do this and call themselves supporters of democracy, democratic rights and equality? The answer is (of course) - no one can. If I ever see a more clear-cut example of corporate fascism in the making - even the most basic illussion of democracy is no more. If there is a remote chance you lot have a few correctly wired synapses still kicking - now is the time to use them. DO NOT DESTROY THE PRINCIPLES OF EQUALITY OF THE MOST POWERFUL COMMUNICATION TOOL WE HAVE! Seriously, don't do it. Please.
—Andy Carlstedt, ,

NO TWO TIER INTERNET!
—Roger Tillman, Houston, TX

The internet doesn't just belong to the US; allowing US corporations to throttle internet traffic, which will affect the rest of the world, cannot be allowed
—Stewart Cooper, ,

Save the internet
—Angela Lyner, Adams Basin, NY

Don't kill our beloved internet
—Tia, Adams Basin, NY

The web is the last vestige of free-speech, in the media !
—Randall S Blanchard, Kennett Sq, PA

The world is in an information age. In a nation such as the United States, any method of limiting people's access to the grand and glorious hub of connectivity and information that is the internet purely for monetary gain is not only wrong, its against the interests of social, cultural, and technological advancement.
—Nicolas Hammond, Corvallis, OR

Everytime that I use the interent and my speed slows to a crawl, how will I know that it's not TIme-Warner Cable slowing me down to let the big players cruise along. We need t obe treated equally on the internet and the heavy users should pay per volume but not receive special treatment.
—James Damon, Chapel Hill, NC

Any form of discrimination is wrong in my book! Economic discrimination is growing everyday and intruding into our lives at an alarming rate. Please leave the Internet alone in this regard!
—Jill Knueppel, Lawrenceville, GA

I have learned so much from the internet, for the same cost as everyone else. Without it, or without neutrality, I would never have gotten where I am today because I am a poor college student struggling to make ends meet. Ending net neutrality could very well remove all open opportunities for advancement in our world. This move is highly supportive of the top income families while it highly limits those at the bottom. I would hate to see America turn further into a land where the wealthy rule the peasantry, also known as an oligarchy. For the people of the internet, please do what is right. What you and probably most know what is right but are too distracted by power and wealth to realize it.
—Adam Stallard, Tallahassee, FL

Practically every day you read about people living in poverty whose lives and circumstances have been forever changed due to their access to the internet. The United Nations has declared internet access to be a basic human right that should be protected and ensured by governments in the same way that access to food and shelter should be. How does the notion of providing your citizens with only moderately clean water, unless they're able to afford to pay a company for fully clean water, make any kind of moral sense? In that same way, how can punishing the poorest among us and denying them full access to one of the most critical tools that exists for them to rise out of their circumstances make any kind or decent, moral sense to any decent moral human being?
—Kate Smith-Morse, Baltimore, MD

because their pricing and mergers and "fast lanes" for criminal corporations are no good
—Robert J. Roth, shaker hts., OH

The Internet is a vital resource to the entire world - why should it be down to a few large corporations to decide who gets the best service and which online content has more chance of being seen, heard or downloaded?
—Peter D Antill, ,

Please throw out your plan to reclassify and discriminate against net neutrality. This will eventually sensor our beloved open internet!
—David Jahn, Buffalo, NY

The future of the open Internet is in your hands. And yet you have proposed rules that would actually break it. Your proposed path would open the door to widespread discrimination online. It would give Internet service providers the green light to implement pay-for-priority schemes that would be a disaster for startups, nonprofits and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls. I urge you to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service. Respectfully, Alfred Denny 238 N Tulane Ave Oak Ridge, TN 37830-6398
—Alfred Denny, Oak Ridge, TN

I have been an Internet user since Internet was born and supported its expansion - because it was essentially a grassroots operation and was a free service. So now we are faced with a "pay to have speedy access" after over 30 years of Net Neutrality and you are making that happen. I wonder how it feels and will feel to be the most "hated person" it the world as you push your plan to fruition.
—Dennis Ledden, Mt Aukum, CA

The internet is currently the only working version of a true democracy on the planet - and once again the 1% seek to restrict access to information - this is a travesty of justice.
—Anni Williams, Beverly Hills, CA

Net neutrality makes it more feasible for a college student suh as myself to start a successful blog or website. Don't try to fix something that's not broken.
—Evan Freimuth, Oshkosh, WI

The Internet is the primary way I keep in touch with my friends and family, the main mode of communication with people I work with, and it is pivital to my research as a doctoral student.
—D S, Ocala, FL

In an era when energy, food, and the basic needs of everyday life should be free; it's now on the books to make a 'poor-people-path' for those that can't afford faster speeds. For shame. Why can't we just get this country out of the gutter and start providing for it's citizens instead of bleeding them dry? I don't need the internet to survive, so I think if this passes, I'll just switch everything off - phone, internet, t.v... With all the other stressors in my life, I don't need to worry about that, either.
—John W. Johnson, Kalamazoo, MI

I avoid main stream TV. If media corporations and corporations and individuals that control the internet, I will inevitably avoid the internet as well. This would leave me no source for following current events.
—John Buller, Combined Locks, WI

The appeal for Internet is that we are all equal on it... We should all be classified the same
—Margaret Ransdell, New Albany, IN

Tom Wheeler is a tool controlled by a few really big tell a com corps.
—Curtis Crandall, Kenmore, NY

The Internet is the best thing to happen to free speech since the invention of the printing press; it is the best tool available for an informed, independent citizenry. To let it be ghettoized in the name of maximizing corporate profits is a crime against democracy.
—John Walchak, Melbourne, FL

Grassroots organizations communicate through the internet and will probably not be able to afford the "fast lane" service that the major internet service providers would set up. Leaving these organizations behind would adversely affect everything from independent political groups to the local Parent-Teacher Association. With the recurring Congressional attacks on the Postal Service, by ten years from now the internet may be the only means left for sending out messages to medium-sized numbers of people. Access to the internet should not be diminished by pricing large numbers of people out of the system. In the past, as computing speeds increased computer programs kept requiring more speed, requiring frequent upgrades of hardware and software. It's reasonable to expect that if an internet "fast lane" is created, computer programs will be designed to operate at those speeds and people who don't have access to the fast lane will be in the situation of someone who had dial-up service in 2012.
—Susan DuBois, Albany, NY

We are not a third world country ! Yet. Taking away net neutrality is the start to censorship and content control of a public utility.
—Jose Alvarado, Colorado Springs, CO

The freedom of the internet is what has allowed most of its most important content to be produced and spread. I implore you to throw out these rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Alexandre J, ,

We support local and regional small businesses. How are we to do that if they get classified as second-class tier? These rules not only discriminate, but they are extremely damaging to those small businesses. We live in a city that thrives on small businesses. We demand Net Neutrality to support small businesses around the world!
—Yuka Honda, New Haven, CT

America's rules on internet governance set a precedent globally - and as someone who's looking at the possibility of self-employment, a level playing field online is extremely important, and I am definitely not the only one in this postion!
—TImothy Allenby, ,

The access to a speedy internet connection should be available to all not just those who can afford it
—John, Lancaster, CA

For most people, the internet is the only source if news and information. We can't be fully informed if we don't have equal access to all points if view. That's what fuels a democracy.
—Siri Steiner, Cincinnati, OH

Net is made by us, so noone should rule it
—Francisco, ,

The internet is like a public library. It should be accessible to everyone.
—Rhydon, Charleston, IL

I don't have the time to waste on a slow internet. I want access to independent news, not news sanctioned by the government.
—Anita Hunt, Honey Grove, TX

Please do not create a two-tiered Internet.
—B Romaker, Portland, OR

Without Net Neutrality the society we live in will become even more stratified than it is.
—Evan Beattie, Los Angeles, CA

Again, the wealthy would get priority over everyone else. Seniors living on social security, minimum wage earners, etc.
—C J. Maddsion, Jackson, MI

We need the internet to remain open and even for all! I pay for broad band so that everything will be fast, not just some!
—Ken Maass, Beaumont, TX

This bureaucratic nonsense needs to stop.
—Benjamin Pounds, Conroe, TX

This is a big mistake. We need the innovation that small players can provide. Comcast is literally the worst company to take cues from. If you do this, America will hasten its decline, and it will be YOUR fault, Tom Wheeler. Of course, I'm merely assuming that you're patriotic. Your actions thus far indicate that you're clearly not.
—Robert A Arnold, Reno, NV

Corporate ownership of the public airwaves has made television virtually unwatchable and the radio absolutely useless. Your allegiance to AT&T, Verizon, Comcast, and their ilk will also destroy the Internet. Although it makes me a technological dinosaur, I have chosen to remain with dial-up service because my ISP is a nonprofit that does not discriminate. I was hoping to switch to broadband so that I do not have to wait three hours for the online portal for my classes to open, but your decision will leave me no choice. I am sick and tired of the FCC cowtowing to corporate interests when it is the PEOPLE you should be serving. Protect innovation and, more importantly, free speech. Reinstate net neutrality by reclassifying broadband.
—Jessica Cresseveur, New Albany, IN

Don't let the few and big dictate the majority of people online.
—Frode Kirkeli, Bergen, VT

This is the 21st century; ISP's are common carriers. Make the regulation say that!
—Jack Whalen, Ridgewood, NJ

An open internet has allowed easy collaboration, an open exchange of creativity and ingenuity, and an even playing field for new start-ups.These are the things that make the internet great and they're all thanks to net neutrality. No matter who or where you are, if you have an internet connection you have an equal shot at the same sites and information as anyone else. Don't divide the internet into packages and plans! I don't care if that's not your intent, that's where the internet is heading if this is not redacted immediately. The proposed plan does not help the internet at large, it only lines the pockets of a few large companies. For everyone else you are encouraging limited traffic and funneling money into ever smaller sections of our economy.
—John Stover, Arundel, ME

Times are changing. Cable entertainment providers and the like have a stranglehold on view able content distribution in the traditional sense(channel packages). The open internet has allowed the public to make the best of this situation by using alternative & innovative new methods for content distribution. This is how newer better things come to be. If you don't believe that then compare the music industry in the 90's to what it's come to be now. We as the public no longer have to spend $20 to buy an entire album just because we like one or two songs. This freedom of choice has changed how things work for the better. By eliminating the open internet the FCC would effectively be choking the through way for ideas and new innovations, not to mention internet start-ups. Don't allow the service providers to grow lazy by bringing in more money from only those who can afford it. By keeping the internet open to all, the ISPs must also get creative and spawn new ideas & methods of their own. Adapting to thrive, or fall in place of something better. Taking away the Neutrality of the internet will undoubtedly stifle innovation.
—Steven M Hoffer, Harrisburg, PA

Keep the internet free, like 'marica
—Charles, Palm Beach Gardens, FL

The internet is one of he few realms where all can be considered truly equal; a payroad will only serve to further divide the rich and the poor with a service already provided to everyone, but excluded to the rich.
—Stephen Silman, Kissimmee, FL

Many of us still do not have reliable (or any at all) access to the internet or broadband. Before the service providers start carving up the existing domain into the privileged and less privileged, make sure that everyone is on the inside! I don't know the technicalities, but common carrier like telephone or electricity seems like a good option.
—Alden Small, New Oxford, PA

why provide a company a certain amount of bandwidth but then make them pay an additional fee to make sure they can use that full bandwidth? if T1 pipe is being paid for and then dont throttle that T1 speed!
—Jonathan Setliff, Alexandria, VA

I use a VoIP telephone. If my Internet access is limited, then I can be denied access to essential emergency service like when I call 911 for medical help. Internet access must not be left to ISPs to decide how they can be used. They are essential public utilities that are required for daily living. The FCC exists to ensure everyone plays fair. If you let ISPs take whatever actions they decide, then the FCC is nothing more than a parasite on the world.
—Bradley Hicks, Fort Worth, TX

Having a few giant corps and companies running and owning everything will squash innovation and good 'ol American ingenuity... eventually our freedom. p.s. If corporations are people, then show me the birth certificates!!
—Joe J Ralicki, Hamburg, NY

The internet is inarguably a public utility. Treat it as one!
—Thomas Jjohnson, Memphis, TN

Having experienced a slower and sometimes "too busy" internet connection In Maine while there, I understand the need for open net and speed for all. To sell out the majority of users for the profits and control of the few would be detrimental to the whole.
—Nancy Erickson, Elkton, MD

An open internet is really to the benefit for all human beings. A small 'elite' will not benefit by shutting out the rest; as little as it would benefit the hands of a human body to cut off her own legs.
—Paula Honkanen, ,

I thought you said in your email that you were a great supporter of Net Neutrality!!! What happened?
—Constance Mancuso, Waltham, MA

If you don't do this someone somewhere will start a new web It's human nature!!
—John Coombes, Sevenoaks,

You cannot serve two masters. Act for the people, not for corporations.
—Gareth Hills, ,

Whenever I feel down I go to the Internet. What do I do on the Internet? Well, I discuss politics, life, games, technolog and more with people on forums. I watch videos on YouTube, talk with my friends on Facebook. I want to be able to continue doing this. I don't want my cable provider to charge me extra money for it either. I can't afford paying more for fast Internet than I already do. So please, I beg you, don't do this. The Internet is my only safe haven, and I want it to be free.
—Jonathan B., ,

We want a safe internet without discrimination, and all together we will prevent that from happening.
—OniBee, Athens,

Net Neutrality is important for a free society.
—Mark Laity-Snyder, Ferrum, VA

Please preserve Net Neutrality and protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers! The rules you proposed make us worry, please abandon them! The Internet is a huge part of my and so many others' lives! All my entertainment , work and socializing is possible because of the Internet and it should remain an open and equal space to everyone!
—Titta Tolvanen, ,

This is important to every freedom loving citizen.
—Gerald R Lanning, Jeffersonville, IN

I absolutely require reasonably priced, fast Internet access to function with my small, struggling one-man business.
—Denim Bridges, Largo, FL

This is the United States...we stand for free speech We should be setting the standard, not taking it down.
—Susan Dailey, Pleasanton, CA

A free Internet is the best guarantee of democracy!
—Margot W Krystian PhD, santaLaneSanta Barbara, CA

Keep the Internet as it is now, so far it has proven to be the right way to assure Net Neutrality.
—Juan Pablo Arjona Trujillo, ,

Keep Net Neutrality! It's time to STOP enabling the GREEDY. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Judith Oiler, Columbus, NJ

For better or worse, the "Worldwide Web" has become as much a part of the way our society functions as has our highways and our use of electricity. To keep small-scale entrepreneurialism strong, we need to keep access equal, flowing to all like the electricity that powers it.
—karen Shell, Toronto, OH

An open internet is freedom for the people. You can not take that away, it is out freedom of speech and our lives! The FCC has no right to take this. The people don't want your laws and it's unconstitutional.
—Eric Takacs, Salt Lake City, UT

Chairman Wheeler should recuse himself since he is an industry insider posing as a protector of the public interest.
—Lee Baker, Greensboro, NC

Why do the companies and people with money get everything? This will be another nail in the coffin of equality for all.
—Ann Sammons, St. Louis, MO

The Internet is the only non bias place left in the world. No one person, country, corporation, or individual owns the Internet. By letting these rules pass you're allowing a corporation to own the Internet. It's letting the big guys pay to have access to customers and telling the little guy to take a hike. Just remember that lettings these rules pass also effects how you, the fcc board surf and use the Internet too because after all the Internet is a free place for us all unless you let it not be anymore.
—Rakibul Hoque, Ozone Park, NY

The United States already has the highest internet and cellular service prices in the world (and the lowest average data transfer speeds). Allowing ISPs to charge more for a 'high-speed' lane would only increase consumer prices with no increase in customer service.
—Edward Mone, Sebastian, FL

NET NEUTRALITY NOW.
—Bradley Krupsaw, CABA,

Your proposed rules allowing a two tiered internet is unacceptable. ISPs are common carriers and should be classified as such.
—Thomas Adamski, Oxford, CT

The free and open exchange of ideas is basic to a functional democracy. Many people now use the internet for this purpose. Please do not make this exchange more difficult or expensive for the vast majority of users.
—Ira Levine, Rockport, MA

The internet should be the same for everyone. It now is a means of not only information but education. Big business should not receive special privileges that ordinary people cannot have.
—Lilly Knuth, Garden City, NY

Net neutrality is important to every citizen of the United States. ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers.
—Lawrence Johnson, Raleigh, NC

it is important to get the facts from as many sources as possible.
—Sanford Raiss, Monroe Township, NJ

I sincerely hope the FCC commissioners recognize that the further monetization of the internet by creating preferential treatment of some internet traffic will only stifle creativity and slow process in development of new internet options. keep the internet open with net neutrality.
—Patrick Miller, Fleetwood, NC

The proposed rules allowing fast lanes for those that can afford them are not only undemocratic, but will provide AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon economic incentive to make the slow lanes slower. No sane person could possibly think they would not do so.
—Carne Lowgren, Bishop, CA

Dear FCC, i am human being same as everyone who lives on this beautiful planet. Togethether we share everything and we have to cooperate not fight. You wont take the money to your grave, the best things you cant buy for money!!!! Remember please this: Imagine what would you as child say if you would see yourself now? Are you proud of yourself? Im afraid this is really bad situtation and the world will raise up against YOU! We are waking up, you cant stop it. But you can still make a good decision. So good luck. We are all one. We are all one concesness. Keep my fingers for your decision. Have a nice day
—Oliver Novotný, ,

In order for many of us senior citizens to fully participate as citizens of this great country, we need a useable internet.
—Yolanda Mitts, Scotts, MI

Wow-talk about a REALLY bad move to make.....you really want thousands of Americans extremely upset with you? They won't real happy with AT&T, Comcast or Verizon but YOU will be the poster child of their discontent. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. It is the only way to protect real Net Neutrality. It is also the right thing to do. Please do the right thing.
—Debra Van Way, Mineral Wells, WV

Please, reconsider your actions. Why help those who have more, when you could be helping the people. The masses are indefinitely larger than the corporations. ISPs should be reclassified, and throw out the rules you have recently made for this. If you want to serve the people, then do what is the golden rule of the United States. Leave what is not broken be. Thank you for you time.
—Marisa Hauser, Lakeville, MN

The Internet is for everyone. In doing this, you are essentially damning the many who use the internet in order to line the pockets of the few. I assure you that in doing this, you won't be making a whole lot of money.
—Alex Casner, Mc Clure, PA

The free flow if information is a right. This is a 1st amendment and 2nd amendment right! Don't kill small online businesses!!!!
—Andrew East, Independence, KY

It's not fair to let the big businesses run the internet- they only look out for themselves and will do little to nothing to support us unless they can make a profit.
—Charles Barr, ,

It appears as if many important aspects of life today are dominated by the those who have money and those who do not; the Internet appears to be one of the last frontiers where the amount of money you have does not matter as much as the amount of creativity and persistence that you have. I humbly ask you to consider the weight of your decision and the effect it could have on those that do not have a large amount of money. Thank you for all you do and for always watching out for those who cannot watch out for themselves!
—Byron Gully, Indianapolis, IN

I value and depend on the Internet as a rich source of ideas and information received on a timely basis.
—Joel Adler, Vernon, CT

My entire business -- and all my clients -- are online. Slowing us down slows down ALL small businesses!
—Donald Campbell, Littleton, CO

Please do what is right for the American consumer and reclassify ISP's as common carriers. A free and open Internet is crucial to our democratic society in the 21st century. The Internet is the most significant infrastructure we've seen in generations and it is transforming nearly every aspect of our lives in a fundamental way. In the same way that the government took steps to ensure non-discrimination in the telephone and power infrastructures, so too must it act to ensure a level playing field in the Internet space ISP's MUST be reclassified as common carries to keep a level playing field and ensure fertile soil for future innovation. Letting huge ISP's extract money from service providers for "speedy access" to their customer base doesn't help consumers, doesn't promote innovation, and only lines the pockets of an industry that is universally reviled by consumers (Comcast and Time Warner have the lowest customer ratings of any company in America).
—Cliff Meyers, Mechanicsville, VA

My daughter is trying to get her website business out there so people can find her. It is already a struggle with the large corporations fast lane it will make it harder for her to get a chance.
—Susan Maletksy, Sonora, CA

Such corporate control of the Internet undermines true democracy at a very basic level. Please do the right thing by strengthening our democracy, for which so many have sacrificed so much.
—M Yukimura, Lihue, HI

America is already lagging behind many other nations in having done this. This is what the American people want, and you have a choice to make, serve the american public, as you are sworn to do, or cater to the few who serve only themselves. Your claims that you could police the ISPs to prevent fast laneing are ludicrous, given past track records in regards to such policing. Make the net a utility. Tell the ISPs they have to actually work for the public good instead of being parasites. Because the public is watching, and they are getting tired of seeing our public officials being bought off by corporations. Take any course of action other than classifying internet as a utility, and they will know who's pocket you're in.
—Lance McGill, Monteagle, TN

As a teacher in Medford, Ma I see how access to educational resources is essential to students and their ability to learn. The internet has become our greatest educational resource. If we allow some to have privileged access over others, future generations will be divided and our country will be weaker. Pease FCC, do not allow this to happen.
—Curtis Tuden, Medford, MA

The internet must be reclassified as a common carrier. Do not allow the corporatization of this entity that should become part of the Public Library Systems in America.
—Franklin Marshall, Plainfield, IL

Let stop being the country for the 1% only
—Samuel Irizarry, Vineland, NJ

I am a writer and depend on the internet for information, not from main stream media but alternate sources. The FCC's proposed plan discriminates against those who are not the big players and paves the way for yet another monopoly. If your plan is to stifle the free exchange of information and facilitate thought control and the invasion of privacy, you have succeeded.
—Margery Kivel, Rockport, ME

WHY? "... with liberty and justice for all." That's why. ALL ... for ALL ... Who in the U.S. today think they have been given the power and the right to exclude others from this ALL? They would be wrong!
—Jeanna ojeda, Palm Harbor, FL

Unfettered access to information is the sine qua non of democracy, which rests on the informed consent of the governed.
—Karl vonWerther, San Francisco, CA

In today's technology, Net Neutrality has become vital to free speech. Allowing large corporations to create a tiered Internet is another step away from freedom and another step toward oligarchy.
—Donna Wooten, Deltona, FL

I've communicated with the FCC over the last several months, my concern that the mainstream media news reports are driven not by current events, but by the advertisers each outlet services. This isn't healthy for democracy. Net Neutrality is important to support free speech. The FCC seems to have been tone-deaf to my concerns, by the way. This leads me to believe they are beholden to uS oligarchs instead of democracy. I hope their decisions about Net Neutrality will prove me wrong.
—Jean Hricik, McDonough, NY

I am truly awestruck by the potential that continued use of the internet over the centuries could have for the human race. If you consider the advances in technology that have been made thanks to the internet just in the last 14 years, imagine the potential for growth over the next millennium. Net neutrality is one of the core aspects of the internet. It is what allows anyone in the world to share their thoughts, ideas and talents with anyone in the world, and be given the same opportunity for attention as anyone else. It allows for truly great ideas that may otherwise have never been seen, to be shared with anyone and everyone. If net neutrality is not preserved, then those great ideas from individuals become buried by groups with deeper pockets, and the free and open nature of the internet is severely diminished. Individuals no longer have equal opportunity for attention, which has always been one of the great things about the internet. This is different than large corporations like Wal-Mart and Microsoft crushing smaller businesses because they are able to provide better quality goods at a cheaper price. In that situation, there are two sides to the equation. Sure, it is unfair that smaller businesses have a harder time getting a share of the market and making a profit, but at the same time, there is benefit in the consumer having access to affordable quality merchandise. While that issue may seem similar in nature to the issue of net neutrality, they have little in common. If the larger companies are allowed to dominate the internet, the consumer is not given a cheaper or higher quality product. They are given access to the same products as before, but less of a selection, and with more barricades in place preventing access to the things that would otherwise have equal standing. These restrictions are in opposition to the spirit of the internet and would likely cause countless great ideas to be overlooked. The next great work changing technology or master artist could be out there eager to share their creations, and be completely overshadowed by entities with lots of money to offer, but little else. I feel this is an issue that without hyperbole, may be among the most important of this century. This is different than large corporations like Wal-Mart and Microsoft crushing smaller businesses because they are able to provide better quality goods at a cheaper price. In that situation, there are two sides to the equation. Sure, it is unfair that smaller businesses have a harder time getting a share of the market and making a profit, but at the same time, there is benefit in the consumer having access to affordable quality merchandise. While that issue may seem similar in nature to the issue of net neutrality, they have little in common. If the larger companies are allowed to dominate the internet, the consumer is not given a cheaper or higher quality product. They are given access to the same products as before, but less of a selection, and with more barricades in place preventing access to the things that would otherwise have equal standing. These restrictions are in opposition to the spirit of the internet and would likely cause countless great ideas to be overlooked. The next great work changing technology or master artist could be out there eager to share their creations, and be completely overshadowed by entities with lots of money to offer, but little else. I feel this is an issue that without hyperbole, may be among the most important of this century. Personally, I feel like the open nature of the internet and the ability of any one person to present an idea and be able to have it seen by anyone in the world to collaborate and support it has been a huge driving force in technological advancement over the last several years, with much more to come. I think restricting that access limits humanity’s potential for growth. Given the amazing things that people have been able to create by working together on the internet, much of it for no benefit to themselves, I think that with enough time, and capability for instant collaboration and empathy could potentially lead to a technological utopia and possibly even world peace. Maybe that is a bit optimistic, but it is hard to argue that communicating regularly with various people from around the world on a regular basis and sharing their ideas, even something as simple as a home video, doesn’t give you a better understanding of their cultures and viewpoints, even subconsciously. It would stand to reason that with enough of that communication over time, cultures would begin to merge. But even if none of that is true, doesn’t the possibility that it is, make it worth not allowing a restriction on something that by its very nature is meant to be an equal and neutral medium? I don’t want to let the ISPs retard our potential for growth for the sake of their bottom line. If you agree, here are a few ways to help oppose them.
—Ryan Fey, Baton Rouge, LA

The internet is a free space where information should be easily and readily accessible to anyone! Not just those who can afford it. This destruction of Net Neutrality is active discrimination against those who can't afford extra fees, and big companies just trying to control the internet and squeeze extra money out of consumers. I refuse to let big companies restrict the most free and open environment I have. Without the internet, I couldn't access important mental health services and information. Stand up for Net Neutrality, FCC!
—Rae Drake, Noblesville, IN

These rules clearly favor monopolistic corporations over people and our needs. I can't tell you how disgusted and frustrated I am that this travesty continues.
—Rikardo Jahnke, Gays Mills, WI

The internet has become the most important way people communicate with each other and access information. It is integral our society in everything from education, entertainment, scientific research and the arts. The importance of internet access in the modern world cannot be overstated, which is why it is essential that access to it remain neutral, and equally open to all. I urge you on behalf of myself and of future generations to keep the internet neutral, reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you.
—Misha Jemsek, Boulder, CO

Giving up net neutrality in favor for big money would make the world even more injust. ISPS should be reclassified as what it actually is - common carriers.
—Sabine Buergermeister, Freiburg,

I VOTE! I will vote out politcians who don't assure net neutrality!
—Rob Sauer, Arcadia, FL

Education, research, knowledge sharing and much more. I'm a full time student and a full time employee and require the FULL use of the internet for both. Internet providers should remain common carriers.
—Boris Agababian, Round Lake, IL

Money buys a faster Internet 'lane' so those of us NOT buying are automatically regulated to SLOWER Internet lanes of communications. Equal Internet protection should be for all users,
—Gene Berry, Fredericksburg, TX

Net Neutrality is important to me because I need free internet.
—Paul Frunza, ,

Net Neutrality encourages innovation.
—Aaron F Bourque, Aurora, CO

Net means we all benefit, not just those with deep pockets. Show your integrity still exists and fight for the people, not the wallet.
—Ryan Nutwell, Milton, FL

Free speech
—Harper Hamstra, ,

Tom Wheeler's plan for the internet is wrong. It would give service providers too much control, leaving opportunity for these companies to discriminate against online content, applications and groups of consumers. I demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying Internet service providers as common carriers, the public utilities that they are.
—Lynn Graves Gulyash, Potter Valley, CA

Because of the economic crisis, the lack of access to medical care, the corruption of our government, financial and judicial systems, because of the need for a transparent and a free media, and the need for new collaborations and exchanges of ideas to take place, as well as a platform for social change be available to all people, I insist that the internet be protected! Title II NOW!
—Duane Pool, Austin, TX

The FCC is not taking the best action for the whole. The FCC is bought and paid for, you are not fooling anyone.
—LJ Orszulak, Chicopee, MA

I am a homeless veteran, and have been for over a year. I have been unemployed for over 5 years now, through no fault of my own. If not for my internet access "on-demand", I would be dead. I have been able to summon aid for myself and others via my phone, and when I've had access to my computer, been able to locate and obtain necessary services, locally and federally. There is no doubt in my mind that if not for an open and free internet, the quality of my life would have plummetted. PLEASE listen to WE THE PEOPLE and not the corporations which of late seem to spread corruption wherever they may look. SUPPORT NET NEUTRALITY. SUPPORT THE PEOPLE WHO HAVE REALLY HIRED YOU TO DO THIS JOB AND NOT THE MINDLESS CORPORATE GREED STRIVING TO USURP THESE UNITED STATES. Thank you.
—George Grasmann, Saint Petersburg, FL

The Internet is important to me because it fundamentally shaped the way I grew up and learned. It was an open, fertile ground for exploration and innovation that thought me how to think & solve problems. I'm worried that my children (11 & 7) won't see this resource in the same way if they aren't afforded the same perspective. Call it filtering, call it prioritizing, whatever...I want my children to know the Internet as a great democratizing factor in the world. Voices, opinions, and work on the internet are all equal...and they have the same chance to succeed using this vehicle as I did. With the new FCC proposals, I'm worried that the nature of the Internet will fundamentally change to lessen those opportunities and access for growth.
—Brian Lawson, Lebanon, IN

Net Neutrality is vital to a democratic society and allowing dissenting voices to be heard amidst the roar of corporate media. Don't shut those voices out by creating two tiers of speed. Ensure the internet stays open by declaring it the public utility that it is.
—Jeremy Johnson, Pittsburg, KS

The internet is a public utility and should be regulated as such. Access to the internet needs to be a level field for the public good and not tiered for the good of the few.
—Paul Costello, Wendell, MA

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Kaloian Manassiev, New York, NY

The proposed FCC rule change will end net neutrality and create a monopolistic system. Does America stand for oligopoly? Or does it stand for freedom for all?
—Naomi Barnes, Roosevelt, NJ

As one whose entire career has been building web sites and apps for small businesses, non-profits and startups, the prospects for the people I work for and myself would be crushed by the extra costs to stay in the fast lane. So much in today's world depends on an open internet that common carrier status for all forms of ISP and mobile data is now as obviously the right choice as it is for electricity and telephones.
—Isaac Csandl, Chicago, IL

Being able to check the news anytime is important to me.
—Gary Albright, s, WA

The Net is the most important thing since printing. It must be kept free to support all people everywhere.
—Philip Davis, Marfa, TX

Because the internet is the only space where I can express myself the way I want to without being afraid of being judged by my family or my peers. Without the internet, I would not know myself the way I do at this point in my life. Anonymity can be a source of comfort in that way. If you could ask any question without shame, where would you go? For me, the internet is the only space I can dare to be myself, fully.
—Maja Gahr, Berlin,

Reclassify the Internet as a common carrier to preserve Net Neutrality. The Internet is to commerce and democracy today as the telephone network has been in the past. No party should get preferential treatment. Over the long term, no good can come to the people by allowing large corporations cut deals for preferential treatment on the Internet.
—Dan Leggett, Chevy Chase, MD

This shut is ridiculous! It will cause the rise in cost of many online services, such as Netflix. The Internet should be a free place. This would change that. Let us have our net neutrality!
—Xandar Miller, Bradley, IL

THE INTERNET SHOULD REMAIN COMPLEATLY FREE TO ACCESS AT ANYTIME. OKAY YOU STILL PAY FOR YOUR WIFI NETWORK PROVIDERS THAT'S ACCEPTABLE BUT TO THEN BE CHARGED ADDITIONAL FEES FOR ACCESSING WEBSITES IS TOTALLY UNACCEPTABLE AND DISCRIMINATES AGAINST PEOPLE WHO HAVE NOT VERY MUCH MONEY HO STILL RELY ON THE INTERNET TO COMMUNICATE WITH FAMILY AND FRIENDS HO STAY FARAWAY IN REALTIME. AS TO CALL THEM WOULD BE VERY EXPENSIVE AND TO WRITE BY LETTER WOULD TAKE A LONG TIME TO RECEIVE A ANSWER TO YOUR LETTER. AND WE PEOPLE NOW NEED CONSTANT ACCESS TO THE INTERNET FOR JOB SERCHING OR WE LOSE OUR BENEFITS.
—Jim Clark, ,

This action is just one more loss to our freedom and one more form of discrimination. Instead of allowing this type of thing to happen the government should be working on breaking up these large corporations that currently dominate our culture and control what we see and hear.
—Lucy Kemp, Bradenton, FL

A free and open internet is a powerful counterbalance against abuses of the public airwaves. The ability to communicate instantly and promptly between peoples of all nations and classes is a way to reduce international friction and misunderstanding.
—David Maron, new york, NY

it is definitely we need neutrality in the net because it has become second nature
—Rsnathan, ,

I don't want my Internet use CENOSORED by greedy corporate psychopaths who WILL basically censor less profitable traffic by slowing it down in the name of fellow greedy psychos who can spend all the money in the world to have the higest Internet speeds possible. It's as absurd as saying that because you can buy a Mercedes you have the right to go 130 mph but if you can only afford a used Chevy you can only go 30 mph because you didn't spend as much.
—Daniel J. Fontes, Lafayette, IN

The internet has changed our world so much in it's short lifetime. Hindering like this in it's infancy for profit is one of the most narrow minded and idiotic short sighted actions we could take.
—Nathan Sullivan, Bloomington, IL

Net Neutrality is an important component of democracy. We already have a greatly diminished democracy due to income inequality and the legal form of what looks like corruption we refer to as "lobbying".
—Jennifer Burr, Walpole, NH

The majority of Americans want Net Neutrality! Are you going to show us that you represent us, or that you bow down to the corporations? My gut tells me the latter, but I hope I'm wrong.
—Lori, Eudora, KS

At $40 a month, internet service is high enough the carriers that I pay to provide my access should not be allowed to restrict my access to the internet by setting speed limitations on certain sites. The rules you have proposed are not enough to prevent that from happening, ISP's should be classified as common carriers.
—Natosha Alexander, Washington, DC

I need Net Neutrality because in every instance where money has been used to separate people into different groups has utterly failed. People working minimum wage may already be struggling to afford Internet, and how will this help them? Being shit on for making less than others? Nothing about this is a good idea. Nothing about this is a calculated, well thought-out decision, and it shows. Get your heads out of your asses and realize what you're doing to the freedom and rights of people you supposedly cater to.
—Robin Gaudette, San Antonio, TX

It's a simple solution. It solves the problem. It needs to be done.
—Rob Barnes, Junction City, CA

This move will destroy the internet's impartial service and put monopolies in control to discriminate against internet users' content--this flies in the face of your job to protect the consumer against these powerful monopolies!!
—Lynn Manzione, athens, GA

No fast lanes. Remove the FCC chairman if he pushes this through!
—Nor Brunschwyler, Charleston, WV

If the government truly wants to help small business, Net neutrality is absolutely the way to do it. Although the current considerations are between huge companies, restricting bandwidth to the small guy stifles innovation and hurts consumers.
—Keith Owens, Springfield, MO

The only way we (the poor people of the country) have to be heard by "our" government is the internet since we cannot buy our representatives with billions of dollars thanks to the Supreme Court decisions.
—Nancy Roessel, Fort White, FL

Please do not allow the large corporations to pick winners and losers via who can afford to pay for their message to have priority. ISPs need to be classified Title II Common Carriers
—Ray Nelson, La Salle, CO

Is money the ONLY thing that matters in this country? Yes, Verizon, Comcast, AT&T, etc., all have more money than me. The Internet is the last bastion of income equality. If your proposed rules go through, then all semblance of equality in this country has gone down the tubes. Please do your job and do not let this happen.
—Jack Harmell, North Grafton, MA

Net Neutrality is a form of freedom, and freedom should always be the way forward.
—Kaspar Nybo Andersen, Struer,

I cant afford it now.help us
—Raynaldo Rodriguez, grand prairie, TX

WE THE AMERICAN CITIZEN TAX PAYERS ALREADY PAID FOR THE DEVELOPEMENT OF AND REALLY OWN THE INTERNET UNDER THE CONSTITUTION. KEEP THE NET NEUTRAL. NO to Chairman Wheeler's plan would let ISPs like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees — and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. NO. beyond un-American. Not smart either. N O; keep the net neutral period. Protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Elisha A Jones, Melbourne, FL

Carriers are already pricing people out of the market by limiting or tying data/downloads to packages that limit the quantity of use. Now the quality of the system is threatened.
—Richard Lee, Zephyrhills, FL

I do not use many of the common websites. If these rules were to be pushed through, I am afraid of the inferior speed I would be assigned.
—Keith Bennett, Humble, TX

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Judy Rhee, Brooklyn, NY

High speed Internet access is a necessity not a luxury for the continued growth of the 21st century economy. It is as critical as roads, electricity, water, and telephone service were to the 19th and 20th century economies. It is also a good/service that is inherently monopolistic. Most municipalities have only one high speed landline Internet vendor (usually a cable company), the highly touted FIOS and uVerse deployments have essentially stopped except for regions where Google fiber looks likely to challenge the monopoly. Most consumers face a market with only one vendor for high speed Internet access (DSL and satellite Internet don't count) a situation reminiscent of the days of the Bell telephone monopolies. It's probably too late to introduce real competition to the market since the telcos and cable companies have shown they have ZERO desire to compete. Therefore, it is incumbent on the FCC to regulate Internet access as a common carrier to force the cable and telco companies to treat all traffic equally and not force the consumer (voter) into a ghetto where the only information accessible at reasonable speed is what they and there content partners offer.
—Kevin Reis, Alexandria, VA

Net neutrality is so important for the speed of which we rely upon. Also there are a long line of people who can't afford to pay extra money for access to certain content. Please do the right thing. Save net neutrality on behalf of the people. God speed, T. Freeman
—Todd Freeman, Kings Mountain, NC

I am house-bound and the internet is my only connection to the world. Without a free and open internet, I would be totally alone. please reclassify ISPs and require them to improve their services.
—JM Lavassaur, Norristown, PA

I believe everyone and every company should have equal access rights to the internet. No discrimination.
—Radu Muntean, Hazel Park, MI

Net Neutrality is essential for the growth of democracy at home and abroad.
—Greg Hohn, Chapel Hill, NC

Not only would this bring extra expenses to everyone, but it would be capable to block an entire part of the media from the some of the poor.
—Afonso Oliveira, ,

Giving the Big Three special privileges will cost everyone SO MUCH MORE in fees. Keep them COMMON !
—Raleigh Atkinson, Pasadena, TX

Other countries have classified the ISPs as common carriers (Great Britian, South Korea) and have extensive broadband coverage and open competition for the consumer. The US lags in access for the sake of profits. The voice of the people should be allowed to be heard.
—Richard Pope, Amherst, NY

The rules create another monopoly that will destroy the neutral internet. It will increase my costs because a two tier system will increase the costs of information providers. My first thought is how much did they pay you to come up with these rules; how else can you explain the exclusivity of those rules? ISPs should be common carriers not exclusive carriers and then the 98%. Please reconsider your poor decision.
—Bonnie J Olivier, Grand Rapids, MI

I'm a souveraen, not your slave!
—man of house Hayn Udo, ,

The internet is the most unique and most valuable tool we have ever had. So much so, that the people have slept in the streets to get your attention and demand that you protect this valuable resource. Stand up for whats right for humanity and stop trying to line you deep pockets with corporate funds. Do something for the good of the people of the world and protect the internet. We have men women and kids all over the world dying because they thing they're protecting our "freedom" and here you are destroying every hope and every chance of trying to bring real freedom back into the world. What a terrible waste of life. No, a waste of life would be better than what you are. You're serving the opposite interests of what life is about. Think about this and FIX YOUR MISTAKE. WE ALL NEED REAL NET NEUTRALITY!! CLASSIFY ISP'S AS THE COMMON CARRIERS THAT THEY ARE PLEASE!!!! Thank you. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—X, Wilmington, NC

Just watch this video, please; and see how ridiculous the the 2 tiered plan is. http://www.youtube.com/watch?v =NAxMyTwmu_M Thanks
—J M Bayne, Tucker, GA

Please do not enable a system in which vital information is made more available to some than to to others. The rules proposed amount to allowing some citizens into the library and leaving others at the door.
—Jane Beckmann, San Antonio, TX

The internet means freedom to say what you want, or should do, for the internet to remain a unbiased in the future please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Laurence, ,

Hello and thank you for reading my comment. I don’t feel that carriers charging for access to me as a customer is fair in any way. First problem I have with this, is that I already pay my dues for internet. I am told that I will get a specified internet speed by paying a bill of a specific amount every month. It should not matter where I connect to, I have already paid my toll!! The next problem that I have, is that I am being treated as a product of the carrier, being sold to the company who would like high speed access to their customers. If I am an asset, I should be compensated as well in the form of a kick back on my internet bill, after all they are paying for access to me the customer, and not access to the network, as I am already paying that part. The third problem that I have, is that when I start a company, I will rely heavily on access to customers on the internet, and to have to pay for the speed to connect to the customers who are already paying their dues, will damage my company. I would consider hosting outside of the United States, and target customers in other countries. This would further damage the US economy if a large number of people also follow this trend. Personally I feel that the FCC has stabbed me in the back and is allowing carriers to rape and deface the backbone (communications) of this country.
—Robert Lisiecki, Jacksonville, FL

Net Neutrality is important to me because the Internet is just fine the way it is! This two-tiered plan is basically FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's agenda to continue to lobby for the cable and wireless industries and against the people and can be interpreted as an abuse of power if known by enough people.
—Stephen Krokowski, West Memphis, AR

the FCC ruling could possibly create an internet GIANTS cartel much like the OPEC cartel of the middle east and this would allow wholesale price setting for Inet usage---A MONOPOLY!!...
—Larry T Winship, zephyrhills, FL

Net neutrality is a vital aspect of the use of the internet as we know it. Egalitarian access to net traffic is a cornerstone of small businesses, startups, and independent media; financially barring them from access to a "fast lane" that prioritizes corporate traffic results in penalties for startups, small businesses, and individuals, and hurts the end consumer by denying them free access to information from a variety of sources. ISPs have what's already an effective monopoly in most areas of the country; because of their non-common carrier status, they've been able to benefit from legislation affecting both private businesses and public utilities and have been immune to antitrust measures. It's time for that to stop. It's time to reclassify ISPs officially as common carriers to protect small businesses and consumers, and put an end to ISPs' double-dipping legislative benefits.
—Molly Brewer, Portland, ME

Why should the internet be any different than the phone, electricity or gas?
—D Felix, Allen Park, MI

These new rules would greatly accelerate the process by which corporations are being put in control of our country. Opportunities for "free” speech will rapidly fade in face of an onslaught of "bought” speech. Furthermore, sparks of creativity, which by their very nature are small (being born in individual brains), would be squelched. Our country’s well-being relies upon a regular influx of new ideas, just as the human body relies upon the generation of new cells, for its very survival.
—Candace Brower, Albuquerque, NM

I need net neutrality to keep my loved ones in the loop of my life and theirs. Transmitting photos and videos of our children as they grow is the only way we can "stay together" when we live all over the country and can't afford to visit.
—Greta Buckman, Knoxville, TN

The FCC needs to keep the internet open and equal for all!!
—Marla Serrine, Mount Pulaski, IL

Please don't screw up the internet.
—Ethan Bruce, Lafayette, LA

I want you to classify broadband as a Title II telecommunications service. You need to tell companies this is like a telephone call, between the people involved, not something you get involved in -you are hired to move the information, not mess with it. The only way to do that is to classify broadband Access as a Title II telecommunications service under the Communications Act. So far this is NOT what you have done. You are catering to a few big companies who have monopolies in many areas. This is not acceptable and you should be ashamed of your actions. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Geoffrey Hach, Chagrin Falls, OH

No one has the right to limit knowledge or slow it down.
—Julie S Viergutz, Parma, OH

Don't fix it when it isn't broken. the vast majority of the American people favor true Net Neutrality, not the terrible set of rules which you have recently adopted to undermine Net Neutrality! For once, could you just be responsive to the wishes of the people instead of the monied elites who wish to control the Internet, like they do everything else!
—Thomas McElroy, Charlotte, NC

Net Neutrality is what I love about the internet. I like reading my friends' blogs and finding out about local events. If the FCC slows down, charges smaller companies or individuals to compete, or otherwise exploits and adulterates the internet I personally in addition will stop using the internet and boycott AT&T, Comcast, & Verizon.
—Kayleigh Roberts, Sumter, SC

How much money did they blackmail you with.
—Russell Se, Wrj, VT

If the amount of money a corporation/company has determines what I see, read, and watch, then all freedom is lost.
—Erica Goldson, Oneida, NY

I will be hurt if the proposal for fast tracing huge corporations and driving small businesses off the internet is approved. I like to buy from small niche businesses that sell things the megaq corporations don't find profitable, and stay away from the mass produced items as much as possible. These small businesses help our economy and increase jobs more than the many layered conglomerates that cut jobs or ship them overseas. The U.S. economy will lose, as well as all the citizens who lose jobs or can no longer buy niche products and services.
—Patricia Grames, Tucson, AZ

Wheeler and the FCC think that by confusing the language of the proposal they're going to get away with eliminating net neutrality. But we're aware of what Wheeler and his ISP masters are trying to accomplish. Shame on Obama for nominating this scumbag and caving in to the monies they contributed to his 2 campaigns. Disgraceful.
—Richard Unanue, Asheville, NC

I feel so strongly I have, for now, dropped cable service and installed an aerial. We need fairness spread all over, not to a few grandiflora companies. Melora Davis Newark, Delaware
—Melora Davis, Newark, DE

The internet is the only real vehicle for accessing a wide range of opinion on cultural and political matters, since the other "news" outlets are uniformly monolithic in their political message. A system benefiting the richest only compounds the problems facing our democracy because of the media disaster. Keep the internet neutral so everybody, no matter how poor or rich can be there - equal opportunity. Don't fall for the "netflix uses up too much space" thing - the ISPs are not losing any money to netflix. Europe has better speeds at lower prices - and they don"t need tiers. Just good old leveling the playing field with necessary regulations to encourage TRUE competition!
—Nora Engel, Philadelphia, PA

Big cable companies & Verizon are charging fees for transport and additional fees for content. Transport fees should be equal for all. By allowing these companies to prioritize their content over their competitors is a violation of anti-trust laws.
—Jim Jane Barry, North Wales, PA

I am an aspiring graphic artist and a crucial component of my portfolio consists of a graphic novel will publish online for free. I rely on this readership to showcase my skills and secure paying contacts. The FCC's proposed rules will open the door for internet service providers to charge higher rates for the same level of service- calling it "premium." This will dramatically reduce traffic to my site- especially if I charge a subscription fee to offset the increased cost of hosting it (in the online graphic novel world, users simply are not interested in paying for content created by an artist they've never heard of). In my lifetime I have seen the creative world flourish in the high-speed unfetted communication environment that is the web today. I fear that the FCC's new rules will all ISPs to stifle, or at worst, end this community.
—Matthew W Gebarski, Madison, WI

Several cities and Foreign Countries recognize the importance of the internet for all their citizens. The Free internet allows equality for all people to learn, share, research and improve the quality of life for all living things. Children are among the most important users of a free internet. The knowledge they gain will be our countries path to inovation, and safe guarding our country. We, as a country, need Net Neutrality.
—Diana L. Owens, Sublette, IL

The internet has created a level playing field for all people. This has allowed people to learn and grow to advance their own knowledge or job skills. It is a place of discovery, where we can learn about each other. It is a unifying force knitting together people of disparate backgrounds, interests, and social class among other things. Ending Net Neutrality will remove the democratic nature of the internet and bind it to greedy companies. The internet has changed much of how we do things in the world, much of it undoubtedly for the better. Please don't bend to companies who want to gain profit because they see an opportunity.
—Nathaniel Hein, Memphis, TN

It means freedom, equality and economic opportunity
—Rosalind Milliken, Indio, CA

By dividing internet service into tiers you effectively hand over control to the giant media conglomerates... but you know this... you're obviously in their pocket and are an anti-american fascist. All of this will come back on you and your children. Thanks a lot for selling out freedom.
—Stephen Langley, Baton Rouge, LA

Most the major players online would have never thrived without the freedom to do so. Take away that freedom and the net will stagnate it or collapse in terms if progress. Other nations are busy protecting the bet while the FCC is trying to stifle it. Be smarter than that
—Jason haberman, Witchita, KS

Access to human knowledge is a right not a privelege.
—Christian McFarland, Buena Vista, CO

for a network freedom !!!
—Randy Kirsten, Brooklyn, NY

Small businesses like my husbands depend on the internet to do business. They can't afford to pay to be in the fast lane. You need to reclassify ISP's as common carriers and not allow these rules to move forward. Thank You!
—Betsy Costanza, Cincinnati, OH

Chairman Wheeler, You must revise the current FCC plan that basically allows Internet Service Providers to charge for preferential bandwidth access. If enacted, these rules would effectively destroy Net Neutrality and create a caste system for internet access defined by how much money an ISP can charge. Under your current plan, the Internet Service Providers can make deals to provide faster service to those willing to/can pay, slow down sites that refuse to pay, and leave whatever bandwidth is left over for the rest of the internet. Do you actually believe that are going to build out the high-end infrastructure necessary to support these priority access offerings or do you understand that they will just siphon off the needed bandwidth from their current resources. I strongly urge you to reclassify broadband as a Telecommunications Service. We are way past the days of considering internet access to be a luxury, it's a modern day necessity. Only by keeping the online access playing field level, much like the government has done in the past with both Telephone and Federal Highway access, can innovation and growth thrive. The United States has already fallen far behind many other countries in both internet access speeds and availability of services, yet we lead all others in paying the most for these mediocre standings. How can the U.S. maintain it's world technological leadership with access gatekeepers like these? Lastly, almost all of the major players in the ISP industry, in lockstep, are flexing all of their influence/capital with congress, the FCC, and it's chairman to allow them to maintain their stranglehold on this industry despite the public outcry for just the opposite. They want to be able to keep charging inexplicably large fees for the dearth of services they currently offer their U.S. customers. In regards to this much needed utility, the ISP's have a proven track record in the U.S. of being self-serving custodians of this most important public commodity. These Internet Service Providers are clearly Telecommunication Service Providers, and in the public's interest should be rightly classified and treated as such. Best Regards, - Adam Fields
—Adam Fields, Greer, SC

I totally depend upon internet neutrality... posting applications (android) will become troublesome for me(us-The Developers),sharing contents will become a herculean task when permission of certain people/organisation is required...moreover...we love OPEN INTERNET
—Abhinav Athankar, ,

The internet has been a tremendous benefit not only to the US and world economy, but for research, quality of life improvement, and the spread of ideas and democracy throughout the world. This benefit is directly related to the openness of the basic network infrastructure, and the fact that internet traffic is not treated differently depending on the interests of powerful companies, organizations, or governments. The current FCC proposal would sacrifice this openness for the benefit of particular companies that have powerful a powerful lobbying force in Washington DC, but who have not done a particularly great job at building infrastructure (or satisfying customers) when compared to what has happened in other industrialized nations. For this reason I am very opposed to the current proposal. Chris Lee (PhD, Robotics, Carnegie Mellon University 1999. Senior Robotics Engineer for Boston Dynamics / Senior Software Engineer for Google)
—Chris Lee, Arlington, MA

do not allow companies who have not paid for the system to pirate it and divvy up the spoils.
—Douglas Bienko, Buffalo, NY

Net Neutrality is vitally important to a free and open internet, not based upon corporate interests, but useful to the expansion of self expression and the sharing of communal ideas. please do not sell out the internet, which has only become great because of sharing, to corporations who are only interested in themselves and their bottom line.
—Timothy Jutsum, Lucernemines, PA

We the people own the internet, not the big companies, who would put profits above the democracy that an open internet provides. It is YOUR job as FCC chairman, Mr Wheeler, to preserve the open internet. Do not fail the people of the Unites States; protect an open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Thank you.
—Kathleen MacKay, Thornton, NH

Bust up these monopolies.
—Frank Beran, Worth, IL

Preserve Net Neutrality! Reclassify the internet as a common carrier!
—Justin Paquette, Millbury, MA

I want Net Neutrality. Google and others have already decided which ads we will see first and it is very limiting. We need them to be restrained and subject to anti-trust legislation, not more power.
—Nancy J. Sierra, Gainesville, FL

I"m not sure why I have to say that this is wrong. I"m not sure why it got this far, when you all know it's wrong. But the proposed rules set forth by Tom Wheeler are WRONG. Do the right thing for yourself, your family and friends, America and the rest of the world. Preserve Net Neutrality and end the fast lane farce. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Leslie Cox, Medford, OR

While the proponents of the rule are simply asking for a "fast lane" to be opened up to content providers if they pay more to the ISPs, it seems obvious that the end result will be that quality and speed will not be enhanced unless a specific "fast lane" fee is paid. The proposed rules will really authorize a "slow lane" that will diminish the ability for newcomers to enter and disrupt the existing market, or the status quo. Obvious conflicts of interest exist - for example, Comcast (being an ISP and cable tv provider) would be incentivized to charge Netflix, Hulu and YouTube more to provide their content at usable speeds so as to protect Comcast's precious cable revenues. This would drive up the costs to the internet content providers who will have to pass those costs on to consumers. ISP/Cable providers will feel less pressure to keep prices down since they can then directly inflate internet video content prices. In the end, these rules would serve to cost both internet AND cable tv consumers more money and artificially enrich the ISPs and cable providers. There is no way this can be considered good for America. Perhaps I'm missing something, though. Are ISPs suffering and in danger of going out of business? Is there a reason we need this specific breed of corporate welfare? I am ignorant, but I would be surprised to hear that large ISPs like Comcast, Time Warner, Verizon, AT&T, etc., are not making huge profits. Because of the local cable monopolies already in place, such as Antietam Cable in my town, innovation is stifled and quality of service has not kept pace with technological advances precisely because of the lack of need to compete. These anti-net neutrality rules will only make it worse and cause America to fall further behind.
—Adam D. Greivell Esq., Hagerstown, MD

Fire Everyone who works at the FCC. The FCC should be picketing itself, right now. We, the public, should not need to blaspheme your idiocacy. There are 5 commissioners who are all going to run the FCC into the ground. If telephone lines with limited communication has title II, why the #$%# does the internet that has 10000 times the information power not have it? How long does the American public have to bow down to corporate wahoos who are trying to nickel and dime the American public to death. The government SERVES the people. It's time that the FCC boycotted itself until the commissioners wake up. Boycott! Boycott! Picket Picket!!! If the FCC won't, I will shortly, starting in Tampa Florida.
—Chris Perkins, Lakeland, FL

Our economy has already taken some huge blows...why kill small start-ups and new fresh ideas?
—Kay Kramme, Brooklyn, NY

Please keep the internet open.
—Nishant Rao, Austin, TX

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. thank you
—Louann Harmon, Haslett, MI

I think the internet should be reclassified as common. Please listen to the people who pay for these services not just the deep pockets!!
—Berry Burchett, Ulysses, KY

The way things are headed now will benefit no one except the higher ups in the cable industry. Net neutrality benefits us all.
—Jonathan McWhorter, Miami, FL

PLEASE throw out the rules and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Peggy Herlihy, Newburyport, MA

The internet should be a place where I can relax.
—Abigail, ,

The power of money must be stopped from corrupting our society.
—Joanne Snyder, San Diego, CA

Plutocracy!!!!!
—Alan Hutchinson, Carson City, NV

Please Reclassify ISPs as Common Carriers. The proposed plan is going to allow Fast Lanes for those who an afford it, and allow it to be outrageously slow for the rest of us.
—Alexander Weeks, Yukon, OK

Open access, net neutrality, non-discriminatory content availability - call it what you will but this is VITAL to preserving the freedom of expression and sharing or ideas needed to keep our democracy strong. We cannot let corporate interests get in the way of that!!!
—Mr. Dale Gilman, Beverly Hills, MI

Freedom. And, to have the opportunity to compete in business without being manipulated by some with power.
—Gail, Ocean View, DE

Discrimination of any kind is not right. These companies should not be able to push this on us.
—Vicky Keller, Florence, MS

It's not just the protection of Net Neutrality - it's the protection of Democracy!
—Harold Pontiff, Minneapolis, MN

The open internet has bettered humanity more than any technology in human history. Any means of restricting the completely open internet is, therefore, against the betterment of humanity. Consider carefully that you are selling the betterment of humanity to the controlling interests of money. You and all of your loved ones are humans. You are literally selling the betterment of the world you and your loved ones live in.
—Mr. Eric Quigley, Grand Rapids, MI

Don't try to fix something that is not broken!
—Darrell House, Wilkinson, IN

The internet is the last frontier for consumer freedom, unlimited knowledge, and open communication for all. Please stop and think about what you are really accomplishing by putting limits to the internet. We the people are the ones who are harmed by moving into the benefits of Internet service providers.
—Graydon Allerton, Cincinnati, OH

Net Neutrality is a crucial issue for both the democratic process and the sustaining of small business.
—Martha Marcom, Columbus, OH

The proposed rules will utterly destroy the fundamental structure of the internet. There is no valid excuse for this action, and the only possible drive is pure profit motive. Please stop this.
—Tom Trotter, Jamestown, NC

As an American living outside of the US Neutrality is the only way to go no more monopolies !!!!
—James Wyatt, Rodgau,

The internet is a meeting place for all. Do not allow this common ground to be captured by commercial interests.
—A Zwart, Tilburg,

While the internet can never return to the halcyon days when all content was equal, the foundation of the shared information system was equal access to all. Blocking access within the system is considered a form of censorship, whether preventing materials from being searched or keeping it from being published. Any block on the physical level would also be censorship, but of a more insidious kind. This would harm the physical foundation of the internet itself. When you alter physical access to online content at the whim of the free market, you sell out the ideal of equality and whether it was the original intent, create a class structure in what was intended to be a level playing field. Please do not do this. Please uphold the ideal of a common ground for all.
—D Burgos, Brooklyn, NY

This deal for the mega rich and elite is totally WRONG!!!!!
—Patrick Wooten, nashville, TN

i want the fcc to reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers and so that giant corporations like att, comcast and verizon are not allowed to take over the internet. the internet should be open for anyone to use big or small. they should not be allowed to bully business into paying more money for faster lanes when they already have people paying tons of money for every other small service they provide.
—Tyler, Stillwater, OK

Please ...protect the open internet!
—Marge Kremer, Woodruff, WI

All website should have a fair shot to be discoverable and visible on the Internet without have to somehow pay another company for that spot. Net neutrality is extremely important to the economy of the small and midsized business.
—Isa Cann, Salisbury, MA

If it wals like a duck and quacks like a duck! It probably is a ducck. ISPs are common carriers.
—Zeeshan Shera, chico, CA

The United States invented the Internet but lack of competition and proper regulation (there is no free market without a fair playing field created by good regulation) has caused us to have terribly slow and expensive Internet service. We need better regulation.
—Raul Diaz, Palo Alto, CA

MY FRIENDS FOUGHT FOR FREEDOM!!!!!!!!!!!
—John Pinezich, Longmont, CO

Democracy depends on free and open communication.
—Wray Wray Stanley, MALVERN, PA

We need laws like this to protect consumers, not companies. They will just pass the cost to us (which we already pay for in our monthly utility bills).
—Walter Weidner, Springville, UT

Dear Sirs: I want to make an apology to you. In my initial note to you "Re: CIMS00004063073 - NetNeutrality Needs to be preserved!" I complained that the initial plan proposed without details wasn't appropriate. I still believe that, but I didn't need to be so harsh in my words and you all didn't deserve that! I still feel that the big ISPs have a "stacked deck" in their relationship with the non-commercial consumers who have no real choice in their ISP or the rates. But again, I apologize for the harsh words which were not necessary. Thank you for your time in reading this. Respectfully, Joe Williams.
—Joe Williams, Quincy, MA

I live in a rural state and small business owners depend on Net Neutrality to bring their innovations to the global economy. Similarly, students depend on Net Neutrality to access information from the world and further their educations.
—Sara "testing" Longsmith, Brattleboro, VT

Easy access to knowledge I need and a better alternative to TV.
—Zachary Howell, Abingdon, VA

The internet is now as important to economic growth as having access to reliable electrical energy. The internet is almost as important for economic growth as public roadways and navigable waters. The internet is as important to the educational system as readily-accessible libraries. The internet is so crucial to the educational system because of the availability of research materials and resources, and the internet is increasingly used for daily commerce for product creations. Net Neutrality is of utmost importance. If America is to remain a land of opportunity, if America is to remain a powerhouse in the development of new products, if America is to remain an economic engine for the world, then it is overwhelmingly best served by strict net neutrality. If America is to prevent and eliminate corruption, net neutrality is an important factor in the efforts.
—Steve Deibele, Kiel, WI

I think these videos AlphaOmegaSin tell all. https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=V_ZnxlhdSz0 https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=xrpGV_Lwmw4
—Jerred Zoll, Omaha, NE

This is what you get when you allow industry insiders to police their own. No matter how much Mr. Wheeler tries to dress this up, it's still a pig in a wig and a victory for the big telecom's that think they should own the internet. To coin a phrase from former president Bush in the aftermath of Katrina, "You're doin` a heck of a job Brownie!" When in fact Brownie was doing a terrible job, ditto Mr. Wheeler. Reclassification would likely put this matter to bed once and for all and be the keeping of a promise that then Senator Obama made in his run for the White House in 2007.
—Gary Jeffers, Liberty Twp., OH

Just leave our internet alone and stop working for the big corporations, take care of everyday people.
—Paula Decker, Newton, NJ

Because information should be accessible to everyone.
—Diana R. Gray, Torrance, CA

I work from home. I transmit and receive large amounts of data as part of my job. My traffic should not be shunted to some lower tier of service simply because I don't pay extra for "premium speed". All internet packets are equal and not the business of providers to judge which are important and which are not.
—Ronald H Skees, Jeffersonville, KY

Net Neutrailty is akin to making public libraries charge an entrance fee and a check out fee, with only the rich allowed to access the PUBLIC resources. Please don't do this.
—Shannon Brisson, Chelsea, MA

Dear FCC, In todays world, the internet is a mandatory need and this is the way how the people of this world communicate to each other. If you put this law into effect then the World Wide Web (internet) will crash down and only a couple 1,000 people could afford the billing for the internet providers. This world needs the internet and can not live without it and if you kill it then this world would come to a end. The internet is free to everyone who wants to use it. So, its up to up FCC. If you want this world to be nothing but greed and money hungry then put this uncivilized and oblivious law into effect. But don't get mad when this world comes to a end because of you, the almighty FCC.
—Yuri Hollinger, New Cumberland, PA

I work with some smaller companies that can't survive in an internet slow lane and can't afford to pay for the fast lane. This is bad for small business and American innovation.
—Zach Kuzmic, Austin, TX

The internet is perhaps the first open forum that allows members of marginalized groups in isolated places to connect and form a sense of community and identity. It democratizes the exchange of information. I thought we were supposed to support greater democracy. Making this another playground for the rich will most hurt those who need this resource for things like suicide prevention and community. AT&T, Comcast, and Verizon can afford to not do this, but we can't afford for them to. The rich in this country don't need yet another way to distinguish themselves from everyone else.
—Lenny Somervell, Waltham, MA

Why should I be reduced to a poor browsing experience because I can't afford higher prices? I'm a student and depend on the internet to complete my schoolwork.... I'm already paying for tuition.
—Emily Reinertson, Reading, PA

It protects free speech and free enterprise.
—Ms. Adrienne Kuerzi, Dumont, NJ

Online censorship is a step toward totalitarianism and tyranny.
—Ulrike Clarke, ,

I have been developing an Internet-based business designed for training high school students in basic skills, using video and media delivered by the Internet. You have effectively killed my business in its infancy and ended my hopes for a comfortable retirement. First you make communication a commodity. What will be next? Water? The air we breathe?
—Randy Langley, Ridgeland, MS

To allow a few existing powerful companies to monopolize the internet so they can maximize profits will slow innovation and new technologies. It's bad for the country and our future potential as a leader in technology.
—Lorraine Shirkus Moore, San Antonio, TX

Free flow of information is essential to a democratic state. Tiered transmission of information impedes its free flow. I'm sure you see the inference. So do what's right for democracy.
—Jeff Roland, Baton Rouge, LA

PUBLIC UTITILITY!
—Amy Bush, Spring Hill, KS

Net Neutrality is important to me because I strongly believe that all people deserve the freedom internet can give us and we should not be denied it.
—Veronika Barna, Budapest,

Seriously, free speech is not something to sell. Treat internet providers like a postal service or road builders. They're not supposed control access to certain places or over certain people based purely on their own whims.
—Yusuf Rehman, Leicester,

An Internet that remains open and protected from self serving corporate interests is key to mine and millions of other small businesses ability to compete online.
—Lionel Cartwright, Nashville, TN

This country is supposed to operate with capitalism, equal access for all into the marketplace. More & more this country' economy s is turning into mercantilism, the form of economy in Great Briton which our forefathers fought to be free of. Lets not give big businesses like AT&T etc priority over the common man.
—Nancy Simmons, Waxahachie, TX

Internet service providers should be called common carriers.
—Jennifer Macy, Emigrant, MT

As a small business owner for the last 20 years, an open internet has been vital to my ability to employ small groups of people. Without a level playing field, small content providers, innovations, inventors, and developers will not be able to compete with the establishment. True innovation can come from anywhere, and protecting that level playing field, is far more important that adding a percentage or two to the profits of companies that are charging a toll for access!
—WJ Vincent II, Eau Claire, WI

Can't we have at least ONE thing that is everyones, equally?
—Wayne Purdy, Albertson, NY

Please stop these new rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers
—David Lorell Hoskins, Rochester, NY

Look. This is a access issue. when you end net neutrality - which these new proposals would - it will make sites that dont pay slower to access relative to sites that do. we (end users) should have the same speed of access to all sites on the internet. period.
—Md053, Lewisburg, PA

Are you getting paid by these companies to force this change? How long has the internet been here? Why change it now? Does it cost too much to provide internet? NO, it is actually very profitable already. So why do you want to turn millionaires into BILLIONAIRES without them having to bring a new product to the market? If they can INVENT something that will boost internet speed, something only their company has and not the rest.. THEN and ONLY then should they be allowed to charge more. You can't suddenly charge more for what we've been using for decades. People won't allow it. Activists will sabotage it and turn everyone into losers in this battle. You are destroying capitalism by taking advantage of it. There is absolutely no reason to implement this other than filling your own pockets. Those companies should provide an extra service if they want to charge more.. Not just pretend they're suddenly providing an extra service and charging more for something you've been gettig for an already steep price (for what it is) for YEARS. Too much gold digging will destroy the system, it will only cause harm. Have you learned nothing from 2008? Different sector, different risks. But I'm going to be pissed off when the internet gets sabotaged because you pissed of a group of hackers with this... And then the whole world will turn against you and make YOU pay for all the time and money they lost from the internet down time. Stop being so greedy. You are wealthy already. You and your legacy even have nothing to worry about financially for the rest of your lives. Why dig so deep in the pockets of your people? Land of the free indeed..
—Frederik Smets, ,

The internet is an amzing source of creativity and commerce. It should be equally accessible to everyone. Please classify ISP's and broadband as common carriers.
—Hannah L Banks, Newton, MA

The internet as we know it today was created by the users because everyone had open access to it. Don't take that away
—Stephen Dee, Somerville, MA

The internet should not be controlled or owned by greedy corporations.
—Frank Armato, Franklin, NC

The internet should not be controlled or owned by greedy corporations.
—Philip Walker, Franklin, NC

My husband and I are living on Social Security and can not afford to pay for a "fast lane". We also do not want any company to decide what we can see on the internet.
—Luci Hale, Fort Mc Coy, FL

Throw out these rules of yours and instead reclassify the ISPs as common carriers, this is the ONLY way to create real Net Neutrality. Please, let us not have a "1984"-esque future!
—Chr Hz Wn, Sthlm,

The media politics in the US, of course have an influence on the rest of the world. The Internet is a medium for the people, not for *some* people. Everyone should be entitled to have access and band equally. If not, many will be angry. Very angry.
—Paolo Davolio, ,

The net should be a common carrier.
—George strecker, Manhattan, KS

Net Neutrality is needed in order for an open internet to exist. Extortion of content creators and distributors for corporate and personal gains are both immoral and against the free market principle. Furthermore the whole idea of an internet fast lane destroys the fundamental service the ISP has with its customers. A certain amount of data and speed is sold to the customer. The isp's must deliver the promised goods regardless of whether or not the data being used is saturated or not.
—Junbin, ,

net neutrality is essential to permit the free exchange of all points of view and all perspectives. Without it, we become an oligarchy where the rich get whatever they want and the poor get reduced and slower access to news and information
—Joel L. Epstein, Greenwich, CT

Previous “Open Internet” or “N et Neutrality” rules were vaca ted earlier this year, the out come of a lawsuit brought, and won by, Verizon. The D.C. Co urt of Appeals ruled against t he FCC because the language us ed characterized Internet Serv ice Providers as content provi ders, over whom the FCC has l imited authority. The ruling court, seeing the necessity of maintaining the Internet as i t is, even spelled out how the FCC could easily rectify the situation. If the FCC designa ted the ISP as common carriers , basically pipelines for data , it could regulate them under its Title II authority. The biggest opportunity this ruling presents for ISP’s is a new source of income as they seek to control access to cont ent and institute charges for entities who wish to put their content in the forefront. Ve rizon, for example, looks “for ward to working with the FCC a nd Congress...without the need for unnecessary new regulatio ns that seek to manage the exp losive dynamism of the Interne t.” (Quote from Verizon’s poli cy blog). In this instance, d ynamism=profit. No one will benefit from a tiered Internet, except those seeking to make money through preferential treatments and " subscription" packages. That is unthinkable. The consumer pays his or her ISP to provide an Internet connection, nothi ng more. Carriers must be cla ssified as service providers o r utilities. Anything less th reatens the existence of the I nternet as we know it. The Internet has become a very necessary part of everyday li fe, from email, social net-wor king, banking and shopping to videos, music, and movies. We have integrated the Net into our daily lives to the point t hat it is hard to imagine doin g without it, just like electr icity or running water. It's high time to recognize the fa ct that the Internet is indeed a utility, and must be treate d as such.
—Adam H Higgins, Columbia, SC

I am retired & disabled and depend on the internet for communication and merchandise
—Bill Deutschlander, New Providence, PA

This marks the eventual decline of the internet as we know it. Access will become limited and creativity will be stifled. All the great successful websites started as small ideas, a little piece of the long tail, that happened to catch on and build. This proposed two tiered system is going to stifle this and insure that the only people who success through the internet are large corporations. The "small guys" are not all hobbyists playing on the internet and posting pictures of cats. They are creative thinkers and developers and entrepreneurs. It is hard to think of anything that offered such access and such a level playing field the way the internet did prior to this ruling. Please keep the internet level and don't let the big corporations hold the keys to access.
—Dean McCaughan, Columbia, SC

It's important because Net Neutrality is democratic and after all, the USA is supposed to be all about 'democracy'. Prove it for once.
—Dave, ,

Please do not let the ISP's hijack the internet to line their pockets. The internet must remain equal for all.
—Robert Davis, ,

The internet should be classified as a public utility and regulated as one. It was begun with public funds and is a public good. The law is in error.
—Michael Feinberg MD, PhD, Philadelphia, PA

As a disabled American I can barely afford the outrageous fees that Comcast now charges. Allowing the to tier coverage would make the Internet unfordable to myself, and many like me. Please classify ISP's as common carriers, as that is what they really are. For example Comcast does not use the phone lines to deliver phone service, they use the Internet to provide their phone service. This alone should make a case for them being common carriers.
—Jim Sweatt, Somersworth, NH

Like tens of thousands of other Americans, I make my living on the net. Open and equal access to the Internet is the basis for my business and foundation of innovation and commerce nationally. The telecommunications companies – AT&T, Comcast, Cox, Verizon – that are currently lobbying the FCC were granted local monopoly status to facilitate the growth of the network and to support commerce. Now they want to throw out the common carriage rules to create a national monopoly? That's bad for business. But this is not just an economic issue. It is a question of free speech. If Comcast can deny or delay information traveling over its network, what's to prevent it from throttling content it disagrees with? Does a network provider like AT&T or Verizon have the right to block content from a source it deems distasteful? What happens to the public debate if a few corporations control the transmission of information? The FCC was established by an act of Congress in 1934 to regulate the radio spectrum. It has since come to oversee television and telecommunications because these are public utilities that serve the common good. The Internet -- which has incorporated telephone transmission and most broadcast content -- has become the greatest public utility in the world. Why would the FCC vote to make a few companies a lot richer at the expense of the many? Why would the FCC deny its mandate to maintain the common carriage rules? And why would an agency devoted to the highest and best use of communications support cash-based censorship? Do your jobs; do what's right: enforce network neutrality.
—Rob Cummings, Brooklyn, NY

The supreme court has tried to enforce plutocracy in rulings including Citizens United and McCutcheon. Tom Wheeler's plan follows this anti-democratic line of thinking. It is wrong. It must be reversed.
—Mark Demory, Milton Freewater, OR

The internet has allowed massive amounts of innovation and increased everyone's ability to communicate dramatically. Don't destroy it.
—Matthew Bryan Crawford, Ellenwood, GA

The Internet should be treated as a common carrier, just as phone lines (it's communication predecessor) are/were.
—Ian L. Axilrod, Parkville, MD

This case is proof positive that the "revolving door" needs to be nailed shut.
—Doug Gledhill, Billings, MT

Startups that I have been involved in would never have gotten off the ground if our larger established competitors were allowed to pay for prioritized bandwidth.
—Robert Wright, Blackstone, VA

The internet belongs to the people, not the corporations.
—Jesse Egan, Colorado Springs, CO

Do not push those us of who are not billionaires farther down into oblivion by restricting fast access to the internet. We do not live in CHINA!!!
—Grace Hawkins, STn mtn, GA

The FCC's goal has always been free airways! Don't ever change that!
—William Tillman, Vacaville, CA

Net Neutrality is important for me because the Internet, with its free-reign nature and equal access, is one of the greatest forms of expression and communication we have. We should have the right to share our own creativity, views, and creations online without any worries. If Net Neutrality is killed, then companies will be given the power to control people's access and freedom on the Internet. Our rights will be downsized. And who's to say it ends there? If this proposal is accepted, then more policies will follow suit until the people's unique minds have been completely alienated and oppressed . This is something that no believer of democracy and individuality should ever allow. I and many others implore you to reconsider your proposal and to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Kristen Pose, East Stroudsburg, PA

Net neutrality is important because it allows for any small online startup to grow and become a large successful company. The new FCC rules could kill this portion of the American Dream. The Internet is for everyone. Keep Net Neutrality and keep hope for many who depend on the Internet to make a living.
—Nate Christensen, Lehi, UT

ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers. Because that's exactly what they are. A large majority of people use the Internet and have come to rely on it. A two-tiered Internet would be a terrible idea, unfair and undemocratic.
—Mr. John D. Scholten, Edmonds, WA

Most of the time I'm not using Netflix.
—Ian Stoeppelwerth, Marietta, GA

If the Internet is not kept completely free, the American public will lose the key benefits of the internet. Only someone who loves tyranny would do away with net neutrality!
—Paul Pokorny, Lombard, IL

I stand up for net neutrality! Tom Wheeler and the FCC need to do the people's work, not the corporation's work!
—Stacy Peterson, Avondale, AZ

The FCC should not put corporations ahead of the people.
—Jane McCloskey, Deer Isle, ME

Having been a part of two startup companies over the last decade, we would not have been able to get off the ground if we would have had to pay ISPs a transit fee for our content and programs. If you allow fast lane - slow lane to become a reality you will kill off jobs and set back innovation decades.
—Michael Wood, Broadway, NC

Our "Free Speech" isn't free under the new FCC rules.
—James P Parzino, Surf City, NC

The Internet is a utility. It must be regulated and classless- no pay to play.
—Stacy Rauch, New York, NY

Leave the internet alone. You are moving way beyond your original guidelines. ISPs should be only, only common carriers period!!!!!!
—Mason Day, The Villages, FL

Please do not let capitalism ruin the internet! This action will only increase corporate control of news and ideas.
—Jeffery Hicks, Milton, IN

The ISP's like Comcast, AT&T, Charter, and previously AOL act like monopolies. There seems to be no competitive effect that benefits consumers. These ISP's DID NOT develop this technology, American taxpayers paid for the development of the internet. There is NO justification to increase the ISP monopoly over this Public Utility, the world wide web. As a retired senior active in a number of organizations and constantly seeking ways to live economically on a fixed income, dealing with AT&T and/or Comcast is a continuing battle to insure that their bills are accurate and the service has not been degraded. Now, they expect to make more money by choosing who gets fast access? WHY? The Internet is a Public Utility. Why do taxpayers have to subsidize the profits of the carriers while they accrue more power? Do your job! Represent the public interest and stop handing over the taxpayers' utility, a lifeline of information and commerce, to a few monopolistic corporations. If the issue is long term improvement of speed and capacity, look at increased fees tied directly to development costs, not inflated by corporate profits while yielding more power over communication and commerce to a few ignoring the interests of most people and businesses. Your consideration is appreciated.
—Al O. Stacer, Lilburn, GA

Net Neutrality is crucial to allowing smaller website that don't wield as much economic power to continue to be available to those who are passionate about them.
—Blair, Tucker, GA

Dear Chairman Wheeler: Net Neutrality is extremely important to all Americans who use the internet. Your idea that somehow "anything that is anti-competitive or anti-consumer is competitively unreasonable, and therefore can and should be blocked," is laughable. When I am at home and feel I am being blocked unreasonably, what is my recourse? Do I contact the FCC and they solve my problem? Have you ever tried to call Verizon "customer support?" Good luck with that. Simply, why fix what isn't broken. The internet is possibly the only thing Americans have equal access to and your plan is going to destroy that. I am in no way surprised to learn of your previous dealings lobbying for the industry. Step up and do your job for the American people and not corporate America.
—Evan Caliento, Chicago, IL

Reclassify ISP's as common carriers and protect REAL Net Neutrality. Creativity, innovation and freedom come from equal access to the internet.
—Nicole d'Avis, Roslindale, MA

Why does Net Neutrality matter to me? I work for a hosting company in Delaware. A lack of Net Neutrality would not only impact my customers, but cripple my company and our ability to provide affordable internet service to them, as our ISPs would inevitably charge more for our access. Not to mention, if companies such as Comcast are treated as Common Carriers, I wouldn't need to worry about certain types of traffic (Skype; Watching videos DIRECTLY from NBC, CBS, FOX, etc) being slowed down due to regulations on the type of data sent. We should encourage ISPs to spend their time improving the infrastructure they have. Encourage progress - don't halt it!
—Samantha Mcdaniel, Dover, DE

No matter how much they gave you to destroy the fairness of net neutrality, your honor is not worth it. Please don't make us the laughing stock of the world.
—David Braun, San Antonio, TX

Respectfully, the American people paid for the R&D that created the Internet and we deserve to have it treated accordingly.
—Rebecca Pando, Maitland, FL

We cannot allow any corporations to control the Internet at any cost. This will be an epic mistake. Especially AT&T. They can hardly run their business leave alone something of this importance. Thank you
—Dave Bishop, Mequon, WI

This is critical
—Giselle H Piburn, Santa Fe, NM

As a blogger and technologist I am terrified that this will stifle innovation and foster censorship. By which I mean to say, what happens to smaller companies and voices who can't afford to pay the ISPs for priority QoS? ISPs need to be reclassified as common carriers and regulated as such.
—Rob Goelz, Herndon, VA

I have been a forced customer of Comcast for broadband cable for over a decade. They excel at nothing comparable to their skill and persistence at raising rates. This is a company that cares about nothing but how much money it can parasitize out of its monopoly as a broadband service provider and if they are allowed to provide different levels of service to different content, they will destroy the market.
—Scott Brown, Seattle, WA

Dear FCC, it would seem that you have a questionable agenda to end Internet Neutrality. The internet must remain neutral and ISP's should be classified as common carriers. No discrimination against online content should be allowed. Thank you, A concerned citizen.
—Tudorie Michael Alexandru, ,

The new rules allow the ISP's to effectively censor my right to information. An informed citizenship is the heart of democracy. This plan not only means the death of the internet, but taken along with other actions of government, means the death of democracy.
—Phillip L. Crown, IOLA, KS

A free and open Internet, equally available to all, is one of the few countervailing forces to the increasing influence of big money and concentrated wealth in the United States. I believe our democracy is currently at risk both from those who would abuse the power of their wealth and because of the increasing helplessness and powerlessness which is alienating the general public and driving them away from participation in governance. If the vast majority of US citizens stop believing in the dream this country will fall. Allowing big money to control the Internet would be one more nail in this coffin
—keith hutchison MD, Belfast, ME

Without a free Internet there will be no more free porn. No, really, this is important. Save the porn!
—Ludwig Lundström Rova, Umeå,

Without Net Neutrality in place, larger conglomerates will easily prevent growth of new startups, stifling both creativity as well as economic growth. We need to HELP the economy now; not worsen it.
—Travis Harper, Seattle, WA

As a small business owner, I rely on a fast internet speed for all of my communications. If this new system doesn't allow me to communicate as fast as others, on a limited budget, then you will effectively be telling me that my business doesn't matter as much as those who have deep pockets. And you'll never get my vote again - whether I have to close shop or not!
—Richard A. Herron, Marquette, MI

We need Net Neutrality to ensure fair and equal treatment and a level playing field for all citizens. This is imperative to having a democracy. The internet should be re-classified as a common carriers so that everyone's content is treated as equal and no favoritism is shown. Corporations should not have the power to choose the winners and losers in our economy or our ability to communicate.
—Mrs. Nakia Lilly, Fort Collins, CO

Adding 'fast lanes' to the internet is just a way of charging more money to consumers for the same internet speed.
—Kyson Chow, Randolph, MA

The internet is the equivalent of information roadways. Like Roadways, everyone should be allowed to travel equally. Thank you
—Michelle Darbro, Ft. Lauderdale, FL

Throw Out Your Rules & Instead Reclassify ISPs As Common Carriers! *And to FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler - "DON'T BOTHER TO SEND ME ANOTHER EMAIL THAT'S NOTHING BUT LIES!!!
—Jody Webb, Asheville, NC

ISP monopolies (Comcast is the only broadband option I have) are already able to charge too much for the services they provide. Without Net Neutrality and government oversight, ISPs will simply pass "fast lane" costs along to consumers. Classify ISPs as common carriers in order to protect consumers.
—Eric J. Baker, Landenberg, PA

Net Neutrality is important to me because I don't feel it is right for internet providers to dictate to me what websites I'm allowed to use. If I like to watch Netflix, or any other video streaming service, I have the right to watch them without being artificially capped. I'm already paying to use the service, having me pay extra money because I like to stream is double dipping. Not to mention I have friends who have to use a lot of data to run their business, it's vital to them in some cases to be able do what they do at lower prices just to get clients. They may not be able to offer those low prices if they have to spend extra money to pay for a "faster internet" just to do their jobs! Don't let these companies take away our free internet!
—Collin Brown, Maineville, OH

Our news input is already so heavily filtered in favor of wealthy companies that the stranglehold on input is severe. Don't make it worse!
—Lynn Friedman, Columbus, OH

To be able to use the net at the same speed for all of us without big corporations having control over the content and the speed it uses because they have money. Make the net a utility and you would not have to waste tax payers money implementing these new policies and rules just for the rich big companies that want it.
—Susan & Leonard Brouse, Spring Creek, NV

your turning this country in to the UNITED CORPORATIONS OF AMERICA. Stop stealing from the middle class and handing our money over to the greedy Fat cats
—Larry Parada, Bayonne, NJ

Freedom...is this china?
—Nancy matthews, Sedona, AZ

This is a rubbish idea, commerciality already dominates overly, time to draw a line.
—John Baker, ,

If only companies with money can send their ideas quickly around the world, then only their ideas will be heard.
—Matthew Downs, Saint Louis, MO

Without a free and open internet, I don't know where I would be in my life right now. I could not afford a traditional education. I had to learn my trade on my own. Without access to the free and open education I was able to find online, I would not be able to provide for my family and I certainly would not be able to enjoy my current standard of living. It is disgusting what you are proposing to take away from the American people. You disgust me.
—Nathaniel Weston, Salt Lake City, UT

In this day and age, the internet has become indispensable. The US seems to lag behind other countries in terms of access and speed. The FCC needs to do its job and represent the people by reclassifying ISPs.
—Ryan Lorge, cary, NC

The internet belongs to all of us, NOT the ISP's.
—Matt Mastro, Bound Brook, NJ

To keep the internet a fair and lever playing field unlike the real world.
—Jed Soleiman, New York, NY

do not sell the internet. ISP's should only be classified as common carriers.
—A Reed, San Anselmo, CA

A free market and net are essential for free citizens.
—Jon, Whiteside, TN

Restriction of public conversation and debate, through corporate domination of web access, is anti-American. History will remember the names of those who promoted liberty, and those who promoted greed.
—Paul Glover, Philadelphia, PA

The internet is the great equalizer for society, giving an equal voice to everyone in an unprecedented way. Net Neutrality preserves that and we should never allow greed to impede the progress that has been made.
—Wesley Prater, Houston, TX

FCC i really dislike what youre trying to do, its extremely unecessary in fact if its one thing that your acts(Trying to get rid of Net Neutrality) would do is only for the worse. Please reconsider your thoughts that this would ruin many things for a lot of people, and wont help anyone except internet providers.
—Indrit Selmani, ,

Don't let the ISPs further take advantage of the public by further segregating it into the haves and have nots. With fees for internet acces already rapidly increasing, this new policy would not only limit access to fast internet, but it will also hamper inovation. I urge you keep the internet neutral and give completion a chance. Thank you for your time.
—Javier Soria, Woodland, CA

There is a near-monopoly on regional internet service providers in the US, and eliminating Net Neutrality is just one more decrease on service quality and consumer choice.
—Evan Turner, Manassas, VA

Net Neutrality is critical for maintaining a decent quality of life -- for anyone -- rich, poor, powerful, weak, human, non-human. To surrender it is to advance against democracy a corporate oligarchy whose legacy must be mainly bloated dissatisfaction for the rulers and wretched devastation all else.
—Parker Flowers, Austin, TX

There will be far too much power over internet use granted to major providers. Just look at the power Comcast has exercised in some parts of the union regarding cable TV. For equitable access ISPs must be classified as common carriers.
—Peter B Bayley, Corvallis, OR

As a consumer, Net Neutrality guarantees that I can use the internet as I please. I already pay for faster speeds to access the content I choose to consume. The idea of limiting my access to the internet for the profit of corporations is 100% ludicrous and would destroy the internet as we know it. The beautiful thing about the internet is that it is widely accessible to the world and enables them to share and say and consume what they want, Net Neutrality would end the freedom myself, and every other internet user enjoys. It would diminish the voice of people, especially en masse. We have rejoiced in the ability of people to speak and be heard, that ability is being exercised right now. An end to net neutrality would diminish that voice and diminish the freedom people find in the internet. Don't let it happen. The few should not out-weigh the many. The coffers of corporations should not out-weigh the access of millions of U.S. citizens. Net Neutrality is necessary.
—Nick Walton, Fayetteville, AR

When websites can buy speed access on the Internet it destroys the need for those sites to improve because of innovative, but poorer or newer websites. Websites are the faces of products and companies and thus, this policy destroys our potential got progress and innovation. Please don't be on board with making the world add a while a worse place for a few extra dollars!
—Thea Oatman, Grand Ledge, MI

I think it is important for the internet to be anonymous so that people cannot discriminate against you
—Airenna Greenleaf, Garland, TX

FCC, The new rules are a dangerous path. Please reject them and allow true Net Neutrality. We cannot continue to all the giants like ATT, Comcast and Verizon to gain more power. They are already gauging consumers Please reconsider the current proposals for a two tiered Internet and REJECT them. Thank you,
—Mary Burke, Melrose, MA

The basic though behind internet is freedom out of anything else. If this changes, the internet will change more than it changed in the past 10 years. Please do NOT implement new rules and safe free internet!
—Filip Racko, zvolen,

I own a small business that helps other small businesses launch internet based products. We have been in business for almost 4 years and have helped launch more than 40 new products on the internet. Some of the businesses that we've worked with have gone from single founder companies to dozens of employees. In the beginning they would've been at a severe disadvantage if they were forced to pay extra fees to get a quality connection to consumers. It would make my clients and as a result my business more difficult to do business in an environment of haves and have nots.
—Anthony Smith, Indianapolis, IN

It is wholly appalling that ISP's want the leeway to gouge customers more than they already do, detract value and obstruct the use of the internet. Net Neutrality needs to be maintained and upheld.
—Ian Wakely, Oshawa,

Please protect net neutrality. The internet is a public utility and ISP's need to be reclassified as common carriers. More and more citizens need the internet just to do common business and your proposals would create second class citizens who are not able to carry out their business in an efficient equal manner. I also want my children to be able to go to the library and to school and to have high speed internet without costing money these public institutions do no have.
—Nikki Sachs, Berkeley, CA

Smaller, independent Web-based businesses and content sites will especially be handicapped if the big ISPs are allowed to serve as gatekeepers and toll-takers. Diversity is the Internet's #1 strength. Please don't let it be stifled.
—Charles Fry, Sunnyvale, CA

I use the computer and the Internet in my work, and if these new laws come into being, my income will go down drastically.
—Vic Warren, Kailua Kona, HI

The open Internet is something I've used for my education and research. To allow extra fees for various sites and sources would slow down scientific progress. In academia, we have to upload and download large data sets and time is important for students and researchers with deadlines. We cannot spend twice the time downloading data because a large corporation wants to line their pockets.
—Ahmed Hussien, Los Lunas, NM

Count me among millions who view the free flow of information as fundamental to the possibility of a democratic society. The Net has supplanted print media as the conduit for information. And, the Net is a Commons. No one should be allowed to purchase preferential access. Treat the Net as a utility shared by all in an equal way. Douglas P Dolstad Vashon Island, WA
—Douglas P Dolstad, Vashon, WA

Stop taking away our commons.
—Richard Vale, Cambridge, NY

I am a computer instructor. It is critical that my students can access all materials at the same speed in order to advance their learning and job opportunities.
—Scott Pinkelman, Philadelphia, PA

Please keep the internet neutral. Please classify the internet as common carrier. I am on a fixed income I get an increase on my bill every year. Td two tier system will force people to pay higher cost. This is not right. The internet was built on tax payer dollars. The internet belongs to the People!
—Michael Bourke, Butler, KS

I rely on the internet for paying bills, completing homework, and for many other uses; rising fees from the end of net neutrality will greatly limit what I can accomplish.
—Jennifer Gitschier, Plainville, MA

To maintain a democracy, all people must have equal access to the marketplace of ideas, which in today is largely online, not just to be exposed to others' ideas but also to have the equal ability to contribute to public discourse.
—Megan Stoneberger, Pittsburg, KS

I work from home. I need my VPN connection to the office to be up and running when I need it. The lack of choice for service providers, along with their unlimited power to choose the speed at which I can send and receive content is beyond unreasonable. We are already being gouged for every last cent for the "services" we get from these behemoths. Please stop this!
—Judy MacDougall Davison, Barrington, NH

We need everyone to be treated the same - we don't need one rule for the rich and one for the poor. Charities need to be treated the same way as powerful companies - and we all need the same courtesy. We all need equal access to the internet.
—P Armstrong, Bangor,

This is important to me, because internet is a tool that should not be in control by one group
—Brandon yearout, Colorado Springs, CO

We don't need second class citizens on the web.
—Shirley Joseph, Kew Gardens, NY

Because when companies are allowed to slow or block traffic they find objectionable, they will find every possible opportunity to use this ability to their own benefit. Once it becomes legal to deny or obstruct content because a controlling entity deems it objectionable, their definition of what is objectionable will creep outwards.
—Casey Robinson, Minneapolis, MN

Tiered second class citizenship in the net is not my idea of democracy or fairness. This move will price millions of citizens,small nonprofits,advocacy organizations and businesses off the net. The truly bitter irony is my tax dollars helped to develop the internet and now the FCC is giving theMonopoly what it wants which is the right to screw over all of us and provide worse service and worse infrastructure. ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers and the net should be treated like a utility and a public good not a cash machine for a few greedy companies. Hong Kong has better service than we do. Europe has better service than we do. these companies will do nothing about that at all.
—Carole Plourde, Amesbury, MA

Net neutrality is important to keep the net open to entrepeneurs and to discourage monopolies and corruption. We need it to be regulated like the utility it is.
—Atty Wendy Gantos, Mount Morris, MI

It is important for the internet to remain free and equal for everyone. Faster service for paying customers would greatly undermine the creativity and resourcefulness that makes the internet so powerful. Please do not be swayed for powerful special interests. Do what is best for the general public. Sincerely, Jackie Schmid
—Jackie Schmid, Oklahoma City, OK

An informed public is essential to democracy.
—Thomas S. Meacham, Bowling Green, KY

What does it really matter?! The internet is good as it is, and then you guys come along planning to make it bad! Sure there is dark things on the net but look at where the world is because of it... you don't get the right to decide weather it needs rules or not, you're basically trying to rule every one in the world by your decision. We are free people and as I said you don't get the right to decide something without us getting a chance to get our voices heard. The world wouldn't be the same if it wasn't for all of us
—axel Jongarden, ,

Freedom of expresion is vital in a free world
—Anders Hof, Årjäng,

Net Neutrality is THE underpinning of democracy!! Reclassify the Internet as a "common carrier" now to protect net neutrality (and our democracy) for the foreseeable future.
—Valerie Parmley, Granite City, IL

Utilizing common carriers is the only way that the Net will truly be neutral.
—Bernard F. Cleveland, White Lake, MI

You need to solve this problem once and for all. Reclassify the ISPs as common carriers. Support the public rather than the corporations. The public strongly supports "net neutrality" and sees through your attempt to disguise its demise with complex plans to save it. Keep it simple. Use your authority to reclassify and then use your authority to keep the internet absolutely open and neutral.
—Alan Marwine, housatonic, MA

I consider that open and free world-wide communication essential for us to become one world. Do not make the Internet become yet another way for the rich to control the people of the world!
—Carol J Suutherland, DENVER, CO

I run a small Internet-based business and do not want to be shunted to the "slow lane" by the lecherous cable companies.
—Mr. Theodore Wirth, Denville, NJ

We need to maintain equality for the American people. Plain and simple.
—Joan Kozlowski, Lockport, NY

Keep the internet the way it is. Reclassify ISP's as Title II common carriers.
—Joseph Vornbrock, Edmonds, WA

As an entrepeneur passionate about online education and ensuring that the digital divide does not increase, I see with great concern that changes that will favor certain powerful groups will set us back in terms of equity. Please reconsider the interests of small business owners, entrepeneurs and the segment of the public that through an open internet can have access to content and services that were not available before.
—Itzel McClaren, Austin, TX

A tiered structure would not only affect movies and surfing, but all of the vital business activity that happens online. It could ruin some companies, and you have the chance to prevent that.
—Victor Polites, Holland, MI

Please keep the internet fair, don't sell out.
—Matthew Liccione, Columbia, MO

Without Net Neutrality we are on our way to becoming an economic dictatorship.
—Catzby Pitzvada, Front Royal, VA

The current proposal works only for the corporate players and those that can afford to pay to get their content through the fastest channels. Those that can't pay and consumers have no recourse and no choice but to accept the slower transmission rate. This is not neutral. It's a pay-to-play system.
—Michael Wheeler, Marietta, GA

Mr. Wheeler: This country is, on an ever-increasing scale, being taken over and run by big corporations. This is leaving John and Jane Doe feeling more and more helpless, almost on a daily basis. This is wrong, and being pushed too gar in the wrong direction will ultimately lead to some form of revolt on the side of the individual. Whether violent, financial, or otherwise, I don't know, but it is coming, and unless the type of action you are considering with regards to Net Neutrality is halted, we are all in for a mess none of us wants. Please leave the Internet access we have as is, for all our sake.
—Gregg Towne, Gansevoort, NY

This is yet another case where the Federal Government needs to GET OUT OF OUR LIVES. The rules proposed is NOT what any educated consumer (the FCC's boss) wants. This is the OPPOSITE of net neutrality and it WILL cost everyone more. No NO NO! What we need is for the FCC to instead reclassify ISP's as common carriers, and prohibit creating any "fast lane" or "priority routing" of any and all network traffic.
—Mathew Nieberger, Erie, CO

Neutrality is important, because that's why internet was invented. It is best method to connect people all over the world without any worthless fees. I think big corporations are taking huge amount of money so why would we pay them even more for something that we are creating? What would the internet be without us, people.
—Jiří Svoboda, ,

The Internet is now the common carrier for human communication. Time to treat it as such.
—Anthony Pedretti, Downers Grove, IL

Let me start by claiming corruption. Corruption of the highest order is being perpetrated on the American public. Our so called leaders are elected by us. They aren't placed by divine right or authoritative power, but by the people. Their job is to listen to and execute the orders of the people. Now, through the guise of law and loopholes, corporations ate recognized as "people" which is callous and wrong. I don't care if it is a tiny corporation or a nassive conglomerate, it is a business entity, not a person. All of those down on K street are not people, they are entities serving entities, because executing orders under business is seen as such. Congress is supposed to listen to the people, instead their morally disambiguos minds are easily swayed by cronyism and money. Their job is to protect the people's rights, instead they ignore us, which should nullify any decisions made by them. As an arm of the government, you, the FCC should listen to the people, and we are against your corrupt decision. Freedom of choice is expounded upon in the constitution, and you are denying the choice of the people. In doing so you have proved to be untrustworthy. In he name of saving massive business from competition, you will take away from the people their tool to fight for liberty and freedom. If this passes, don't be surprised if the people riot, drag you into the streets and hold their own courts to find you guilty, because that is what you are, guilty. I pray you heed this warning, and stand with the people. Keep the internet free.
—Mason Hunsicker, San Antonio, TX

Pay to play is not equal access for a network that we taxpayers paid to develop. Do not sell our internet to free-loader big business like ATT and Comcast.
—Jonathon C McLendon, Raleigh, NC

Basic freedom
—Doug Williams, Wheeling, IL

Neutrality is key to open data, and a fair and open internet for everyone.
—Eli Ollila, Minneapolis, MN

net neutrality is the only way anyone new can get ahead on the internet- yes there are the sites that are already big, but ending net neutrality would prevent future big sites from ever even starting. so i say throw out those rules and reclassify isps as common carriers.
—Alex Belcher, ,

We can't have a class system in the internet!
—Victoria Neff, Ann Arbor, MI

Net neutrality is absolutely essential for driving innovation on the internet. The proposed "fast lane" will cripple upcoming tech firms and start ups and leave us with a stagnant and unchanging internet. Furthermore, this establishes the idea that ISP's can choose the content they provide, a painfully slow connection is essentially no connection. This gives these huge corporations the right take another level of control over our lives.
—Charles Carbiener, Tallahassee, FL

I need a free internet to go about my daily business, investing in stocks, monitoring my bank acct. etc.
—Daniel Van Roosenbeek, Casa Grande, AZ

Internet service providersare the conduit of transfer of information. Do not make them the controllers of content for profit. This control will surely bankrupt free thought and expression in our society and the world.
—Allan Young, Novato, CA

To the FCC I am really worried for the future of the internet and freedom. The tide of public opposition against corporate power and control is finally being challenged. You know that it is wrong. Please have the fortitude to govern for the people and NOT the lobby interests of big money and profits. If you do not then the people will finally realize that you are part of the system of more and more control until the world ends up in the hands of the wicked elite. People will challenge this in the streets. They will get angry. I don't live in the USA but I can see and read through the FREE INTERNET that people are waking up to this rising dictatorship of corporate control over the proper power of the government and peoples voices. If I had this power I wouldn't be afraid to use it in favour of the people. I CANNOT EVER be bought I know what is right and I sleep easily. I am very strong and so are the people, don't underestimate them. PLEASE do the correct and proper action for the people. What will they have left if you do not? This is so important for our freedom. Yours trustingly Ian Hodsdon Australia
—Ian Hodsdon, Perth,

I live in South America but pay taxes as a US citizen. Net neutrality is simple common sense. The FCC proposal is another power grab by the big carriers AT&T, Verizon (wasn't Tom Wheeler once their lawyer). and Comcast so they can tighten their strangle hold on the Internet. It is a VERY BAD PROPOSAL. -Dr. Bill Bushnell
—Dr. Bill Bushnell, Amelia Island, FL

It's it obvious why Net Neutrality matters? Of course it is, and the only rationality to the changing of the rules after all these years is to benefit the corporations who started all this nonsense, not the general internet population. I will never support any politician or government member who supports ending net neutrality.
—Michael Bilotti, Erie, PA

The internet is a vital public utility and allowing ISPs to further limit access by creating tolls on the internet superhighway would mark a step backward not forward. The ISPs already take enough as it is from me and others who depend on the internet for important services and information. Do not let them relegate us to the status of second-class internet citizens and gouge us further.
—John Ocampo, Miami, FL

Internet should be available for all people (corporations are not people) for a reasonable affordable price.
—David Niu, Livingston, CA

These new rules you've designed will hurt the economy, businesses, and the general public because of the new and inefficient path you are allowing the internet providers to make. Reclassify internet service providers as common carriers, maintain and protect a free and open internet.
—Travis Hunter, Madison, WI

Fast lanes would only serve to give ISPs dangerous discriminatory power where business will suffer aside from those who can afford it. This kind of discriminatory power would be toxic to a free and open Internet. Please make broadband a public utility to give net neutrality a fighting chance.
—Miguel Canales, Topeka, KS

As a webmaster of two large websites which have a large number of topics covered with items of national and international interest, visited by people and organisations from around the world, I will not be able to operate if I do not have net neutrality here in Australia. What the FCC does in the USA has international repercussions and it is therefore necessary for Tom Wheeler to reconsider the plan which would allow rampant discrimination online. The FCC needs to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Mannie De Saxe, Preston South,

The Internet is our most powerful global resource for information and human connectedness in history and must be kept free of obstructions!
—Bruce O'Brien, Altoona, WI

This is an absolutely terrible idea which will only benefit big business and will be massively detrimental to everyone else.
—Jasper Sharpe, ,

The Internet is the basis for all our modern day communication, whether it be for news, movies, music, personal, education, research, and the list goes on. It is the highway to all our future new technology. Why would you restrict its use and stifle innovation? The real issue here is a monopoly owned by the few cable companies that want to continue to provide high-priced bundle services whose content most of us do not want. They don't want to give up their cash cow. The argument that some how streaming technology clogs up the internet is just not true with local ISP caching and distributed cloud technologies. Don't be confused by Comcast, Time Warner, and others. Do what is right for the American people, our economy and innovation.
—Gary L Wells, Freeland, WA

The internet is a utility, And our laws should reflect that. We wouldn't let businesses regulate the quality of landline phone connections or give preferential heating prices to favored businesses. Net neutrality is needed for innovation and a fair internet for everyone.
—Glenn Liddy, State College, PA

The internet belongs to the users. The providers have no right to say what we can and can't view. We pay to view EVERYTHING equally. If you're really for net neutrality, then explain how the contradictory rules that you're supporting actually preserve it.
—David Roy, Atlanta, IL

Discrimination is bad.
—Stephen C. Gonot, Deerfield Beach, FL

Please keep Net Neutrality! This country was founded on the belief that all are created equal and all have a freedom of speech. Please do not impinge on our freedoms by dividing our ability to communicate via the internet into the "haves" and the "have nots"! Open and free communication, without the discrimination dictated by large ISPs, will allow this country to continue to be the great country we have become!
—Collette Cesar, Milwaukee, WI

As a small business owner, I've really appreciated how the internet has been a level playing field, where my business can compete on equal footing with large corporations. If the FCC's current proposal goes through that will be lost. Please maintain Net Neutrality and reclassify ISPs as common carriers
—Matt Paul, Guysville, OH

This is a public utility issue and is very simple to fix. The fact is the internet was invented on the support of the American taxpayer, not the rent-seeking corporations. Define the internet as a public utility and the companies as common carriers. Problem solved!
—PI Norton, Lewes, DE

Net neutrality is critically important to the health of our entire nation. Without it just a few folks with offshore accounts will benefit.
—Mark Swanson, ann arbor, MI

the internet was set up to be free and open, but the big cable and broadband suppliers have all but priced a lot of us out of the market. If pay for play goes into effect it will cause these charges to be passed on to the people. we can't afford to pay even more to these greedy companies. please keep the internet neutral.
—Jerry Mawhorter, Royal Oak, MI

Please let us have a free internet! This is the place where we can escape from our every-day life and relax, let us free of social construct and responsibilities. Don't take it from us!
—Madalina Tomulescu, ,

The internet is for this generation of humanity, the same as the discovery of fire in our generations past. Please don't stifle the flames. Let our evolutionary track continue to grow and progress forward like that of our ancestors. Thank you and take good care.
—Jeffrey Ternes, Wichita, KS

Without this change, corporate interests will be a constant threat against which users must repeatedly mobilize.
—Michael Murphy, Accord, NY

The net has been a huge force for equality. To let it become tiered in such a way is to strike a blow against equality everywhere.
—Bob Shockey, La Verne, CA

Equal opportunity on all levels.
—Michael Salerno, Boca Raton, FL

Net Neutrality allows me to use the internet as something other than a TV replacement. I'm not a mindless consumer of content. I primarily use the internet to work, to learn, to stay informed. My work requires fast connections because of the large files that I work with. Prioritization of episodes of some show over my work is ridiculous. I don't think that I should have priority; the priority should be the same. On top of this small personal reason for Net Neutrality, it promotes and protects free speech and innovation. It prevents the ISPs from effectively extorting companies and customers. Anything with fast lanes is NOT Net Neutrality. Common carrier status seems like the best way to enforce Net Neutrality.
—Justin Walker, Madison, WI

This action will create a unbalanced, money based dual system where ISPs can blackmail websites and deny or allow faster service at their discretion. Considering how lazy and unethical most ISPs are already, is this something we should be okay with? Also, frankly, it's embarrassing to America that this is even an issue up for debate. The rest of the world is far ahead of us in terms of understanding and governing the internet and electronics... where our senators and heads of certian government branches barely seem to understand how "the intertubes" work. If you don't understand it... you aren't qualified to legislate it.
—Brian worthington, Danvers, MA

I want the sites I go to online to be on even playing fields. I need to know that the only sites I can load with speed are not the sites that paid the most. That would not be a fair press in terms of news, which the internet is THE source for news for most people today and all people of the future.
—Carolina King, Ridgway, CO

I can barely afford the internet as it is. If they start putting in pay gates I'll have to go without. I use the internet everyday for all sorts of things, entertainment and business. Net neutrality is important to me because without it I will have to change my whole way of life. Personally I don't think a few corporations should have such power and control over an individuals life.
—Geoffrey Horn, Ardmore, OK

Internet providers should provide equal access to all internet traffic regardless of whom is coming from
—Juan Martinez, Miami, FL

Corporations must not be allowed to control the Internet!
—Jeffrey M. Rego, New Bedford, MA

Keep Internet Free
—Jose Aponte, Orlando, FL

Net Neutrality should prevail because allowing corporate interests to dictate who gets access is unfair and infringes on the ability to choose what online content and applications one can utilize.
—Norma Moura, Lake Worth, FL

A neutral Net is vital to the success and growth of small businesses (and, as a solo performer/eco-arts educator and crafter, I am one of the smallest). Further, the loss of freely available, findable content - the type of amazingly varied offerings, products and services and widely divergent viewpoints that characterize the current Net - represents an impoverishing of the human spirit as well as a theft of intellectual capital.
—Amelia Sefton, Grand Rapids, MI

Please don't allow the politics of money to control Internet access
—John Allen, Olney, IL

This move away from net neutrality is wrong, plain and simple. The road a decision like this leads humanity down is too terrifying to imagine. Please do not allow this to happen.
—Jennifer Lewis, Mount Clemens, MI

it is an open way to garner information without anyone trying to make it their agenda
—Barry Oaks, Eugene, OR

This brainless government has already ruined everything for the American people! Now this!!!! Why not focus on helping the people instead of making things so hard!!! I really feel like i am living in NAZI GERMANY!!!!!!!! THIS IS BULLSHIT! ALWAYS ABOUT THE FUCKING MONEY!!!!!!!!
—Pamela Stevens, Kearns, UT

do you idiots not understand why this is so important to us. Stop selling our country, our lives and our internet to big business.
—Mike Barbeau, Alameda, CA

This will only lead to monopolies on who can stream media to you. On a small scale this will damage businesses like Netflix and Hulu which is what the cable companies want. They hope it will bring people back to their expensive service.
—Christopher Krasniuk, Bloomington, IL

Do not kill our internet. We need to have equal access to information.
—Rebecca Hackerman, Baltimore, MD

The FCC's proposed internet rules reduce the quality of the overall internet experience for the common taxpaying citizen. These rules are discriminatory and infringe upon the freedom of speech which is a right that is foundational to the constitution of the United States Of America.
—Rick Cochran, McKinney, TX

A free internet if critical to preserving free speech in the USA. The FCC has an obligation to treat the internet as a utility and regulate it in a way that provides equal access to all users in order to ensure that all American's voices and views are heard. This is critical to a functioning democracy.
—Luis Trueba Jr., Odessa, TX

As I've said before, net neutrality is the last vestige of our democracy where we can remain informed.
—Ben Sokoloff, Farmington Hills, MI

Please please for the future sake of the American people and the future sake of an open internet, I implore you to reclassify our ISPs as common carriers so we can have Net Neutrality.
—Dudley Chase, San Marcos, CA

My internet service is slow enough as it is (and yes, I'm paying for more than basic service).
—David M. Cannell, Manchester, CT

Fire the chairman NOW!
—Steve Bear, Port Townsend, WA

Internet is a strategic asset and it is vital to the national interest similar to national highways and electricity grid. Any profit driven company should not be controlling what happens to the internet. So, please reclassify the internet service providers as utility companies.
—John Pal, Franklin, MA

The internet allows us to knock down borders and connect with people worldwide. Please don't take that away from us.
—Marlena Maria, Norwood, MA

Under the proposed rules, private companies will be rationing scarcity for increasingly large amounts of money. Too bad we can't have the kind of bandwidth South Korea enjoys. It will result in an accelerated race for the bottom http://www.seconnecticut.com/f cc.htm
—Robert L Vogel, East Lyme, CT

Internet is a utility of the commons like water or electricity...also comparable to the public library...you must classify the internet as a common carrier.
—Devorah Levy, Kirkland, WA

Keep the internet open and neutral, anything else will be a huge mistake!
—Eric Van Eimeren, Helena, MT

We need Net Neutrality, not a "Class System" for those who are poor and those who are rich.
—Patricia Adams, Celina, TN

I need my cat videos. Also, the internet is the last free place on earth. Don't let some greedy people control it.
—Allen Gavyuk, Eden Prairie, MN

The best thing about the internet is with a device and a connection everyone has the freedom to create content or look at content regardless of sponsorship or their connections to powerful media corporations. Please reclassify internet providers as common carriers. Most people like this freedom. SERVE the PEOPLE not the corporations. We appreciate ways to communicate together that are not controlled by who has more money.
—Sarah erickson, Pekin, IL

A neutral internet spurs more economic and technological innovation than a pay-to-play or tiered one. Keep the net neutral, or the US will sink further as a technical powerhouse.
—Prashanth Mundkur, Menlo Park, CA

I look at the internet as a utility, vital to my ability to keep in touch with what's happening in our world. All internet service providers need to be on the same plane, with no tiers at all.
—Cina Barker, Nashua, NH

Because porn.
—Mike L., Washington, DC

Hi, I'm writing you today to express my serious concern with the recent actions of the Federal Communications Commission regarding changes in policies that could cause serious monopolistic issues with our current open internet. The internet is one of mankind's greatest accomplishments, and something that should be carefully nurtured and protected. It is one of our most effective platforms of free speech, and that freedom is in danger. Allowing any policies that could cause discrimination, promote monopolies, or hinder innovation would be a grave mistake with the potential of snowballing into monopolistic control of the internet. I, like many, run multiple web based services and rely on an open and fair internet for my livelihood. Please, use your power to protect mankind's freedom.
—Travis P Walter, San Diego, CA

Working for a small internet business is only possible with an open and fair internet. Please help me keep my job and use your powers under Title II. Thank you for your time.
—Jesse Manning, Louisville, KY

Do not do this.
—Nelson Campbell, Brooks, GA

An open internet is critical to innovation and progress in today's world. By killing Net Neutrality, you place an enormous amount of power in the hands of the big service providers, and this power WILL be abused. Please reclassify the ISPs as common carriers. This is what the people want.
—Aaron B Rusch, san diego, CA

We need equal access to information and ability to have our voice heard; no more than ever since the Citizen's United Supreme Courts ruling. Or is this the reason you choice to limit the speech by businesses and individuals to prevent fairness in this arena, too.
—Christina Krauz, Grand Marais, MN

This type of technology provides vast information to many people in many ways. It should be available to all without adding on any further fees than what users are paying for providers.
—Alison Gray, Stroudsburg, PA

Why is everything up for sale? It is so obvious why net neutrality is healthy for democracy, for small business, for everyone. It is like preserving land for national parks for everyone to have equal access to and to enjoy. PRESERVE THIS SPACE FOR EVERYONE!
—Mr. Larry Wilson, San Carlos, CA

We need to keep net neutrality as best as possible. HAVE YOU NOT NOTICED HOW GREEDY TELECOM BUSINESSES ARE? They're consuming all competition creating illegal monopolies with the US government giving them pats on the back, nobody cares that they always want more money THAT THEY DO NOT NEED, and they have been nickel and diming us to death for years. I require the net for at least 90 percent of my computer and mobile activity. Should telecoms get their way, not only will I not be able to afford a huge chunk of activity but can face discrimination of my and other's business just because these greedy chumps want more and more until they have complete unwarranted control of what should be a open medium. MONOPOLY IS A CHILDREN'S GAME, NOT SOMETHING YOU ATTEMPT AS AN ACTUAL BUSINESS.
—Robert S. Martin, Plant City, FL

I won't get into my thoughts on bribery and corruption, rather I'll simply say, as an IT professional, ISPs are common carriers and should be classified as such.
—Michael Hasse, Lynnwood, WA

Both corporations and individuals need an internet that is equal/neutral for all. This can only be accomplished by regulation as a public utility/common carrier. Anything else will fail by circumvention of regulation and lack of enforcement. The FCC can't enforce and successfully accomplish something as simple as the Do Not Call program. Yet the FCC thinks it achieve net neutrality by cooperating with big telecom and cable? Regulating them as strictly as possible is the answer.
—Mark H Russell, Wampum, PA

Internet "Providers" did not invent the net, but they enjoy its monetary benefits. Tell them they can't buy their way to charging more for a two lane highway.
—Joseph M Furst, rocky hill, CT

Please do NOT go forward with this plan. Be the people who will be remembered for generations to come as the group that SAVED the neutrality of the internet, not the group that destroyed it!
—Kevin Neville, Garden City, NY

I pay lots of money for the internet. Please don't shut me out.
—Mary Hunter, Chattanooga, TN

Mister Wheeler, Please do the right thing. Internet needs to remain common carriers. You will be giving too much power to people who already have too much power, and they will endeavor to dubious ends. Imagine an internet where you don't get what you pay for, and it is legal. Imagine a place where your son or grandson has a fantastic idea for a startup company or product, but it competes with their interests so they shut him down to a trickle. The internet needs to remain neutral or you take our voice. Mister Wheeler, America will not forget and not forgive if you fail us on this. Rest assured.
—Russel Hampton, tomball, TX

The internet needs to be left status quo. Many of us work from home and cannot afford extra fees to receive the same service we already get for the fee we now pay.
—Shawn King, Ridgway, CO

Do not implement the 2- tier Internet scheme proposed by Wheeler!
—Carol Wayne Brooks and Bigelow, Madison, WI

Throw out the proposed rules and enact real net neutrality--common carrier. This proposed rule is for "the aristocracy of corporate wealth", to use Jefferson's words.
—John D. Powell, Madison, WI

Regulate it like a utility. You're suppose to be on our side.
—Bob Johns, Saint Johns, MI

Fast Lanes will degrade the consumer Internet experience and quality. Every ISP has finite bandwidth in/out, unless they increase/expand the number or speed of the fibre links/ports. To believe that these ISP will build new fast lanes for their new paying partners before giving them dedicated fast lane bandwidth is a joke. They will take from existing bandwidth and carve it out at the expense of those now in the more congested lane, if you will. If customer demand grows for generic IP traffic (not VoIP or other proprietary solution) because Netflix streaming requests increase, let the providers bandwidth grow organically with their customer base to support their QoS goals and not at the expense of less privileged, non-special-agreement partners/sites. If you must change the the rules/law, do so to treat the Internet Service Providers like any public regulated utility and ensure fair and equal access and delivery for all consumers.
—Jeffrey Dorman, Satellite Beach, FL

I do not agree that a privately controlled, biased internet is something that should be allowed. In fact, I'm not sure how this is legal and it should be considered a monopoly.
—Lauren Schermerhorn, Bethesda, MD

Open and readily available access to information is the lifeblood of democracy. By making it even more expensive to access websites on the internet and by slowing down their transmission speed is an attack on democracy. Large corporations should not be allowed to determine which websites people can readily access and which ones they cannot. That leads to even more control by corporations over our society and is bad for democracy.
—Geoffrey Marsh, Santa Rosa, CA

I believe that the internet is today's independence. It allows people from all around the world regardless of their situation to have a voice and be heard. By putting restrictions and bans in place it would be very much like limiting a right such as freedom of speech. To add to that a company's main goal is to make money. By giving them even more power you're allowing them to find new ways to make even more profit than they were before regardless of wether it affects other people or not. The internet should be kept a free space with no restrictions.
—Mario, ,

Letting a corporation control universal sources of information is fundamentally wrong and another sign that our country is heading toward corporate controlled communism.
—Carson Korman, Owings Mills, MD

As someone who has grown up and watched the internet grow into what is is today, I truly appreciate what it is. Customers are already paying huge amounts of money considering the inflation of cable bills is much higher than gas. I think we pay enough to get our fair shair of the bandwidth and to let companies pay to take our speed for their own use would be criminal. Thank you for your consideration in reading this.
—Arik J Shockley, Fresno, CA

In 2011, the UN passed a resolution declaring that Web access is a basic human right, and I firmly support that decision. Therefore any corporate body or government is committing a human rights violation by attempting to end Net neutrality. Keep the Internet free!!
—Rev Paul J. Bern, Atlanta, GA

More and more our country is ruled by those who have money. We are supposed to live in a democracy, not an oligarchy. This is why the Net needs to remain neutral.
—Olga Abella, Robinson, IL

I am living on a small Social Security and am house bound most of the time. The internet is my window to the world. If you do not make the internet a common carrier I will lose my ability to use it. Comcast will raise the prices and I will be out of the internet for good. There are so many reasons we all depend on the net, please do the right thing for the people and keep the net neutral. No watered down rules, reclassify it now.
—Jeanne Shaw, Denver, CO

I strongly support reclassifying the Internet as the utility it is, and I urge you to do just that.
—Carrie Kaput, Phoenix, AZ

Health issues often keep me home bound. My access to information is not only crucial, it is what has often kept me alive. Researching from home is vital to my continued reasonably good health and well being. Thank you in advance for listening to my concerns.
—Emma Squires, Irving, TX

I have 2 websites that advertise my Christmas caroling group and my voice teaching. This proposal would make them too difficult to maintain, IF they could even be found by anyone. PLEASE reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Mrs. Jeanie Pitchford, Chicago, IL

I depend on net neutrality for the hope of one day starting an online business. Without net neutrality most small businesses will fail, and it would be tough for new ones to begin. Don't kill net neutrality!
—Yukimi, Greensburg, IN

I'm a 59 year old computer programmer that lost a 20 year job during the recession. For the last few years I have been designing and marketing a web portal service for restaurants called TipsSender.net. Having more costs to manage to get my service to customers is not useful and not part of the original plan. It could put me in a position where I have no income again. The internet should be a common carrier so us little entrepreneurs can make a living.
—Dale Southard, Salt Lake City, UT

I am deeply disturbed that you would even consider allowing this proposal to go through. We all should have open access to the Internet not just those who can afford to pay for faster service. It seems that daily we see every aspect of our lives being handed over to private industries to make a buck at our expense. When is this going to stop? When are you going to start looking out for the American people?
—Janet Hoover, Garden Grove, CA

Any proposals made by a private company can only result in disaster so net neutrality must remain.
—Sean Kelleher, Limerick,

It means freedom, just that... ALL OF THAT !!! Don't let corporations rule our communications and freedom of speech and access content.
—Luiz Paulo, Miami, FL

Please protect real net neutrality! Please do not approve Mr. Wheeler's plan. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet does not need any useless regulations on it.
—Andy Saville, Petersburg, WV

Please maintain Net Neutrality through a single tiered system open and available to all with no preference for large corporations or corporate interests. The internet music be treated as a common carrier for the public good. Protecting the public good is the job of the government and its agencies. Please do your job and make sure this happens - for the sake of all of us. Thank you.
—Lucia Miller, Northampton, MA

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Andrew, Temecula, CA

Net Nuetrality is key to an open and sustainable democracy!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!
—Jason Triefenbach, Long Beach, CA

The internet is about freedom. Stifling the ability for companies to create new things by inherently deprioritizing their traffic means there is no freedom. We *MUST* set a tone for the rest of the world by ensuring ISPs are common carriers; this is NO DIFFERENT from the phone system. It MUST be fully connected.
—Jack Kastorff, San Francisco, CA

I only see the further devastation of small town USA if this proposal goes through. I can only imagine the number of small businesses this will kill off.
—Julian King, Metamora, IL

Keep the internet open for everyone.
—Mrs Nancy W Martin, Enid, OK

Net Neutrality is critical because so much information is on the internet. From alternative news to magazines to research, it's important that the net remain neutral and uncensored.
—Elizabeth M. Harmon, Greenville, SC

The internet is important to us all in the way the Public library was in the past. It should be equally accessible to us all!
—MIchael Guyette, Key West, FL

I don't want companies to have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. Reclassify ISP's as common carriers, NOT Lord's of the internet!
—Billy B., ,

The internet should be classified as a UTILITY. The internet is too important to be hijacked by greedy companies thinking of only their bottom lines and shareholders, and NOT their customers or the consumers you are charged to protect. DO WHAT IS RIGHT AND NOT WHAT IS EASY!!!!
—George Bourous, Astoria, NY

I always use the Net to do research on various issues..I believe I am intelligent enough to discern which sites provide reliable, accurate informatin and which do not...
—Naomi Fatouros, Bloomington, IN

How will a two-tiered internet benefit the 99 % that are not wealthy? Please do not act to widen the gap between the haves and the have nots.
—Lorri Weir, Yale, MI

Allowing the internet to become little more than something only the rich and powerful can use effectively would have worldwide implications too horrid to contemplate. Maintaining a open and accessible internet system is an essential element to the future of the human race. Preserve it!
—Ben Stone - ACLU of Iowa, Des Moines, IA

There is NO logical reason why ISPs should not be classified as common carriers. The FCC needs to ensure that Net Neutrality will be the foundation that our country's entrepeneurial success will be based on. Chairman Tom Wheeler's proposed plan MUST be thrown out!
—Daniel R. Pratt, Saint Paul, MN

Net Neutrality is important to me because, as an 80 year old retiree, I rely on the internet to assist in making purchases, obtaining drug prescriptions, getting information about candidates during the voting season, helping me to find recipes that will allow me to use up what is in my refrigerator, and in general easily accessing information about the world and its history. Making my access slower seems to me to be a way to allow huge and powerful companies a way to earn still more profits at the expense of the middle class. uperhigh I urge you to support Net Neutrality and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. .
—Hazel S. Spiegel, La Grande, OR

The world wide web was built by US with taxes. It is public and the FCC is to protect the PUBLIC from undo influence. The ISP IS a common carrier and has to be regulated as any other common carrier. JUST DO IT!!!!!!!!
—Jeff Treanor-Brown, Eugene, OR

Fairness to small businesses and consumers.
—Barry Newmark, Brooklyn, NY

ISPs ARE common carriers; to allow corporations to buy their privileges away from the majority will rapidly erode the security of our country, our ability to communicate, our participation in government, our ability to acquire reliable information. Please do not sell our country to corporate interests!
—Richard Young, Albuquerque, NM

As a software developer and computer nerd, the internet isn't a nice to have, it's a must. I'd rather they turned off my water than my internet. Please enforce net neutrality and don't let the future of the internet be decided by a few incompetent corporations!
—Mr. John Burke, Sunnyside, NY

The Internet itself like a space in universe you cannot just say now you cannot go the just because it is not in your advantage. Internet from the beginning was a way of sharing ideas and information. It must be free for everybody or not exist from the beginning and no one own the internet because you will have to buy all people who sharing and provide service. Because if you put boundaries it will create advantage only for high society people but for rest you will cut out just because it easy way to eliminate the competiotion
—Mark yanovskiy, ,

The internet is for all; it was not created by the rich. Why give it to them now.
—Fritz Bachman, Moab, UT

I dropped AOL and never looked back because Yahoo presented search results I asked for rather than substituting paid ads. I set up a Yahoo email account because it was portable instead of tied to a particular internet provider. I discovered Google provided better searches and amazing new tech services. These things were possible because of I had real choices of developing technologies AND MULTIPLE BUSINESS MODELS the "flat playing field" of the OPEN INTERNET. Your responsibility to the American people, should you choose to accept it, is to protect real Net Neutrality in America, providing an environment in which new technologies, new businesses and new business models can grow and prosper. Freedom of choice and optimal technical growth in America can only be maintained if you reclassify and regulate ISPs as common carriers.
—Robert C Quick, Medford, NJ

ISPs should be regulated as utilities like phone companies!
—Brendan Michael Hayes, Boulder, CO

The internet started with being a free network & should stay free & unencumbered. This move to control the network only establishes a monopoly & takes away free speech. This no different than book burning of old. You want to become a country like Iran & China which severely limits the people access. Free internet comes with good & bad but mostly good. Say NO to control.
—Kenneth John Rowe, Loveland, CO

The internet was made for information sharing for free, why the hell should some get slower speeds and others faster? Especially now that video games for instance are a big beef in the internet.
—Vladimir Kostriukov, ,

Discrimination is wrong. This country fought for decades to make equal rights for humans and now you want to destroy equal rights for people on the Internet? What are you guys thinking? Are you trying to move this country backwards? Rather you guys need to take a good look at what your doing and realize you're doing your Job wrong or you need to leave office and re-read the constitution a few times until you become a better human. I'm sick of writing nice sincere letters to you "apparent bigwigs"all you do is fling it off your shoulder. Stop being fuckwits and do the right thing for once.
—Someone who doesn't want discrimination., ,

Now that mainstream media have turned into right wing controlled propaganda machines, with the consolidation of ownership of all media into the hands of 5 corporations ruled by right wing CEOs, Americans have only the Internet as a free medium of communication. Now thanks to greed, even that is being taken away. When did we turn into the enemy? Cash cows at the mercy of unbridled avarice?
—j Dinkmeyer, Grand Lake, CO

These huge corporations already have too much power in our economy and charging fees to increase internet speed is just another way to price gouge the average person.
—Rachel Onstott, Louisville, KY

Its a shame to see such a quality service as Netflix falter in delivery of fantastic video content due to the greed of cable providers such as Comcast. By not backing network neutrality and a federated internet we would bare witness to the most innovative and transformative technology of a generation turned into a space where only major players with big financial backing are able to bring new services to light. And if there's anything the internet generation has taught it's this: big corporations do not innovate as quickly nor as successfully as do their smaller counterparts.
—Ali Shah, Burlington, MA

Our neutral internet is the only real voice, communication and organizing tool we have left to fight the current onslaught of corruption. Don't you dare sell it out!
—Kyle Petlock, Los Angeles, CA

I am a mechanical engineering Ph.D.student in renewable energy. I need the internet to access related research papers and communicate with other scientists and engineers. I can't afford for it to slow down nor can I afford to pay a fee to get fast access.
—Tulsi Vembu, Sunderland, MA

I am a freelancing artist and depend on the traffic through my own website as well as many free forums to pick up work and sell my art. I am struggling as it is, though in the past year business has improved. However, I cannot afford to pay for my traffic and the free forums I frequent would be devastated by the end of Net Neutrality. Where once there was a chance for hard work and ability to pay off, there is now only the promise of impending loss. And I am not alone. Please, for the sake of all small businesses and free forums, uphold Net Neutrality.
—Samantha, Hazel Hurst, PA

Having equal access to the internet is an important tool for survival in a meaningful way. The need for information is now important on many different levels which would take a book to iterate. As a senior, I cannot afford extra fees and I have as much right to a speedy connection and navigation as anyone else. Poor people who are just getting hooked up thanks to this administration would start out at a disadvantage. There is no reason to layer the opportunity which would further serve to layer the cultural strata of our country. This serves only a select few and does not serve the entire nation. This needs to be stopped and the same availability should be there for everyone at the same cost.
—Nancy, Mount Prospect, IL

if you allow a change to a priority internet it will affect the whole world (as everyone will follow) and a large majority of the world now relies on the internet daily. I cannot believe how a panel of 5 at the behest of a few large companies can decide the fate of so many in the world - our voices should count and we say NO to your proposed interent rules.
—Tim Cockhill, st leonards,

Because Big Business should NOT be running the Earth!
—Gary Schmitt, Winter Park, FL

Stop this madness. Protect the internet for ALL users. Net neutrality is vital to our democracy.
—Jennifer Wells, Cartersville, GA

thanks for catering to the big conglomerates who stuff money in your selfish pockets so you dont care about the millions of everyday people who need the internet you are inconpetent and dispicable flackies of the jerk yomamma we have for president unfortunately
—David Jernberg, Elgin, IL

Net neutrality is immensely important for every person on the planet. An unaltered, unbiased search experience is important for all, including small businesses, online services, group organizations as well as large corporations. No website deserves to be imposed slower load times simply because they have not paid into the "fast lane". It is a level playing field ALREADY and should not be tampered with simply for profit. Save the internet, keep it neutral. Taking away this neutrality, I consider to be an attack on freedom of speech around the globe.
—Sarah Nicole Graham, ,

By allowing people who can afford higher rates dominate the internet I believe it will set up a form of censorship by not allowing regular joes the same access as corporations and rich people.
—Candice Towey, Omaha, NE

The Internet is the single most important invention that humanity has ever had, because it allows every single human to communicate freely. Ending net neutrality would set the Internet back 20 years, which would be today's equivalent of razing the Library of Alexandria.
—Erik TarWe, Spartanburg, SC

The only way to guarantee free speech is to guarantee equal access by all speakers. The reality is that Internet access has become as much a utility as electricity or the telephone—so it should be regulated as such.
—Michael Byrne, Manvel, TX

I don't want fast- & slow-lanes on the internet, i don't want pay-to-play transfer speed coercion & charges, and i don't want capitalism to determine who can and can't use available carrier capabilities (which will crown the big guys and screw the start-up innovators, not-for-profit coop & open source developers) and i don't want any stupid half-assed plans (presently being proposed) to generally f#$k up network neutrality-based practices & policies to the detriment of the citizens who rely on a fair & open network (speeds & network access). NO TO PAY-TO-PLAY... YES TO TRUE NET NEUTRALITY!!
—Wayne Montoya, Redwood City, CA

Because my trust in our government is already low enough. Please give us some hope -- even a little bit -- that our country isn't operated primarily on corporate interests.
—Aaron W Herd, South Jordan, UT

Please classify ISPs as common carriers. I own a small business and the rules under consideration will favor big corporate business.
—Josh Spencer, Los Angeles, CA

The internet is a level playing field and should be treated as such. You can't control what usage goes where, that's not fair, and it's greedy. Leave Net Neutrality alone, the internet is not your business!
—Lauren Bond, Beverly Hills, CA

ISPs must be classified as common carriers. We must protect the internet availability for all. The internet should never be owned.
—Tish Yarborough, Wilmington, NC

Net neutrality is extremely important for Democracy in the U. S.
—Beverly Ann Conroy, Oak Park, IL

The world's populace is buckling under inequality, 99% versus 1% - please let us keep the internet as a level playing field.
—Tony Murray, ,

Net Neutrality is to Internet use as uniform, instantaneous line connection is to Telephone use! The Internet must be ONE SIZE FITS ALL--no arbitrary weighted streamlining for selected elite users and their content!
—James Hansen, Wilmette, IL

We need to protect REAL NET NEUTRALITY!
—Jennifer Hedrick, Harvard, IL

The internet is how business is done now and will only be more important as time goes on. We often hear about a "free market" and hear that "the market will determine winners and losers." If you believe in the free market then you also need to believe in Net Neutrality and creating a two tiered system like the FCC is proposing runs counter to everything about a Free Market.
—Kenny Fields, Santa Monica, CA

The internet should not play favorites based on money. I support net neutrality.
—David Favello, Walnut Creek, CA

You do NOT have the right eliminate Net Neutrality! Stop giving in to big corporate lobbyists and STAND UP for the people who are meant to be representing. KEEP NET NEUTRALITY!
—Justin Aubrey, El Cajon, CA

We gotta have open internet!
—James Stearns, Clermont, FL

I fear the average person, already burdened by high costs to connect to the web, will end up with mediocre, dial up speeds. The carriers have never shown themselves anxious to do anything that doesn't enrich them so there is no reason to think this would be anything but a windfall for them. Verizon has already shown its lack of concern for their customers and their willingness to exploit a disaster by refusing to restore copper wire service to areas devastated by Sandy and switching to the less reliable fiber optic FIOS, at a higher price. Reclassify the Net a public utility, which it really is. Remove greed from the equation.
—Chris Peck, Long Beach, NY

Please vote for a real internet, not a pretend one.
—Judy Nakadegawa, Berkeley, CA

Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Bunker Davis, Harvard, MA

Listen to what Americans want not greedy ISPs corporations. We want net neutrality and increased regulation of ISPs so we can obtain competitive internet and innovation.
—Jude Nguyen, San Francisco, CA

Without net neutrality, small startups will be squeezed out if they are unable to pay for a "fast tier".
—Dominic Brown, Baton Rouge, LA

An open internet promotes education and international ties. To allow corporations to be able to discriminate against online content is immoral. Please allow the American people to remain free.
—B Elm, Dayton, OH

Innovation creativity and the desire to do so for the benefit of mankind whilst unfortunately rare it is because of that when we see it we recognize it as what this world desperately needs so mankind can be better than the greedy self interested dictators that plague us today.
—Ron Horgan, ,

Reclassify ISP's as common carries don't destroy the greatest communication tool the world has by letting the ISP's force us to pay more. We don't need a net nanny.
—Gary J, ,

If you are interested in a free and open internet, you will can this proposal. If you are for big business and fascism, you will support it. Which will it be? If you support fascism, we will work to get YOU CANANED!
—Greta Tracinski, Athol, ID

This step has to be taken if the Internet is to survive as we know it. Otherwise, big business will dominate yet another aspect of American lives.
—Brett Docksteader, Bakersfield, CA

this would be like only letting the rich use roads. this will destroy the economy and the future of Canada. stop caring about short term persional gain, for long term loss to the people
—Dave Maisey, ,

I don't want Net Neutrality to end because the Internet is very useful for me. Thank you
—Cale Cochran, Williamson, GA

"Super fast speed" is already available in countries that *WE* developed, and now pass us by. Letting the duopolies throughout our lands break the backs of small businesses and filter the content available to the masses will destroy our competition and wreck the marketplace of ideas we enjoy today. This will be bad for all the businesses except the few that have YOU in their pockets. PLEASE define the internet links as a Common Carrier.
—Benjamin Preston, Menlo Park, CA

Attacks on net neutrality are just attacks on our ability, as a populace, to educate ourselves. The internet should always exist as entrepreneur friendly space, where all content has an equal chance of being seen. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers, protect the rights of people, not the profit interests of major telecoms.
—Justin Sanders, Randallstown, MD

Nearly everything in our American society is owned. Once a corporation takes over something, the inevitable next step for that corporation is how to make an even larger profit. The internet has been a beautiful thing for many years. While not free, it is open and accessible. Please do not let the ball keep rolling towards a situation where even the internet is tiered by economic class- where we have to pay extra for the same services we have already been receiving. Someone has to put their foot down and speak for the majority of the country. That someone can be you.
—Emily Royce, Cambridge, MA

If it ain't broke, don't fix it!
—John P Mercer, Port Reading, NJ

My father worked proudly for an earlier FCC chairman, helping keep communications open for ALL Americans. We taxpayers paid to create the Internet, and now for-profit companies want to take it away and rent it to the highest bidders. Don't betray Americans. DO YOUR JOB THE WAY MY DAD DID HIS!
—Pat Carlson, Ithaca, NY

Do the right thing - STOP FAVORING BIG BUSINESS over the common folk - ITS NOT FAIR!!!!!
—Ryan Watson, Bellvue, CO

Net neutrality is important to me because I believe in justice and democracy.
—Dana Rosenberg, San Francisco, CA

Because I want to preserve the internet I know and love not just for myself, but for future generations! Long live the internet!
—Kimberly Cutting, Valdosta, GA

Get off the big buisness payroll and preserve Net Neutrality! ISP's must be reclassified as common carriers!
—Elyse Stewart, Salem, OR

This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Andrew Goldman, Freeville, NY

Classify ISPs as common carriers for the good of the common people of America, do not make it a cash cow for the rich and powerful!
—Don Dial, Mansfield, TX

My equal ability to find and access information and content through my provider might be affected eventually by the decision to affect Net Neutrality in the US.
—Emilio Gallardo, ,

I'm a poor boy. I'm a writer. I am well respected. The internet IS a common carrier, a global common carrier. The two-tier plan would only aid and abet the plutocracy that is destroying the world.
—George Payerle, ,

As the owner of a small family Farm in wexstern NY.we sell our farm products (fiber from our Llamas) on etsy.com. I feel the passing of this
—Kyle Marchal, Castile, NY

Let me ask you a question. Do you think these companies need MORE money. I mean aside from what they must all ready be paying you in order for you to pass this ridiculous plan? The internet should be for everyone. The same across the board, as fast as it can be for everyone. Regardless of how much money a family makes. Thank You
—Jason Moran, Ogdensburg, NY

A two-tiered net would be a disaster for the majority of internet users and would enable big business to control another facet of our lives.
—Mark Sampson, ,

I use the Internet in countless ways at work and at home. I'm delighted that my kids have access to this amazing resource. Part of what is so great about the Internet is how open and democratic and grassroots it is. Don't take those critical features away!!!
—Wendy Burgess, Park Ridge, IL

The internet is the one means of communication where everyone operates on an even playing field. If the FCC allows ISPs to charge to have faster service, then the ISPs are controlling how we access the net and letting only those who can afford the enhanced speed enjoy the net as all of us always have. This is wrong and must not be allowed to happen.
—Emily McDonald, APO, NY

You don't have the right to make the internet another profit mechanism.
—Christopher J. Gerber, Saint Petersburg, FL

I do not understand why the big ISPs should have lower rates and I do not trust that they will not take advantage of their position to raise prices for internet users like me. Please reclassify ISP´s as common carriers.
—Bob Skinner, Novato, CA

Research. Possibility for new small business. Stopping oligarchy and plutocracy.
—Robert Irwin, Lorton, VA

I can't afford to pay more for my internet connection like corporate america can! It's simply not American to entitle one class over another.
—Vincent M. Nicoletti, Littleton, CO

Internet access is a basic human right. Just like you cannot give one person MORE of a right to free speech, you CAN NOT give the right to "fast" internet to only those who can afford it. The unbridled capitalism with which we are now making policies...where the goal is to make the rich richer and the corporations happy above what is best for the planet and the people MUST END. The internet is for everyone and should be the same for everyone. REAL net neutrality must be upheld. We cannot allow the corporations to dictate how we receive internet. Please do not take away my ability to access the internet freely. I depend on net neutrality and DEMAND that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers!
—Alexandra C Snyder, Atlanta, GA

Net Neutrality has allowed me to engage in political and other types of issues that are important to me in a way that I never would without equal access to all the potential of the internet.
—Theresa Lange, Norfolk, NE

Stop being greedy and doing deals with big corporations and keep the people's best interests and freedoms at heart! (Which is why you were elected in the first place)
—Meagan Petri, Baltimore, MD

the internet is the last bastion of political freedom (sort of. let's not talk about gov't. snoops...). let's keep it available for everyone.
—Jen richmond, Hilo, HI

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Rickey Joyce, Elizabeth, NJ

Net Neutrality is what keeps the Internet a democratic place, which is one of its most important and character-defining features!
—Thomas Wilmot, ,

The prevailing question should be whether or not the decision will move the United States toward a more, not a less, open society. With so many anti-democratic forces working successfully to drive us toward an oligarchy of concentrated economic power, an open internet is vital to free information exchange among concerned citizens working to assure that our grandchildren's birthright to a functioning democracy is not lost.
—Lyle H Hyde Jr., Chicago, IL

Net neutrality is essential to the free market and small businesses.
—Nathan Kuruna, Thanks, PA

As the owner of a small family Farm in wexstern NY.we sell our farm products (fiber from our Llamas) on etsy.com. I feel contrrroling the internet traffic will kill small family busnesses like ours..and creat an economic depression, the economy for middle clzass is suffering enough without limiting only by how much we can pay our access to free internet travel and thus free enterprise Sincerely Susan Phillips Owner/operator The Critter Ranch Fiber and Llama Farm
—Susan K Phillips, Lewiston, NY

With the avenues of obtaining anything even remotely resembling "factual" information steadily closing, an OPEN & NEUTRAL Internet is vitally important to the functioning of any democratic society.
—Lisbeth Caccese, Van Nuys, CA

I use the Internet on a daily basis. I do not want to be classified as a second rate citizen by wireless providers. The great thing about the Internet is the free flow of information. The Internet is one of America's greatest achievements. As such it must be protected. To restrict the free flow of access to the Internet to average Americans means to cripple American innovation. What textbooks don't teach you the Internet does. What people don't tell you the Internet does. For this reason we cannot reserve the best the Internet has to offer to the wealthiest 1% of Americans. The total accumulation of knowledge from all across the globe is what's really at stake here. If America truly wants to remain a land of opportunity, innovations such as the Internet must be left alone. it cannot be tampered with and must not be tampered with. Please don't restrict access to the internet. KEEP AMERICAN INNOVATION ALIVE!
—Walter Herrera, Richardson, TX

It is imperative that all internet traffic be treated the same. This is crucial to economic development in the United States and is fair to consumers. A tiered internet would disastrous.
—Christopher Snyder, Brooklyn, NY

The internet was developed for the "people" of the world, not for companies to control it's content, free means free to roam, investigate and learn, and enjoy. Not to be told what I can or can not do!.
—Melvin Taylor, Sacramento, CA

the giants are already too big. Keep the net free and open
—william glatfelter, Westborough, MA

A free and open internet is the single greatest technology of our time, and control should not be at the mercy of corporations. A free and open internet stimulates ISP competition. A free and open internet helps prevent unfair pricing practices. A free and open internet promotes innovation. A free and open internet promotes the spread of ideas. A free and open internet drives entrepreneurship. A free and open internet protects freedom of speech
—Jeremy Colacchio, Moreno Valley, CA

I want to be the one to decide who I purchase things from, not my internet service provider. America has always taken action to PREVENT monopolies, not enable them.
—Marianne Bodine, Monroe City, MO

It is essential to maintain equality of access to the Internet. The cost of fast lanes will be passed to consumers. Not only will those trying to use the Internet competitively be affected, but consumers will pay the price in added subscription fees. Consumers on both sides of the equation will be left behind and competition will be decreased. The FCC should be focused on making sure that communications remain accessible to all US citizens and that those services reach the maximum numbers of consumers. Ending net neutrality in no way supports consumers, those utilizing the Internet to meet business goals and those end user/consumers. If other countries can/and they do have better access to faster communications than we in America do the FCC should be focused on that fact not on maintaining and rewarding the inefficiency of our current system by decreasing competition. It makes no sense.
—Stephanie Tabone, Austin, TX

Many of us have been mistakenly operating under the belief that the FCC's purpose is to safeguard the public interest in its regulation of the telecommunications industry and the public airwaves. However, it seems increasingly apparent that corporate telecom providers have far better representation on the commission than the public itself. Chairman Wheeler, himself a beneficiary of the very profitable revolving door between the industry and the FCC, appears intent to serve the interests of his previous employers, not the public. The rules Wheeler has proposed would end the Net Neutrality principles which President Obama has endorsed and which the American public overwhelmingly support, Wheeler's disingenuous comments to the contrary aside. Creating a fast lane for those who can afford it would unjustly and immorally mirror the growing income and wealth inequality that is rapidly tearing our country apart. The solution is simple - reclassify ISPs as common carriers, as the FCC should have done to begin with. The American public will not stand for this.
—Christopher Fisher, Petaluma, CA

Killing Net Neutrality is another step toward a corporate dictatorship.
—Ronald Marshall, Sunnyvale, TX

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—Andrew Carey, Madison, WI

The classification of ISP's as common carriers allows for universal, unbiased access to not only the Internet, but to the services it provides for businesses. In doing so, the continued fostering of the technology sector will be unbiased. As we speak, Verizon has already reduced bandwidth for customers accessing competitors to it's acquired RedBox Streaming service. This means that customers (myself included) are paying a FULL RATE for their Internet access are receiving diminished services. This is a back-handed tactic to promote Verizon companies, but Verizon is lying to it's customers -not admitting that they're manipulating services. We're being lied to and cheated out of our money. As a tax-paying citizen of this country, a specialist and professional in my field, and someone who has already experienced the failure of these proposed rules, I demand that the FCC protect my interests and the interests of all paying customers of Internet Service Providers.
—Patryk Januszewski, Swampscott, MA

I need the internet. AT&T cable will not carry Free Speech TV nor Link TV. What will they do to the internet?
—Marianne Olguin, Hayward, CA

Knowledge is power. Don't limit individuals access to a resource that is vital in our modern society because they will not be able to afford the "good internet."
—Steven Martin, Eagle River, AK

Can't accept that providers who may have an agenda will decide what i should see quickly and easily, and what I may never see at all unless I wait a LONG time.
—Greg Caravelli, New Lenox, IL

As a formerly homeless person, I take great pride in the fact that now, I can enjoy all the internet has to offer with the same capability and speed as even upper-class Americans. Taking this away from me- letting ISP's discriminate against me and obfuscate my ability to view certain websites, images, etc... To do so would be to tell me that I have less rights than my fellow Americans, merely because I cannot afford a higher bill from my Internet Service Provider. This is not only a shameful possibility, but clearly unconstitutional in spirit. The internet has become such a necessary fragment of life in modern civilization that to have one's liberty to access it restricted is restricting them from their full capabilities in life and the pursuit of happiness.
—Micah Ross, Waterford, MI

If Net Neutrality is destroyed it will just be another loss to the individual citizen in favor of Big Money. The time will come when the 99% revolts!
—William Nerin, Gig Harbor, WA

Why are you doing this?
—Gregory Stevens, Princeton, NJ

I want Net Neutrality. Do not allow two tiered internet. The same for all.
—Geri Hyatt, Boise, ID

Do not give the big corporations better access to the internet. If you do, you will stop entrepreneurs from inventing the next big. We will become a third world country.
—Virginia King, Kenosha, WI

Hi Net neutrality on the web should stay as it is. It would be discriminatory to segregate different velocities. The FCC should not intervene on this. The web is ok at it is right now. The FCC should regulate why the major carriers can perfome internet data cap when other countries (korea) provide unlimited internet wired or wireless with no cap. That the FCC should investigate and request the isp to provide. Remember people are first.
—Adan Alejandro, Luquillo, PR

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—Jullian Kline, Harrisonburg, VA

The beauty of the internet is that everyone has equal access to the resources available on the web. Creating a system where certain companies can pay for faster service is disturbing. I believe that this would cause a dramatic increase in the cost of service for companies like Netflix who most undoubtedly would purchase service on a faster tier. The way that our system is currently makes things affordable, because it creates more competition for between companies which provides more options to the consumers. Creating a system where a handful of companies have services that are on a completely different level than their peers is unfathomable. You would have a few companies who would monopolize the internet and leave the consumer and smaller companies with little to no quality web resources.
—Ed Olivarez, Visalia, CA

I am a consumer of independent news media, like Democracy Now!, and I want to be able to access it at the same speeds as I have in the past. If corporate media gets its way because it can afford to pay for faster speeds, independent journalism will suffer, and democracy will suffer along with it.
—William Snavely, Lawrence, KS

I am not willing to stand by and allow these corporations to control the internet for their own profit at the expense of the rest of us.
—Nathanael Meyer, Fairbanks, AK

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—Tracey Rosenlund, LARAMIE, WY

Protect and defend Net Neutrality
—Heather Macpherson, Salem, MA

If ISP's are allowed to charge companies like Netflix (which has already happened, by the way) more in order to use the bandwidth that we already pay for and not get throttled, that means companies like Netflix will have to charge more for their service. So the consumer has to pay the ISP for heavily-crippled speeds/bandwidth, then has to pay even more for a service which is delivered via the ISP, to whom we already pay way too much for what we receive. Look, I know it's "politics" but can't America pull its head out of the sand and actually do what's right for ALL of us for a change? Instead of bowing to corporate interests over and over and over again? What's it going to take to get some real change in this country? Are we "too far gone" as a nation?
—Louis Batson, Brandon, MS

Will the ordinary citizen ever get a "level playing field," especially now that Citizens United has virtually taken that away??!! Whatever happened to "one person, one vote"?!
—Dr. John Modschiedler, Chicago,, IL

As a small internet business owner, Net Neutrality is vital. Letting ISP providers determine how fast my web pages will load, or if they will be loaded at all, is an extremely horrible idea. Its bad enough to be limited to only one option for my ISP, but allowing them, and the others used by my customers, to control the life-blood of my business could easily mean the death of my business. My business should be able to succeed or fail based upon how I run it, not on the whim of an ISP and their desire to extort money from me or my competitors.
—Tom A. Wright, Hardy, AR

I want access to a wide range of information without some of it being privileged through higher speeds. Other countries have developed their infrastructure so that all content moves at a higher speed than we have here. That's what our focus should be on.
—Laurie Todd, Portland, OR

The internet is the biggest forum for freedom of speech in today's world. It is crucial that our internet provide a level playing field for all content to allow the spread of ideas, creativity, and information, regardless of whether the source has the requisite wealth to afford the internet "fast-lane." I also don't want to create an easy way for large companies to discriminate against certain content by slowing it down if it doesn't support their interests. Please act now to protect net neutrality by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Thank you!
—Michelle Lieberman, Morgan Hill, CA

Our society is increasingly becoming two-tiered with most of being relegated to a "less than" group. I strongly oppose any effort to interfere with my internet capabilities. Leave it alone!
—Dr. Jeff Condit Ph.D., Murfreesboro, TN

My business, indeed, my career, relies on a free and open internet. For those of us in the computer industry, especially those who prefer to work for small companies, net neutrality is very important. The alternative will hurt small businesses like the ones I work for and allow the few most powerful to grow even more powerful. These companies already charge us for internet access at either end of the communication based on bandwidth usage as it should be.
—Anthony Caravello, Norwood, MA

The new rules are designed to support the current telecom monopoly and hurt the American people. Continuing down this path will stifle creativity and hurt the US economy by letting incumbent corporations to block competitors from entering the marketplace. Notice that the companies that favor real Net Neutrality (Google, Amazon, Microsoft, etc) actually produce innovation to benefit the economy. The companies that lobbied for the new rules are trying to get paid on both sides for doing the same job they've been doing (poorly) for decades. Please discard the new rules and bring back proper Net Neutrality, for the sake of the US economy and the American people.
—Barry Schatz, Bloomington, IN

After all the politically motivated pseudo-economic reasons for not classifying the internet a broadband service, it still remains instrinsically a broadband service, therefore per se provided by common carriers. However, I'm afraid the amount of energy (read money) being spent on those pseudo economic reasons will still prove "The Truth Don't Matter", utopia hasn't arrived yet.
—James Beckstrom, Ann Arbor, MI

I expect the FCC to throw out its rules and reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Michael McGee, Fort Worth, TX

In a democracy you need ways to equalize people.
—Fran Hickey, Bethesda, MD

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Great Britain took this path, and they have much more competition, higher quality service and lower prices.
—Shailar Brown, Fort Worth, TX

Any kind of discrimination is unconstitutional!
—William Warnock, Benson, MN

My small company is considering the deployment of a cloud based solution for the data intensive software application we currently sell in a client/server environment. The additional cost your proposal may/would force us to incur jeopardizes our business plan and makes it impossible for us to predict our future cost for providing the service. Our only option at this point is to shelve the project.
—Tim Carcione, Twinsburg, OH

Chairman Wheeler should have recused himself from this discussion/decision from the onset. Because of his close ties and relationships from his previous employment he simply is unable to make a fair and inpartial decision. Furthermore, to allow these communication giants to merge creates an imbalance which will likely affect those at or near the bottom of our socio-economic strata. It is imperative the FCC not allow these proposed mergers to occur.
—Dan Barkley, Albuquerque, NM

The Franks were not an inherently better people then the Celts. But a small number successfully invading Briton ended up (by genetic testing) becoming the bulk of the population. They did this with discriminatory taxes and privileges. All economic privileges and "it takes money to make money" and government granted monopolies will feed the plutocracy, will feed the "rich getting richer". This is antithetical to being judged by your merits and a sore in the side of Democracy. Give us Internet as part of our infrastructure, and we will build a better America.
—Clay Hansen, Lafayette, CO

As a student I rely on the Internet for most of my research and organization for classes. The Internet is so much more than a place to watch videos and book vacations. It's a vital tool in education and communication. Taking that access away or making it more difficult for people just so big name companies can find another way to suck money out of their clients is just wrong. We have evolved as humans over the past decade to a point where the Internet is always at our fingertips. It is an extension of ourselves now, and to disrupt that, in my opinion, is dangerous. This would be taking steps backwards in society and human development.
—Alanah Tintle, New York, NY

I love freedom, this nation was built under progressive views on freedom. I stand for a free Internet for a better future with no oppression form the government.
—Osvald, Hollis, NY

We need to do everything we can to protect the internet from corporate control of not only information provided but ease of access.
—Kelly McConnell, Portland, OR

This will stifle small business growth as well as the sharing of information that the world needs to grow in intelligence. The loss of Net Neutrality will kill the basis that the Internet was built upon. The unrestricted access and sharing of information.
—Merlin Hold, Bozeman, MT

Do what is right for the country, not what the corporate shills want. An open and equal internet is critical for the success of this nation.
—Joshua Feiner, Sea Cliff, NY

Are AT&T, Comcast and Verizon trying to buy out the FCC? Is the FCC just another pawn/puppet for greedy corporations? We would love for the FCC to prove otherwise!
—Loretta Martin, Nashville, TN

I can't stand the fact that the FCC received millions of requests to declare the internet a public utility, but the FCC, a public government protection agency, received letters from only 28 CEOs of U.S. broadband providers and trade groups to the FCC asking it not to classify broadband as a utility. So...28 CEO's against millions of broadband users and they win. Where's Tom Wheelers pockets?
—Kenneth Farrell, Mountainville, NY

Net Neutrality offers me the opportunity to pull information from a diverse network with opposing opinions, arguments, etc. Not only that, but the Internet is a nexus which offers me entertainment, education, creative outlets and more.
—Blaise Collins, Midlothian, VA

This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality, for us and future generations.
—Mary Coleman, Tacoma, WA

The FCC proposals would create a two-tier system that would go against the very principles on which the Internet is founded. The principle of a neutral Internet should be upheld, and ISPs reclassified as common carriers.
—Mike Wheeler, Derby,

Our nation relies on an open internet, which can only be maintained by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Please do the right thing.
—Nathan Plamondon, Tempe, AZ

The people will lose - information, power, elections - and much more that we don't have space for me to go into here - if you don't do the right thing and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Do the right thing then.
—Graham Ross Barnes, Topeka, KS

Greed kills. Get your faces out of the trough and act like responsible human beings.
—Brian Schneden, Naperville, IL

Net Neutrality matters because all data should be seen as equal as the internet should not be subverted by business interests like so much else. It's just too important.
—Matthew Wallace, ,

Do not change anything. You and your damn Greedy lobbyist always trying to find ways to screw the people.
—Adrian, Bakersfield, CA

Net neutrality, the principle that Internet service providers (ISPs) should treat all data that travels over their networks equally, is important to me because without it ISPs could have too much power to determine my Internet experience by providing better access to some services but not others. 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, as an employee of a large technology company and an avid consumer of products sold on the internet, I need to know that there will not be barriers to entry for the new ideas and services that my customers and I hope to bring to the marketplace. If ISP subscribers have an easier time loading websites of existing companies than my new innovative product, there’s no way that I will be able to compete or succeed.
—Jeff Cassianna, San Ramon, CA

This is clearly a Freedom of Speech issue. Do not take away our voices.
—Vickie McAlister, Eugene, OR

In order to have the depth and breadth of information available we must do everything in our power to support true Net Neutrality which means that AT&T, Comcast, Verizon and others who seek to create a multi-tiered internet must be denied. To do otherwise, I believe, diminishes the freedom of information a democracy requires to maintain itself. This is far more important than increasing their bottom line and increasing the expense that will clearly be passed on to consumers.
—Mary Anne Lushe, St. Clair Shores, MI

DO NOT LET PRIVATE COMPANIES JUDGE THE WORTHINESS OF ANY INTERNET CONTENT - THAT IS NOT THEIR JOB !!!!
—Chris S., Danville, CA

Because then our ISP's will take advantage of us like a black man in prison.
—Jorge Alberto Mendoza II, Dallas, TX

The Internet is the most important thing the human race has made, it has literally launched is into a new era! Please, I beg of you, keep the net neutral!
—Matt Sloper, Burlington,

too big too care about others
—Philip Chandler, Costa Mesa, CA

The internet needs to be a free and open place where people can exchange ideas without being worried about being censored because the ISPs don't like the ideas they are spouting. The only way this can happen is if ISPs are reclassified as common carriers.
—Joshua Stephens, Joplin, MO

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Piri McMullan, Vista, CA

With internet "fast lanes", not every company will have equal access to the market. The established big players will only get bigger and more powerful. Most ISPs in the country already operate with de facto monopolies, without net neutrality they will have even less incentive to improve their infrastructure and services. Please reclassify them as common carriers.
—Korey Aaronson, Norwalk, CT

Please act in the only way possible to reach the goals of the FCC proposal that we preserve net neutrality-- by restoring common carriage.
—Patricia Vadasy, Seattle, WA

the internet should be a regulated utility and be available at a reasonable cost to all - this promotes better commerce and better education. why should poor children have to go to McDonald's to do their homework?
—Bob Cannistraro, Longmont, CO

we live in a democracy (hopefully), and we want the internet to be equally accessible to all!!! (no matter how much money and power they have)
—patsy Smithj, Norwich, NY

Some things are better the way they are. The basis of Internet should not be discriminating. The businesses have tons of ways to use Internet for the profit as it is now. Keep the net free. For all of us.
—Teemu Kiiski, ,

I am an artist. My micro art business relies on the internet to bring my artwork or announcements of my shows to the public awareness. It's already difficult enough to get peoples' attention in a very crowded and competitive field without my having to compete with the deep pockets of large corporate providers to get my content seen. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers so that the playing field is at least somewhat level for those of us running small and micro businesses.
—Neno Villamor, Soquel, CA

The Internet is infrastructure and like all infrastructure it must be neutral to the users. I shouldn't be penalized for using one content provider over another.
—Bruce Williamson, Elkins Park, PA

Internet will be open and free.
—Dmitri Bondarchuk, ,

The American people, through our tax dollars, have funded much of the internet. It relies on shared infrastructure we have funded. In the two plus decades the internet has been available to the public, there has been an explosion in innovation never seen before in human history. It has been a good investment for the people of our country. The free, equal, and unhindered exchange of information of the internet has made that possible. I urge you to please reclassify internet service providers as common carriers. Ensure that our investment continues to benefit all Americans. Innovation, growth, and even our democracy and freedom have become dependent on an open, unhindered internet. Be the FCC that protects American freedom and our futures.
—Greg Bobak, Reynoldsburg, OH

As a blogger, I benefit from the open internet. As someone who is constantly seeking information and doesn't have the money to pay extra for a tiered internet, net neutrality is a big deal to me.
—Michael Grier Jr., Orlando, FL

Without Net Neutrality I will never be able to afford computer access at home. Plus my local library will probably have to discontinue their free public computers (3) if you throw out your current rules. They cannot afford to pay more fees and increased basic cost and get a slow connection. ISPs are and should be classified as common carriers.
—Lori Oostendorp, rockton, IL

Hands off my internet, pig!!
—Moe, ,

Net Neutrality is important because it allows a level playing field for freedom of expression.
—Jason Lindemann, ,

people go crazy when they have slow internet..... we want internet we payed for the speed we payed for. NOTHING LESS.
—Austin Pinheiro, ,

Why you no read my e-mails pig??! there are ways around this.
—Sergey, ,

Yesterday I heard that one reason the FCC might abandon Net Neutrality is pay back for the telecoms cooperation with the NSA for giving up private costumer information. If this is true it is unconscionable. Please prove that this is not true and stand up for everyone by supporting net neutrality.
—Katy White, naalehu, HI

The Internet is a wonderful, world-connecting, little-guy-enabling phenomenon and one of the very few things that hasn't been monopolized by greedy corporate interests. How could the Syrian uprising have happened if AT&T had cornered most of the bandwidth and the rebels were unable to communicate effectively? The Internet is the single most democratizing force ever to appear on this planet. Please do the truly American thing and help us keep it that way. Keep the dreams of our forefathers alive.
—Harry Ettling, New York, NY

Citizens United opened the door for big money to buy elections, do not also let them buy control over expression over the Internet!
—George Ellis Grant, Toms River, NJ

Unfair!
—Ms. Margaret Goodwin, Independence, OR

This is just another example of the political corporate takeover of our government. This is nothing more than the legitimization of gouging to further the billions of corporate coffers at the expense of hard-working, struggling, ordinary Americans. These corporate political actions must stop! And they must not be condoned by the government elected to protect ordinary Americans!
—Randall Parker, Palm Springs, CA

Tom Wheeler and others pretend to be on the side of the people, democracy, a good society, when it is clear they are sold out to corporate interests. The arguments are so clear. The overwhelming majority of people educated about this topic agree. The solution of reclassification is so obvious. So it comes down to poor against rich, moral against immoral, corrupt versus free. When peaceful revolution and democracy is continually thwarted then watch out because violent revolution is then inevitable. Change is gonna come.
—Jim Wehtje, South Lancaster, MA

Net neutrality promotes innovation, creativity, and entrepreneurship – the backbone of America – by maintaining an even playing field with big business. Fast lanes and a tiered internet bows to greed by providing yet another revenue stream – for significantly diminished value to consumers – to companies already making billions.
—Randy Connell, Nederland, CO

I use the internet to research all sorts of interests and many times the information I find is used to purchase goods and services, donate to causes and plan how and where to spend my free time. I do not want my choices limited because some group or company paid to have their agenda put front and center while some other group or company that may be a better fit or that offers something more in tune with my needs is pushed to the bottom. Keep the internet neutral for the good of all!!
—Tara Sinclair, Swansea, MA

Please leave the internet alone. The providers aleeady make money off the service nd the content. They do not need additional revenues for high speed tolls. Our access to information should remain as it has always been - equal irregardless of the relative size or wealth of the content provider. Please do as you are charged and act to protect the consumer - not the corportions. Brad Baker 130 N Prospect Dr Miami, FL
—Brad baker, Miami, FL

Please do not let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. Thank you for your time -Angela
—Angela Delphenich, San Francisco, CA

Either the internet is free, or it is not what is was designed to be! Please do not allow this theft of world wide opportunity and progress.
—Jaen Martens, Forestville, CA

I will shut off my internet access rather than pay for specific access to content. It isn't right to make other providers pay for the privilege to transmit their content either.
—Timothy Wagner, Beavertown, PA

It's the fair thing to do. Allowing a two tiered system promotes a further divide between the wealthy and middle class.
—Diane Wolniewicz, Chicago, IL

I depend on the a functioning, efficient internet for my work with a small non-profit. Turning the internet over to corporate interests seems to be just another move to hand control to moneyed players.
—Dolores Farrell, Sitka, AK

This is just another service the 1%ers want to limit for the rest of us. Being disabled I depend on my internet for news, information from family and friends and to pay my bills. I also pay a premium price now for high speed internet. Your biased bill to take this public right away is WRONG. Don't do this. Since my phone service is also controlled by my internet provider it only makes good common sense to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Protect our net neutrality.
—Rene James, Ludington, MI

The internet is the future. It is the lifeline of many generations now and future. It needs to be open and accessible equally for all, without companies' greedy paws glomming for money. We can barely afford anything as it is, we do not need companies to have a say in what we can access based on how much they or we, the consumer, pay.
—L Philips, Kalamazoo, MI

It's important to everybody and needs to remain just like it is, it is our last bastion of hope in this world where the rich have taken over everything and destroyed it all!!
—Dee Noblett, Mechanicville, NY

This should be a no brainier unless you are beholden to the corporate overlords. are you?
—Peter Leonhard, Madison, WI

Throw out y rourules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Kenn Reynolds, PLAINFIELD, IN

The Internet benefits so many people because of it's principle of equality. Any action that takes away the ability to quickly and easily access information is a threat to this equality. There is no reason to go through with these rules except for pure, unadulterated greed that has been undermining America for far too long.
—Kamaria Hatcher, Mount Rainier, MD

The internet belongs to everyone. We have to start standing up to big brother and big corporation's. We the people run the world, not them.
—Christopher Hughey, Moorhead, MN

I don't want to live in a world where companies with the most money get to dominate the internet.
—Saam Barati, Oakland, CA

Innovation can only happen in an open and equal environment
—Alex Budkie, Shaker Heights, OH

I don't need 2 internets, a corporate 2 tier takeover makes sense only to a corporation. Mr. Wheeler, you work for the people, not only that but net neutrality is just common sense. Throw out these rules and reclassify ISP as common carriers, which they are.
—Rickey Scott, Ypsilanti, MI

We ALL know the fix is in on this atrocity. Anyone with half a brain has figured out the fact, "the Corporations are being paid back for their part in providing the NSA with personal privet information on American citizens." Two wrongs can never make a right. Stand up for the remnants of our Constitution and say Hell No to this flagrant injustice.
—LeMoyn Salmonsen, Placitas, NM

Thats a surprise! That anything we have to say matters to any agency of government!
—Anton Christopher McInerney, Stuart, FL

Don't build tollbooths on the information superhighway!
—Mike Caetano, Fresno, CA

I believe that Americans deserve the opportunity to share in the many benefits of the internet without questioning their ability to pay excessively for the access. I we are all truly equal, we deserve equal, reasonable access. Use of the commons is a strong principle of nation's founding.
—Sylvia Dohnal, Arcadia, CA

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—Savannah Boone-Salmonsen, Placitas, NM

An truly open internet is needed to drive innovation and allow the free exchange of ideas and information. Calling these rules "net neutrality" is Orwellian doublespeak. Please throw out these proposed rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This way real net neutrality can be preserved and protected.
—Ralph Wittal, Richmond Hill, NY

No Internet slow lane, please.
—Mark M Giese, Racine, WI

Once again the government is changing the rules in a way that benefits those with deep pockets. This change will allow those entities to choose the online content and applications they will allow. For the everyday Joe, we'll be stuck footing the bill so these companies can drive in the fast lane, while we're stuck in traffic in the slow lane. All because we don't have the money to participate fully and equally.
—Jerry Roy, Ft Mitchell, KY

We build the "Net" as a nation for equal use by all. I have used the net for over 25 years. It has worked fine for all,equally and freely, now is not the time to give prefference to those few with money we should all have equal access. ISPs are a common carrier and should stay that way.
—David Vernola, Wasilla, AK

I believe the Internet needs to be open to all, for the user to be the marketplace, to pick and choose what best serves the user's needs. It's not for corporations to determine.
—Robert Copeland, Springfield, MA

The Internet is the greatest force for democracy ever. Making access subject to commercial competition is one of the worst ideas ever. PLEASE reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Kathy Keenan, Aptos, CA

This country is already divided into the Haves and the Have Nots - Killing Net Neutrality is discrimination against the common people who don't have millions of dollars to throw around!
—Amy L Zeman, Pittsburgh, PA

Please protect the wealth of information sharing, business, and democracy that the internet is instead of bowing to corporate demands.
—Julie Rooney, Boulder, CO

Stop bowing to corporate interests at every turn. You cannot keep the free flow of information away from people any longer. The more you try, the more serious the reaction will be down the line. Stop. Control is not an option any longer. You exist to serve the citizens of the nation, not to roll over and play dead for big money interest.
—Tim Kauffold, Traverse City, MI

because I should have the same access to the internet as any other "person", regardless of how much more money they may have.
—Julia Fluker, Lutherville Timonium, MD

reclassify ISPs as common carriers
—Pierre B Samson, Wilson, NC

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Randy Hackler, Chicago, IL

I believe a free and open internet will help peoples across the world advance while a corporate controlled internet will have opposite effect.
—George Bennett, North Pole, AK

NN is critical. It is non-negotiable. NN is important because I run services that depend on this rule, this guarantee.
—Paul DeStefano, Seattle, WA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Reverend Max Lee, Fair Lawn, NJ

I need an open internet.
—Alan Musnikow, Lexington, MA

As an educator I have found that some of the best sources are those that are least commercial and would be most affected by this change. In a myriad of ways Net Neutrality is essential to a free and democratic system of education.
—Sarah Dickinson, Culver City, CA

I am 69, have a husband, four children, and nine grandchildren. We all want net neutrality because we all are entitled to it. The taxes paid by my husband, myself, my four children, their spouses, and one of my grandchildren all helped provide either the money to assemble the internet and/ or the money to provide an environment where it would flourish. Did we give of our taxes to yet again help big business have an advantage that we, the average citizen taxpayers are denied? I do not believe that this country was founded by or for oligarchs. Please demand net neutrality. Once we the citizens lose this, there will be no turning back. Anne M.McCabe
—Anne Mc McCabe, LaGrangeville, NY

the internet needs to remain an equal playing field for everyone--keep Net Neutrality!
—Martha Shade, Seattle, WA

Myst you rob the consumer with all our devices connect to the internet over the next 10 years this is a cash grab and you allow them to change the sta quo .
—Dathan Witchett, Lithonia, GA

We need freedom of expression that is unfettered, and unrestrained to survive as a democracy.
—Gary Overby, Madison, WI

Those with money will have faster transmission that new, young companies who can'nt afford to pay to play. Unfair!!! This stifles innovation.
—Nancy E. Free, Malden, MA

The internet is supposed to be the "great equalizer". It's the only thing anymore that is equal. So protect it. Don't destroy it by giving it to the wealthy. I demand that the FCC protect the open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Zarna Joshi, Seattle, WA

As both a normal user and a content creator, the thought of a tiered internet is frightening.
—Rachel Oliver, Dayton, OH

Pay to play (a la cable tv) will only serve to enrich the gatekeepers at the expense of the public and content creators. Paying the toll to the troll creates no value and stifles creative efforts. lSPs and particularly cable operators do not need nor merit the privileged treatment that is being proposed. Keep net neutrality!!!
—Donald Starcke, Maplewood, NJ

We cannot allow private corporations to determine what matters to customers and what do not. We should not have to pay extra fees just to receive the speed that we're supposed to already get. This just increases debt for regular people while skyrocketing profits for the executives. This does nothing to create jobs or redistribute wealth, but just improve the conditions for the high level executives pushing for this change.
—Matthew Lin, East Brunswick, NJ

Net neutrality is important due to the increasing role of the Internet in modern life, picking up some of the existing roles served by libraries, telecommunications companies and other services. Failure to ensure consistent quality of service for all users will give providers a staggering amount of control over modern life.
—Dylan Rees, Troy, NY

The internet belongs to the people.
—Alixg1@aolcom Gordon, Miami, FL

If we value and live in a democracy, net neutrality is the only way forward.
—David Serino, Miami, FL

The internet is the greatest tool we have for letting ordinary citizens speak truth to power. Don't let the oligarchy ruin it!
—Elizabeth Lowry, Seattle, WA

This plan would take away the freedom and diversity that makes the internet so awesome and put control of it into the hands of a few big companies.
—Elias Zamaria, San Francisco, CA

I believe you are trying to create monopolies for the Internet usage!
—Douglas Lass, De Witt, IA

Net Neutrality is crucial to the technology industry. All businesses with an online component rely on net neutrality to create a shared benefit among all technology companies. Allowing ISPs to discriminate among sources of information eliminates the ability for technology companies to compete and succeed on merit and create additional barriers to entry for new companies. It hurts both small and big business helping only the mega-cap ISPs that already face the least amount of competition.
—Patrick Wiseman, Atlanta, GA

The internet, just like speech, press, and religion, should be a right guaranteed to all, not just some. This form of discrimination is extremely distasteful and i will not stand for it.
—Lawrence Trias, Hartsdale, NY

This country has already sold its politicians to the highest bidder, along with the remenants of democracy Re- classify the internet as a common carrier. It is a public resource, not a private tool for commercialsim and greed.
—Sharon O'Hara-Bruce, Lake Orion, MI

The internet is the last bastion of free expression and free speech. In a time when our constitutional rights are being attacked on all fronts the internet remains the one place where citizens can still exercise their NATURAL AND UNALIENABLE RIGHTS as granted to us by our mere existence. To remove this remaining reservoir of free expression and entrepreneurship will be the nail in the coffin for the average citizen who doesn't have enough money to afford a bought politician!
—Justin Rodriguez, San Marcos, CA

Please protect net neutrality. We need to foster an internet that allows all internet content to be treated equally, not one that allows for faster access to only the richest companies websites.
—Danny Archibald, San Francisco, CA

The changes being made lead to a slippery slope, where IPS's of the future can easily censor what content users see simply by denying bandwidth to that content. There is nothing good that can come of this for the *users* of the internet.
—Brent Walker, Cedar Park, TX

I depend on the internet for information every day and need Net Neutrality in order to continue doing so. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers to make this happen!
—Shelby Hunt, Bristol, RI

Net neutrality is important for a multitude of reasons. The most important reason being that many people would simply not be able to afford this increase of cost and be forced to use an internet that would be rather useless and frusterating. No longer would we be able to play the online games that we had purchased, nor be able to search the web for information. With that being said, many people would also fail college as almost all college courses require the use of the internet, and as it stands, college is already hard to pay for. The internet is useful for many things, whether it be for recreation or learning. But if we have to pay to not have slow internet, we might as well toss our computers out the window since at that point, they would Just be a useless waste of space as well as an uneccessary source of stress and frusteration. Please keep the net neutral. Thank you.
—Tonya Roberts, Traverse City, MI

The World Wide Web, as designed by Tim Berners-Lee, is supposed to be free and open to all. The Internet can promote intellectual advancement and worldwide cooperation across many different fields. All of the progress that we have made, and can make in the future, will be destroyed by the act of controlling the Internet and creating things like fast lanes. Please, for the future of our world, do not allow people to control what should be free and open to all.
—Alisha Ukani, Weston, MA

There is so many people that keep contact with friends and family through the internet. Why constrict it?
—Karaline pelchat, Hillsborough, NH

Every person rich or poor should have equal benefits using the internet.
—Leslie Walker, Norwich,

Shopping is a leisure activity. If anything deserves a "fast lane," it's educational sites, local news and weather, Amber alerts, tornado warnings, etc.
—Judith Sanders, fredericksburg, VA

This proposal is no good! We need real neutrality on the internet. They're a common carrier!
—Mac Newbold, Draper, UT

As a small online retailer, the idea of discriminating companies based on willingness to pay is both greedy and unfair. The web should be a right for all, not just the big Fortune 500 companies. Neutrality encourages start-ups and small business to create and innovate with the possibility of actually developing something useful and needed in society. Stop the FCCs proposed plan!
—Ryan Roff, Grand Rapids, MI

The internet belongs to the People. Public funding paid for the development of the Internet when it was known as DARPA. The internet is a public utility and it must be classified as such.
—Miss Kathleen Hamilton, Maplewood, MN

Just dont do it.
—Michael Patterson, Idaho Falls, ID

You've already allowed many big companies to merge and reduce competition. This is just one more way you're giving these companies way too much power and control...and stripping it from everybody else. This flies directly against what America stands for and what you, as an American regulator, are supposed to stand for. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers now!
—Suzanne Fuher, Orlando, FL

Net Neutrality is important, do not take it away!
—Joady Feiner, Sea Cliff, NY

I am stuck with slow dial-up internet and anything that adds to that problem will make accessing the internet impossible.
—John Schmittauer, Chauncey, OH

I just think we're facing inequality in too many more places, and this would be another one!
—Elizabeth MacKelvie, Appleton, WI

I've worked in public television for 25 years and am well aware of the decline in locally controlled media and diverse voices (In the Albany NY market, one lone daily newspaper and one lone radio station are locally owned -- thank God for WMHT and WAMC!). We need more diversity and competition not less! Please do not hand over our internet to the wealthiest of media conglomerates. Please do what is right in the interests of the American people, our democracy, innovation, and our freedom to access and disseminate information. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jenn Hunt Dempsey, Saratoga Springs, NY

Don't change the internet and allow for new and more innovative ideas the same playing field to reach the people without needing extra capital just to get their plans started.
—Richard Rigaud, Surprise, AZ

Just fire Tom Wheeler already, the guy is obviously just a puppet for the corporations.
—Brian Lennox, Vancouver, WA

Net Neutrality is vital to insuring that the millions upon millions of people who get most of their information from the internet are not led around by the nose. Without Net Neutrality, internet service providers will be able to control what we see on the internet, and which would be one of the greatest internal threats democracy has ever faced.
—Martin Kilmer-True, Princeton, NJ

Our Freedom !
—JC Bower, Sumner, WA

Access to information is essential in a free country and should be equal to everybody weither they use cable, DSL, or wireless access.
—Pavel Dorokhin, Broomfield, CO

This is a free speech issue, obviously.
—Richard Hatfield, Orlando, FL

It is important to me because the FCC should protect consumers and allow free, fair and equal access to the internet without corporate control.
—Raffi Petrosian, Sunland, CA

Stop the corporate thieves!
—Robert deFreitas, Santa Cruz, CA

The end of net neutrality is the end of free speech.
—Sara Brigham, Stevensville, MT

The internet is the global platform for communications and should not be at the mercy of "the last mile". Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers is the only way to insure equal and open access for all.
—John Hader, Ocala, FL

We need net neutrality back! This is a war on the lower classes and is ridiculous! How can anyone for the citizens stand for this? We will demand your resignation tom wheeler!
—Jordan Hamilton, Muskegon, MI

A loss of net neutrality will have repercussions throughout the country. Small internet businesses will be dealt a huge blow and many will close. A lot of brick and mortar shops supplement their income through the internet. If their websites suddenly disappear because they can't afford to pay more their businesses will close as well. This would be a disaster for our already struggling economy.
—Nona Lansbarkis, Bountiful, UT

The internet is a place where I can educate myself. As a Ph.D. candidate, it is imperative the internet remain accessible for me, as well as others, to remain building my knowledge database. If net neutrality is destroyed, we (the majority) will lose the freedom of accessibility to a realm of information unattainable elsewhere. The internet has become an integral facet of the education system. DO NOT take that away from the majority of the people for mere economic gain for the few. A democracy is a government by the people, for the people. In a democracy, the majority rules. A ruling toward the destruction of net neutrality is not only proof that democracy is a myth in our society, but proof we live in an oligarchical; an aristocracy. We will not let you do this. We will fight even after your ruling to regain our independence from these economic dictators. This battle is a battle you do not want to wage. For your sake, listen to the people. We are listening to you.
—John Aldecoa, Chino, CA

America has always been a land of freedom and equality. Please preserve true net neutrality by throwing out your proposed rules and reclassify ISPs as commom carriers. This is the only way to keep the Internet open for everyone.
—Cheryl Caraglior, Mary Esther, FL

Shame on anyone connected to this blatant violation of the rights of the American people's freedom of speech and a big handout in more corporate welfare!
—'Drew, Catonsville, MD

Upwards mobility. The internet is one of the biggest sources of hope for someone with a small business idea/ concept to be able to climb themselves out of the pit of subsistence farming to having truly made it in this country. Things like tiered internet will further reinforce the caste system that this country has been so busy building and longer engulf the people of this country in a struggle against the monopolistic corporations that our predecessors fight to avoid. Once all of these telecoms/utilities combine together under the same mother company, we shall see who truly wields the power in our government. The money.
—Gregory S Perchermeier, Cincinnati, OH

The Internet's neutrality it vital to the preservation of democracy. A free Internet allows all the chance to speak their minds without having to pay to exercise their God-given right.
—Andrew Kistler, North Olmsted, OH

There is no reason to "fix" an internet that is not broken. The "two-tier" plan is obviously nothing more than a massive give-away of public resources to private companies. ISPs need to be put in their proper place by reclassifying them as common carriers. The last thing America needs is an internet that relegates the majority of users to second rate status. Those who cannot afford the inevitable rate hikes that will come directly from the ISPs and/or indirectly from internet companies that pass the higher fees onto their customers will be the real losers, along with the myriad of small websites that would wither and die under these horrible new rules.
—Russell Engebretson, Norman, OK

The internet is so great a source of learning and sharing that keeping it neutral only means a better world.
—Charles Gerard Timm, Clifton, NJ

The internet has become a crucial and integral form of communication within our society. The destruction of net neutrality will profoundly impact this invaluable form of communication in the name of increased profits.
—John Voltin, Austin, TX

I am paying $80 for 50mbs and I can only use 20mbs with out net neutrality I am being ripped off.
—Collin Nunley, yorktown, IN

It is good for everyone just the way it is.
—Mrs. Diana Znavor, Tiskilwa, IL

The internet has been an important part of my work for 20 years. As small business is an engine of the economy, so is an open internet vital to the success of small businesses like mine. ISPs must be common carriers to allow small businesses to survive, grow, and help keep our economy strong.
—Dinah Sanders, San Francisco, CA

Please keep the internet neutral. Reducing it would hinder art, creativity and the overall progress that a free internet easily gives. Small companies need access to the best service, extra power to mega corporations will allow to push down new companies trying to innovate. Dont be responsible for that.
—Frederic Tarabout, San Francisco, CA

I have a small business and want to be treated fairly. The internet is fine as it is. As a consumer I want to have access to read and shop with small business owners and not corporate greedy giants.
—Elizabeth Mapplebeck, Seattle, WA

I am a small business entrpreneur in the rural state of Maine. My business is conducted entirely via the internet - I sell real time information services and software systems designs all delivered via the internet. My products and my business will suffer if my ISP is allowed to choose what services they offer routing, bandwidth and speed preferences to. It is buisnesses like mine and people like myself who have made the internet the profitable boon to business it is today for ISPs. It seems terribly unfair to marginalize the very people who made the internet what it in order to provide an advantage to those who would put us at a disadvantage.
—Blind Murray, Cranberry Isles, ME

It seems that ATT has already killed me on getting DSL now.. I tried to hook up with a lower cost provider and it wouldn't do right.. the speed fluctuated too much.. and was earlier this year with the present rules.
—Winston BeLisle, Senath, MO

Information cannot be structured around privilege or corporate interest. The existence of our democracy depends on open access and transparency. It's time the FCC started serving the public's interests and not corporate greed.
—Deborah Garfinkle, San Francisco, CA

This measure is unacceptable. Corporations due not supersede The People.
—Mrs. Berry Bartolillo, Nevada City, CA

The Internet is a public utility! No business can occur without it anymore. There is no facet of any transaction, even in cash between individuals, that was not somehow made possible or otherwise aided by the Internet.
—Jason Fasi, Smyrna, GA

How much more "common" can the internet be? Seriously, an "open" internet is the fairest, most appropriate decision.
—Jeanne Ulrich, ,

RETURN YOUR BRIBES & MAKE THE OTHER CRIMINALS COMMON CARRIERS
—Brian Laddy, Fort Mill, SC

Keep the net neutral. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you. Casey E. Williams
—Ms. Casey E. Williams, Port Angeles, WA

How can limiting a great freedom such as the neutrality of the internet be a good idea? Either you are bought out by big business and are morally bankrupt, or simply insane. Giving that much control to anyone is a very bad idea. Remember, absolute power corrupts absolutely.... EVERY time!!! Isps should be common carriers.
—Debra Bolduc, Saint Hubert,

It's our lifeline to fix what's wrong in the world.
—Ernest Bennett, Montesano, WA

information should be easily accessible by all!!!
—Cassia, Pittsburgh, PA

Creating a multi-tiered internet is bad for small businesses, entrepreneurs, and free speech. It stifles the American Dream.
—Shoshana Turpie, Seattle, WA

We need Net Neutrality to protect technology as the way communications changes. The internet is that new standard, No different when telephone replaced telegraph as the standard of communications for that era. Please protect Net Neutrality as the future depends on a level playing field for all.
—J Kelly, Olalla, WA

Access to information via the Internet should be equally available to all. Please do not allow Internet discrimination by catering to the few big Internet providers. Protect the ability of ALL AMERICANS to access the open Internet.
—Mary Baran, Glastonbury, CT

Why do we let big business win in this country? How come Comcast is allowed to control people's access to TV and to the Internet? Sure, the abide by Net Neutrality for now, but when that agreement is up, there's no telling what they will do. They already have deals with Netflix to make sure their quality is good. But what about the next Netflix like service? They won't have a fair shake because they won't have to money to pay Comcast what Netflix does. The internet is quickly becoming the main way people stay connected. It should be re-classified as a Telecommunications service so that all content is treated EQUALLY. Period. Equal access for all.
—Josh Davis, Copperas Cove, TX

Please stop widening the economical gap between upper and middle class/lower class which is exactly what will happen by not implementing net neutrality. Without EQUAL & FAIR competition, our capitalistic economy will become one huge monopoly run by a chosen few. Don't be foolish, our economy is already struggling. Vote for net neutrality.
—Lori Swoyer, Jonestown, PA

Technology innovation and development depends on net neutrality. Allowing the further monopolization of the communications industry will only stagnate innovation and is antithetical to free speech and democracy.
—Jared Margulies, Baltimore, MD

I don't need to explain this to you. It's about human history. Come on.
—Eric Burnet, Montreal,

If you approve these rules it'll mean the end of net neutrality. Mr Wheeler - you MUST reclassify ISPs as common carriers. There is simply no other way to ensure that innovation can continue in the USA online. Its that simple. Don't let your background with the carriers color your judgement. Pay-for-priority should not be allowed.
—Christopher Hill, Athens, TX

As if Big Business doesn't have enough of an advantage over smaller, community based, and start up organizations. Internet Service Provider and Telecom giants, such as Comcast, Time Warner Cable, AT&T, Verizon; ALREADY swindle their customers for every nickle and dime over every service, change, and/or equipment rental. And it's not like internet is "optional" any more. It is a necessary UTILITY for paying bills, researching healthcare (or anything really), getting medical advise, applying for jobs, or to be productive in one's current job. ISPs and Telecom companies already spend BILLIONS of dollars trying to destroy smaller companies that might challenge their autonomy in a given geographical location. Heck, Time Warner and Comcast are planning a merger that WILL make them a monopoly and WILL more than likely be allowed, because they are lining the pockets of those who will be making this decision with "donations". And now, on top of all of this, you recently voted to approve this ridiculous internet "fast line". You should be ASHAMED of yourself!!! This will allow already successful companies to limit their competition based on capital alone. It will STIFLE innovation and destroy entrepreneurship in this country!
—Kate, Feasterville Trevose, PA

I have a roku box a much cheaper way to watch T.V. The big cable companies want to stomp them out! A fast track would do just that. Leave the internet alone!
—Edward Jordan, New Gloucester, ME

net neutrality is very important I urge you to keep it that way between the oligarchy and the corporatocracy the 99% do not have a say so in government or any real freedom left except for the internet. throw us a bone for crying out loud
—Russell Blizzard, Rock Hill, SC

The creation of pay-to-play fast lanes just further entrenches the consolidation of power in the hands of fewer and fewer people and large corporations. A truly neutral internet mitigates that overall anti-democratic trend.
—Dwight W. Thurston, Canton, CT

The internet is a database containing an enormous, if not, infinite amount of information. We never had issues with the internet in the past, why should we change things now? These changes will only benefit companies like Verizon. The internet should be left untouched by corporate hands. It isn't very fair that people like me who can't afford the extra payments will have to accept being screwed over and have slower internet access while people with more money are granted faster access. How about for once the lower class doesn't get screwed over and you leave the internet alone and open for us all so you don't have to keep hearing us complain about it.
—Melanie, Perth Amboy, NJ

I enjoy using the internet to explore and learn about not only what is popular in today's culture, but upcoming trends and history. The internet as it is today allows for open creation and consumption. The opposite of that is what only allowing those that can pay for "high speeds" would mean. Most people, myself included, will not wait 30 seconds for a page to load - that's what will happen when smaller companies and outlets cannot afford higher tiered bandwidth. Also, why am I paying for service - currently $75 a month for access that will be further culled by the "market." Please consider the impact, not to the bottom line, but to our society and future.
—Antonio Basallo, Kissimmee, FL

Don't kill the open internet. Stop Discrimination, We all need the fast internet services.
—Rosa Valentin, Miami, FL

When Barack Obama first ran for president in 2008, he did something amazing: he was the first candidate to build a successful grassroots campaign online, powering his candidacy with small-dollar donations and connecting neighbors and friends around his movement for change. That's because candidate Barack Obama knew the incredible possibilities of an open and free Internet. He said so in 2007, as then-Senator Obama: "I am a strong supporter of net neutrality… what you've been seeing is some lobbying that says that the servers and the various portals through which you're getting information over the Internet should be able to be gatekeepers and to charge different rates to different websites… and that I think destroys one of the best things about the Internet -- which is that there is this incredible equality there." Now, the former telecommunications lobbyist that President Obama appointed to chair the Federal Communications Commission, Tom Wheeler, has proposed a private, tiered Internet system just like the one candidate Obama OPPOSED in 2007. If this proposal goes into effect, it would ruin the same Internet that the president used to get elected in the first place. Obama and his supporters knew that anything short of net neutrality would create classes of winners and losers online -- corporations and organizations that were willing to pay more would win, because they could afford a special type of service that was better and faster. But we know the Internet isn't just some private service, like satellite radio or HBO. It's a fundamental part of our lives, a utility that allows the same access to a family on public assistance as it does to a CEO in his skyscraper office. By removing net neutrality, Internet service providers (AT&T, Comcast, Verizon, etc.) can dictate the speed of Internet traffic to certain websites, effectively making the websites of political candidates that they do not support dysfunctional and, consequently, giving Internet service providers more power to influence the outcomes of elections. These Internet service providers already give large sums of money to a select group of political candidates (primarily Republicans) that support their positions, so you can be sure that they will use these proposed Internet rules to dictate the functionality of websites. No one company or person should be able to discriminate against online content and applications. The only way to protect real net neutrality is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Please do so!
—Susan Salafsky, Corvallis, OR

The FCC should insure everybody has equal access to the internet and not support plans that allow purchase of faster service just because money changed hands. Only technology should determine speed, not how much you pay service providers. Service providers should not be the only determination of the technology used for internet access.
—Warren Bean, Garland, TX

Alternative Media is the only true media not controlled by corrupt governments. All countries are internment camps.
—Octaevius Altair, ,

Free speech is a core value. Net neutrality is fundamentally important, even without recent mergers of media giants, and judicial decisions giving a fast lane to magnified speech based on the size of a political donor's wallet.
—Lisa P Vervena, Shoreview, MN

The Internet was created to make information easier accesible for everyone. Destroy net neutraility and only a few will be able to get access. That is a direct infringement on our freedom.
—Michael Chrichton, ,

Drop Wheeler's duplicitous "open internet" nitwitrality! Not Only NO; but FCC NO!
—Vic Anderson, Eagle Lake, FL

It's about FREEdom. The FREEdom to pick and choose our content. The FREEdom to educate ourselves about what interests us. GREED and CONTOL are what opposes our FREEdoms. Please hear us. Thank you. dom to pick and choose what content we want to peruse. The freedom to become educated about what interests us. Th
—Susanne Bottomley, Redondo Beach, CA

The creation of a paid "fast lane" will, by the very nature of broadband connections, create an unpaid "slow lane". There is only so much available bandwidth, so if deep-pocketed, established companies pay for better performance, the rest of the internet will suffer, along with the innovation and creativity that has defined the internet for the last 20 years.
—Rick Baumhauer, West Haven, CT

I live in a rural area and already have slow and spotty service. Your new rules would make the internet virtually unusable for me. Allowing providers to "prioritize" content providers will work against startups, discriminate against free speech, and ultimately turn it into a monopoly controlled by a small cartel. That you would attempt this under a Democratic presidency makes me question just how much the Democratic party has the interests of the people at heart, and whether there really is any difference between them and the thieving thugs of the GOP.
—Michael Piotrowski, Ramona, CA

Stop this selfish corporate charade!
—Ralph Elias, Baltimore, MD

The Internet should be a common carrier.
—Diane Jackson, Redondo Beach, CA

How dare they.
—Corey Hennessey, Baltimore, MD

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Francisca Aleman, Clovis, CA

As the world's newest infrastructure, upon which communications and the flow of information depend, it is imperative that the Internet be treated as a public utility, regulated in the same way. Protecting equal and universal public and private access to this civilization-changing resource is the number one priority to insure and sustain the balance between private and public interests. To do otherwise, as did the Supreme Court's ruling giving corporations personhood, you add to the assault on our democracy, giving the value of wealth priority over equality, property rights over human and civil rights, and the few dominance over the many. Common carrier is the legal status that fixes the boundaries around those resources that in the social contract are are deemed accessible to all without regard to individual economic status -- a refinement of the basic inalienable rights of all people. Act to lead our nation forward in a renaissance of the principles that heralded the creation of America.
—Ken Marsh, Los Angeles, CA

wE MUST NOT BE "TAKEN OVER FROM YET ANOTHER FORM OF COMMUNICATION
—Dodie Shepard, Burbank, CA

First class passage for the wealthy and what's left for the rest of us. This is the message I get from Chairman Wheeler's stance about Internet access. I'm not sure who Mr. Wheeler represents but it's not my interests. That's for sure.
—Nathan Rosenblatt, Laguna Woods, CA

Haven't we been punished enough, we the not 1%. I have MS & in a wheelchair at home most of the time. The internet is my connection with the outside world. So please consider others like me.
—Carol Ann McCoy, Silver City, NM

The Net MUST stay Neutral for the freedom of all.
—R Clements, Anytown, TX

If it ain't broke, don't fix it. Don't give in to corporate interests. There are far more independent individuals than corporations, and, as I'm sure you are aware, we will all be extremely ticked off if you succumb to corporate bullying. Get rid of your rules and reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—David Shelton, Casar, NC

Net Neutrality is important to me. Please make it truly neutral once again. Do something good instead of something profitable for once. You're hurting the American economy with this, and you're hurting American people all so you can make more money. That is evil. Don't be evil.
—David, State College, PA

It is profoundly undemocratic and discriminatory to disrupt the lives of hundreds of millions of Internet users in order to fill the coffers of service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon. Whether for business, friendship, romance or knowledge, Americans depend on Net Neutrality as a part of their daily lives. Are we retuning to the Robber Baron age and control of American lives by greed and unfettered monopolies? As FCC Chairman, you have the power and responsibility to protect Net Neutrality. I urge you to do so. Otherwise, you will go down in history as the man who destroyed Net Neutrality.
—Jeff Harmon, Van Nuys, CA

Please start placing the interests of the public and smaller businesses ahead of these large, extremely profitable ISP's. They have obviously lobbied the FCC pretty hard to produce the atrocious rules you've recently published.
—Christopher D Wiley, Austin, TX

The internet was developed for everyone and meant to be open. No way should ANY corporation or company be allowed to interfere in ANY way with the flow of bits over the internet.
—Terry Laug, Hermosa Beach, CA

Creating a "fast lane" will only make inequality worse.
—BJ Novitski, Eugene, OR

I have already seen censorship on the internet. Do not continue ruining our internet bh censoring data etc based on monetary benefitsto you. Restore Net Neutrality.
—Inesse Diehr, San Rafael, CA

It is important that the internet remain open for all users. I live in a rural area and would be one of those affected by these changes because it would slow down my service considerably. My business and my farm depends on the internet. as many other business do, and should not be discriminated against just because I cannot afford to spend millions to lobby like the giants (At&T, Comcast, and Verizon) can.
—Amy Hollinger, New Madison, OH

my laptop is my main connection with the world. Corporate interests want to interfere with that connection. This would be a good time to remind you that you work for the people and not the communications industry.
—Tim Blaes, Hendersonville, NC

It' is the last place for the average citizen to have a voice.
—Moira Lourie, Kensington, CA

The current classification of ISPs is a historical mistake that was made before we knew what was going to happen with the Internet. We need to modernize the rules to be more closely aligned with reality. We can't give control of the Internet to corporations because time and again they have collectively demonstrated that they are incapable of anything other than making decisions based on short-term greed. Give them the Internet and it will cease to be any more meaningful than a tabloid newspaper.
—Brett Robert, Pompano Beach, FL

Net Neutrality is important because Internet is a free and open technology, and your proposed rules basically deny that, and are, thus, terrible.
—Gilberto Leon, ,

The crucial importance of Net Neutrality to our nation is obvious. Having to defend it is ridiculous, and shows how far from the path of fairness and justice we have strayed. Like the rest of us in this country, I want to send and receive the messages that I think are important. I don't want the likes of Comcast to decide which information goes through in a timely fashion, and which doesn't. You may as well decide that CEOs get to drink pure water, while the rest of us lap it out of foul ditches. Please use your expertise to reclassify ISPs, or the Net, in a manner that preserves true Net Neutrality.
—Margaret Nagel, Evanston, IL

Net neutrality is why the Internet works as well as it does. Taking that way means dismantling everything good the Internet has ever been used for. ISPs need to be classified as common carriers.
—Brian Edward Van Sickle, Hometown, IL

Please get rid of FCC rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers! It's important to the people of this country, so please help us with Net Neutrality!!
—Belinda Kennington, Port Saint Joe, FL

Net neutrality guarantees the free distribution of content by everyone, not only the ones who pay the most for it. It is important that all have access to the same speed as anyone else as otherwise it will become a pay to play situation like it was in the recording industry a number of years ago. Sincerely, /Johan T. Lindgren
—Johan T. Lindgren, Brooklyn, NY

If this rule is approved it will be one of the worst things that has happened when it comes to equality, democracy, and access to information.
—Amelia Smith, Minneapolis, MN

As a rural Texan I have lived my whole life dealing with very limited choices and high cost for access to the internet and all other digital services. There is no competition and there never will be. Giving cable companies authority to charge additional fees while limiting access to content that competes with their own services will be devastating to my already limited choice as a consumer. Due to the single provider climate all over the United Stats outside the large cities, the only thing that makes sense is to declare these providers what they are. They are monopoly holding utilities with a captive audience. They have no competition by design. They make sure that the legislative and business climate remains that way through deals with other providers and lobbying. It is time to stand up for the consumer and do the right thing. For areas with one provider, the only protections we have lay in your hands. Declare internet providers as common carriers. Allow multiple companies to use the lines to provide service. I'm not asking for socialism here. I'm asking for capitalism. I'm asking for competition and choice.
—Jody Pelzel, Rockdale, TX

I work from home and require the Internet. Many small businesses and individuals depend upon the internet. This new ruling only helps big business who can afford to pay and ultimately hurts consumers who will end up bearing the cost. The only ones who benefit are the providers who already charge us consumers more than other countries. They are making huge profits and this is just another revenue stream that benefits only them at the expense of the general public.
—Barbara Pohl, Chicago, IL

My right to free access to information and features of ANY WEB SITE I CHOOSE and my PRIVACY IN DOING SO is my First Amendment right. The web providers like Verizon and AT&T just want to extort more money from web sites and users because of their privileged status as providers. THIS CANNOT BE ALLOWED TO STAND!!!!
—Mark W Pope, Houston, TX

I do not like th idea that large providers will get to interfere with my access on internet by slowing down speeds from sites I choose.
—Dr. Dr. Virginia Jones, Kalamazoo, MI

Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers is the ONLY acceptable option going forward. Period.
—Malia Harper, Santa Monica, CA

Net neutrality is vital to a forward moving nation. The movers and shakers of tomorrow should not be relegated to the slow lane simply because they don't have a corporate backer to pay the freight for quicker internet service. A local blogger should have the same access to the viewing public as one in the stable of a large media provider. Allowing a two tier system would create vast numbers of websites with pay-walls that deny access to the general public. This is a discriminatory practice similar to not allowing a shopper into the store unless they swipe the credit card in advance.
—Linda Knapp, Kokomo, IN

The current state of the neutral net is what allows small start ups to become big business. Many of the big sites today started as very small ventures and were able to prosper in the freedom of the internet. If the current rules are adopted, then this culture of freedom will be stifled by big companies deciding what can and cannot grow. Entrepreneurs will no longer have the freedom to grow and prosper. Please do not adopt the new rules. Classify ISPs as common carriers. Don't let your pocket book decide on the future of the internet.
—Chris Dungan, Edinburg, TX

I am on a fixed income and I cannot afford to pay additional cost to access the internet. The FCC should reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Kathryn Dalenberg, Valley Head, AL

Democracy is government BY the PEOPLE, FOR the PEOPLE, not for corporations, or only for the people that have money to give to influence votes. Keep the internet free!
—Heather Beaird, Chehalis, WA

Net Neutrality is important to me because whether rich or poor, everyone can access the same content on a level playing field. Don't discriminate.
—Rachel Voorhees, Lake in the Hills, IL

The internet gives all of us abilities to get knowledge and education for people like me who cannot afford education. Please dont take more money from us who barely can pay the bills. All our rights to freedom of the press and free education has been lost and this is just another way to make us pay for it. The internet means alot to us normal people, but with this proposal will only be for the people who can afford it. Simply put, its very unfair. Radio was never an issue in the airwaves, why is this any different?
—Beth Jones, Tucson, AZ

The internet is and should remain an open, democratic entity. Once there is a two-tiered system the majority of users will suffer, and wealthy corporations will rack up more profits from us. This is not what the internet was intended to be.
—George Hartman III, Louisville, CO

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers, please.
—Lowell Hart, Centennial, WY

I'm a partner in a small business that meets and works online -- but we're only getting started, and we can't survive in a money-take-all version of the Internet.
—Jennifer Schuller, College Station, TX

Because we ALL need truth and objectivity to prevail as well as freedom of expression!
—Monica, ,

Dont go through with this ... In this modern technological society internet is a very important thing , not only just looking up stuff but also lots of community's rely on your decision . This could probably mean the end of a lot of games that are now being massivly played online . For example , I am a league of Legends player , League of Legends is a game that relys VERY heavily on internet connection . If you have shitty internet connection you basicly cant play LOL properly . Now this would mean only people with enough money to buy the "internet upgrade" for lol would be able to play LOL . This would mean that people that dont really have that much money would have to give up a lot of fun things to do in their free time . Sorry for my bad englisch . -Thx for reading
—Ben ben, ,

We need to lesson our focus on increasing corporate greed! The Internet should be a place where all are treated equal, such as in a library as that is what the Internet is...the world's largest library. Many of us depend on a wide array of functions and sites in order to manage our daily affairs. Do the right thing and support the citizens rights to access information. Stop feeding the corporations, they're already too BIG!
—Michel Franc, Franklin, NC

I want a level field for the internet services I receive.
—Sharon M. Callahan, East Windsor, NJ

Dear FCC Chairman Wheeler: I am concerned about your proposed changes to the internet. I strongly hold, as do many of my colleagues, that an open, fair, inter net, operated on the basis of a utility, is essential to our democracy. Please, please, do not privatize the internet. Keep it neutral so that all citizens have an equal voice.
—Mychal Loving, Arlington, WA

The internet is a place for freedom of speech and a safe haven for many people to speak out on issues. MILLIONS of people NEED the internet to connect with like minded individuals around the world. I personally have terrible social anxiety and find it extremely difficult to talk openly about my problem, but the internet has put me in contact with countless others who share my plight. I too have many political and spiritual views that I feel the need to share, and if it wasn't for the internet I would probably be unable to do so because of my condition. The internet is my safe place and something that means so much to me that I don't know what I would do without it. I find so many new places online every week that are small start ups that are amazing, and with this proposed plan to change the internet would not have a chance to be there and offer what they do. Please keep REAL NET NEUTRALITY alive and give ever person a fair voice online. I beg of you to please not go forward with the plans you have in mind, it would take so much from so many people. THROW OUT YOUR RULES AND INSTEAD RECLASSIFY ISP'S AS COMMON CARRIERS!!!
—Patrick Robertson, ,

Net Neutrality needs to be done right -- with an absolute No Forms of Preference Allowed Ever rule in place -- because no matter how exceptionally noble Tom Wheeler might be, there will be future FCC chairmen, and it only takes one who dislikes regulation -- for example, anyone the Republicans would appoint -- to destroy Neutrality as a functional principle. Why is the principle important? To protect small businesses, for one thing: the extremely American tradition of working for yourself instead of being lost in a multinational getting orders from men who cut their checks in Switzerland or the Cayman Islands. To protect journalism, for another: often the best, most important reporting is done by small, unprofitable firms. To protect cussed American opinionatedness: the most interesting, informative blogs and special-interest magazines will never be able to outbid Time Warner to get their pages loaded. And, yes, to protect that more recent American tradition of staring at the television set: the end of Net Neutrality will punish the creators of expensive content (TV, movies) as their profits are held hostage by web carriers, until it's rarely worth creating expensive content anymore. I don't know if anyone working high in the FCC cares about small business or journalism or democracy. But I hope someone would miss their favorite TV shows -- maybe enough to do the right thing and classify ISPs as common carriers instead.
—Brian Block, Greensboro, NC

I am a small business owner here in Frankenmuth, MI. Even though we didn't have a lot of money, because of the nature of the internet, we were able to start our business and offer a superior business voice solution to other businesses and non-profits in our market that also saved them money. Even though we are small (just coming up on 100 business customers) we are growing because we offer a better product, superior local customer service, and better pricing. Our competition is ATT, Comcast, Verizon, and Charter. We represent a direct threat to their businesses, simply because we offer more value to our customer. If these companies provided better service at a better price, we wouldn't be in business. But this is how free markets do and should work. These rule changes proposed by the FCC give the keys of the kingdom to those who have the most to gain and lose. We pay for the bandwith access at your server locations, and our customers pay for bandwith access at their locations. But these rule changes would give ATT, Charter, Comcast, and others, the ability to slow down our service to our customers unless we pay a ransom fee to keep our streaming information flowing through their networks. And would they benefit if our service does not work well? YES, because they all make money off of their own voice services and lose revenues when a customer switches to my service. My business and thousands of business like mine will all be at the mercy of the billion dollar companies that can afford to lobby for these rule changes to protect their interests and sustain their antiquated business model. The internet has never had a fast lane and a slow lane, so why in the world would anyone want to change the internet as we know it when it has been the single largest driving force for innovation and economic growth in the United States and the world in the last 25 years.? Who has all to gain and all to lose?
—Ben Cable, Frankenmuth, MI

Please reclassify ISP's as common carriers. This is the only way to protect internet neutrality.
—Adam Ward Dimond, st. brieuc,

FREE INTERNET! FREE INFORMATION! DON'T SELL OUR RIGHT TO COMMUNICATE FREELY TO THE CORPORATIONS!
—Gonzalo de Zúñiga, ,

My internet provider is my main utility. It carries my VoIP traffic (voice / phone), it is essential, too many things can only be done practically now online. What's more there is no meaningful competition. I don't need an electricity company, I could get my electricity from solar, but I cannot deliver IP packets without an Internet Utililty - and that's what an ISP is, it is a utility. Otherwise, how come it can dig up the road, or dig up my garden, or use the public airwaves. It looks like a utility, it smells like a utility, it is a utility! Not classifying it as a utility is simply a lie.
—Mark Bartosik, Bay Shore, NY

the United States has already begun to shift from a Democratic Republic to a Corporate Oligarchy. Do not facilitate this shift by creating the "Internet Fast Lane" and destroying Net Neutrality.
—Mike Mulllins, denver, CO

I don't want someone monopolizing or putting a price on my right to informational freedom.
—A Folk, Arlington, VA

I want to be able to access whatever content I want delivered by whomever I want equally, not just the content delivered by those willing to pay more.
—da Roy, houston, TX

net neutrality is important cause who the hel is gonna pay for all that internet shit leave us alone go make money off of drug dealing or something smh
—Marisa Electra, Bronx, NY

The only people who benefit from destroying net neutrality are the ISPs, and they don't need any help making money. They're doing fine.
—Wheeler Pryor, Atlanta, GA

If it's not broke, don't fix it. The internet should be a free place for everyone and not subjected to corporate bullshit.
—Johnathan Woodall, Georgetown, IN

There is no reason that some providers should be able to choose to force me to pay more for whatever content I wish to view. The segregation proposed would only serve to pass on additional costs to the consumers who have no recourse but to pay.
—Christopher Morton, Natick, MA

Net neutrality is absolutely imperative to the American public. If we do not have it we are at the high probability risk of being subject to increasing rates and limited service due to the greed of the companies like Comcast and AT&T. ISPs are common carriers and should remains so ad infinitum.
—Barry Brukoff, SAUSALITO, CA

Comcast is an over reaching, annoying corporate monopoly. How can we keep saying we live in a free country when everything is being infringed or erroded by corporations?
—Zachary Yarosz, Baltimore, MD

Keep the internet OPEn And Free!!! Not Controlled By verizon, Attat, Tmobile!!!!! A Free Open Internet for all!!!!!!!NO Two tiered Internet!!!! NO Double Pricing for big tech companies!!!!! An Open and Fair Free Internet for all!!!! Follow the Consitution of the United States of America!!! This is NOT A Communist Country!!!!!! Free and Open Internet for All!!! I depend on Net Neutrality for work and other things!!! LIke Most People!!! Free and OPEN for all!!!! Lets Show the World what the U.S.A. Really MEANS!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!! !!!!!!!!!!
—Joshua Heffron, NYC, NY

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—John Henderson, Stillwater, OK

You don't need me to tell you why net neutrality is vital, not only to the future of the web, but to the future of civilization in general. Just Google it and you'll find thousands, if not millions of compelling arguments. But consider this, everything which the web has achieved in the 25 years since it's inception, everything that it has contributed towards economic and technological progress, social empowerment, the betterment of humanity, it has done because it was free and neutral.
—Rene Klinkhamer, ,

Two-Tiered Internet will not work for customers and needs to be stopped. As a customer, I already pay internet providers a hefty fee for the mediocre service I get. Internet service providers charge what they want because they can and have very little regulation controlling their actions. I have never had an internet service provider compete for my business, and as a customer I will not benefit from Tom Wheeler's plan for two-tiered Internet. Even if I paid more, I would only end up paying more for the same service I receive now and have my internet speed throttled down if I did not pay extra. Tom Wheeler's plan also allows for unchecked discrimination against what content can be posted online and who can post. This is not freedom, and it is not the Internet I want! Tell the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Brian J Lee, Beaumont,

I work from home and run 3 different businesses via the internet, I am a startup independent businessman and as such I require fairly-priced internet access so that I continue pursuing my dream of owning a business, essentially the American dream!
—Chance Unterseher, Seattle, WA

Open and available internet access is critical in today's modern era.
—Kelly Commons, Indianapolis, IN

The Internet by now being part of the Commons and paid for with block grant with tax payer funding is the property of the people. And should be Nationalized NOT Privatized. This can be accomplished by reclassifying the internet as a common carrier and correcting Mr Powells screw up the one thing Mr Wheeler is incapable of doing at this point in time is his job of protecting the peoples interest over third partied interloping parasites such as ATT,Verizon,Comcast and Time Warner to name a few..To Mr Wheeler if you find yourself unable to performing a simple reclassifying case them perhaps you should step down and put someone in place that can do the job.
—N Welch, Satellite Beach, FL

Reliable and unencumbered internet access is a civil right. There is no better way to allow people all over the world the opportunity to educate themselves than through the tools and guidance of others provided via the internet. Auctioning off internet bandwidth and, at the end of the day, access to the highest bidder will stifle the global economy and the development of young and old alike.
—Evan Walker, Chicago, IL

Don't hand over 1 more thing to the rich, leaving the rest of us behind
—Dennis Daley, Conshohocken, PA

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—James Mack, Binghamton, NY

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Linda Berton, Appleton, WI

Net Neutrality is one of the most important issues of our time. In an age where technological and internet advances are shaping the future of, not only our country, but the rest of the world, this issue has ramifications for all of us (the American People) than you may think or know. Your plan of creating a two-tiered lane that ISP's can charge companies and their customers for is not only the most ridiculous thing the FCC can do, it also will truly be the 'death' of the internet. To allow companies like Comcast and AT&T, who already have the worst reputations and service in any industry today, the ability to have even more control and charge even more to their customers is tantamount to shelving the United States as far as being at the forefront of innovation and being the leader of the free world. This will give notice to all other countries that businesses can control what they want, and it i the equivalent of a hostile takeover, in my opinion. I don't speak much on issues, but I felt compelled to voice my concerns on this one, because it affects me and all of my fellow citizens. This is our time to come together as brothers and sisters and say that big businesses do NOT have control over something that is supposed to be free and open like the internet. You, the FCC, have the power to make net neutrality a reality. As your plan goes forward, hopefully, just hopefully, you will have in mind the best intentions of the people you represent; us, the American people, and that being a country where net neutrality is a cornerstone of what it means to be free. I hope you do not let special interests determine the outcome of the most important issue of our time that will inevitably affect our futures 10, 20, and 50 years down the road. What you do today will affect us all in the future. Please, I beg of you, enact Net Neutrality and do NOT give Comcast and other ISP's the ability to regulate the internet and dictate our lives. Thank you for your time, Darrin T.
—Darrin Thompson, Clovis, CA

The Supreme Court’s ruling in McCutcheon v. FEC will allow enormous amounts of money to corrupt our politics and marginalize average Americans. Now more than ever, we need tough new anti-corruption reforms like those outlined in the American Anti-Corruption Act in order to ensure equal representation for every American. We, the people, should not have to buy access to our own government. If you won't make meaningful anti-corruption reform a priority, we will elect new leaders who will.
—Michael E Lewandowski, Scottsville, NY

We, the taxpayers, paid for the development of the internet. NO private corporation or entity should have ANY control over it. It has become a part of the fabric or modern day living and needs to be RECLASSIFIED as a COMMON CARRIER vehicle. The notion that reclassification would somehow stifle innovation is a flawed argument, as in reality it's just the opposite. The ISPs in this country are already charging us way too much for inferior service as it is.. Please RECLASSIFY!
—Joe Betesch, East Elmhurst, NY

Kenny Barnes
—Kenny Barnes, Glen Allen, VA

Are we going to have the best democracy money can buy?
—Sharon Moss, St. Louis, MO

While businesses serve an important role in our society, we must not forget that we the humans are most important. A nation founded upon equal rights and opportunities is a cherished gift and we should strive to do whatever possible to preserve that goal. Please do not commoditize the right to connect to the world on equal footing.
—Shawn Sonnema, Columbia Cross Roads, PA

The openness of the internet has fostered many small businesses, some of which have grown to be large businesses. Many small businesses would be unable to get started if Net Neutrality goes away.
—William D. Sturtz, Boulder, CO

AT&T, Comcast & Verizon have already established dangerous oligopolies through the FCC's inaction. Competition may exist the way the government defines it but at a local level it is a complete joke and now they want to further consolidate their power despite years of record profits. Defining ISPs as common carriers is the only way to fix the problem the FCC got us into.
—J Conrad Shelton Jr, Sammamish, WA

I am disgusted at how quickly the FCC decided to listen to a few oligarchs instead of the American people. Tom Wheeler should be ashamed. We will never forget what he has done.
—Eric Paul Jacobsen, West Saint Paul, MN

unfettered access to the internet should be a basic human right. Don't fetter access!
—Lindsay Chambers, Fayetteville, AR

Net Neutrality allows everyone to be one the same playing field. Please consider keeping the internet a fair place and make it so that major internet companies like Comcast and Time Warner Cable can't screw us over by making certain content cost more. Net neutrality allows innovation in the internet. New startups can all create content. They are only limited by their creativity. If net neutrality isn't maintained the odds could be stacked again these companies. The future of the internet is in your hands. Please listen to the people and understand why net neutrality is good for the people. If its overturned only Cable companies stand to benefit.
—Sam McLemore, Fayetteville, AR

Net Neutrality = Free Speech!
—Keisla Messenger, Edmond, OK

If we are to have true democracy we need free access to all information available.
—Dr John Hemp, Oxford,

Many consumers need affordable access to the internet in order to communicate both socially and professionally. I feel this proposed action could possibly destroy the availability of the internet to many current consumers.
—Burt Sparks, Danville, VA

This country is on a dangerous path, clearly being led by big business and corporations and the pursuit of their interests. The people of this country are awakening to this more and more every day. Their needs, their concerns, their voices, are not being heard. They are being backed into a corner by these corporations, and the civil unrest in this country is growing. I would suggest that if the powers that be want to maintain the illusion that this is a free country, and thereby retain a placated population, they make certain that corporations will not be allowed to rule over and dictate the availability of information that is, and should remain, free and open to the public via internet. I know that information is key and knowledge is power, so of course they'd want to take that away from us. But the more they continue to take from us and the more they push us into a corner, the more desperate we will become, and good things do not come from a desperate population united in desire for retribution. Learn to know when enough is enough. Listen to the people. Failure to protect the open internet from corporate rule, is failure to protect the foundation of this country. Fail to protect the foundation, and this country will crumble. It may start at the bottom with the working class, but eventually, when the backs upon which the high class ride give out, the corporate elite, that eye at the top of the pyramid, will topple down with the rest of us, until there is nothing left but rubble and we're all standing on an equal ground of desolation. Protect the foundation. Protect the open internet.
—Louis Russell, Salem, OR

Government exists to represent the people's will. It is time for congress to do something about Net Neutrality.
—Robert Avila, Trabuco Canyon, CA

The internet is one of the only places with true equality; do not change that!
—John Anderson, florissant, MO

the internet should be a place of free learning
—ben Livingston, Glasgow, Scotland,

Discrimination on a financial basis is already rampant in our society - the internet has long been one of the last bastions of theoretical, if not real, equality: to remove or facilitate the removal of restrictions meant to ensure that equality is wrong. Reclassification and the end of Net Neutrality means that free speech will be severely curtailed at the whim of any number of large corporations, several of which are already close to monopolizing their chosen markets. To think otherwise, or to say that there is only a possibility of that attack on one of our basic rights, is to ignore all that is known of human nature and corporate drive. At this time, there is no incentive for an ISP to NOT limit accessibility to anyone they deem unsuitable [which will, fairly likely, include anything they deem competition or threatening to their companies] if Net Neutrality ends, and every reason for them to abuse the license to discriminate that will be granted to them. No promise on any company's behalf to abstain from these practices can be trusted: history has always and will continue to prove that companies will pay lip service to any number of policies to get what they want and then completely ignore the promises they have made, sometimes even if breaking those promises breaks the law. There is no discernible benefit to the end of Net Neutrality for the average American, the low-income American, or, indeed, any American except for the American Corporation, specifically the ISPs that will be able to charge premiums on the access of information [which is ludicrous in and of itself] and the companies that will be able to pay for that "premium" service. For a society that now runs extensively on the internet, it is unthinkable to condone this sort of basic unfairness.
—Karin Chang, Spring, TX

Do not start the ball rolling for making most of us only be able to get second class internet
—Jim Simons, Austin, TX

Net Neutrality is the principal upon which the internet was created. The principle of the equality of data has been key to the internet's development. If there's no net neutrality, the internet as we know it no longer exists.
—Jonathan Farbowitz, Philadelphia, PA

We're getting to be a two-tiered society where the wealthy and corporations play by a separate set of rules. Don't do that to the internet. Keep the playing field level for the up-and-comers.
—jeffery dorer, Los Angeles, CA

I don't like to think about the world where only the rich are equal.
—Robert O'Connor, Pleasant Gap, PA

Where is equality now? Where is the American dream, the level playing field, the land of opportunity? Land of unfair advantage and hypocrisy I fear.
—Siri M Margerin, San Francisco, CA

This is ridiculous and I will vote against ANYONE that puts this into power. There is NO NEED for this besides greed and we are TIRED of greedy rich corporations spoiling America and the American dream for others. THE NET SHOULD REMAIN OPEN AND FREE. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Alyssa Meiszinger, Sacramento, CA

As a college student, it's not just about social media. I need net neutrality so that I can properly research for my classes. I can't afford "fast lane" internet, or to waste time waiting for pages to load. Professors are giving students less and less time for research because it's easier to find good information with the internet, but if net neutrality is eliminated, you can kiss that information goodbye. Less material will be covered in classes, reducing the value of college educations. The world needs net neutrality.
—Alison McCauley, Normal, IL

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. These proposed rules do not give real net neutrality. But reclassifing ISPs as common carriers will ensure that these large companies do not take advantage of startups and smaller businesses. Capitalism requires competition and these new rules will allow corporations to double dip on toll roads that they've already been given monopolistic control over.
—Alan Byrn, Kearney, NE

Please don't destroy the promise of the Internet due to the greed of a few. Your actions will affect generations.
—John Mathieu, Union City, CA

I run a small business on the web to reach customers around the world. Net neutrality, where I have equal access with "big communications companies" is the only way I will survive.
—Margie M Mulligan Ph.D., Hemet, CA

Access to information is absolutely vital to my job. I'm a freelance writer who has forged her own career in a struggling economy. My success has been largely depending on access to reliable research online. Without equal access to the sources I need, the quality of my work and my income will be affected. More importantly, however, I believe that the proposed Internet rules would exacerbate a truly troubling problem our country is facing: the widening gap between the poor and the rich. The internet provides incredible opportunities for those in poverty to find the information and resources they need to better their lives. Without equal access, it's these individuals who would be hurt the most, weakening our ability to grow and succeed as a nation.
—Ashley Henshaw, Chicago, IL

The majority of consumers already pay enough. The Comcast/Time Warner merger is probably going to increase the charges and once you give them the go ahead to charge more for faster lanes they will charge even more. I should not have to pay extra for services I already pay for (Netflix and broadband).
—Jenni Burgmeier, New Berlin, WI

- IF IT WORKS YOU DONT MESS WITH IT .AND IT WORKS NOW AND AT A PRICE WE CAN AFFORD UNLESS YOU LET THIS DEAL GO DOWN .THEN IT WILL BE SLOWER AND MORE EXPENSIVE
—Michael W Folk, pahrump, NV

The internet has become such a vital part of daily life that it should be a highly regulated utility, and not merely another cash cow for corporations. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Leonard Tremmel, San Francisco, CA

A pay-for-priority Internet is unacceptable! Please do everything in your power to keep the Internet free and open!
—Chas Garrick Rice, Garden City, KS

High speed internet is an invaluable resource for the world. It essentially puts the knowledge of mankind at the fingertips of those who use it. Tampering with it only retards the flow of knowledge, innovation, and growth.
—Deborah A Mathieu, Union City, CA

The internet should not become a privilege for the privileged, like our justice system has. Do the right thing and keep the internet neutral, no matter what it takes.
—George Stritter, Newton, NJ

Losing net neutrality would be one more step in dividing our society into those who have in abundance and those who have to make due with the crumbs. It would make the road to entrepreneurial success that much steeper to climb for the little guys who rely on the internet to get their product/service noticed.
—Patricia S Snowden, Bethesda, MD

Because to destroy the Internet would be monstrous.
—Jonas Lowery, Troy, NY

Net Neutrality is very important to me because I want everyone to have the same possibilities - regarding usage of the Internet for private persons and regarding small and big service providers. If Net Neutrality is abolished, small startups will not be able to success because they cannot pay the fees for faster lanes.
—Matthias Jobst, ,

Founding Principle #1 of the United States of America - EQUAL REPRESENTATION. Amendment #1 to the Constitution of the United States of America - Freedom of Speech. Tell me Mr. Wheeler how your current plan supports and does not violate the principles of Equal Representation and Freedom of Speech via the Internet. I, as a citizen should not have to pay any extra than anybody else in order to broadcast my views on the Internet. It needs to remain the level playing field that it is now, with EVERYONE abiding by the same minimal fees necessary to be online. I do NOT want my internet DOMINATED by corporate America. I do NOT want my internet to function to the advantage of the power-mongering, wealthy elite. They have PLENTY of advantages AS IT IS!!! What are we doing cowering and catering to THEM?!?!?!?! Their interests herein are NOT in the best interest of Americans. This is their own SELF-CENTERED, SELFISH, SELF-INTERESTS here at work. Where is their high-minded spirit of public service here? How about some civic-mindedness here! Put these smug, pandering, glad-handing, tightfisted, tightwads in their place and make them compete on the same level playing field with the rest of us. Your best option would seem quite obvious in reclassifying all ISPs as common carriers. I can't see any sense in doing otherwise. Let's take a stand on principle - indeed on the founding principle of our Country - and stand tall and fearlessly and unapologetic-ally so. I am tired of seeing our public officials cow-tow to the wining demands of the "poor, downtrodden, abused" wealthy elite of this country. Give us a break from their smothering, ever-present influence and presence in all of our everyday affairs! Please! I much more prefer the opportunity for easy and open exchange with the average people of my own kind. I don't want for this to be relegated to some kind of second tier level of opportunity. Let the wealthy whine! So what! They are NOT being discriminated against! They have NO reason for needing SPECIAL PRIVILEGES on the Internet. Tell them to "Buck up." This is America. Land of freedom and equality. If they don't like it, LEAVE.
—Craig Schuster, Holland, OH

You can't allow these companies to control the net! Don't you have any morals or conscience? You obviously do not care about individuals by even considering this type of legislation. YOU CAN'T LET THESE COMPANIES CONTROL OR INFLUENCE THE NET. SHAME ON YOU FOR EVEN CONSIDERING IT. JUST HOW MUCH ARE THEY CONTRIBUTING TO YOU? DO EVEN HAVE A MORALS OR A CONSCIENCE?
—Bruce Crawford, Louisville, KY

The internet allows the spread of easily accessible knowledge; these proposed rules would severely diminish this spread of knowledge and make information inaccessible to many people. Keep our citizens informed and able to choose where they receive their information.
—Justin Covino, Sonora, CA

The advent of the internet had been the single greatest advancement to humanity since the discovery of antiseptics. Never before has the sharing of ideas and information been so free and instant. To hand control of such a miraculous invention over to corporate interests is tantamount to plunging us back into the dark ages. Please not allow corporations to dictate the progress and sharing of thoughts and ideas. The internet is more important than any of us and only our children will benefit from the enhancements to society that it will bring.
—John R Perry III, Roanoke, VA

I live in a rural area where internet service is very poor and expensive. As a senior citizen with low income, I can't afford Cable TV. The internet it all I have and your plan to allow big corporations to gobble it up will drastically affect me and others of low income. Lyle Waddill
—Lyle Waddill, Mason, TX

Free Internet= Free Speech
—Bill G Koch, Onalaska, WI

the current proposed rulings allow for big businesses to choke out small startups. I stand against this, and wish for the current laws of net neutrality to remain.
—Nathan Whitby, Beaverton, OR

The Internet is at the heart of Free Speech today. Pay to Play gives the loudest voice to those with the most money. I want to hear everyone's voices.
—Alexandra Hopkins, La Crescenta, CA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—David Janssen, Green Bay, WI

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—Wade Shaw, Austin, TX

As an independent business woman, I depend on a reliable means of communication and networking. The Internet, as the only one of its type (which is why it's supposed to be capitalized according to grammar!) is the most certain and most efficient means of keeping my businesses alive. Surely helping our economy prosper would be a good thing. Thank you. Have a lovely day! Jane
—Jane Simpson, Colorado Springs, CO

There shouldn't be any fast lanes for people who have the money..it should be a level playing field for all. I don't want to have the best internet that money can buy..I want the same for everyone. No exclusive deals for big companies. These proposed rules will sell the internet to the ones who have the most money and will leave out the little guy. Not a good idea.
—Christine Dabney, Albuquerque, NM

I was part of the first generation to grow up with the Internet, and I really want to share that with my children. I love the freedom that we have on the internet - there is no censorship, bias towards or against any ideas or beliefs and we have so much information at our fingertips that we just didn't have until a few decades ago. I think that what we have in the Western world is wonderful. Please don't take that from me!
—George Millman, Colchester,

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—Ethan B., Wilmington, DE

Dear Mr. Wheeler, I am disheartened by your current proposal that would create a tiered Internet, favor other traffic before mine or even yours. Can you imagine, in an emergency, a message that could have saved lives, was delayed because movie streaming traffic took priority? Because Netflix has to pay for priority? Your current proposal threatens Net Neutrality and I can't support it. I urge you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers, allowing stricter regulation, which would protect the consumer and keep the Internet open, treating all traffic the same. Thanks for your time, -Jibran Bisharat
—Jibran Bisharat, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality guarantees a free and open internet. This is how the internet began, and is the reason it has been such a vital resource individually and collectively. It must remain democratic and open.
—Greg Merens, Chesterfield, NH

Telephones are supposed to work when the power is out, and all else fails. It is the common carrier for communications. The internet now functions like this (for all but power failures.) The Internet should be classified as a COMMON CARRIER. Like sidewalks and roads.
—Susan Lehrer, city, WA

The internet has become a necessity in our world. It is no longer a luxury. Therefore, it is essential this is understood as something necessary for all. Net Neutrality is a must! It makes no sense to give fast service only to those who pay whatever these companies dictate. We need forward-thinking people to make common sense decisions on this to keep the Net Neutral.
—Cindy Toraya, Tacoma, WA

Big corporations have too much power as it is, at least try to not appear to be putting your thumb on the scale in their favor !
—Timothy De Martin, Lindenhurst, NY

A free and open internet is vital in a democracy, for ecommerce, innovation and new ideas. Do not stifle freedom!
—Juan Camacho, Buena Park, CA

Monopoly is illegal. Fair playing field is vital.
—Natalya Panteleyeva, Englewood, CO

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—M O'Neill, Herndon, VA

Elimination of net neutrality will concentrate power in the hands of the already over powerful, unregulated telecommunication giants, disadvantaging small companies and creating a lower class of individual users. Loss of net neutrality will further erode and threaten American democracy.
—George L Bickel III, Lincolndale, NY

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—Tupefaavae Auelua, Victorville, CA

We (Americans) invented the internet. We need to innovate OUR creation and be the worlds most innovative country when it comes to the internet. This is going to stop if the Telecoms get their way.
—Hideki Yamashita, San Francisco, CA

Because monopolies and control taking over consumer usage of everything is getting way far out of hand, only for the benefit of the wealthy. Time to start caring about the regular average citizen again; you know, the majority!
—Cheryl Lagow, Fort Worth, TX

Freedom as defined by Google: free·dom ˈ frēdəm noun 1. the power or right to act, speak, or think as one wants without hindrance or restraint. "we do have some freedom of choice" 2. absence of subjection to foreign domination or despotic government. "he was a champion of Irish freedom" How much Freedom is enough? Should not we all be free to sale (on the internet) in an open playing field? When would the line be drawn on who can qualify to ride the "Fast Lane"? If we were all born equal (so the saying goes), why should the internet follow a different standard and make some companies inferior from conception? A level playing field should remain the standard instead of regulations meant to only benefit one over another. GIVE US NET NEUTRALITY OR GIVE US DEATH!
—Aaron Cortez, Harlingen, TX

It's really very simple. The proposed rules put more power into the hands of the few. If approved, they would not only hasten the end of Net Neutrality, they would hasten the end of democracy. ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers for the sake of our democracy..
—Barbara J. Jacobs, Satellite Beach, FL

You would be taking away my way to socialize, as I can not afford to pay.
—Marion Cavanagh, Cortez, FL

Without Net Neutrality, free and open source software providers would be at a severe financial disadvantage against their commercial counterparts. Historically, software provided under a GPL-like license had inspired innovation and stoked competition in the software economy.
—Mark Bentley, Birmingham, AL

Open communication is essential in a democracy
—Ms. Anne Anne Bassett, Jerome, AZ

Because I can't afford & refuse to pay extra to view movies or play games online just because their located at higher traffic sites.
—Wesley Atkinson, Dixon, CA

I believe that it is crucial for the function of our society to allow net neutrality to function. Internet serves the people and helps spread information easily for EVERYONE. Destroying net neutrality would also destroy perhaps one of the most important mediums that serve democracy in our country. It it not the right of ISPs to dictate who we should access and who we should not; because essentially that is what they do. This will gain them millions more and at what cost for the people?
—Melissa Zapata, Gainesville, FL

ISP's ARE common carriers, as internet access has become a requirement for modern work and play. Have you ever been in an office when the internet is down?
—Sylvan Thompson, Portland, OR

Do NOT limit high-speed internet to the wealthy. The internet should be considered a PUBLIC utility.
—Matthew Henson, North Hollywood, CA

AFTER DECADES IN A HIGH-PAYING CAREER, I AM ON A FIXED INCOME. WHO IS THE IDIOT WHO THINKS I CAN AFFORD TO PAY MORE FOR WEB ACCESS NOW THAT I AM NO LONGER WORKING, BUT STILL NEED TO CONNECT?????????????????????? ??????????
—S K Davis, Bristol, CT

An open internet supports democracy, equality, and the first amendment. I am more interested in hose concepts than in corporations making bigger profits. And I vote.
—Jennifer, Sheridan, WY

It can be agreed upon that connection is a basic human need. And in our society today, the Internet is what facilitates a widespread sense of connection for most people. It connects us to so many things, but most importantly it connects us to each other. No matter who you are or where you come from, you belong here, because everyone belongs here. You can have a terrible day and then go online and find a creation that makes you laugh and smile. You can feel all alone, like nobody will ever understand you, and gain encouragement from people who once felt exactly as you do now. You can be a wildly curious person with an insatiable hunger for knowledge and because of the Internet, you can access high-quality educational material for free. Inspiration, connection, education: do some humans deserve a 'better' or 'faster' level of access to these things? And if so, how is that to be judged? And what are you telling people by limiting their access? You are telling them that they are less worthy of laughing, of being comforted, of learning, of belonging. The Internet is messy, but it is an incredibly beautiful thing. It is a special thing. It is for all of us. If you try to clean it up, compartmentalize it, control it, or limit access to it, it will lose the things that make it beautiful. You will limit its potential, and in so doing, you will be limiting the potential of many of its users. What happens when you tell some people that they are less deserving of entertainment, inspiration, encouragement, enlightenment, belonging? What happens when citizens of a society systematically lose their empathy for one another? It is the same question. What you are proposing is going to bring us much closer to finding out the answer to that question. It is going to bring us closer to living it. Everyday, people work diligently to create Internet based education-, entertainment-, and connection-related opportunities that are open to all. To all. Show me a human who believes that someone with more money is inherently more deserving of connection, and I will show you someone who is very confused. Show me a human who believes that and is also in a position of influence and power, and I will show you a person who is not only very confused, but also incredibly dangerous. Net Neutrality is priceless, and the loss incurred by its potential collapse is unquantifiable. If Net Neutrality is ended, those responsible will be remembered forever as conscienceless and inhuman, not only for ruthlessly destroying such a priceless means of human connection, but for doing so in the face of this vocal and desperate protest. End Net Neutrality, and you will be unforgivable.
—Ria W, Chicago, IL

Equal access for all, not higher profits for some.
—Joseph A Crawford, Medford, OR

What happening to the land of the FREE?!?
—Esti Galan, north hills, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me in which I'm an intrenet user.
—Richard Beaulieu, Hollywood, FL

Not having net neutrality is an equivalent to controlling what books a person can read, censoring what information a person is allowed to have, and a caste system as to what people are allowed to have. This is almost communism. You should be ashamed of yourselves.
—Dawn Davis, Sylmar, CA

We live in the Information Age now. Internet is our bread & butter, a utility like electricity, water, and natural gas. And like a utility, it needs to be available whenever it is needed and wanted. Allowing ISPs to pay for special treatment doesn't let that happen. Imagine if your local power plant decided to provide more electricity to your lights than to your television or toaster. We would have a very frustrating mess. Please try to understand. Thank you for listening.
—Andrewdsix@yahoocom, Tucson, AZ

The internet is a public utility and should be operated for the public.
—Margaret Goodman, Glen Mills, PA

Net Neutrality should be the same for poor as well as the rich.
—Garry Scherer, lapel, IN

As far as I can tell, the only benefit of this deal is to allow a few large companies to make even more money than they do already. The cost of these new rules will be born primarily by people like me. The internet has become a basic part of our everyday infrastructure, and should be treated as such. Today, the speed of my connection is far behind most other modern developed countries (and some that are not), yet I pay far more for it. Please classify ISP's as common carriers. Please stick up for every day people who rely on open access to all content providers. Please.
—Jonathan Barley, ASHEVILLE, NC

I work from home via the Internet. Raising the cost and/or slowing down the speed out of your greed will put folks like me into a financial crisis! PLEASE DEFEND NET NEUTRALITY!!!
—Brad Stanfield, North Hollywood, CA

I use the internet every day at work and at home and like millions across the globe cherish its openness. Please don't take this away.
—Chris Toomey, Cupertino, CA

The proposed rules look like a way for ISPs to get more money, set rules that will affect the shape of what is developed on the internet, and do all of these things with no guarantees that consumers or the broadband economy get anything in return. I don’t find that reasonable at all.
—Kenneth Graves, Largo, FL

Given that these carriers have a virtual monopoly to provide internet service to our homes, this ruling will stifle innovation by ensuring that small start-ups and other less well funded could not pay the additional fees to get equal access to consumers. Why is it that Internet access in the US is at least an order of magnitude more than in other countries? It is time for the FCC to look out for the citizens and stop pandering to big business.
—David Francis, laurel, MD

Keep the Net FREE !
—Ivan Sizemore, bartlett, IL

As a senior citizen, the Internet is my link with the world and especially family. I would not be able to afford increased rates and might lose my access to so much I depend on.
—Beth Grendahl, Chetek, WI

I don't want to lose websites or internet services that will have to close down just because they don't change their business plans and won't be able to compete with big corporations' websites or internet services any more!
—Dr. Alexander Henrich, Hamburg, VA

The proposed rules are completely unfair and will only serve to increase income inequality. Do the right thing and reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Ryan Heichel, Cincinnati, OH

Net Neutrality is vital for democracy, freedom of speech and access to information.
—Carolina Salinas, Miami Beach, FL

A free and open internet is the single greatest technology of our time, and control should not be at the mercy of corporations. A free and open internet stimulates ISP competition. A free and open internet helps prevent unfair pricing practices. A free and open internet promotes innovation. A free and open internet promotes the spread of ideas. A free and open internet drives entrepreneurship. A free and open internet protects freedom of speech
—Bradley Bleich, Cape Coral, FL

It's bad policy.
—Ruth Quartuccio, Columbus, NJ

This plan is bringing us backwards in terms of technological development! We need to move forward, and this is the exact opposite way of doing it! The Internet is about the people, NOT the corporations!
—Christian Champagne, Ottawa,

I use the internet everyday and it is vital to my everyday life. I need a fast and reliable connection and cannot afford to pay extra for it. My wife and I both work and can barely afford to pay all of our bills. This new proposal would only put a bigger strain on our financial situation. Thank you for hearing my concerns.
—Zachary Nagy, Royersford, PA

Internet is for everyone equally!!!
—Paula Child, Salt Lake City, UT

If you would just reclassify the internet as a utility--which it is, as much as electricity is a utility--we wouldn't be having this discussion!
—Penny Derleth, Deer Park, WA

I am disabled and on a fixed income. My choices for internet service are already limited and to expensive. I feel that internet service providers should be regulated just like the telephone giants.
—Clark C Cline, BLAIRSVILLE, PA

This decision does not benefit the consumer. Its simply a money grab and a way to control innovation.
—Jarrod Lewis, Glenside, PA

I believe Neutrality is very important because if the changes that you are trying to make happen the ramifications will be great. For instance, many families only have Netflix because they cannot afford cable, so then you will have a lot less consumers. That may lead to another recession. Please leave the internet the way it is. People don't only use videos for entertainment purposes; it is used for educational purposes too.
—Jill Perez, Redlands, CA

An open and free internet is important for the future. We built the infrastructure through our tax dollars, and now you (FCC) want to hand over the reigns of it to proven untrustworthy corporations.
—Sean P Maguire, Highland Park, NJ

Education should be free all over the world. Easy and cheap access to the Internet is very important for gaining information and finding answers about matters we are interested in. Making that resource difficult and expensive for access would close the door of knowledge for many poor people and cease their chance for better life.
—Blagovesta Tchobankova, Sofia,

The internet is supposed to an open and easily accessible to everybody. Not just those who have more money. Don't turn the internet into another way for greedy CEO's to line their pockets by killing net neutrality.
—Will Arnold, lombard, IL

I am sick and tired of my government kowtowing to big corporations like Comcast and other internet providers. Our government is supposed to be for the people, and I mean real, living, breathing people - human beings - NOT corporations. In order to preserve true freedom on the Internet, it is necessary for the FCC to retract its proposed rules and to protect true net neutrality.
—Shannon Borthwick, Winthrop, MA

I believe in freedom of expression.
—Maria Valdemi, Stony Point, NY

After a fashion it is already taking place with throttling and Bandwidth access. I think these have given the ISP's consumer control like we never have seen. The airwaves are public and what is transmitted thru them should be public also. If that is not a feasible model then Carrier Neutral should hold water. Not more of the haves and have nots..... Net Neutrality seems a fair and decent plan for everyone.
—Devlin English, floral city, FL

I lived in China and abroad in other countries. I experienced internet throttling of speed and it's just plain communistic. Nuff Said. You support it- you support a communist backed platform. DONT SUPPORT a two tier system. You are limiting freedom by doing so.
—Marilyn Brier, Redondo beach, CA

Net neutrality is the only freedom that is left to everyone. It's the start of the redemption of humanity. Save it please.
—Steven, Gent,

There should be progress made towards a better more free and open internet not the opposite. It loses its purpose the more it is modified to benefit only big corporations and america will take one more step towards becoming a fascist state
—Nicholas Tocco, Columbia, MD

ISP's should be common carriers: free and equal access to the internet is vital to all people.
—David Ziegler, Chicago, IL

The internet has become necessary for many people. Work, play, education, government all now have important elements tied directly to ability to have free access to the internet. This is no longer a "like to have" thing, but is a necessary service which either requires tighter regulation, or a wider breadth of choices from which I can make my own educated choice about to who to give my money to fir service. Unfortunately, currently there are very few if any areas of this country where I have even 2 choices for internet and most include only 1.
—Joshua Kurtz, Livermore, CA

I feel we should Not Have to pay for high speed any more then we are already
—Brandon Wilson, San Diego, CA

Don't hinder competition.
—Roger N. Chellew, Clayton, NC

Censura es fascismo
—Merce Escayola Cabrejas, Barcelona, Spain,

So much of the innovation since the invention of the internet has depended upon its free and open use. Because innovation typically stems from small to medium sized companies, creating a two tiered system would dramatically slow down that innovation. It cannot be enacted.
—Patrick Russell, San Francisco, CA

The internet needs to be a level playing field for everyone and NOT just big business. Everyone should have the same fairness and usage. Free internet is a valuable resource for everyone and not just the few.
—Evalyn Pokorny, Hazelhurst, WI

Keeping the internet open is one of the most important things we can do this generation. It is my educated opinion that allowing major cable companies to give preferred access to specific websites that can afford to pay for a 'high-speed' information path will let the big companies further harm any competition that they have currently. It would also give major cable companies the ability to simply silence and censor the internet to their own liking making access to some websites all but impossible if they refuse to pay for access to the separate access path.
—Leif Lann, Detroit, AL

To whom it may concern, I am a seventeen year old boy from Massachusetts. I use the internet frequently like many my age, and I have met, discussed, and collaborated with many people I have never met in real life, only over the internet. This new fast lane proposal by cable companies is disgusting. The fact that you allow the rich to control everything in our lives is ridiculous. For once, think about the majority of the people who use the internet. We aren't all rich CEO's with millions to spend on something as ridiculous as a "fast lane". The internet is supposed to be something open, and free, and somewhere somebody can find a haven of people to talk to. I know that when I was younger I used to get bullied quite frequently, and I would turn to the internet for friends. Those friends quite literally saved my life. Please do not let net neutrality die.
—Adam Louis Rioux, Worthington, MA

I don't make alot of money. I also attend school online and most of the applications used by my college require an internet speed that moves faster than a snail. Net Neutrality needs to be protected.
—Santina Wood, Woodruff, SC

ABSOLUTE NEUTRALITY IS TO STAY
—Gennady Shvartser, brooklyn, NY

The Internet is the only outlet the average citizen has to express their concerns and ideas. Take that away, we'll be subject to misinformation and lies, don't let that happen.
—George Edward Spillers, The Villages, FL

This is our best tool for freedom of speech. If we can not hold our government and others accountable for their actions and shortcoming then there will be no trace of democracy at all. These outrageous restrictions being proposed are unacceptable!
—Jenna Michelle Kohler, Rochelle, IL

The traditional "land line" of communication, if you will, has for all intents and purposes been replaced by the internet. For this reason alone, not to mention the fact that telcos and cable companies alike provide internet connectivity, the only viable option is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet has flourished until now. it must be allowed to continue to flourish by not creating a two-tiered structure.
—Tony Starr, Kansas City, MO

Keeping the Internet available to all classes is good for the economy, from top to bottom.
—Linda Klein, Forest Knolls, CA

It's bad enough that we pay outrageous prices for cable and internet, and now you want to charge even more? This is just one reason our economy is in the toilet, because the poor can barely afford to feed themselves and the obnoxiously rich just want more and more money that they could never spend in a lifetime
—Charlene, Springfield, PA

I don't like the fact that I pay a monthly cable bill to a real big ISP and some of the sites that I use may be restricted or forced to pay premium fees to give me the same speedy service that I have always enjoyed. It's not fair and I'm looking to change providers since I found out that my ISP is involved in this.
—Vic Sinclair, Atlanta, GA

We should not have different internet access for those with money and those without.
—Bonnie N Wong, SAN JOSE, CA

Most of American's jobs are from small businesses. Most small businesses get much of their revenue from websites. If the FCC makes a faster lane for big companies only, you will be cutting off revenue from small businesses. This could mean putting them out of business, creating more umemployed people which results in less disposible income, which then results in the average American not being able to afford even the goods and services of those big businesses, which will make them lose money (with their greedy selves). Keep the internet neutral and prevent more obstacles to the circulation of commerce.
—Anita Tsalagi Asha, West Palm Beach, FL

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the only way to maintain a free and open internet which will allow for innovation and growth.
—Ms. S Dwyer, Granger, IN

I don't know about you, but I really do not want a pay-per-view internet... Honestly; I don't see any benefit aside from greed coming from something like this. They'll run it like the mob runs the underground. Can't pay the fees? Too bad. I strongly stand against this for many reasons-- one being that it's unfair to those of us who pay 70-100 dollars a month to pay and maintain their connection. In these times I don't think we need to be taxed and given fees and have what we view censored at every little turn. Hardly anyone has the money to maintain a decent life style, this will not help. I'm pretty sure if we need the internet untouched for a number of reasons these days: for jobs, job hunting, maintaining businesses both corporate and independent and maintaining communication for when a phone nor letter will suffice. It's been like this almost every step of the way for the past few years... some officials are trying to get a strangle hold on the internet. It's vexing. It's clear that no one wants these influences -- yet they still keep coming. Please reconsider this, for the sake of Net Neutrality.
—Ashley Elizabeth redfield, Pickerington, OH

Net Neutrality is the backbone of democracy, the great equalizer that allows for all people across the globe to be treated equally without the usual disparities. I demand that you keep the Internet free and open to all and DO NOT go ahead with the proposed rules. Instead, reclassify ISPs as common carriers, as they should be.
—Ms. Bethlyn Houlihan, Maynard, MA

The internet is as revolutionary as it is because of the astounding speeds it lets the world connect at. This connection has changed elections, stopped wars, saved lives, and to tell people they don't deserve this gift simply to make the rich richer is an abomination
—Linden, Cresskill, NJ

I do not want the flow of information dictated by cooperate wealth, the neutrality of the web is what makes it a truly free market. If the wealthy can influence this then we no longer have a marketplace where merit is the ultimate decider of success.
—Frank Travis Silveira, Reno, NV

stop discrimination against those who can not pay more for fast internet
—Rachel Bliss, Flagstaff, AZ

The internet is the lifeline for many seniors. Without it these seniors would be iceolated.
—Enid Cox, Vancouver, WA

My small business depends on this. Don't keep screwing the little guy.
—Doug Dilling, Indianapolis, IN

To Whom It May Concern, I am very much against the proposed changes to "Net Neutrality". These changes are anything but neutral by prioritizing money over everything else and would cause tremendous harm by making the internet an inherently unbalanced medium. This terrible idea will stifle innovation by imposing extra costs on emerging companies and technologies. It will also cost consumers and end users more as the huge access providers would have every reason to define anything they wish as a premium service and charge more for it. Finally, such a change goes against not only everything the Internet has been about since it came of age in the 90's, it goes against some bedrock notions of fairness, freedom, and what this country stands for. Keep the internet free, fair, and truly neutral. P.S. It is my hope that President Obama appoint a new Chairman and that Wheeler takes the hint and resigns rather than accept demotion. I'm sure he'll slink off back to his luxurious lobbying hole to ply his former, putrid trade.
—Tim, Minneapolis, MN

The United States of America was founded as a democracy, not an oligarchy catering to the wealthy. The giant telecoms, AT&T, Comcast, Verizon, already make incredible profits, and just how much more income are CEOs to make before it's unconscionable? When is enough enough with respect to corporate power and profits? To be informed and to participate in what is supposed to be a democracy, I and every U.S. citizen deserve equal access to the Internet and that mean upholding Net Neutrality. No U.S. citizen should have to take a back seat to the rich and powerful when it comes to having equal access to the Internet. Uphold Net Neutrality and reclassify ISPs as "Common Carriers". Thank you.
—Ms. Maureen A. Griswold, San Jose, CA

I really couldn't afford to pay extra for faster connections. I'm guessing not many people could.
—Robin Patten, Oklahoma City, OK

The internet should be considered a public good and everyone should have the same access regardless of ability to pay.
—Mr. Jonathan Schill, Kirkland, WA

ISPs need to be classified as common carriers because they are.
—Garth Molyneux, Carrboro, NC

Net neutrality is important to me because it is a international forum for freedom of speech. Without net neutrality, there would be very few outlets left to the global community free from discrimination. The loss would create censorship which would limit the effectiveness and reach of multimedia communications, and hinder creativity.
—Leah Feltner, Phenix City, AL

If you dumb asses pass this law taxes will have to go up to pay for schools and because some schools wont be able to afford it so the education levels of schools will decrease, not to mention the affect on highly trafficked sites like youtube and facebook will die out due to the fact people wont be able to afford getting on these websites and many stocks will drop and die affecting the stock market for many stockholders. With that all aside you will piss off millions for literally no reason to simply line the pockets of greedy people who already have millions of dollars. So if you would kindly tell tom wheeler to go fuck himself many will be helped. Do the right thing and protect net neutrality.
—Andy Williams, gastonia, NC

FAIRNESS.
—Jose Rosario, Jersey City, NJ

Net Neutrality is a VITAL, major part of our democracy!!
—Phyllis Arist, Evanston, IL

i have as much right to fast internet as anyone
—Fran, lindenhurst, NY

As the operator of a small business I truly feel the proposed rules would be extremely detrimental to our business in the long term as well as all small businesses that depend on the internet. In this modern era, equal access to the internet is a basic right much like equal access to any other public utility. No one "Owns" the internet and while we have given permission to private companies to build the infrastructure to access it they do not have the right to then use that infrastructure to hold access hostage. Sure big companies may be able to afford such a ransom but small companies like ours which get sometimes upwards of 50% of our traffic from organic traffic on the internet would be destroyed by these rules. We have seen what happens when private companies attempt to use a basic resource for their own gain and it is NEVER good. Please do not allow it to happen in this instance. Their is NO good argument I believe for creating a fast lane other than the profit of giant businesses who are already quite profitable as the system stands now.
—Jason Lions, Culver City, CA

A Lot of us live in the country. Why should we have to pay extra for a decent connection? Make the Internet Service providers as Common Carriers. While you are at it make them lease their lines to anyone at the same rate. Lets let the invisible hand of the market work for the consumer for once.
—Vincent incent Wilson, Pomeroy, IA

This invention, even bigger than the printing press, must remain free and open to all.
—Tommy Jansson, Helsingfors,

Net Neutrality is the same as a constitutional right for free speech. The time may have changed but the point it still lives on through Net Neutrality. With out Net Neutrality you wouldn't have the job you have. Thank you.
—Megan Adams, Placerville, CA

I need the internet in my daily life, and it would not be fair if my internet speed was different from that of someone else, because of differences in income.
—Kate Jamal, Wilmington, DE

The Internet has rapidly become a major part of democratic movements across the globe. Don't let our country become on of the leaders in holding it back.
—Christopher Hord, Tacoma, WA

I depend on the internet for news from all sources. Please do not create a two-tiered system that will kill the open internet for most people.
—Rhonda Kingman, San Francisco, CA

The beauty of the Internet is its accessibility to all information, regardless of location, income, etc. By restricting access to certain content, the Internet will become like everything else - controlled by the rich. Net neutrality matters!!
—Stephanie Beyer, Winnabow, NC

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Jarrett Silberman, Los Angeles, CA

I think we are paying the monopolies enough already!
—David C Faxon, Kingston, NH

No billionaire companies should charge fees for fast Internet service forcing all others to slow speed, that can not afford to pay. Reclassify ISP's as common carriers to keep the Internet free for the people.
—Carla Lamarr, Margate, FL

ISPs are ridiculous in their current state. We have little to no choice, and they know it. Internet is practically a requirement in our daily lives, yet new providers are hindered from existing, and there has been no innovation outside of Google Fiber in years. We call ourselves a first world country, but we lag behind on something as fundamental as the internet.
—Don L, Davie, FL

Please do what's right for the people, not the corporations. Keep the Internet open and neutral. Thank you.
—Kyle Foddrill, Bedford, IN

Net neutrality protects and encourages creative expression by all people and gives equal voice to all, not just the wealthy.
—Jill Hawkins, Mount Vernon, OH

Really Net Neutrality is important to me because it's all about my personal freedom. I don't want to be CONTROLLED by money in what I can watch on TV/
—Corde Rea, St. Francis, WI

As a previous student of management, I have never seen inequality to this degree be a successful formula in the middle let alone the long distance. So I can't say I can lawfully agree with a maneuver that is very obviously institutional discrimination in a world that is barely holding onto enough moral value not to throw peasants out of hospitals, half treated and bleeding to die in a halfway house.
—Nana Afranie-Frempong, Canvey Island,

Internet providers shouldn't be allowed to control what kind of access we have to certain websites just because they control the means to access a given site. That would undermine an individual's freedom to use certain websites, just as it would hurt a website owner by making it more difficult for people to access their business online if it happens to be in competition with or politically at odds with the internet provider's interests. That's not in the best interests of our country or any country that cares about freedom of expression and the right to openly access information without any censorship. This would be similar to a phone company saying that since they put in the phone lines, they can limit how often or how reliable your connection is when you call certain numbers, like another phone company that you may be switching to for instance. That would be unacceptable to most people and downright outrageous to even more. That is effectively what these internet providers are asking for which is why this should not be considered or allowed. The FCC should be working for the interests of the people who pay their taxes which go to pay the FCC. The the job you're charged with and look out for our interests, not the huge companies that are lucky to be allowed to serve our internet communications needs. They provide a valuable service but they are attempting to overstep their bounds here because they want more control and more money. Net neutrality must continue and be protected!
—Antreo Pukay, Portland, OR

It is just important that everyone have the same access and free speech for us all.
—Beverly Shreeve, Hiawassee, GA

The Internet belongs to the people and not the corporations. The Internet has changed the world and started a new era of technology. It must remain open in order to continue to progress as a society.
—Michael Kubala, Austin, TX

I need the Internet and cannot afford the rise in rates for more bandwidth that is available to everyone else on the planet for free or less expensive that it is currently here in the USA. Comcast and its ilk have no reason not to squeeze the public to milk all that they can without constraints - and they have no constraints today. The Internet is a utility and should be treated as such with regulations like any other utility.
—Barbara Hoch, McConnelsville, OH

I want nothing less than reclassification as a common carrier, with all traffic treated the same.
—Christopher Preu, Louisville, KY

I spend a great deal of time on the internet for work and play. The internet was intended to provide open access to everyone regardless of economic status. We don't want or need gatekeepers to decide who gets unlimited access and who doesn't. Keep the internet as the founders envisioned and not as a money tree for greedy corporations!
—Laura Logan, Taneytown, MD

We need to have a level playing field for everyone, not just those who can afford to pay more!!
—Mark Morgan, MOORESTOWN, NJ

Equality matters and allowing certain entities to "buy" the internet is WRONG
—Cecilia Johnson, Santa Rosa, CA

It's OUR Internet!! WE, THE, PEOPLE!
—Joel Kelly, Montrose, MN

ISPs have already received funding historically to provide the US with high-speed fiber but have failed to do so without reprocussion. Now your plans to award them with more easy income will only serve to push the US even farther behind the rest of the developed world, allowing ISPs to sit on their hands, failing to provide quality product while charging even more. It is time long overdue to get things right and hold ISPs accountable for the services and product they provide by reclassifying them as common carriers, enforcing strict quality control for speed, bandwidth, etc, and getting the US up to speed with high speed fiber that the tax payers have already paid for and never received. Do the right thing!
—James Dolas, Laguna Beach, CA

There is true value in having a space that is truly free (after the expense of bringing it to ones house) and that doesn't belong to the corporations. They already own enough. Please let us have true net neutrality! Thanks!!
—Elsie Smith, Fairfield, IA

Its the only way to protect consumers. ISPs have a monopoly where they are at because its too expensive for new companies to succeed in the market and without classifying ISPs as common carriers they can continue changing to benefit themselves at the expense of their customers who have no other choice.
—Andrew Trumbo, Ann Arbor, MI

The Internet plays a major role in my life, from personal, professional, recreational, etc. aspects of my life. Every day, millions of Americans rely on the open, free, and unhindered Internet, to facilitate daily activities of their lives. We moved from per-minute, dialup access to unmetered, high-speed, broadband access and it changed the lives of millions of Americans, for the better. The FCC, along with the ISPs, pushed data caps onto us, which is ludicrous and unnecessary and only serves as another revenue stream for the ISPs. Now, the very idea that the organization charged, by the federal government, to protect the people’s communications infrastructure would now be handed over to the ISPs, to do with as they wish, is absolutely shameful and repugnant. If the FCC wishes to maintain the people’s confidence, then, the FCC must start acting on behalf of the American people and push back against the ISPs. The solution to this manufactured “crisis” is a simple one and requires confidence and integrity, on the part of the FCC commissioners. It is within the FCC’s authority and the courts have suggested to the FCC that a simple and complete solution to this mess is for the FCC to act, within their own authority, to reclassify Internet access, under Title 2 of the Communications Act, as a “common carrier.” This is the proper, just, and legal method of protecting the American people’s communications infrastructure. Anything else falls quite short of the responsibilities placed upon the FCC and its commissioners.
—Shane A. Morrison, Gosport, IN

Net neutrality is one of the last good things this country has going for it. Don't dismantle what has allowed our country's technology to grow so rapidly.
—Clayton Mortimer, maple falls, WA

For someone like me who lives on a limited budget and am trying to pay my bills and regain financial solvency, having limited access to Internet would be costly.
—Sylvia M. Brown, Grass Lake, MI

I am an educator and an entrepreneur who relies upon the internet for everything from commerce to entertainment. I have many students who rely on the internet to make a living, and the current "level playing field" makes all of that possible. Keep the net neutral, and give the innovative, entrepreneurial "little guy" a chance to compete with the big boys.
—Richard Lovell, Alpharetta, GA

As a citizen, I believe Net Neutrality should be the law, period. As a small business owner, it's troubling that bigger, better funded, more established companies could make it much harder for the little guy to succeed.
—Mickey L. Glick, Lancaster, PA

All I want is fairness, all points of view, uncensored. Along with that, no "tiered" levels for the haves and have nots. Advertising pays providers well. The system is working, so please leave things as they are. Respectfully, RJ
—Robert Jason, Brentwood, TN

The internet is the 21st century's electricity. Where my parents have built a new home, they have 1 choice for internet service, which is currently saying there will be a 9-12 month for new connections. Passing these new rules would allow Comcast et al to just spend money on acquiring the competition, rather than spending money on infrastructure. Internet service in America is a joke and decreased innovation is the punchline.
—Josh W Rosentreter, Plymouth, IN

We already lag behind countries in western Europe for internet availability and speed. With this proposal, what is good for the majority is once again disregarded so that a few corporations can use the public airways to their advantage. ISPs must be classified as common carriers.
—Alice Carlson, North Bend, OR

To the FCC: This country has been taken over by greedy corporate America from sea to shinning sea. The last bastion of real freedom and rights lie on the internet. DO NOT LET THEM TAKE THIS AWAY TO..... SUPPORT NET NEUTRALITY NOW AND FOREVER. We do not need anyone controlling any more of our lives. Enough is enough. 95% of America is owned by 1% of the population and we will not TOLERATE THEM TAKING ANYMORE.
—Tracy j Tabor, queensbury, NY

As usual money talks.
—Joesph Daraio, Lake Worth, FL

The publicly financed (ARPANET) Internet must remain equally accessible to all.
—Mike and Jane Conrad, Bloomington, MN

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. The hard working people of the US shouldn't have to pay more than they already do for Internet. The Net is a source for information and communication for people across the country and to make it a special winner ordeal with an expensive fast track is just ridiculous. Throw out this plan, and give us real Net Neutrality.
—Lidia Portal, Gibson City, IL

The net should not be controlled by a few big companies that have proven they don't care about how much they charge their customers. They only care about their bottom line, and the dividends to their share holders. This needs to be a level playing field. It won't be if they have their way. Net neutrality must stay. Title 2 must stay. thank you for listening
—Thomas Huelster, Roseville, MN

It is imperative hat we maintain universal internet access. The best approach is to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Alan MacLamroc, Smyrna, GA

It is the civilized thing to do!
—Kathryn D. Sette, Eastham, MA

The flow of information should be free and unimpeded!
—Loretta Ayrer, Myrtle Beach, SC

Net neutrality is about fairness. Maintaining timely access to information is of the utmost importance to so many in the professional domain. Many rely on unbiased, unhindered access to the internet to keep abreast of things. Setting yet another dangerous precedent where the 'haves' can buy more power and access and essentially control of all information debunks any claim that America is a functioning democracy. Acting in the best interest of corporations was not the reason you were elected. I urge you to protect net neutrality and to act in the interests of the general populous. Thank you!
—Marc, Chicago, IL

We did not elect corporations to decide who gets to use which tier of the internet.
—Jeanette West, Bradenton, FL

We all depend on Net Neutrality, you, me, our families and our children, so we demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—D Brands, Keswick,

The really free countries thrive on net neutrality. I am worried the US is working its way into a corner with lack of freedom.
—Martha Novak, Albuquerque, NM

Because Net Neutrality is real democracy
—Giampaolo Carboniero, Lusiana,

This is me standing up and saying NO to The FCC’s proposed Internet rules! Free the Internet! It should be a RIGHT not a PRIVILEGE.
—Lanette McGaha, Houston, TX

Net neutrality supports innovation and creativity. The internet should be treated as a utility and service for all to have an equal chance to get internet that is fast and efficient
—Rhett Rogers, Provo, UT

The internet needs to maintain equal access for all. From education to games, entertainment to revolutions, artificial limits that stifle communication will corrupt what it currently provides.
—Ms. Joy Westgate-Scherer, Lynnwood, WA

The Internet is one of the only places where there is true equality, no matter what one's circumstances are. On the net, the haves have the same access as the have-nots. It would be tragic for that to change.
—Cathy Lipper, Montvale, NJ

I use the internet constantly for work; without it, I wouldn't be making a living. Small websites like mine and those of my clients and employers have a hard enough time competing for interest against established giants. Without Net Neutrality, we wouldn't even have a chance. Our jobs would suddenly change from "challenging" to "hopeless," and countless businesses would collapse and vanish. Net Neutrality can be protected. It should be protected. The only question is whether or not it WILL be protected. Please take action now, BEFORE countless jobs and livelihoods are destroyed.
—Alan Matthews, Portland, ME

Without net neutrality the Internet would never have developed into what it is today.
—Michael Harrison, Saint Johns, FL

A two-tiered system would disadvantage millions of people who could not afford high-speed internet service.
—Andrew Segal, Morton Grove, IL

All internet should be treated equally.
—Terri Bear, Bethlehem, GA

They already charge customers more money for faster Internet speeds. If they slow down sites that don't pay their own fee, then ISPs are essentially slowing down the fast Internet service for which I've already paid! We created the Internet with taxpayer dollars. The only service ISPs provide is as a gateway to something for which we have already paid. They do not have the right to make more money off of what we do once we're in there. An analogy: taxpayer dollars paid for the interstate highway system. Should car companies be allowed to impede your car from driving to destinations that haven't paid them a fee? These fees will hurt small businesses/start-ups and public service sites who cannot pay them.
—Aaron Oldenburg, Baltimore, MD

IT WON'T WORK. You will kill the internet AND internet commerce.
—Katherine Gault, Preston,

Re-purpose the US Postal Service to provide universal high speed fiber optic infrastructure for everyone ,the sooner the better. The private sector has done an extreme disservice to our country and it is time to end this sham.
—Charles Dineen, Lawton, MI

There are many other countries with more affordable and faster internet than the US. Killing net neutrality would only make it worse. Netflix is now paying Comcast for faster access. Lo and behold, Netflix is raising prices to its customers. Every barrier that is put up is at the cost of the consumer. People pay their ISPs for access. Content providers pay their ISPs for access. There's no good reason for companies like Comcast to be able to monitor traffic to throttle speeds. It's a blatant money grab. The entire country will pay the price.
—Scott Scott Ledridge, Cane Ridge, TN

The Internet is not something that should ever be monopolized. It affords us so much potential as a species that it is heartbreakingly shameful to abuse it in such a way.
—Ian Hodgkins, Bartow, FL

Net neutrality is FAIR. It gives everyone an equal shot at decent internet service. Re-classify ISP's as common carriers. It makes sense and it's the right thing to do.
—Jon Larsen, patagonia, AZ

The internet is a wonderful and powerful tool for global communication and connection. Taking away net neutrality will severely impact the level of global communication which is an essential aspect of our modern world
—Elizabeth Cardozo, Denver, CO

Everyone should have equal access to the internet. People that could not afford to pay more would be at a disadvantage compared to those that could pay more. Access to information should be available to all, not just those who can pay more.
—Jody Walters, Camden, NJ

To be fair to customers, a level playing field between companies is important. This is why competition law exists. Only Net Neutrality can secure a level playing field between companies. Ending Net Neutrality means allowing big companies to bully small ones to enhance their own profits at public expense. Both personal and economic freedom are at stake. You cannot have a functioning democracy without both.
—Dr Clive R Sneddon, St Andrews,

Finally there exists a way to learn about what is really going on in the world, and you people are actually considering taking this away? Shame on you!
—Vincente Belenson, Spring Bay,

The net has ALWAYS been about equality -- the chance for everyone to participate. Way back in the late sixties and early seventies the idea was that everyone would share their knowledge with the world -- not that the rich would get special service.
—Ms. Joan Zahorjan, Cambridge, MA

We need to make sure that ISP's cannot throttle internet, this opens up opportunity for them to censor as they wish which is not only inconvenient to all of us paying customers but downright un-American. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and keep everyone on the same playing field so the internet can continue to grow in a more positive and neutral direction
—Geo Vanasco, Astoria, NY

Besides space, the internet is a frontier for many. A large expanse for the free exchange of information and ideas, a place for people to meet, and an almost endless opportunity for fledgling entrepreneurs to pursue their dreams. If true net neutrality is not upheld, the dream for many will be extinguished by a few.
—Andrew Kralik, Cape Coral, FL

Make the internet OPEN to all; Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Jerry Brown, Santa Fe, NM

Everyone deserves access to information. If you make fast lanes you limit the amount of information low economic people have access to.
—Vanessa Johnson, Indianapolis, IN

This is just another money grab by the internet providers. Current Internet providers enjoy monopolies or Duopolies in every city and thus enjoy tremendous profit margins. Coax(Tv Cable) and Copper(Telephone Wire) was installed decades ago and the cost to install ISP cable was recovered decades ago. The US ranks 31st in the world in Internet speed while paying the most. It is cheap and getting cheaper every day for providers to increase Internet speeds for everyone. Computers that are used by the ISP's are getting cheaper and faster everyday and it is very easy(Plug and Play) to add more computers to the ISP's servers room. Why open a can of worms by charging for fast lanes on the internet when the FCC does not have the tools or manpower to properly regulate the ISP's. We need to make all ISP's common carriers and regulate them like we did in the early decades of the telephone industry. The Internet is the encyclopedia of innovation and learning today and must be provided free to those that are unable to afford the outrageous prices that the current ISP's charge. I would even propose that that government, local, state or national declare Eminent Domain on all ISP's in the national interest. Sincerely, Rick Severns RGS iPad
—Rick Severns, Long Beach, CA

I depend on net neutrality to improve the quality of education my children receive!
—Teona Williams, Washington, DC

Lobbyists are ruining everything. Tom Wheeler at the FCC is ruining the Internet for corporate interests according to their plans NOT OURS! STOP THEM NOW! SAVE NET NEUTRALITY ..STOP THE NEW RULES!
—Steven Rudy, Cary, NC

As an educator I see how FAR BEHIND we have fallen in providing our young people the broadband speeds and fair pricing which will enable them and the USA to COMPETE with the other nations of the world. e are falling to the BACK of the LINE !!
—Martha Estes, Hempstead, TX

Net Neutrality is important to me because a free and fair internet is an integral component of keeping a free and fair network of information, and protecting consumers. This issue is not just about keeping a neutral internet, it's also about we, the People, keeping corporations out of our government.
—Mikaela Allen, Bethlehem, NH

All internet uses should have the same rights. It would be un-American to descriminate against less prosperous users.
—Salme Armijo, Blue Diamond, NV

We must preserve and make permanent an open and equal internet for all!
—Jeff Asch, Portland, OR

The plan Chairman Wheeler is pushing will limit competition and benefit established players like AT&T, Verizon and Comcast. This is not what the FCC should be doing. The FCC should be protecting the consumer by proposing rules that increase competition among Internet Service Providers which would lower the costs to all consumers.
—Mr. Vincent M. Oddo, Atlanta, GA

I use the internet EVERYDAY in my classroom. My students CANNOT lose access to the internet because some faceless CEO needs more money and a new yacht. DIGUSTING! SAVE NET NEUTRALITY FOR MY STUDENTS.
—Shelby Lopez, Pasadena, CA

I'm tired of having things I need hijacked by corporations.
—Sherla Finnegan, Sparks, NV

Everyone should have equal access to the internet and corporate behemoths should not be given priorities for profit at the expense of individual users. Keep the net an equal access utility for all!
—Lois Sugar, Scottsdale, AZ

As a small business owner I can't afford to have to pay to compete against larger businesses. If you take away my websites ability to compete with the competition I will no longer be able to compete with big businesses.
—Ben Myslenski, Sand Lake, MI

I cannot believe the FCC is so blind as to have done this. I wonder whose pocket you're in, certainly not the American people! Shame on you all- you should ALL lose your jobs for your corruption! ;>(
—William Rogers RN Rogers RN (Ret.), Selah, WA

We cannot allow such blatant discrimination like this. May I refer you to a group called the Thought Police. They live in George Orwell's novel "1984".
—John House, milwaukie, OR

Anyone who thinks the internet is not a common carrier utility is DREAMING. YOU MUST RECLASSIFY ISPS.
—Judith Petty, Chelsea, MI

No fast lanes! Reclassify ISP as common carriers!
—Agustin Oliva, Chicago, IL

The new rules are an immediate assault and an invitation to further assaults on the last democratic medium of communication, news dissemination, and research. As a doctor of history who researches internationally, I depend upon open access to the internet--to wit, on Net Neutrality. So too do intellectuals in developing countries, and our own students in schools and universities around the United States. Television used to be free. Now it costs more than average salaried employees can reasonably afford. Please do not take steps to allow huge corporations to be gatekeepers and toll-collectors for what should be viewed as a resource created by individuals around the world, and therefore as their property.
—John Way, Atlanta, GA

I am so tired of being at the mercy of these huge corporations and they keep jacking up my rates EVERY year. Besides it internet is not yours to sell or give away.
—C Swenning, Richmond, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality to actually put food on my table.
—Yan Morand, terrebonne,

Small graphic and web businesses like us depend on open access to the internet!
—Ivey Godfrey`, Spotsylvania, VA

It is yet another attempt to aid the top !%
—Margaret Scripp, varysburg, NY

Because all those companies care for is money. So many people depend on the internet to learn and many other things.letting these companies come together would be a step back for humanity.
—Juliana Zapata, Gainesville, FL

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Veronica Hayes, FERNDALE, MI

Please throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Arthur C. Ostlund, Mt. Vernon, NY

Because freedom in America should still be important
—Randy Eakin, Columbus, GA

I am close to retiring and my husband is retired. Our income will be limited. It is unrealistic to expect people that are just starting out in life or finishing up to pay proportionally more than people in their prime.
—Gloria Zoucha, Columbus, NE

Dear FCC I as a user of the internet do not like these new rules and fear they will ruin small business and start-ups and would advise you to relabel the ISPs as tier 2 telecommunications carriers instead of leaving theme as tier 1.
—Inderpal Singh, Fresno, CA

This issue is really about freedom of speech! The government and all it's institutions and officials, are put in place to protect the rights of the average citizen, not sell them out to the highest bidder. ISPs need to be classified as common carriers because they have been given immense monopolies and there are no other options for people to turn to. In today's networked world, being offline is not an option. FCC, just get real! We live in the modern world now. Just do what's right, don't sell us out to those bastards, and I'll continue to pretend that I'm not already living in a corporate oligarchy that you're actively helping to make possible.
—Gregory Tczap, Littleton, CO

these mega billion companies, especially AT&T, have already eroded the rights of average person; and now you are planning to give them more of it. That is not at all justifiable for a government agency.
—Dinmani Savla, mountain view, CA

Mr. Wheeler, I heard you on the radio saying that your vote for this proposed protocol was only to advance it for discussion. It is totally disingenuous to "carry the ball" for the ISPs and then say that you only want to discuss later at the goal line. The FCC is empowered to protect the public and, from that perspective, it is imperative to prevent the ISPs from charging multiple level fee structures for internet access. When the internet was first passed into the telecom's hands over a decade ago, it was pointed out that this was not a telecom-made product, but it was rather developed in our universities. It was not something that the telecoms could appropriate as their own, restrict to the public, and then manipulate this for maximum profit. The government promised over a decade ago that this wouldn't happen, and now the telecoms in collaboration with the FCC are advancing that very proposal. The internet does not belong to ISPs, nor to those entities that are willing to pay more for access. FCC, do your job and do not allow multiple level pricing for internet access. That is theft of the internet from the public domain and restricting it from those that are not willing to be blackmailed into paying more. Furthermore, the internet has become an ESSENTIAL tool to everyday life and is not subject to predatory laws of supply and demand. FCC, do your job without further prevarication or excuses.
—Jerry M. Cipriano, Santa Monica, CA

Internet is something that should always be free and accessible to everyone! In this age of technology it's like charging poor people for air and then getting miffed when they can't breathe.
—Rebecca Henry, KIRKLAND, WA

Regulate the net like any other utility.
—James Barclay, Bothell, WA

I am living on Social Security, $1070.00/mo. and have an old Dell Optiplex GX620. I spend 6-8 hours a day on the internet, I have never downloaded or uploaded a large file. Please make the internet a "common carrrier!
—Mr. Tom O'Connell, Tucson, AZ

It seems very clear the certain people at the FCC are being held in the pockets of big corporations. The people have spoken loud and clear about this issue, yet you ignore those of us who are doing our best to stand up for the people and not big business. When is someone in this country going to say to the wealthy and greedy enough is enough? Why can't the FCC be that someone?
—Lynn Thelen, Saint Johns, MI

A free and neutral internet is the only thing left in our society that is truly equal. Please don't give away the last great vestige of our Democratic Republic.
—Matthew Rosen, New Orleans, LA

I don't drink, smoke or spend money on anything pleasurable but one thing, and that is a crappy prepaid phone with a lousy 2.5 gig plan. I may be dirt poor, but I don't watch TV, Netflix, YouTube or anything else. It seems to me you could let me have this ONE THING to enjoy, while I enjoy my COPD.
—DB Pope, Varnville, SC

NET NEUTRALITY IS IMPORTANT FOR PRESERVING DEMOCRACY AND TO PREVENT FASCISM FROM TAKING OVER.
—Tina Tine', Knoxville, TN

For ISPs to create "fast lanes" for those who spend more is just another way to discriminate against those of us who are the vast majority of the population. Eventually, we "peasants" are going to rise up and revolt against the feudal overlords who sit in their castles and laugh at us while getting fat on the fruits of our labor.
—Eric Jacobs, Boise, ID

I believe that the freedom of internet users to choose the websites they want to access should not be controlled or affected by the companies providing the internet connection. When I pay for an internet connection, I want free and complete access to the internet. Thanks and please support a free and open internet.
—Christopher Joseph, Two Harbors, MN

Open access to information is the foundation of a true democracy. We simply cannot afford to limit this openness in favor of corporate interests.
—Jason Scruggs, durango, CO

Not only would this allow ISP's to create fast lanes, but it would authorize them to censor websites that provide information they don't like, effectively blocking anyone who speaks out against them; but that is just the beginning of what is wrong with this proposal.
—Vernon Pope, Pittsburg, KS

Are you really trying to bring about more inequality in America and the world?
—Patricia & Daniel Driscoll-Shaw, Huntley, IL

It is totally incumbent for you to act in the behave of the public not corporate America. we may not have the wealth but there are other ways to keep our representatives doing our biding instead of the biding of the money that runs rampant in politics. be sure you act on behave of the people, for without us you would have no job.
—Charles Davis, Bemidji, MN

I am retired and my computer is my one "luxury" over clothes, furniture and costly food. I'm paying a top price to get the fastest DSL so I can pay my bills, stay in touch with friends,family and the rest of the world. If I had to choose between TV or my computer, the TV would have to go. Internet also helps me stay in touch with my health care provider.
—Barbara Bailly, Madison, WI

Net Neutrality is important because the ISPs will destroy the internet as we know it and make it unusable. What this video for an example https://www.youtube.com/watch? v=NAxMyTwmu_M&feature=em-uploa demail. KEEP and PROTECT Net Neutrality!
—Dustin Collins, Laramie, WY

Net Neutrality is what separates our information highway from the restrictions in China, Russia, Turkey, Iran, Iraq...
—Ann Haden, Birmingham, AL

This is the only way I and millions of others have to receive and share information without that information being controlled by those who have the most money. Without this, we have no more democracy.
—Kate Bancroft, Berkeley, CA

Hi, The internet is a great thing. It is a place where people can make friends, it is a place to kill time, it is a place to buy good, and yes it can be a very dark place, but that can be said about the Earth as well. This information must be kept free and open. In this day and age the internet is our backbone and the information that is contains is the information of the people. Getting rid of the neutrality of the internet will be the beginning of the end of the internet as we know it. It will take a much darker road. It will be a road paved in gold for a few wealthy few, but will lead to less freedom for everyone else. So please keep the internet free and don't let money drive your decision...let reason make this decision. Thank you, Jonathan Tatum
—Jonathan Tatum, Irving, TX

Current ISPs are bad enough as it is right now, by allowing these new rules to pass, it would make things even worse AND more expensive. Also, I don't want ISPs to dictate what i can and cannot view or do online
—Eugene Song, san jose, CA

I pay a premium for my internet connection so that I can get faster speeds and faster delivery. When I pay my internet access fee I expect to get the maximum speed that I pay for since the other services already pay their service provider or CDN large amounts of money for bandwidth. If we are both paying into the system there should not be a need to pay my provider by someone trying to serve me data as I've already paid them for my use. Additionally I don't want my traffic throttled based of content. If I want to use 40Mbits of data bandwidth to watch a HULU movie or 40Mbits to transfer work files, I should get the exact same speed. My biggest worry is that we are slowly getting less high speed options, left with only 3 (Verizon FIOS, Comcast/Time-Warner, ATT&T U-verse/DirectTV) and many of them also control content now, making it in their best interest to not provide great service to competing services that I greatly enjoy. Additionally they have no incentive to increase speeds or offer cheaper alternatives.
—Eugene Kovshilovsky, Rolling Hills Estates, CA

Half of my future relies on Net Neutrality, the internet must be a common carrier. We paid for this, please do not steal it from us the, citizen taxpayer.
—David Arntson, Bothell, WA

Small businesses like mine would not survive trying to compete for bandwidth with the giants who can just pay and pass on the cost to the consumers.
—Roy A Prefontaine, Southborough, MA

As someone who makes his living working over the internet every day, I need it to remain free and open.
—William Thickstun, Clinton, NY

Because no one should own the internet!
—James Coleman, Auburn, WA

the internet has always been open for everyone witch is what makes it so great if you remove net neutrality that will end.
—Robert Stewart, billings, MT

Democracy, anyone?
—Katlyn Stranger, San Rafael, CA

I like freedom.
—Patsy Shafchuk, New Port Richey, FL

it is important for internet users to feel safe and secure and free from big corporations...
—Kim Davis, bloomington, IN

Retaining Net Neutrality is a major issue in this day and age. It shouldn't be discarded for the needlessly greedy sake of padding out anyone's wallet.
—Brandon Bundy, Hopewell, VA

I believe free and equal access is a necessary component for an informed public. We can't force people to learn facts, but we can at least make them available.
—Margaret Alia Denny, Denver, CO

We live in a very complex and internationally competitive world and we absolutely need equal access to whatever information is available for all of our citizens if we are to thrive in it. The US cannot afford to limit access in any way if we are to lead the world in innovation and development. Also, unfettered access to information is critical to maintaining a fully informed and active electorate which is the foundation of our democratic form of government. I cannot overemphasize how important I believe it is to have true net neutrality by classifying internet providers as common carriers. Richard Severson
—Richard Severson, Madison, WI

Net Neutrality is fair & equitable. It is aligned with the nature of the U.S. Constitution. It is in the best interest of the US and every one of its citizens. Your idea of "express lanes" on the "Information Super Highway" is fine if owned by the government via eminent domain, but as it stands now, it's very anti-American.
—Merle Armstrong, Culver City, CA

ISPs=common carriers is the democratic. populist approach. Don't let greed ruin free information flow
—Paul Novak, Madison,, WI

Internet needs to remain a neutral source not monopolized by big businesses that have a greater interest than the common user. Must remain objective and remain neutral.
—Armen Sarkissian, Pasadena, CA

I live in a semi-rural area of New York in which we are already experiencing some of the effects of tiered service. Our payments for service are expensive. We have little choice or competition for service. The Internet should be a regulated utility so that all members of the population can take advantage of it for education, business, recreation, and research to become a better informed populace with opportunities.
—Karen Carney, Spencertown, NY

I was severely bullied when I was young and I found solace and friendship and I have used online services to cope with suicidal thoughts in middle school. In situations like that, one second can make a difference.
—Brooke Manning, Long Beach, CA

We need an internet that is a level playing field for all websites and all users. A neutral internet is not the same thing as an open internet. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Susan Oehler, Asheville, NC

I work on the internet and support many of the worlds newly minted tech and content companies through legitimate online advertising. If you were to remove net neutrality, you would hurt Advertisers, Publisher, and users that rely on the open internet and it would throw a wrench into many of the new businesses being created. We need Net Neutrality.
—Radik Kizhnerman, New York, NY

It's called EQUALITY. Our country was started by people who left the inequality of a Europe where the rich ruled and the poor got poorer. An internet where big business gets preferable treatment and small businesses are rubbed out is NOT equal. Only true Net Neutrality maintains our country's core value of EQUALITY. Get the clue.
—Bobby Hendley, Murchison, TX

Please stay out of the this. Lobbyists are only looking out for their own interests and not the people who should have free reign over the net.
—Eric D Miles, Thousand Oaks, CA

We need one internet for all. End of story.
—Lee Bartell, New York, NY

I suspect that you have lost your grasp on reality. The corporations of this country do not deserve more welfare. The *bells have already stolen the time/money/infrastructure that US citizens were forced to expend to develop all communications networks in this country. There is no sane reason to turn over control of the internet in addition. Please remove wheeler immediately.
—Jeff Hibbard, Swannanoa, NC

THE INTERNET IS FOR EVERYONE, EVEN THE POOR!
—Dr. James Hansen, Spring Valley, NY

We're already paying for sub-par internet (A promised cap that's never met, and recently finicky to boot.) Why make it more legal for them to give people a sub-standard service?
—Jason Carlisle, Indianapolis, IN

Is not the internet a common resource? So why are ISPs not common carriers?
—Otto Hunt, Oceanside, CA

Neutrallity is equality, you can't give big companies precedence over small companies. By passing this "net neutrality" you would kill any small companies, you could kill the next Facebook, the next Google, or the next Amazon. The internet is great because on the internet everyone is equal. Please don't ruin the internet.
—Cody S., Raytown, MO

Because I need the Internet to be open for things like raising funds toward helping with my wife's recent leukemia diagnosis.
—Gerald Dudley, Austin, TX

PLEASE RECLASSIFY internet service providers as COMMON CARRIERS. DITCH YOUR PLANS
—Joe Newman, Bozeman, MT

I AM AN INTERNET USER. I AM NOT AN ISP. USERS SHOULD BE IN CONTROL, NOT ISP'S.
—Carole Crowe Frank, New York, NY

It allows small business to compet . Selling the Internet to highest bidder only help those who don't need help. It's worked since the beginning and it will continue if you don't sell it to highest bidder
—Eric pallocat, Ridgewood, NJ

US Citizens deserve Net Neutrality!
—Brody Hagemeier, St. Cloud, MN

People like my wife and I have only managed to get by because of the wages we are able to make with the internet, through freelance art. It is the only consistency in our lives, and it sustains itself only because of the way the Internet stands as-is, right now. We are part of a large community of freelancers, one community of many, who have been set nearly to poverty by the constant constriction of taxes and wages. The freedom to simply make ends meet is in this field, which is about to be put beyond our reach by these new restrictions. Please reconsider your stance on this frontier of ours. It's all we have left.
—Michael Kleven, Richmond, VA

Commercial radio and Tv news are rediculous and unbearable. The only way we seem to be able to get news is through the internet. If giant telecom companies can make the truth unbearably slow to get we might all have to settle for the commercial b---s---. Thomas Jefferson tried to tell us that ctizens must be informed for democracy to be possible.
—Robert Barlow, Wassaic, NY

The internet is the last major public forum that isn't entirely controlled by corporations or special interests making neutrality essential to the preservation of democracy. Every American has a compelling interest in Net Neutrality and it's preservation is a no-brainer.
—Laurie Thomas, Carlisle, KY

Letting corporations run the Internet is never good for the consumer. As a customer of Verizon Wireless, I've witnessed their greed. Please keep the Net neutral.
—Scott McIntosh, Tampa, FL

Giving these internet giants more money is only lining the pockets of the CEO's and the higher ups. Yet, there are so many young people who could do so much good in this world if they can access the information on the internet. If a parent can't afford the higher prices for the faster speed, we may be shooting ourselves in the foot. What will we gain by doing this.....making the wealthy even richer and those struggling to pay the bills every month will feel the pain of it.
—Danielle Gareau, Shamong, NJ

Hands off!
—Craig Ryan Shisler, Dayton, OH

If I don't have free internet I don't have any internet. What are you trying to do. Turn this a country like China's internet controlled country. You must be going crazy if you put a fee on internet no ones going to use any technology anymore well maybe except for phones cause we will still want to text, but still that's like reversing the time space continuum.
—Annette Shukaitis, east stroudsburg, PA

Privacy and freedom!
—Gage Shinoda, santa monica, CA

Net Neutrality is important because much of our current economy and culture happens on the internet and would look very different (and much smaller) if the internet had been allowed to split into the haves and the have-nots. Data consumers already choose to pay for the speed of their access to the internet. Data providers should not be forced into choosing between competing with huge corporations at an unacceptable extra fee, or failing to compete because their data hasn't enough bandwidth to grow. Without net neutrality, we will lose innovators in this country. Innovation is all that we seem to have over the global competition these days. Without it, everything will start circling the drain.
—Mr. Jamie Tietjen, Red Creek, NY

Net Neutrality is essential to our individuality and expression of self. The internet is a equal platform for all- by expressly ignoring over 1 million citizens and continuing to push these rules, you are denying people the right to access the internet based on their class. There are millions who simply cannot afford these bogus rules. These people are students, workers, tax payers; people who need access to the access not only for recreational reasons, but also information, news, current events, studies, contact with friends and family. You are making a mistake. Please, don't do this.
—Juliet Hope, Lismore,

I really depend on my clients and prospective clients to be able to access my website quickly and to be able to use my computer when I need it without longer waits than I have now. It is not fair to take money for faster service for a platform that was universally accepted as open and available for all. There are already differences in computer and devise speeds. Lets not complicate it further for those of us who aren't as rich as some others or who use the computer for little but important things. Our needs should be protected.
—Sheila Ahern, Portland, OR

The flow of information the ability to communicate is a right that you cannot morally take away.
—MA Cashman, Vancouver,

Net Neutrality is important because in a society where schools with good test grades get more funding, poorer schools and peoples are finding it harder to get an education. They do however, have the Internet, an information superhighway with websites designed to help children learn. Sites like YouTube also have a multitude of tutorial videos and how-tos, a useful guide for anybody and everybody. If you were to force people to pay a premium to get a good Internet connection, those people who rely on the Internet for education have almost no shot at learning. And people need an education if they're expected to be the "future of America."
—Kyle Conrad, New Milford, CT

I'm a small business owner who depends on the internet to make a living! Allowing large corporations to PAY MORE to be in the 'fast lane' benefits NO ONE except those corporations, and will slowly push out smaller businesses who can't afford to pay. The internet should be FREE AND EQUAL FOR ALL.
—Jay Simons, Mesquite, NV

Everyone deserves strong internet access that isn't bound to the word of ISPs!
—Chuck Donegan, Yonkers, NY

It is bad enough that ISP's charge individuals as myself various levels of price for various levels of speed just to hookup to the internet. Now they want to charge higher speeds to the providers from which I wish to stream video or just down load data. They are monoplies in most areas with no competition. They do not allow standalone internet service. They bundle it with other services that are frequently unwanted. It is time they built out there infrastructure and provided high speed internet throughout the country.
—Francis X Itzoe, NEW FREEDOM, PA

I support the free and open internet as a Title II utility.
—John Hrabar, Pittsburgh, PA

An ISP needs to be treated like a utility. My power company can't charge GE if I use their appliances and use lots of electricity, why should an ISP be able to charge Netflix if I use them a lot. I already pay for the bandwidth, why should they be able to charge some vendors more and slow down those whom refuse to pay the bribe/protection money.
—John Rollf, Houston, TX

Net neutrality is one of the most important ideals to have happen in the 20th century. Giving power to corporations on something they have no right to control is plain wrong. It completely takes away variety for competition (since we are already an oligopoly) and hinders everything from creativity to new business ideas if we cant even have the chance to start up. This is capitalism at it's darkest hour.
—Aaron Vazquez, Deer Park, TX

Shame on you!
—Janie Macfarland, Bisbee, AZ

Free internet is important! People all over the world need the internet to stay free.
—Caroline Haynie, Evansville, IN

We need a fair Internet that caters to all, without discriminating against those from a lower socioeconomic class. Do not disadvantage the already disadvantaged.
—Rosanna Lam, Sydney,

The internet should be open for everyone, if you give ISP's the power to discriminate against a single person or organization by taking away their ability to utilize the internet in an open way you would be giving them the option to infringe upon what this country is supposed to stand for: freedom. The wants of a few do not justify taking away the freedom of the many and this will not allow us to progress further as a society. Net Neutrality needs to be encouraged, not taken away.
—Jack Norvell, Tulsa, OK

Stop being fascists. Stop being a corporate whore. We demand to you keep net neutrality laws the waythey are. The internet is the last frontier of free speech and expression. You cronies better not take it from us.
—Jerome Simakis, Reisterstown, MD

Giving internet providers the ability to prioritise content based on income received for that content is the first step toward censorship. You say your for an "open" internet but that is not the same as equal. We demand that the internet not be turned into a pay to play medium. The harm it would do to the average person or small business would be major and irreversible , another giant step toward fascism.
—Lee Steinmetz, Emeryville, CA

ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers to protect Net Neutrality.
—Laurel Hieb, Flagstaff, AZ

I'm tired of corperations messing up things. Do your job and don't be swayed. Keep the net open!
—Tara Reedy, Fayetteville, NC

Net Neutrality is important to me in so many ways it's difficult to focus on a single message to drive the importance home to you. More and more, important business and banking is done through my Internet connection at home. I work from home full time, I don't want any of my research slowed down because an institution did not pay extra to an ISP. I don't want to have to wait to watch a video while it load slowly reminiscent of the dial-up days because the source did not pay extra to an ISP. I want an even Internet where the little guy and the big guy compete on the merits of their product or their idea. I do not want big company "A" to inhibit competitors simply by speed of their Internet content. Let's keep it a fair deal for everyone.
—David Bradford, Palm Bay, FL

Internet affects not only your Country. Internet affects all the World. Net neutrality is important for all people in all Countries. I do not want any corporation or company or government discriminating who need pay more or less, or having more or less priority, or any kind of web discrimination. Thank you .
—Alex Vieira, auckland,

Net neutrality means a "toll free Internet." All content must flow through the Internet without discrimination as to (origin, destination, or routing). This means no special treatment or any kind for ANY CONTENT.
—Joseph Bruno, Pittsburgh, PA

It's the last true level playing field in America.
—Kyle Dunn, Oakland, ME

Well here I am once more to try to explain why the FCC must vote to keep net neutrality. Unless providers of the services one uses to "surf the net" (the ISPs), are designated (reclassified) as common carriers, Americans will definitely be at a disadvantage in the world once US carriers are allowed to create levels of users. Rural users, poorer users, and those with limited money will not be able to compete with other I-net users in the world. Those with unlimited incomes will have usage of higher levels of service, and effectively cutting off bandwidth that could be used by all users. The inequalities in this country between "haves and have nots". Surely the FCC would not contribute to inequality by facilitating ISPs to restrict bandwidth to only those who can and would be willing to pay more --more 1% inequality. As a ham radio operator, I know how equitable the FCC can be in supporting radio frequencies. How much more equitable it would be in reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. It is unfortunate that this was not done the first time net classification came about, but it is not impossible to do so now. The 99% deserves it. Well here I am once more to try to explain why the FCC must vote to keep net neutrality. Unless providers of the services one uses to "surf the net" (the ISPs), are designated (reclassified) as common carriers, Americans will definitely be at a disadvantage in the world once US carriers are allowed to create levels of users. Rural users, poorer users, and those with limited money will not be able to compete with other I-net users in the world. Those with unlimited incomes will have usage of higher levels of service, and effectively cutting off bandwidth that could be used by all users. The inequalities in this country between "haves and have nots" have been addressed in many ways. Surely the FCC would not contribute to inequality by facilitating ISPs to restrict bandwidth to only those who can and would be willing to pay more --more 1% inequality. As a ham radio operator, I know how equitable the FCC can be in supporting radio frequencies. How much more equitable it would be in reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. It is unfortunate that this was not done the first time net classification came about, but it is not impossible to do so now. The 99% deserves it.
—Shirley Sharan, Fort Wayne, IN

The internet should be treated like a utility, it's part of the communication infrastructure, allow internet providers to provide a fast lane and charge a toll could become a barrier to a Free Press, not to mention education, or new technologies that will surely unfold in the future if allowed unfettered access.
—Eric McNeil, Atlanta, GA

Keep the internet in the hands of those who need it and will use it properly.
—Arvin Blakeney, Centennial, CO

America's innovation depends on a free, fair, fast, open internet. America's strength depends on its innovation.
—Sarah Maxwell, Archbold, OH

Net Neutrality is important for an equitable, democratic United States.
—M Port, Boynton Beach, FL

The Internet is an essential means of communication. To attempt to monetize it by allowing carrier companies to decide which sites load quickly and, perhaps, which sites do not load at all is to eliminate the vital contributions that the Internet makes toward allowing a wide variety of speech, expression, information, and creativity to circulate among citizens in our country and in the world. If the FCC embraces freedom of speech and freedom of expression, and in a more extended sense, freedom of assembly--our Constitutional rights!--then the FCC really must reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The Internet is, above all, a means of communication, and all means of communication must be available to all members of a free and democratic society. This is essential for our democracy. Please embrace your role as stewards of our means of communication.
—Edward Potter, Mississippi State, MS

Keep the internet OPEN for EVERYONE!
—Allen Rozelle, Santa Cruz, CA

Sharing information is how humanity thrives.
—M L, Sonoma, CA

Because you will be denying other human beings such as yourself and your families the accessibility to knowledge. If anything should be regulated on the internet it should be the tens of thousands of pornography sites...
—Jessica Peraza, Silver Spring, MD

I want the internet to remain the same for all users. I depend on you all to make sure that it stays neutral, and that future advances don't just benefit those who have money to pay extra.
—Lyn carter, Gp, TX

Do NOT give big and rich corporations another huge advantage over lesser moneyed small business and individuals!
—Jack W Blakley, pppppppp, CA

Please don't destroy the internet?! If large corporations are allowed to control internet speeds and prices, only those with large amounts of money will be able to use the internet. All of the small businesses which are thriving because of fair internet practices will be eliminated because they won't be able to afford to compete with the big companies. With the economy in the horrible state it is in, to eliminate small companies will add even more to the unemployment and hunger that is stalking out country. Please, please classify the internet as a common carrier - that is what the internet is.
—Barbara O'Neill, HEREFORD, AZ

Everything need not be for sale.
—Clint Keller, Coeur d'Alene, ID

Impartial channels of communication are crucial to a thriving democracy of ideas.
—Nate Hanson, Oakland, CA

The freedom of information is hampered by this!!
—Matthew A Weaver, Genoa, OH

I don't want to have American internet divided into the "haves" and the "have-nots", especially since my level of income will put me in the latter category.
—John Olinda, Newark, DE

The US dollar is already collapsed. How will you be able to preserve the last of the US businesses when the private carriers dominate?
—Susan Modikoane, Houston, TX

It's the right thing to do!
—M Andrews, Clinton, NY

The internet should be equal for all. Corporations are not more important than people
—Felix Gostel, Richmond, VA

Your proposed change in internet rules would end net neutrality and raise the cost of internet service for everyone. Regardless of what your motivations are for trying to do this it is an awful idea. At a time when income inequality is at it's worst in our history raising costs for consumers is not the right thing to do. I urge you to classify all internet service providers as common carriers.
—Christopher Timm, Traverse City, MI

Net neutrality is crucial for free speech around the world and for unbiased access to knowledge. The internet is currently the most important communication medium in the world and to allow certain parties with vast financial means to hold priority over those with less will be immensely detrimental to the world's population. Business interests can't be given priority over access to knowledge and free speech. Regards, Pierre Gallant.
—Pierre Gallant, Ottawa,

My primary use of the internet is communication with friends and family, but my second most-frequent use is for accessing podcasts from public/community radio stations that clearly won't be able to afford to pay for fast-track delivery of their services.
—Judith Blair, Ithaca, NY

The public has spoken, and it is overwhelmingly in favour of a truly free Internet, protected by strong Net Neutrality legislation. Everyone from the far right to the far left acknowledges that Net Neutrality protects our right to free speech, among many more of our liberties. Net Neutrality must be protected at all costs, and for the FCC to do otherwise would be nothing short of a corporate coup d'etat.
—Luc Bouvier, Moncton,

My tax dollars paid for and helped nurture the internet. It belongs to all of us.
—BC Ashmall-Liversidge, Brooklyn, NY

No one deserves Internet at dial-up speeds. No one.
—Kacie, Palm Bay, FL

The American working class is being raked over the coals enough as it is. Don't give these corporate interests the opportunity to leech more of our hard earned money from us. We need a break!
—Jessica Pearcy, Portland, OR

Because it isn't right ! Its unconstitutional and its not fair for other people who depends what on Net Neutrality . Please, have a heart and consider others who wants a fair internet access .
—Chris Trigg, Manchester, NH

Do NOT sell out to the highest bidder. Net neutrality is important.
—Monia Pezzi, Paradise, CA

The world is quickly moving in favor of corporate profits, rather the well-being of the majority of American citizens. The American economy will thrive only if regular people have a chance at good lives. Giving more power to the entrenched corporate giants of our country works in direct contradiction to that future. Please make the long-term, best choice for our country by overturning the FCC's current proposed rules and voting to truly protect Net Neutrality.
—Joshua Weld-Wallis, Grand Rapids, MI

The internet as a marketplace of ideas where people all over the world can freely share ideas and collaborate on the great innovations of tomorrow is an essential component in today's modern society. And as both a musician who depends on the internet to get my material out there and as someone who works in IT as a day job, net neutrality is especially important for me personally as well.
—David E. lay, El Cerrito, CA

We must maintain net neutrality
—Genevieve Clark, Saint Petersburg, FL

NET NEUTRALITY IS A FORM OF FREE SPEECH AND SHOULD BE PROTECTED UNDER THE 1ST AMENDMENT
—Conrad Bishop, BOULDER, CO

Because it's the right thing to do!
—Terry Blount, San Jose, CA

I can barely afford internet service as it is now. I too need access to service that is at the same speed as others, not a two class internet.
—Ocean Pellett, Waterford, CT

One internet for the 1% and one for the rest of us. This is anti-democratic.
—Harry Michaels Jr., Fort Collins, CO

Fascism is running rampid in this country and you are only adding to it by allowing communications giants to dictate how the internet should be run. The citizens of this world want a free and open internet and if there were such thing as democracy in this country then you would be listening to the citizens and not corporations. Allowing internet slow lanes is only going to pad the wallets of you and these giants and hurt small businesses and everyone else using the net. Do your job and enforce a free and open internet like the people want.
—Micah Bettis, Lake St Louis, MO

Freedom of expression. A free internet is our last true outlet of the U.S first amendment: Something you claim to follow.
—Thomas David Guthrie Ahern, surrey, b.c,

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Marsha Montano, Lafayette, CO

I think there will be an big price to pay for anyone who goes against the public's demands for a free and open internet. Allowing private corporations to decide who will get good service and who wont is totally unacceptable.
—John J Coghlan, Brooklyn, NY

It's a freedom of speech issue.
—Martin Leir, Minneapolis, MN

We are already in the dark ages of internet speed and you want ISP's to slow it down even more?
—Kenneth A David, Tucson, AZ

The internet IS a communications utility. I get my telephone service through VOIP - meaning internet. Email is the number one communications method in the world -- INTERNET. That makes the 'net a utility. NOBODY should be blocking people from fair access to utilities just because they won't pay a premium. End this now - you knew it was wrong when you approved it, and you still know it's wrong.
—William Cernansky, Portland, OR

Please designate broadband as a telecommunications in order to continue to advance access to internet and the opportunities it can offer for all people.
—Amy Berman, Nashville, TN

We are already behind the vast majority of European countries around the world for price v. bandwidth. Let's face it. Technology is changing and utility companies don't like that we are moving in a direction to one major data line going into houses rather than multiple services for phone, TV, internet, ETC. Stop allowing greedy lobbyists of the utility companies to use their money to hold the status quo. Rule in favor of the average American citizen. Why should we have to be charged for every little service? The utility companies systems are obsolete. We shouldn't be forced to be fed whatever they see fit. This is one of the few industries where there is little competition to force them to cater to the consumer. True net neutrality promotes free speech and free thinking. Allowing corporations to decide who gets access to faster bandwidth obstructs the last true forum for the average citizen to express themselves to one another.
—William Petersen, Oceanside, CA

These companies are already virtual monopolies in their respective spheres of influence and hugely profitable. They do not need carte blanche to charge more money for the same level of service. You and your colleagues work for me and every other person who is providing this same feedback, not a handful of corporate behemoths. This is despite the revolving door of incestuous industry-regulatory relations that will almost certainly render our feedback meaningless and result in a huge financial windfall in the future for the supporters of this utter disgrace.
—Russell Drown, Clarkston, MI

It has been happening for some time now. Dial-in is still used by many and are paying through the nose for that basic service. Now, you, Mr. Wheeler and your hoarders have decided to make us pay more for even slower service. It is just a win for you since you are cutting off our voices. You won't have to listen to us unless we pay you to listen.
—Kathy Bergquist, Sioux Falls, SD

Net neutrality is the only means of ensuring fair and equal access to all websites for businesses AND for the population at large. The proposed plans to tier access speeds is tantamount to a restriction on free speech - like telling a group they can say what they like, but then sticking them in a soundproof room so they can't be heard (or, equally bad, making the right to say it a factor of how much money they have). DO NOT do away with net neutrality.
—Andrew Moss, Baltimore, MD

The fact that the net has essentially been neutral up to now is the main reason for its rapid rise and huge impact both economically and culturally. Getting rid of net neutrality will be the end of Internet innovation as we know it. Internet providers need to be reclassified as common carriers; it's the only thing that makes logical sense.
—David Beal, Providence, RI

We need to keep net Net Neutrality.
—John Medina, Denver, CO

I will not compete with wealthy people or their corporations for band width and limit my free speech based on wealth and power and position. Net neutrality works just fine now and it will far into the future if the government stops trying to regulate free speech and access to the net. How much money are you receiving to push this carp, I would ask? Jack Sanders
—Jack L Sanders, Rapid City, SD

FCC Chairman Wheeler's plan allow rampant discrimination online. If approved, these rules would mean the end of Net Neutrality. Treat ISPs as common carriers. Do not give them the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications.
—Ronald E Kosman, Walnutport, PA

We are scared to death of the unfair charges we will have to pay for a service we already pay a lot for. Without Net Neutrality, prioritized traffic is inevitable. And we cannot afford this double charge. This is so unfair. Why won't the FCC just correctly classify ISPs as common carriers? Are there any human beings at the FCC? Please do the right thing. The proposal is a terrible plan for this country.
—Dan K., Cerritos, CA

I depend on the internet for unfettered access to information of all kinds, and for communication with others. Don't let it become yet another channel for pushing corporate content at the expense of personal communication.
—Richard Khanlian, Santa Fe, NM

The internet is the last bastion of free exchange of info and ideas. The internet now supercedes telephones as a method of communication. It is the PRIME method of communication and should be protected as such.
—Sylvia De Rooy, Eureka, CA

So I can find out new information that matters to me.
—Michael P Rand, Weymouth, MA

The internet is as important--more important--than telephone service was when it was at 20 years old. The internet must be classified as a common carrier. The FCC should be protecting internet neutrality and working to provide it to all Americans at prices and speeds comparable to France or Hong Kong rather than working with big internet providers to help them make yet more money off the backs of American consumers.
—Elizabeth Kinney, Alamosa, CO

net neutrality is vital to protecting fair access to information for all.
—Rachel Spigler, philadelphia, PA

Net neutrality is important in stopping and reversing the rise of fascism in America! Net neutrality is important in stopping and reversing the rise of the American fascist military/police state!
—John and Martha Stoltenberg, Elkhart Lake, WI

I personally know that the Internet has to stay free and open because it helps me in my work.Less paperwork.Also most people using the Internet do not have cable or a computer in their homes.Also the Internet was never created for Comcast and Verizon to make money from the usage of the Internet.The Internet is the World Wide Web, not just the Us alone.
—Myriam Pierre, Jamaica, NY

Please encourage the FCC to dump their rules regarding ISP providers and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The new rules will continue to erode the middle class in the United States and limit access to the poor.
—Amy Trussell, Salem, OR

The internet is a space for the equal expression of ideas, and equal opportunity to be heard. By creating fast lanes for bigger, more established websites, you take away from smaller ones who deserve equal access to the forum. Not only that, but you encourage monopolies and favor existing websites. Before Facebook there was Myspace. What if when Facebook was trying to get off the ground Myspace was in one of these fastlanes? Would we have Facebook at all? By allowing large, existing companies access to higher bandwidth, you allow them also to force out smaller, burgeoning startups. This bill is bad for business, bad for SMALL business, and bad for the progress of technology and ideas.
—Samuel M Henry, Boston, MA

This is just a money and power grab by 4 or 5private businesses. They see potential profits off of technology they did not create and so what if it decimates online businesses in the process. Allow 4 or 5 businesses decide what I can see, what I can read and what I can say on the internet is not just anti business, it stifles free speech and it stifles innovation. America has alway been considered an open market place and that open market place is going to be the source of economic recovery. But, these rules must be thown out and internet must be made a public utility to preserve the value that is gives to American Citizens and all American Businesses. not just AT&T
—Dennis Dabney, Las Vegas, NV

I use the internet every day. I believe that no matter which website I visit the content from that site should load as fast as my connection allows, that is what I am paying for.
—Brian Willcock, Hastings, NE

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. We feel sorely misrepresented and taken advantage of as it is, and Tom Wheeler's plan appears to be protecting the wrong folks.
—Mr. Douglas Anderson, Somerville, MA

The internet is my only source of communication. If my news providers can not afford to pay more, then it is discrimination and free speech is being curtailed. The slow lane only entrenches big business, to the detriment of everyone else.
—Sherrylee Felger, Port Orford, OR

The internet is Common Carrier, like phone lines, and should be classified as such. Loss of Net Neutrality moves the internet from the commons, which benefit all, into the hands of corporations with the most money. Any move to allow companies to control the internet is a disaster to individual human rights, and the beginning of the end of the only medium for individual freedom of speech.
—Eric Anderson, Greenville, SC

Please don't get rid of Net Neutrality. I'm on SSDI, a very limited income & can't affords to pay more for than I already do. The Internet has become my window to the world now! PLEASE don't take that away from me. I'd be lost without it. It's not right that those who can pay more can get faster internet than those who can not, like me & I'm not alone in this country.
—Vivian Mosley, Newport, KY

It should be open to everyone.
—Jim Kerner, Bergenfield, NJ

I am an activist pretty much limited to sending e-mails regarding human rights, poverty, medical treatment of sickness and disease, trafficking, environment, immigration, women's rights, education, and others. Please don't cause my internet access to be adversely affected. Thank you. Peace!
—Mrs. Gene and Dori Dori Peters, Mitchell, SD

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and keep the internet a free and equal source for information.
—Jill Morrison, San Francisco, CA

Google, Facebook, Amazon, Netflix, Hulu, etc all of those businesses happen because the internet is open. They all started out from a garage somewhere. What about tomorrows Google and Amazon? Do not make decisions that will benefit only a few in our society and cause our larger society to fail in an every competitive world. The US will lose in time to the rest of the world if you break the open internet.
—Brian Singh, Secaucus, NJ

Without Net Neutrality and sufficient income, I will be without affordable Internet. There is a solution to the problem: reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Dr. Sandra H Cooper, Wheatland, WY

This really is a utility. We all depend on it, and auctioning access off like meat stinks.
—Stephen Fleck, Long Beach, CA

it puts average people at risk
—Michael Cooper, longmont, CO

The internet is everyone's primary method of communication now, and therefore ISPs should be classified as common carriers.
—Ronald Sverdlove, Princeton, NJ

With so much misinformation in the news now a days, how is someone going to do the research necessary to figure out the truth without the internet?
—Anna Fabis, New Britain, CT

I am a single, low-income/working mother of 2 children. One is in college and one in middle school. We need the internet for school projects and research. My children deserve a chance at a bright future. I do not want their grades and education to suffer because I can't afford enough internet access or access to certain sites that a provider decides is worth more because it is popular.
—Kimberly M Trew, Waterford, CT

BAD idea...Protect Net Neutrality!!
—Lisa Canedo, Henrietta, NY

How much are large telecommunications paying you to make this happen?
—Ben Wilson, Cape Coral, FL

Giving the larger companies an even more significant advantage over any entity that is not a large company is placing America on the fast lane to a Corporatocracy.
—Patrick Sutton, Costa Mesa, CA

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—Peter Mulvey, Milwaukee, WI

it's essential - don't sell out to corporate greed!!
—Pamela Evans, Kemp, TX

The internet is a tool that exists for all of us to use - like electricity and water. Do we let water companies charge us whatever they want for use of their pipes? Why should we allow corporations to dictate life in the internet for all citizens? Do the right thing. Preserve the internet as a tool of free expression and even revolution. Serve the people and the common man - NOT giant corporations.
—Samuel S Axelrath, Denver, CO

There's no want from the consumer, or need on your part to charge more for an infrastructure that's already in place. Get your filthy paws off my bandwidth you damn dirty apes!
—Dragi Spiro, Anchorage, AK

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. ~MJ Hsu
—Mei-Jean Hsu, Woodland Hills, CA

I depend on the internet being a free domain for innovation, creativity, and information. Don't work for corporations and big money, focus on the people.
—Jon Storey, Eugene, OR

If we didn't have Net Neutrality, online sites like Youtube, Amazon, Twitter, Tumblr, and programs like Skype and other widely used sites and add ons wouldn't have been made. Why? Because the internet was, and always should be, a place where new ideas, businesses, and companies can get their start. Spitting the internet in two doesn't make any sense, unless you would profit by doing so. That is just what is happening here. A small group of 'fat cats' are trying to figure out a way to control something that isn't theirs to begin with. The internet is for everyone, so everyone should get the same service at the price they pay. This is not the 90s, where the internet was new and not everyone could effort it, much less understand how it works. Every American uses it in some way, shape, or form. It has helped us grow and create all new forms of communication. It's just has much a part of our lives and culture as is television and the phone. The internet should be reclassified as common carriers because its is just as common today as is TV and phone! Personally its help me connect with people looking for my line of work (I'm a digital illustrator). It's help me make new friends, talk to my loved ones when I was far away during my college years, and keep me updated on world events, the ones that the mega news channels never seem to touch on. The internet has helped a whole generation become connected with the world around them. The only reason it has come this far is because there was no discrimination on the flow of information, who got it, and who didn't get it. And to Mr. Wheeler, I would be lying if I said you didn't make me sick. We know what you're doing, and it is NOT for the benefit of the American people. It's only for the benefit of your friends at AT&T, Comcast, Verizon, and other providers. You used to work for the NCTA (National Cable & Telecommunications Association), the NABU Network, were CEO of the CTIA (Cellular Telecommunications & Internet Association), and you were a executive at Core Capital Partners. You are NOT someone that supports Net Neutrality. You are just a lobbyist looking to kiss more ass. We need Net Neutrality.
—Karen DIshaw, Massena, NY

It is consistent with genuine democracy.
—Michael Gambale, San Francisco, CA

These large companies are already a monopoly, and this attempt to kill net neutrality will make these large companies even more a threat to smaller companies, especially start-up ones. They can use megabucks to bully their way around. What happened to the common person or our love of democracy? Please don't sell out to these large bullies!!
—Simon B. Reed, Severn, MD

Don't destroy entrepreneurship and open dialogue.
—Greg Tompkins, Milwaukee, WI

The Internet is for everyone.
—Margaret Moulden, Seattle, WA

The internet is a global public library ~ a world storehouse of knowledge that is being updated every day by millions of individuals pursuing their interests. What a marvelous resource it has been for everyone, regardless of age, gender, nationality, social, political or financial status. Has such a democratic invention ever existed before in human history? The internet unfolded spontaneously as a (global) public telecommunications service with ISPs as common carriers. Will it remain so, or will this too be degraded, hoarded and privatized by giant corporations for the benefit of a few? NOW is the time to legally protect this public treasure for all generations to come.
—Nikki Alexander, Ventura, CA

I do not agree with the idea of giving people or corporations more access to the internet just because they have more money.
—Joseph Sauer, Louisville, KY

Net neutrality is the only way to keep thing fair for everyone
—Tristen, Keizer, OR

The internet is a way for people to stay in contact with others who share their beliefs and interests. It has allowed me to make friends all over the country and world. I can't pay extra fees like a big corporation. Make the internet providers common carriers to protect the ability of the little guys to use the system at the same speed as the big guys.
—MaryKay K Rodarte, Phelan, CA

Net neutrality is a very large part of the economy and helps encourage much of the small business that will be pushed to the side with these new changes. It's a bad decision morally and economically.
—Scott Mckinnon, Chetwnd,

stop corporate grid, net neutrality is the people's way
—Victor Ponce-Juarez, Portland, OR

I work for a small local web company, we don't have the funds to pay for an "internet fast lane" to ensure our customers get the service they pay for. This proposal has the potential to harm or even put small companies like ours out of business.
—Wylan Werth, Santa Fe, NM

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Don't destroy net neutrality. Your rule changes will cause rampant discrimination. You will be allowing ISPs to pick the winners and losers on the internet. I will be one of the users since I don't have lots of cash to pay the ISPs. I just don't understand why you would propose such terrible rules. Do you have a a lucrative job waiting for you at an ISP after you leave your FCC chairman job? That seems to be the way government works.
—Alex J Trapalis, Elk Grove Village, IL

Nobody should be denied full access to the internet based on their ability to pay. It should be available for all people to access equally. Capitalism at its finest. The FCC should be ashamed.
—Kate Spain, Toronto,

Stand up for Net Neutrality don't allow rampant discrimination online.
—Ms. Lisa Hamill, Chapel Hill, NC

This is one of the most important issues facing us today. Please do not let Net Neutrality end. The American people are counting on you! Thank you.
—Patricia Lane, Beacon Falls, CT

Everyone needs the internet. It is not a luxury, it is a necessity.
—Megan Branning, Pittsburgh, PA

the net is one of the last real and true neutral places in the united states, where everyone is treated equally. please ensure it stays that way.
—Allan Rubin, Houston, TX

These companies are huge monopolies. Why should they be given control over the Internet, which is so important to our country?
—Jane Hadley, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality an the open internet is the reason why I can now connect with my friends all over the world. Its the reason why I can learn about everything at the ouch of my fingers. The open internet is for everyone to use equally. It is for the citizens and it is a giant part of the world. Without it, life would change drastically. It is our right to have a free and open internet.
—Melissa Kadri, madison heights, MI

The freedom of information is of paramount importance!
—Birgit Graefner, Holgate,

Please don't destroy the Internet by creating a two-tier system. Treat everyone the same, and provide everyone with the same service. Keep Net Neutrality!!!
—Mr. Peter Rasmussen, Berkeley, CA

It is a reasonable expectation that personal communications, or even mass communications, continue to enjoy the right to express themselves without a monitor.
—Martha and Roger Cuneo, Warren, MI

The internet is not TV. I'm not paying to visit "premium" websites. What could be a premium website? Any site Comcast will deem premium. If the internet wasn't like this to begin with, you cannot implement it now and expect people not to be outraged/come up with a workaround/solution. It would be like going back to the days of paying ¢10 a text message. IS THAT NEXT!?
—Christopher, Davie, FL

We are not living in the 1940's when everything was segregated. We want equiality !
—Alex Coto, falls church, VA

I don't want the most paid for internet search, I want the best. This will take websites that are now able to operate without charging the consumer and charge them. This cost will be passed down in the cost of goods and services to the consumer. This will not allow small business to thrive it will allow corporations to be the most prevalent search available. And all ao the rich can het richer. Eventually this could easily turn into a way to censor information as well. Rarely in history has greed ever had good ratifications, this will end the same. Think of your children's children, we are in an unprecedented time with this technology era. How sad to look back and wish we would have tried harder to preserve what is right, instead of making more money.
—Lindsy Hoganson, Highlands Ranch, CO

It is critical for a democratic society to have freedom of information and ideas, not the dissemination of ideas based on how much their creators and backers pay. The internet is becoming a true necessity for participation in the modern economy, as telephones became crucial last century.
—Lara Backman, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality is important to me as a retiree who depends on the Internet to stay connected, manage my finances, and so much more. Ending net neutrality will increase inequality between those who can afford new user fees and those who can't.
—Linda McCall, New York, NY

NET NEUTRALITY IS DEMOCRACY!
—Mr. Thanh Nguyen, New York, NY

The Internet is too important to personal and business use to allow manipulation for gain at the hands of uncontrolled service providers.
—Barbara Camacho, San Diego, CA

As a programmer and web developer, I'm very concerned about losing net neutrality. I think this change would devastate the small business that rely on the internet for much of their business, and ruin the most transformative tool for freedom of speech and access to learning and information for all.
—Boz Hogan, Wolfeboro Falls, NH

Not everyone can afford to pay fees for the higher-tier websites. What about college students like me who are barely scraping by? Without full internet access, researching would become a pain. You don't want a bunch of angry 20-somethings.
—Rachel Mullins, Lexington, KY

Phone and cable companies trustworthy? I wouldn't bet a plugged-nickel on that and neither should anyone else. The Internet infrastructure must be governed as a natural monopoly and treated as a public resource.
—Richard R Gingras, Quinton, VA

Because the internet is one place where people should feel able to be themselves, and should let their passions run free. Net Neutrality matters so much, because it allows everybody to do their own thing, without being restricted.
—Markella Votzourakis, Melbourne, GU

The internet is a cornerstone of modern life - from our day-to-day lives to businesses and jobs. We simply can't live without it, so it's time to declare that it is a public utility, not a private "service." Title II of the Communications Act of 1934 already grants the FCC the authority to declare the internet a public utility and provide greater regulation to the telecommunications industry. It's time for the FCC to exercise that authority. Regulating the internet as a public utility would solve a lot of problems and it would allow the FCC to prohibit internet service providers from creating internet "fast lanes" and "slow lanes" to extort payments from companies like Netflix, which they just pass on to subscribers. I've already PAID Netflix once ... just as I PAID my ISP once. Why should ISPs be allowd to double-dip? Allowing Internet service providers to purchase "fast lanes" could produce another cost that would be passed along to consumers. It would also enshrine the power of incumbent content providers as "Gatekeepers" at the expense of startups and smaller companies. In the past, the FCC has agreed that Internet "fast lanes" like those currently under consideration would threaten net neutrality. This proposed rule change would likely result in higher consumer costs and decreased private sector innovation The FCC ALREADY has the power to declare that it is a public utility. It doesn't require a new telecommunications statute replete with time-consuming years of legislative horse-trading and special interest lobbying. This reclassification should have been done 10 years ago.
—Michael Hirsch, Parsonsburg, MD

An open and free internet is non-negotiable. Of course the industry wants to have as much freedom as they can get to make as much money as they can, but your job is to protect the citizens of the United States, to keep our communication systems open and working for us and for our democracy - and to create the conditions for innovation. Net Neutrality is the only way to accomplish these goals, and common carrier status is the only path to upholding it. The whole reason common carrier laws exist is to protect ALL players in the market. Follow tradition and existing law and separate content from delivery. Our democracy is under intense pressure on every front, and robust and open communication systems are the fundamental to any democracy. Thank you for protecting the future of our nation.
—Elizabeth Bandy, Homeworth, OH

Please reclassify broadband to maintain equality for all internet users be they rich or poor.
—Charles Dorsey, Burbank, CA

Please understand that ending net neutrality will hurt all internet users. All business and individuals should have the ability to access the internet on an equal footing.
—Brian Byrd, Mt Juilet, TN

Firstly, I already pay out for a faster internet connection than Dial-Up. Secondly, allow to discriminate against different internet content is absurd. We've already been through this internet censorship with SOPA, PIPA, etc. When is it going to become clear that people do not want this? Just stop. Cease and desist. I am a college student, and many of my classes require an internet connection. The censorship would be damning to some research and the further increase for the internet speed costs would make it even more difficult for us students to get online at all. Throw out these rules. Leave ISPs as common carriers.
—Nathan Hahn, Elkhorn, NE

I want to keep the internet the vibrant and free-flowing information source that it is. Giving companies, which can pay more, priority access risks turning it into a commercial conduit no longer available to the average person.
—Linda Indyke, Cockeysville, MD

Please keep the internet equally usablel for all of us. Thank you.
—Victoria Grubbs, San Diego, CA

I value getting internet services from all companies large and small. But the proposed internet rules would, as is always the case, favor large companies over small. Please implement meaningful Net Nutrality
—Adam Fedor, Boulder, CO

A pay-for-priority internet is not what I want. It is like having the Dictionary close at hand all your life and then suddenly someone takes it away from you and says we have confiscated all the dictionaries we could find and now you can only use one if you pay us at our store to thumb through it. But, this is considerably more insidious! Now you want to take a giant source of knowledge out of my hands and give it to someone who wants to sell me only tid-bits of it and then profit handsomely from it. I am Very angry about this! I am taking names and remembering who it is I will not be supporting from now on! Also, If this happens it will be one less distraction (the internet) and one less bill to pay!
—Mike Gardelle, San Francisco, CA

ISP's are common carriers. What's the difference between Fedex carrying packages and an ISP carrying packages of data. Both use public access paid for by public dollars. Classify ISP's as common carriers or rewrite the rules so that all data is equal on the internet highway. We deserve the choice, not a monopoly.
—Steve Eisner, Van Nuys, CA

You must save Net Neutrality. Without it, new innovations will never see the light of day. Such popular sites as Facebook and Youtube never would have had the chance to get started without Net Neutrality.
—Mark Cook, Houston, TX

The whole point of the internet is that it's for everyone. Whether you want to access certain content online or use it as an avenue to get yourself out there, either recreationally or for profit, you can do that. That's what it was made for. This FCC bill would skew all the advantages in favour of those who are already benefitting, while skewing it away from those who could as well.
—Cole, Winnipeg,

There are already reports of service providers limiting bandwidth. What is to stop them from doing that to media sources and essentially extorting money from them in order to maintain reasonable data transfer rates? Could YouTube, Netflix, Hulu, or nearly any other streaming media service have thrived in an environment where they would have to pay for fast-lane access when they were just starting? I fear that this path leads to potential financial limitations that may hinder innovation and start-ups. Additionally, at least one large carrier is talking about limiting bandwidth and charging for overages; if they do this and charge for 'fast-lane' access for media sources, they have the potential to charge an increased amount twice for the same resource.
—Branden Ohlinger, Fleetwood, PA

The OPEN internet is WAY too important both as a source of info/products I wouldn't have access to otherwise & as a way of expressing myself.
—Herman Diaz, Brighton, MA

Don't let large companies have the advantage over the single consumer.
—Jeff Kremer, Mt Prospect, IL

Equal access to information is vital for the community to thrive. By giving favoritism to certain groups of people, who are already in high favor, it could cause a burden society cannot bear and people will rebel.
—Corrine Chancellor, Denver, CO

It wasn't broken, so why ruin it? Let's have common carrier at same speed for everyone.
—Gene Keyes, Champaign, IL

THE NET IS ESSENTIAL FOR EVERYDAY LIVING AND WE SHOULD ALL OWN IT--LIKE PUBLIC ROADS AND AIRWAVES. ISP ENTITIES SHOULD BE CLASSIFIED AS COMMON CARRIERS SO THAT EVERYONE HAS EQUAL ACCESS. AS AN AMERICAN, I AM OFFENDED BY THE PROPOSED RULES. IS THIS COUNTRY ABOUT EQUAL OPPORTUNITY, OR NOT?
—Melonie Wilson, SAN JOSE, CA

Chairman Wheeler's plan reminds me of Orwell's Aminal Farm, "All the animals are equal but some are more equal than others." That is exactly the crux of the Wheeler plan, and any comments to the contrary are simply not credible. The only way to maintain true net neutrality is to treat the internet as a utility - period.
—Dr. James Lin, Albuquerque, NM

Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers would not stunt investment in broadband. This is just being pushed by ISPs to get more money from what is commonly used by our public as content and apps, effectively creating a two-tiered Internet. It's undemocratic, it is entirely pro-business and not in the interest of our citizens, and an outright farce. Through out your net discrimination rues and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Christianne Gell, Houston, TX

The ISPs make plenty supplying access, they shouldn't be allowed to gouge someone simply because they are popular.
—Mark Goss, Orange, CA

ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers. Stop large ISPs from merging. Stop monopolization. The FCC is a federal agency that is part of the United States government. Therefore, you should work for the prosperity of the majority of American citizens and uphold the United States Constitution. If the FCC doesn't reclassify ISPs as common carriers, you will be held responsible for allowing ISPs to monopolize, price discriminate, and fix prices for a service that allows us to express our first amendment right to freedom of speech. Not to mention, this will hinder the freedom of the press and media. This could open the door for companies as well as government agencies to censor the internet by blocking sites that oppose their company's or party's interests, only to force their customers to pay more money to access them. This is against the Constitution on which the FCC was built on. Please, reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Ben Zschunke, New Orleans, LA

Network neutrality is the idea that your cellular, cable, or phone internet connection should treat all websites and services the same.
—Jon Spinac, New York, NY

We're already being held hostage by the likes of Comcast and all the internet providers with their heavy prices. This would just put another notch in their over priced structures to charge more money and restrict a free Internet Market. This would have a bad impact once again for everyday people and businesses.
—Randall Andrews, las vegas, NV

Leave the Internet Free for everyone and stop giving the Internet companies the power to charge more money and restrict a free market.
—Anthony Gonzales, las vegas, NV

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—Susan Spinac, New York, NY

Network neutrality is the idea that your cellular, cable, or phone internet connection should treat all websites and services the same.
—Lev Spinac, New York, NY

Net neutrality is about real democracy. It is about a level playing field which will encourage, not stifle innovation and start ups!
—Arthur Rothman, Glenwood springs, CO

Cyberspace must not be controlled by any corporation. We already pay for internet service. With the cost of living we do not need another bill or some entity controlling the internet. Keep cyberspace to individual use or neutral.
—Jim Hrastar, Hillsboro, OR

It is important to me because I am on a limited income. My fiancé lives in Australia and is, for the moment, unemployed. We talk daily on Skype. Please keep net neutrality!!!!
—Jaime La Pierre, Philadelphia, PA

ISPs should NOT be able to determine what sites are more important than the others. Why do we even need a two-tiered internet? It works great as is, and I know I don't want ISPs determining which sites I go to based on if they're in the fast lane or not. These rules need to be completely reconsidered, and the status of ISPs need to be rethought as well.
—Matthew Estrada, Highland, CA

Equal access to the net is essential to maintaining democracy.
—Steve Finucane, Prescott, AZ

I want the Internet to remain free as a source of education for all people.
—Marisa Scionti, Flagstaff, AZ

Dear FCC and Tom Wheeler, Good evening. The FCC should classify ISPs as common carriers in order to avoid allowing internet providers like Comcast to determine how fast internet is for certain people and/or content. Allowing monopolies like the one Comcast is headed towards would be a hinderance to industry growth and production. It would be a purposeful deceleration of U.S. American innovation and freedom. Please fight for open internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. Thank you, Gracie Wang
—Gracie Wang, Lemont, IL

Making a fast lane means everyone else gets the slow lane including non-profits!
—Rachel Schmitz, Portland, ME

I work as a paraeducator and my income is limited. Comcast is my internet provider. As of now, comcast chargers a ridiculously high amount for high speed internet. Allowing a two-tiered internet would be devastating and unfair.
—Angela Hurley, Kent, WA

I was a computer wizard practically before I could read without a parent over my shoulder, and I think it's obvious why someone who knows computers so well would be so concerned that a few businessmen could be granted, by the government, under law, the freedom to interfere with my activities on the web that we all share, regardless of who our service provider is. I want access to all the information available on the web about anything I want, when I want it, limited only by my own ability. The fact that telecommunications companies are actually pressing claims so deep in Americans' lives makes the United States seem more like Russia every time I examine the widening cracks in my "guaranteed" rights that go back almost 250 years. The difference is that in America, these government-sanctioned trespasses are carried out not by government officials, but by businessmen who care nothing for the nation or its people, but only for the profits they now reap thanks to the goodwill they performed for a few certain individuals who say they represent the people in their speeches but based on their actions are obviously not concerned with the grievances they have brought to the blood and soul of the nation. I vote, and I will continue to do so, but I now wonder how much difference it would really make if we all stopped voting and instead just organized the seemingly inevitable protests against the candidates who are most strongly favored by our "democratic process."
—Alexander Alexander Grambergs, Memphis, TN

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. How many times and how many people have to say this for you to actually get it!!
—Andrea Mills, Websterville, VT

Don't let the companies decide who gets what service by charging high fees for those that can afford it and force everyone else to have slow speeds.
—Frank Kiernan, Olivehurst, CA

The internet is the greatest tool for the free collaboration of people in world history. Giving corporations the power to tilt it to their interests will stifle countless entrepreneurs and do untold damage to the USA's technological superiority.
—Nate Logan, Indianapolis, IN

The service providers are already killing us with high prices. Compared to Europe, we're being raped in access fees. Net neutrality is imperative and the net should be deemed a utility. Even the playing field.
—Shirley Morrow, Oklahoma City, OK

stop giving in to big business as usual. There is only one way to protect net neutrality and that's to make ISP's common carriers! If you follow through with the current proposed internet rules you'll introduce discrimination via who can pay the most money. Big Business wins and everyone else will lose.
—Donald J. Rhoads, Gilbert, AZ

Net Neutrality improves our democracy
—James C Roberts, Palouse, WA

The internet should be a place of communication, knowledge, and leisure. Regulating the speed of particular websites versus that of others will be highly detrimental action, one that could serve to put an end to what people enjoy about the internet in the first place.
—Meggie Diedrich, Fond du Lac, WI

The internet should be a public utility. Taxpayers paid for the internet. The internet should be reclassified as a common carrier. Stop the corporate give aways. STOP!!!!!
—Colette Walczak, Santa Monica, CA

FCC, Throw out your rules and reclassify the internet as a common carrier. This is the only way to maintain the internet for the common good of the people.
—Andree Walczak, Chesterton, IN

It is a ridiculous idea and would be terrible for people who either are always online or those who work from home online.
—Matthew Timothy Dinehart, Fredericksburg, VA

I don't want to live in a country that puts corporate interests on a pedestal like this. It would open a huge can of worms, and pave the way for even more thinly veiled corporate fascism in our country. Please stand against this terrible idea, protect American citizens, and our internet access that is so fundamental and important.
—Meredith Phelan, Frederick, MD

WITHOUT IT THE NET IS DEAD...CRAPPY....THE FCC IS IN PLACE TO PROTECT THE PUBLIC FROM ANY ONE BIG BUSINESS TAKING OVER, OR CONTROLLING ANY ONE MEDIA, LIKE THE INTERNET.....WHAT YOU ARE PROPOSING IS LETTING A FEW COMPANIES CONTROL WHAT CONTENT WE CAN AND CAN NOT SEE, AND WHO CAN AND CAN NOT BE ON THE INTERNET.....NO FREEDOM....THIS IS HOW CHINA DOES IT'S INTERNET!!!! IS AMERICA BECOMING CHINA AND RUSSIA??!!!! THIS IS JUST SO WRONG, AND SOOOOO STUPID!!!!!
—Deborah Smith, OKLAHOMA CITY, OK

Why would one put the foxes in charge of the hen house? Why would one let these companies decide what I can and cannot access because I can't pay them information highway robbery fees? Don't AT&T, Comcast (who have lousy cable service and poor customer service records), and Verizon make enough money ripping their customers off? We already have cable to frustrate us (and their prices are going up!), we don't need greedy incompetence online, too. Reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Virginia Hildebrand, Mountain Top, PA

It is the most important way of communicating with others in this day and age and Net Neutrality upholds our constitutional right to freedom of expression.
—Barbara Wishingrad, Santa Barbara, CA

Unfettered communications are vitally important for functionality of our society. ISP should be classified as common carrier utility because that is what they are. Fast lanes and slow lanes will engender oligarchy, that is not desirable for democracy.
—John Dodge, Homer, AK

Please do not put financial priorities on consumer products
—Nancy Blastos, redlands, CA

I am a small business owner and much of my advertising and new business comes from clients visiting my website. This is just one reason Net Neutrality is important to me. This is only going to cost consumers more money and decrease the level of service we get from these companies. Comcast is the major provider in our market and are one of the least popular companies, providing the poorest level of service of any utility company already. Why would you reward this behavior? Please do what is best for consumers, not the big corporations.
—David Horton, Jacksonville, FL

It is important to prevent means for descrimination. Net nuetrality ensures that at least there is equal treatment of all content.
—Vanesa Bettez, Allston, MA

Access to the Internet should be available to everyone....the way it always has been....not restricted in anyway.....Thank You
—Janet Ostrowski, Waukegan, IL

If the internet is not open, it is not the internet anymore. The profit of large companies is not worth trashing something that works just fine the way it is now. You know that effectively creating inequality among internet users is wrong.
—Mara Zakrajsek, Colorado Springs, CO

Please protect Net Neutrality. Net Neutrality ensures Internet users can access websites without unreasonable delays. Net Neutrality allows individuals and organizations with modest means to set up websites viewed by thousands, sometimes millions, of people. Net Neutrality gives Internet users easy access to information. Please adopt rules protecting Net Neutrality. Sincerely, Douglas Olson
—Douglas Olson, Brainerd, MN

Net Neutrality is important to me because free and open communication in all forms is and should be a human right. Eliminating net neutrality would be a direct action against this right, and send us back to the information dark ages.
—Ben Bargman, Beverly Hills, MI

As just an average American, I see on a daily basis the direction our country is going and Big Business is taking over. This must stop so that the internet stays open and equal to all and not to be run by companies with the biggest wallet. If this happens only the rich and well off will be able to make use of what started out as a free. Keep the net neutral and pressure for the generations of the future.
—Addison Reeder III, Girard, PA

As a college student, I can't afford to pay extra fees for faster internet, and I depend on net neutrality to do online homework.
—Doug Weber, Blue Springs, MO

With Net Neutrality, all students can use the internet to complete required coursework in a timely manner, all adults can use the internet to find and pursue employment opportunities, and all people can use the internet to research public transportation options. All of these things benefit America as a whole: better educated and more technologically savvy students, fewer unemployed adults draining the system, and a cleaner environment for all. These are just a mere sampling of the benefits of a free and open internet for ALL.
—Liza Potter, Fairfax, VA

I really think that the internet should remain free and open. Having fast lanes for only those who can afford it is unfair and undermines democracy.
—Vikki Bristlin, Providence, RI

KEEP US FREE
—Jeanne Tatum, Rowlett, TX

Free speech is fundamental to our democracy AND our everyday lives. Without Net Neutrality, the ability to communicate without corporate interference will become impossible.
—Brendan Banerdt, Roslindale, MA

I want the internet to remain equal for all users. ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers.
—Micaela Pronio, Oakland, CA

It means i can talk to others on the web and if u do not classify service providers ascommon carriers i might as well go back to dial up prices as they will raise the price and i wouldn' t be able to afford it!
—Paula Moats, pinellas park, FL

It's time for our Public Servants to actually look out for our interests ahead of the greedy service providers.
—Michael Feeley, Goffstown, NH

The fact that you would consider creating an internet with fast and slow lanes is absolutely ridiculous. I am FURIOUS thinking about it every single day. You make me sick. You are disgusting corporate crooks who deserve to hang. Don't kid yourselves that such a change would be anything but horrible for the consumer. I'm don't know how people like you can sleep at night.
—Chris Browning, Portland, OR

Companies should not have any more control over my world.
—Nadine Youssef-Hatch, Greenfield, IN

Dear Chairman Wheeler, I am writing to say stop! Do not go forward with your flawed proposal that eliminates net neutrality. Broadband must be deemed a telecommunication and regulated as telecommunications in order to avoid your proposal from expanding the digital divide, at the cost of our most vulnerable citizens. Allowing corporations to garner shot term profits at the expense of families that need unlimited access to the internet in order to have a chance of not losing ground. Access to broadband internet directly impacts academic achievement, connection to community, job income potential, ability of families improve socioeconomoc status and a host of other factors that build a stronger America. Your decision must place American families first, ahead corporate profits. Scrap the proposal, and work on behalf of American families, not corporate profits. Kindest regards, Al De Vos Salinas, ca
—Al DeVos, Salinas, CA

This is a matter of denying me the information that is available to others on the internet. ISPs should be classified as common carriers, or Access providers. The current classification is injustice and untrue. The information is on the internet, and ISPs are not information providers. If they have the right to decide, or pick and chose, what the public is allowed to view and not on the internet, then the internet loses its honesty, reliability, security and neutrality. If ISPs are allowed to be classified other than common carriers then they are given the chance to directly SENSOR The information provided through the internet. All servers, services & products on the internet lose their freedom and their market to the Internet service providers rendering the web to be a no longer free market. The fact that they can deny accessibility is a crippling ability. It will not only cripple the free market, but also accessibility in times of need (if there is only one service available in an emergency and that service is blocked). HELP ME SPEAK OUT ON THIS ISSUE!!!
—Torkil William Harris Grimsrud, Houston, TX

This is a terrible idea. Having Internet access should be cheaper and easier than having electricity. Our government needs to develop and regulate the Internet so that it efficiently serves us all.
—Robert Qua, Boston, MA

Why mess up a great thing? Must we always think of money as King? The internet means freedom, so stop putting a price on freedom for all of us.
—Nancie evoniuk, woodland hills, CA

We need to keep the internet same for all!
—Olga Savchuk, antelope, CA

The internet is evolving in a natural and remarkable way. It's the one pure mode of conversation, invention, ideas and community not mucked up by corporations that want control for profit. This is the moment in time to take a stand FOR THE AMERICAN PEOPLE, not the corporations! Do not go forward with the proposed rules; reclassify ISPs as common carriers!
—Valerie Crawford, McMinnville, OR

Internet Service Providers should not have the power to throttle (or privilege) access to any internet site or service, as this would produce barriers to both economic competition and free speech among smaller players. Please reconsider these burdensome and threatening rules.
—Daniel McClure, Bellevue, WA

AT&T, Comcast, Verizon and their ilk are becoming the robber barons of the 21st century. The only way to stop that is with robust legislation that enshrines fairness and equality of access to communication services, including of course Internet.
—Steven Lindsay, Atlanta, GA

I use the internet to pay bills and do banking among other things
—Bill Clark, Louisville, KY

Net neutrality is my main means of remaining up to date on the news...you must protect the open internet
—Mr. Gene Herman, Berkeley, CA

Working Americans and students depend on the internet for information and communication in order to stay competitive. Don't use the internet to turn us into second tier citizens.
—Sarah Axelrath, Centennial, CO

Many people depend on open internet access for their mental and physical well-being - the free internet provides invaluable resources to assist people with a variety of issues, from mental health to abusive households, and pretty much everything else. If Net Neutrality isn't passed, many of these resources will be gone!
—Colby Skeggs, Portland, OR

It matters to me because I do independent research on the internet and without net neutrality, I would not be able to find obscure sources of information. Also, start-up businesses might not have enough money to make a go of it on the internet.
—Mark Bales, Norman, OK

Net neutrality is vital to free speech and privacy. Please respect our rights and protect it!
—Jana Dake, Moore, OK

Keep the Internet open and don't raise the price with a two tier system
—Frank Salonia, Carlsbad, CA

We need true neutrality in order to protect our democracy.
—Mike Mooney, plymouth, MN

free comunication is a human right
—Bernardo Alayza Mujica, Chatsworth, IA

The internet is now the main form of communication for most everyone. It's one of the largest reason the US Post Office is having a hard time making a profit now. It is how people apply for work, pay bills, monitor their house, plan vacations...the list goes on. It has far surpassed the telephone for being a connection to the outside world. Net neutrality needs to be protected.
—Ryan Starr, Lafayette, CA

Nowadays the only area in which the US really remains competitive in the global market is technology, and most technology needs the internet to some degree. By allowing ISPs to deny good internet speeds to users of services provided by small startup companies without the money to bribe ISPs for their "fast lane" access, the viability for new technology companies and innovation in the US will drop to effectively zero and we will no longer be able to compete. Chairman Wheeler, if you and your FCC don't want to go down in history as the traitorous bastards that doomed the US to become a third-world country, for the love of God throw this bullshit out and reclassify ISPs as common carriers like you should have done a long time ago. Doing that will ensure that we can remain competitive in the global market and a frontrunner when it comes to innovation in technology. Thank you.
—Gregory LeTrello, Lake Saint Louis, MO

I don't think it's right that they would slow down a re internet because we can't afford it and with education being so heavily reliable on the internet it would just be wrong!!!!
—Henry Correa, Davie, FL

Internet has become more than a luxury in this country. Many people depend on it for their livelihood. The government should be supplying the people with a way to support their livelihood and not to stifle it.
—Olaf Anderson, Thousand Oaks, CA

Corporate for profit companies will ruin net neutrality
—Granger Evans, Kelowna BC, AZ

I don't want the internet to get messed up by the monopoly internet service providers.
—Barry Lefsky, Oakland, CA

I depend on the internet for both information and to communicate with others. The community groups and non-profit organizations to which I belong depend on the internet to get word of their activities out to their members. If net neutrality is lost, I fear that only the wealthy will be able to use the internet and that its value to average people like me will be lost.
—Karen Jacques, Sacramento, CA

The Internet is the most powerful form of communication, source of education, & entertainment ever conceived by mankind. We as a free nation have a right to access this worldwide network without being bottlenecked by corporations who seek to squeeze every last possible cent from its customers. The FCC should not be puppets for these telecommunication conglomerates but to serve the American people who depend on this service everyday.
—Michael Vargas, Tracy, CA

The Internet is more than just a technology or commodity – it has become a vital piece of our social and economic infrastructure. Any future plans should be about facilitating competition in online content and applications, keeping barriers to a minimum, and promoting innovation and free speech. It appears that the current “market based” approach fails to value these essential considerations and instead promotes unjust discrimination. The big losers will be small and medium-sized businesses, entrepreneurs, start-ups, independent media, and content producers. These groups, the very people who have made the Internet the success it is today, will find themselves at a huge disadvantage vis-à-vis those companies who have the financial resources to purchase faster access to Internet users. The FCC should throw out its rules and protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Jeff Stratas, Oxnard, CA

We should have faster internet for everyone and not just the select few.
—Mark Carlson, St Louis Park, MN

I depend on Net neutrality to get all the information I can on topics and issues, so I can make educated decisions based on truth. Killing the open Internet would be censoring our information as it is done in communist and terrorist countries. The Internet would become a useless tool of propaganda. Please stop over regulating this country!
—Kim Waldrop, Garland, TX

It is undemocratic to allow the Internet to become corrupt by allowing preferential access to users in return for money. There also needs to be free market that does not limit competition of internet providers for consumers that will be an incentive to invest in bringing the United States the high speeds needed for a nation watching video streaming content from the internet with Smart TV's in the future. Therefore, I support net neutrality and ask you take whatever action is necessary to prevent the hijacking of technology by self-serving forces.
—Robert Parkinson, San Diego, CA

I do a large share of my freelance work online, and I have to have dependable high-speed Net access in order to remain competitive. It's difficult enough to afford high-speed cable rates in my area, where there is already a lack of service providers to choose from. This will terribly impact my ability to continue to provide professional services to my clients. Just do the right thing for ALL of us: create and preserve real Net Neutrality.
—T A Peckham, Madison, WI

Net neutrality is important because controlling The internet is useless and moneywasting
—Bikbulat Zaripof, Kazan,

Make ISPs classified as common carriers it would save net neutrality.
—Logan Durham, Richmond, IN

A free, open internet is undoubtedly the greatest technology developed for the people. Control of access should not be at the mercy of corporations. Keep it free!
—Karen Genest, Vancouver, WA

As a software developer, I rely on a neutral Internet to support my career. As a citizen, I rely on Net Neutrality to enable me to remain informed about social and political issues.
—Jesse Weinstein, San Diego, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because of the opportunities it gives me and others. The internet has been a new frontier for entrepreneurship, and new businesses, like blogs, and online market places, precisely because anybody can take advantage of its full potential, provided they are willing to put in the work. I myself was able to start a small news blog, and launch my journalism career, because of the internet. But if Net Neutrality is done away with, this will greatly handicap people from starting online businesses, therefore retarding economic growth, and destroying this once thriving force in American Business.
—Edward Punales, Miami, FL

This new law will ruin the internet, and should not exist. This type of favoritism discourages competition and will stagnate the creativity on the internet.
—Nicholas Christoffels, Victorville, CA

A democracy should not be rules determined by the highest bidders. Everyone deserves an equal voice. But more and more these days (ever since the Citizens United ruling) it seems like money makes the rules, and that is just fundamentally wrong! The only way to stop this corruption from completely taking over is to stand up for what is right every chance we get, starting now. Net neutrality may seem like a small thing, but the effects on real free speech could be dramatic. If Chairman Wheeler's rules aren't changed, then the few groups with the most money will effectively determine what we see and hear on the Internet. This is the antithesis of free speech, and it's not what America stands for, or at least not what America should stand for. So please do the right thing, and do it now.
—Tiffany Tainter, Coppell, TX

The internet is the single largest exchange of information on the planet. To allow so great a pool of knowledge to be directed by a few self-interested corporations is not only foolish it is dangerous. Please help keep the internet a just and free system wherein one may freely converse and share, not let it become a propaganda tool of the ultra-rich.
—Alexander Clark, Harrisburg, PA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Kevin, Phoenix, AZ

It is the most democratic thing we have in our society.
—Linda Medeiros, Cloverdale, CA

I really don't want Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Younes ezekari, Portland, ME

The proposed will actually form a 'closed door' which would perpetuate discrimination. The internet should be classified under net neutrality giving equal opportunity for all. We already have enough discrimination in this country. Please do not add more!
—Roberta Swann, Clearwater, FL

History tells us how corporations will handle this. If we let this happen we all lose. It will create an unimaginable new level of social and economic tyranny.
—Jesse Campbell, Wellford, SC

A free internet is one of the truest expressions of democracy. Don't let big business restrict it.
—Jen Banet, Hermosa Beach, CA

An open internet has allowed the sharing of information and the connecting of the world in ways we could have only imagined decades ago. Limiting the ability of people (not corporations) to communicate in this way would have ramifications the depths of which we may never be able to fully appreciate. You can not put the genie back in the bottle. The people won't stand for it. The power of the internet must be shared equally.
—Jeff Light, Melbourne, FL

Allowing ISPs to charge a premium for faster service would be a disaster for startups, nonprofits, independent content creators and everyday Internet users. This would, and already is, smothering the chance for innovation. By selling the Internet to the highest bidder, it loses everything that makes it the amazing tool that it currently is.
—Danielle Rhoades, Austin, TX

Slowing down the internet speeds of my ISP, and by my ISP is not right and should not be allowed to happen. This is outrageous!
—Alex Silverio, San Jose, CA

We need common carrier rules for ISPs because the old broadcast system is dead and being replaced (auctioned off to the highest bidder) by giant ISPs that only care about money. Grow some balls and do the right thing for the people by supporting net neutrality!
—Wayne Boaz, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality is extremely important. The internet is a tool, so having the tool tell one what to do with it just doesn't make sense. The internet is a place where people go to find things out, and if there is no net neutrality people will simply stop using the internet to do things. The potential of the internet is huge, so to see it go away because of people wanting to make money would be a shame. It truly is a shame that ISP's have to be a part of this great public entity because without their greed, the internet would be a much more open place already. Adding more restrictions doesn't make a whole lot of sense to keep the internet a Neutral place. Please don't let the ISP's do this to us.
—Levi, Edwards, CO

Allowing internet service providers to create internet "fast lanes" and "slow lanes" would do nothing more than allow them to extort payments from companies like Netflix. It's time for the FCC to admit, as indicated by the courts, that the internet is a Public Utility requiring regulation of ISPs as Common Carriers under existing law, not an unregulated information service. The Cisco programming "priority" option is not intended for the proposed use, yet that appears to be the only mechanism available for implementing the proposed "fast lane" on the predominant internet routing technology. In any event, in theory any scheme for prioritization is likely to result in a similar set of problems, with either excess packet delays or significant instances of packet loss, unless the effect of losing out in a prioritized collision are carefully researched and specified by the FCC. The inevitable result will be internet traffic jams, which the public may end up reasonably attributing to the FCC. As a Systems Engineer who studied queuing theory in college and who recently worked on an Army network system that included proposed prioritization of messages, I can warn you that serious harm to network traffic will result from attempting to implement a priority scheme that gives priority to any sort of video stream. The likely result will be an internet that becomes increasingly unreliable or unusable for many many users. Any scheme that attempts to prioritize one video stream over another will in many cases seriously degrade all lower-priority traffic. Priority mainly affects the performance of a network or node loaded near to or beyond capacity. A network that has plenty of capacity will be unaffected for the most part by prioritization - and it will provide little or no benefit to the entity granted the priority. The only reason to implement a priority scheme is if the internet service provider intends to under-invest in capacity, or if the network is (as in the Army case) inherently limited in capacity. Thus, one mitigation would be to order any ISP who offers priority to any internal or external traffic, to assure that network capacity is adequate to prevent degradation of service to lower-priority customers. This, of course, also requires the FCC to first begin regulating the internet as a public utility. In the Army (FCS) case, prioritization can be effectively used to prevent delay of text reports or alerts, or weapons and flight control signals, by the much higher volume of video or audio traffic that pushes the limit of the capacity of the system. On the other hand, if a General Officer, or those seeking to "help" him, seeks to use the priority scheme to prioritize the video that he is most interested in, unacceptable loss or delays to weapons and flight control signals, and potentially unacceptable loss and delays of textual data, unless the system automatically gives those a higher priority. That in turn further degrades lower-priority video or audio used by the troops. Positive storage and confirmation of delivery can be used to mitigate loss of data, but at a significant cost in network capacity and/or requirements for new technology capable of storing large volumes of delayed traffic, especially as the network capacity approaches its limits, even at a single node. This commenter would support the potential availability, in a regulated system and after adequate testing to assure there are no side effects, of prioritization for low-volume critical traffic, such as autonomous vehicle or aircraft control signals, provided that is used only for e.g. updating route instructions, and not for real-time direct control which would require higher volume. The proposed prioritization of favored or paid video streams by ISPs is the exact analog of the general's video, and must not be allowed. A slow lane for lower-priority high-volume (video) traffic makes a bit more network sense, but the ISP would need to be required to automatically provide the higher priority for all non-video traffic to avoid disrupting or degrading non-video services, and to maintain adequate capacity to avoid any noticeable degradation of the lower-priority video. There are two ways of handling lower-priority packets in a collision: dropping them (lost packet) or storing them for later transmission. The latter case requires additional router resources to store the delayed traffic, as well as limits on how long traffic may be delayed before priority must be ignored. Prioritization that affects multiple nodes is potentially much worse in a packet loss situation than in a store and forward with delay scenario, as lower-priority packets which get through one node may be lost at another, and then need to get through the first node again. This effect can exponentially increase the negative effects of prioritization. As packets will retry only so many times, and failure of one packet generally makes the entire transmission fail, and many internet systems are not currently configured to handle this situation, the result will be gross unreliability of network services that are currently taken for granted, such as e-mail. Moreover, as lost packets start to be re-transmitted, the volume on already overloaded network nodes is increased, making the congestion worse. Thus, any priority scheme should be designated to affect only a single gateway to the ISP on any route connecting the ISP to outside services, or to the ISP's internal connection point of lower-priority ISP video sources, unless a packet store-and-delay scheme is used to handle lower-priority data packets. The choice of which method is used for collisions may also depend on the type of traffic (i.e. the port and/or protocol used to encode and encapsulate the data). Thus, network theory predicts that attempts to prioritize high-volume services such as video will be in practice an abuse of the concept of network priority, and will predictably result in serious degradation and unreliability of the Internet. This should not be allowed unless rigorous testing shows the particular prioritization scheme can be supported without degradation of a loaded network, and appropriate regulations are in place to assure network capacity will be sufficient to prevent network traffic jams. This in turn requires the FCC to follow the law and the science, and declare the internet to be a Public Utility, and ISPs to be Common Carriers.

—Matthew Filler, Seal Beach, CA

I've been involved in small, medium and enterprise level businesses, and all of them are better off with Net Neutrality as a core tenet! PLEASE support business, innovation, and freedom over punitive and dogmatic exploitative policies! Thanks!
—Brian Perry, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality is important, because why should companies and the government decide to charge how much they want for the internet? The internet should be public and shouldn't be operated under these shady, large companies. They only want to take over the internet so they can make money off of it, and that's wrong. The internet is a place for to knowledge a lot of knowledge and being able to state your opinion and voice. Charging more for sites like Youtube would give people a less chance to voice their opinions and being able to have freedom. The internet, to me, seems to be our last bit of freedom, and every year, these stupid, big companies, and the government try to make these new rules and laws, like SOPA, to control the internet. The internet should be a public place where we can have freedom and be able to voice our opinions without the government and large companies interfering! We need net neutrality!
—Victoria Varela, Henderson, NV

Net neutrality affords access to information across a broad socioeconomic and political spectrum. Allowing ISPs to discriminate against the general public via financial hierarchies based on corporate greed and political power undermines ISPs accountability as well as the public's trust. Regards, Casey
—Casey Wollschlaeger, Minneapolis, MN

No one should have this power. It's supposed to be FREE, as always since the beggining
—Juan M NatalSido, Ensenada, PR

The only cable provider in my area restricts my access to the internet, but charges me more and more for this reduced service. There are websites I cannot visit without refreshing the page several times, and it's because they aren't paying my provider enough to be seen. This situation is a ridiculous mockery of the "free market". I have no choice of provider and I do not get the service I originally signed up for any longer. This company and it's ilk have destroyed technological progress on the internet while other countries pass us by leaps and bounds. Please stop supporting this tiering and bribery that is becoming standard operating procedure. The "chairman" was put in office to do as he was told, but there are four more of you. Please support net neutrality in every proposal the commission offers.
—Christie Childs, Arcata, CA

Net Neutrality is a no-brainer. Anybody saying otherwise has clearly checked their brain at the door. Reclassify broadband to its correct classification.
—Paula Lynch, Calabasas, CA

As a professional blogger I need my content to reach everyone; without net neutrality small time guys like me can't compete
—John durst, Zephyr Cove, NV

I depend on the availability of free and unbiased news reporting, which, at this time, is ONLY available on the internet. The internet is one of the few, if not the only , things left that the Kochs and Exxon Mobile do not completely control. Please do not take that away.
—Judith Tiedemann, Mohave Valley, AZ

Please stand up for net neutrality and I am sorry if it isn't popular with cable companies, but it is a common carrier. We only have ONE cable provider for high speed internet in my area (Charter) and I have no where else to turn for internet access that will meet my needs. If they start asking companies to do pay to play or if you allow them to speed up some and by result slow down others - it will directly affect my home based / internet based business. The internet levels the playing field and allows people to make a living without being always tied to traditional means of income (with a company). I can be an independent consultant because of the internet. Please keep the American dream alive and allow everyone a chance to be heard online. Sincerely, Judi Fox
—Judi Fox, Madison, WI

In order to keep a more accessible internet for eveyone, since it has become a daily necessity for many people similar to local news and other informational services.
—Mathew Ridley, Old Saybrook, CT

No corporate entity has the right to restrict our freedom of speech and assembly. No corporation has the right to restrict our options or sabotage free-market competition. Oh, who am I kidding? The megacorps already own you, FCC, and you enjoy the privelege of dolling out virtual monopolies to the highest (usually the most criminal) bidder. Prove me wrong, I dare you, when I claim that the federal government is OWNED. The people of this country are chattel. You have made us so, with the neo-feudal policies your masters have bought and paid for. To you, the bill of rights is a bath mat. Some one will probably block this message, and my broadband rates (like my wireless rates) will suddenly and inexplicably triple!
—S A. Bellin, Los Angeles, CA

Net Neutrality is crucial to America being able to compete in a global economy.
—Sarah Robbins, Waltham, MA

The Internet has the potential to continue being a diving force in the economic, technological, and cultural development for the human race, much like electricity or plumbing. The internet is a Utility. The proposed fast lane system is unacceptable, it will cripple future technological innovation, cultural expression, and entrepreneurial enterprise. Internet service providers offer a utility and should be bound by the same rules as the other utility services.
—Justin Stone, SOUTH RIVER, NJ

I want the internet to be considered a common carrier. It should not be handled in the same manner as a cable company, since content can be generated by any individual at any location, much like the phone service. Please do not allow an end to net neutrality. The corporate lobbyists should not be heard over the public.
—Andrew Lish, Nashua, NH

Culture depends on distribution of ideas. Selling distribution is selling culture.
—James Roberts, Ukiah, CA

This will hurt more than help! Keep the Internet neutral. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers!!!!
—Olga Cavallo, Phoenix, AZ

Classism is already such a huge problem in this country. If you allow those who are already priveleged with wealth to help themselves to the best the internet provides, you are subverting the purpose of the internet itself, which is to connect all peoples and nations together regardless of means or identity. This is yet another kick in the face to the poor, who are already struggling in schools to have access to the information they need. I think it's about time you stopped trying to pull stuff like this and just let America be the free nation it was meant to be.
—Emily, Oregon City, OR

The government is supposed to support me and NOT Comcast!! Throttling the internet for profitable "tiers" is basically indeed "killing" the internet. It's unconscionable that you would even consider this idea - and that it's outside of the general public's ability to do anything about. STOP THE WORDPLAY GAMES - MAKE NET NEUTRALITY REAL!! TODAY!
—Jacqueline Fowler, La Porte, TX

By creating an internet "fast lane", what they are actually doing is creating an internet "slow lane"... where they can force those who they don't like to take. I could go on, but in short, this is a free speech issue. Unregulated communication of all, digital or otherwise, is free speech... political donations is not.
—William Harold Hinkson II, Youngstown, OH

Internet traffic should not be treated differently. I don't believe we should cater to requests to be able to charge more for a "faster" version of the internet. This is clearly a scam by ISP's to bleed money off of internet services that average citizens use frequently and enjoy.
—Greg DuBose, Rapid City, SD

I am on the net all the time, I've been a long time user back in the old IRC, chat program, DOS days. Don't do this, I know you think you're being modern but the internet in all it's lightning fast, quicksilver glory...that's modern, because it's in real time. And on a level playing field, anyone and everyone is a contributor
—Lori Stoner, Bryan, OH

Net neutrality is the vehicle in modern society that protects our rights to free speech and freedom of the press! The actual "press" has been almost completely overtaken by corporate interests. An Internet that is equally accessible by all who use it is all that stands between us and a return to the Feudalism and horrible living conditions and society of 14th century Europe!
—Linda Lee, Atlanta, GA

To all Freedom isn't just word. Freedom is a way of life. Part of that freedom is our ability to freely communicate. And the number one method that the American people communicate the written word today is via the internet. Our ability to both send and receive, to communicate the written word demands entirely on unrestricted, open, and EQUAL access to those written words via the internet. the Recent FCC ruling literally destroys that freedom. Without such a key and essential capability to communicate, liberty and freedom die. You cannot put corporate profits that in reality benefit a handful of people ahead of the needs and wishes of the American people. The polls (not paid for by the corporations) overwhelming show along with the comments you receive that the wishes and will of the people demand you rescind this ruling and restore net neutrality. In short you work for the people of the United States not the corporations. Start doing your job.
—Daniel Dearborn, Amherast, NH

Please vote for the common person,and not big bussiness
—MaDonna Thacker, Richmond, IN

Stop bastardizing America. This country is already fucked in the ass dry and tight, stop trying to make it even worse. "Your comment really matters" Yeah. Okay. Stop.
—Bradly Anderson, Littleton, CO

My wife and I sell art over the internet. Our website has over 700 webpages and 6000 images on display. We cannot afford to pay high rates to get our art to people on line, many of whom use it to identify works that they own. Pages with many images will not work at slow speeds because they take too much time to download and people will just give up before they have a chance to see the works we are displaying.
—Andrew D. Weiner, Upton, MA

Please keep Net Neutrality! These large ISP providers will only drive basic costs higher. I've seen my basic cost increase with Comcast because we REALLY DON'T HAVE COMPETITION!
—Tenny Locke, SEATTLE, WA

Preserving Net Neutrality is the only way to keep the internet fair and open to everybody. Net neutrality gives everybody an voice free of discrimination from ISPs. These new rules will invariably result in an internet that is not free, open and equal but one that is completely dominated by those who have the most money, while those who are less wealthy will be discriminated against and have their voices silenced.That is not right. The internet should remain an open tool for everybody to use without unnecessary limitation. Net neutrality ensures a level playing field where success in competition is actually dependent on the quality of what you produce, and not how much money you already have. But these new rules will change that. Not only will they devastate the array of choices that consumers have on the internet, but the monopolies and oligarchies that will replace that choice will have less incentive to provide quality content and services. The internet with net neutrality has enabled us to build an amazing landscape of cultural and scientific accomplishes. These new rules are the first step in destroying all that we have built over the last 2 decades. Furthermore, even though ISPs act as middle men in providing internet services, the infrastructure that the internet is based on belongs to nobody in particular and thus the internet belongs to everybody. It's not right for ISPs to be able to control and limit the internet for their own profit at the expense of digital freedom.
—Eric Milligan, Coquitlam,

You cannot control our internet.....it is criminal....give it up
—Patty Little, kula, HI

I want the Net reclassified as a common carrier immediately. It is unacceptable to hear FCC chairman Wheeler repeatedly lying about what Net Neutrality means, as he instead works to promote special provisions for a few unaccountable corporate Net service providers. We do not need a two-tier, discriminatory setup for the Internet.
—Sigrid Asmus, Seattle, WA

free to be me, to say what i want where i want x
—Lynn Jones, Bristol,

Net neutrality is necessary for commerce, innovation, science, research, and creativity. Net neutrality is necessary for small businesses and for startup businesses. Net neutrality is necessary for education and for classes on the Internet. Net neutrality is necessary to keep the United States competitive with other countries. Net neutrality is necessary for communication and the free exchange of ideas. Net neutrality is essential for consumers, and it is essential to keep the cost of Internet access affordable.
—David Garrett, Dolan Springs, AZ

Those of us who are STILL looking for work MUST be able to access the internet in order to look for work and to communicate with those who are helping us to find work. Without that access, we will continue to be long-term unemployed, dependent on government for EVERYTHING that will allow us to merely survive...
—Sherman Wright, Boulder Creek, CA

The anything for a dollar attitude is selling our rapidly declining nation to the highest bidder. Is there such a thing as corporate integrity?
—Eric Torgerson, Eureka Springs, AR

I want a fair and balanced internet throughout and do not want to constantly worry about rate increases and ridiculous slow downs. Keep net neutrality a reality and leave it alone for once. It's good as it will ever be right now.
—Joshua R. Fotsch, Washington, IL

The Internet has seen growth over the last few decades on an unprecedented scale. It has redefined the way we work, communicate, and learn. Net neutrality is largely responsible for this. We have made the internet great, and giving corporations like Comcast, AT&T, and Time Warner, which already face almost no competition, more control over their customers is irresponsible and without benefit. Real Net Neutrality is the only way to ensure that the innovation and success that the Internet has seen over the last few decades continues.
—Alexander Means, Folsom, CA

Net neutrality is essential to a free and open internet so please reclassify ISP's as common carriers, thank you.
—Aaron Quinn, Brighton,

Net neutrality is important to me because I believe it to be fairness and equality on the web for everybody. I don't want all of us to be drained of our money to support families and pay for food. Money is already an issue. Why make more money problems. More money, more problems.
—DJ-Marcus Madizon, Pinole, CA

Enact STRONG Net Neutrality rules. Back them up with authority under section 706, but ALSO back them up using the full authority of the FCC under Title II of the Telecommunications Act!
—Dave Kalata, Seattle, WA

The reason why it's so important is the free flow of information. We are blinded from the truth way too much these days. The internet is the stronghold to it all. All they want to do is take, take,take. It's bad enough to pay for internet but now you want to go a step further essentially robbing the public. Disgusting. This should never happen.
—Tim, london,

I don't believe in an internet that is a toll highway. I believe in an internet that is free and open for everyone.
—Akira Wong, san francisco, CA

More repression, oppression and suppression; not acceptable in a democracy by corporate.
—Gary Weaver, Franktown, CO

If it's not broke- don't fix it. I like the internet the way it is and as far as I know, so do most other people. What is being proposed here would not benefit the people using the internet, whether for personal or business purposes, but would only benefit providers like AT&T, Comcast etc..
—Chad R Maley, Waukesha, WI

Macedonia is a small poorer country. If this starts in America, why wouldn't it spread everywhere? No matter how willing I am personally to pay high rates for internet there's a big chance high speed wouldn't be made available at a manageable price in Macedonia, if at all. It's a small market, so why should anyone bother? We don't have pay pal, our debit cards are useless on many pages despite being able to pay for things, we simply don't get things and don't get a say. I work online as a video game artist. If I don't have high speed, I don't have a job because that industry is nearly non-existent in my country. I am paid far less than what is minimum wage in America. Despite having a Masters from the UK. I already have a lot of trouble getting good stable internet. I live in the capital yet electricity here is unstable because of monopolization and I had to protect all my electronics with UPSs. Don't make it harder for me to get connected to the rest of the world. It's the only contact I have from here. Or I will have to migrate somewhere. What choice would I have? America out of spite, probably. Out of sight out of mind, right? Better make you deal with me there.
—Rumena, Skopje,

Net Neutrality helps make the Internet a level playing field for democracy and democratic values.
—Shane Carlton, Waukesha, WI

Please, come on it's dot in American public best interest. That why supposable no monopoly's. This clearly un-American. America's under attack from the gready.
—Brian Carlstad, Coeur D Alene, ID

Let's not turn the internet into the "haves and have nots". Keep the playing field level.... Please!
—John Donald, Methuen, MA

It doesn't seem like a very bright idea to make it even harder for people with a small website to afford having it, stuff like youtube is great and all, but they already have an effective monopoly, and giving any company a full on monopoly just doesn't seem like a good idea.
—Paw Peter Kiss, Køge,

Consider: AT&T requested permission from the FCC to decommission the current POTS, switched telephone network as they state VoIP is the future. VoIP, of course, uses the Internet.. Therefore, the Internet (based on AT&T request to the FCC) is a common carrier.
—Mark Garfinkel, Aliso Viejo, CA

Never in recorded history had the monopolization of an industry given the consumer more choices, but HERE YOU GO.....Stop being a timid little middle management clone and represent the normal person!
—Ric Taylor, Los Angeles, CA

The internet has always been a place where the little guy with an idea has the same chance at success as big corporations. What the FCC calls "Net Neutrality" is poised to kill innovation on the internet and is anything but neutral. If this passes there will be no new Youtube and the Internet will be owned by big corporations with big wallets.
—Tom Walsh, Hackensack, NJ

Net neutrality puts all enterprises and content, large and small, on an even playing field in the digital space of the Internet. A two-tiered, less-regulated system which has not been definitively shown to have effective preventative measures against creating a bias in favor of content that can pay for a 'fast lane' is not in the best interest of American people, and only seeks to secure the prosperity of pre-existing successful businesses.
—Laura Dickson, Davis, CA

I want to have acces to all information free, because I think that this is purpose of internet.
—Michaela Krejcikova, Praha,

The internet is one of the few great levellers left to us. The gap between rich and poor is ever widening, and the 'net's neutrality means that millions - often even people in otherwise poor and underdeveloped countries - have access to information and even education. China and North Korea we expect to mess around with access, and we chastise them for it. It is inconscionable that America expects to get away with this.
—Sarah Warren, Newent,

The internet main purpose was to share information and it should stay that way. To end net neutrality is to go back in time. All the research and inovations would slow down. It would be really a step backwards.
—Matyáš Hlaváček, Praha,

An American (and Global) right to freedom.
—Ron M. Romberger, Royal Oak, MI

The Internet has allowed small businesses to thrive. A tiered Internet would give those who can afford the top-tier an advantage over the lower-tier. Suppose the lower-tier would consist of the current internet ex
—Michael Flahiff, Fresno, CA

Equal opportunity education, communication, and entrepreneurship.
—Cienna Rominger, Sacramento, CA

I feel that if net neutrality isn't protected, we here in Canada will see the after effects of it. If net neutrality loses, with Harper's government it wouldn't be long before he would consider allowing companies to come over and start allowing laws to penalize citizens and regulate our internet use over here.
—Terri-Lynne Petahtegoose, Windsor,

Please keep the internet open and equal for all. Those who have do not need more advantages over those who have not.
—Angelina Simmons, Harpswell, ME

Neutrality is very important
—Rebecca cox, Melbourne, FL

Do not let these massive corporations decide who should get what--keep the internet democratic!
—Amy, Island Pond, VT

This move serves only to benefit the "big" carriers while creating hardship for many people who rely on the internet to perform necessary daily business and research activities. It is simply another money grab by corporations with no regard for the "little" guy.
—Diana Duffy, Oscoda, MI

freedom of information
—Ms. Danya Spencer, brooklyn, NY

Inequality is already our country's biggest problem. We will end up with a caste system like India or Apartheid like Israel.
—Tom Driscoll, Natick, MA

I don't want the internet to become a fiasco like cable television is. It's too important a common carrier to "get what you pay for". Please do the right thing and keep the internet neutral.
—Fred Guenther, Chester, CT

Stop trying to screw the world over. the internet is humanities only chance for survival, if you make it so big companies get faster service it is only the beginning of humanities downfall.
—Jordan Esber, Ithaca, NY

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Ricardo Esteves, Lisbon,

Net Neutrality is the only way to go. Anything else is outrageous and unfair!
—Karen Osk Petursdottir, Reykjavik,

Net Neutrality gives us the freedom to use what websites we want to be on not what the provider tells us to be on.
—Marty, Pittsburgh, PA

Net Neutrality is paramount to maintaining a democratic society. Wheeler's plan lets internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the majority. Net Neutrality gives all people equal access and speed to everything. It does not favor one business over another. It is simply free market. The FCC's current rules would take away free market and take away access for most people. I am thrilled that you have opened this up for public comment. Please listen to everyone. What they would be putting in place would be discriminatory. Please Please Please throw out your rules that you have created and reclassify ISP's as common carriers!
—Nancy Kalina, Bloomington, IN

The internet was created for the good of everyone. It should remain free!
—George E. Richter, Belton, TX

I'm a college student. I can barely afford to pay off my college expenses and just daily life, adding this will not only kill the information era as we know it but will take the internet away from many struggling college students like myself. There is nothing wrong with the internet now, if it's not broke don't fix it. If this does pass I hope you have the conscious and guilt to realize people like you have killed the information era and ruined the lives of millions of people.
—Rebecca Stanley, Cocoa, FL

As a retired senior citizen I depend on the internet to connect to my community and the world. Please allow this resource to be available to all and not just those who can afford it.
—Phyllis archer, King of Prussia, PA

Let's put PEOPLE first for a change!
—Brian Wood, Sagamore Beach, MA

With a few like-minded large corporations gradually taking control of our media, I feel that it is important to keep one source where a free exchange of ideas and content may take place. I also feel that it is discriminatory to charge a "premium" fee, which would inevitably create better access for a few, while the rest of us struggle in a world of slow speeds and controlled content and applications. Please reconsider your decision.
—Janet R. Stafford, HILLSBOROUGH, NJ

Net neutrality is important because our country is built on innovation and entrepreneurs. Killing net neutrality is essentially destroying any hope of great new web-based start-ups taking hold. It seems insignificant, but each time we take a step in the direction of a tiered internet system, the slope of our decline to a completely unusable internet gets that much closer. The internet is great because everyone gets a fighting shot. There are so many amazing things out there and I can't wait to see what people think of next. Don't stifle the possibilities for the sake of money.
—Hannah Walker, Durham, NC

Net Neutrality is important to me
—Fillipus Shivute, Windhoek,

Because it will not allow my students to research in a holistic approach. It means that the ISPs will only allow the sites they WANT to show us, and that doesn't allow for enough of a view for them to develop their own opinions on the topics in questino.
—Stuart Guberman, New York, NY

It's critical that we avoid another "carve-up" for the benefit and profit of the few. Tim Berners-Lee put it exactly right: "We need a global constitution – a bill of rights. Unless we have an open, neutral internet we can rely on without worrying about what's happening at the back door, we can't have open government, good democracy, good healthcare, connected communities and diversity of culture."
—Walter Sedriks, Palo Alto, CA

Net neutrality is essential for small businesses and organizations without major funding, as well as for the freedom of communication of all individuals.
—Paul Maschhoff, Wakefield, MA

Our wild new world requires that all people are connected and free to communicate easily and quickly with others across the globe. No one knows where the next big social movement or solution will come from, and it is unethical and crazy to give preference for internet speed to the rich.
—Beth Herman, Baltimore, MD

Equality of internet service and speed preserves this invaluable resource for all.
—Jann Gest, Aurora, CO

Open and equal for all, not just those with the most funds to control a public utility!
—Mr. David Lock, Ada, MI

Because my wealth should have nothing to do with how I'm treated by my internet provider!
—Velvet Spicer, Caledonia, NY

The open internet is what feeds innovation!! Rules like this would have prevented Facebook, Twitter, Amazon, Netflix, and so many other companies from ever having a chance... how can new companies stand a chance?
—Ryan Kaper, PARMA HEIGHTS, OH

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would kill the open Internet which is so important for democracy, education, and the whole future development of the human race. True neutrality is the best - in fact the only - guarantee that the internet will continue to serve the best interests of people in general, rather than just those of "big business"!
—Brian Burns, Talasani,

Do what is right. Let the common people have unfettered access to the Internet.
—Thomas Gonick, Travelers Rest, SC

This should be a public utility not another chance for corporations to charge more money without any meaningful improvements.
—Joseph Esman, Kalamazoo, MI

As the taxpayer, I deserve net neutrality. Priscilla Delaney Green Party (member)
—Priscilla Delaney, Wynnewood, PA

I rely on the Internet every day for business. It is vital that our infrastructure be improved to deliver higher speeds for all traffic, and not allow ISPs to charge "for access to their customers" when said customers already pay for Internet access. Doing so bars new competing businesses and chills innovation, in addition to degrading the rest of Internet traffic speeds.
—Scott Drake, Wallingford, CT

Consumers do not need any more leverage on them than what the current ISP providers currently have. Real net neutrality matters.
—Roger, las vegas, NV

Please keep the internet free from money hungry corporations who want to siphon more money from hard working Americans.
—Jay Carrasco, Springville, UT

It's important
—Bryan Flores, Houston, TX

I run a small, home based photography business. Having a free and open internet is key to my business' viability on the web.
—Samantha Pranger, Duluth, MN

The "tiered access" model only benefits existing very larger providers like Comcast, who frankly are not innovating at all. I've been waiting 8 years for Verizon to bring FIOS to my home despite their franchise requirement to do so everywhere in NYC. They are merely profiting from their oligarchy. Net Neutrality has been the most important driver of high tech entrepreneurial innovation and classifying ISP's as common carriers is the best action the FCC can take to support current and future entrepreneurs, creating jobs and improving our economy.
—Daniel Mainz, Brooklyn, NY

Please. Don't fix the Internet. It's not broken
—Peter Oliver, West Palm Beach,, FL

Net Neutrality is important to me because I depend on the web for my "micro" business. So many small businesses have developed and grown because of an open neutral internet. Please don't break the web!
—Joan Winkler, Wilmington, NC

Hi FCC. I am a daily user of the internet, and I would very much like to it remain open and free for all to share their content on. If you allow Net Neutrailty to die, you are shooting yourselves in the foot, because there are enough people around who will not tolerate it and they will be forced to go elsewhere and create their own internet systems. You cannot seriously mean that the internet should suddenly be supervised by private companies who egoistically can divide the users of the internet into Classes so that some who can afford it will get a fast internet, and those who cannot will get a slow, useless one. If you allow this, which I see as a secretive way by the same private interest groups to slowly usurp unconstitutional, undemocratic control with the content on the internet for nefarious purposes only, as they have tried with PIPA, SOPA and ACTA before, you will create a massacre on people, companies, institutions everywhere who due to no doubt coming record high prices for at fast, reliable internet connection will fall by the wayside for reasons of inability to compete with more powerfull, rich people, companies and institutions. The very proposal to kill net neutrality reeks of conspiracy, and immoral private interest groups who don´t care about the rest of us. With the death of Net Neutrality you ensure the death of freedom to turn the internet into something akin to a Cable TV Network where a small amount of people can determine the content on it. It is murder of the freedom to express oneself, and the birth of intellectual tyranny! Please keep Net Neutrality! Sincirely yours, Flemming Bech, Denmark.
—Flemming Bech, Broenshoej,

We need Net Neutrality so that the big players don't crowd out the small players. I am one of the small players.
—Kenneth Ruby, Salem, NH

I strongly oppose the FCC proposal to allow Internet service providers (ISPs) to charge web sites like Facebook, Twitter, Google, etc., for faster service. I have three key issues with the proposal. 1. Discrimination. The Internet was designed to be open, allowing every web site and service to operate on an even playing field. If this proposal goes into effect, larger organizations will have an unfair advantage over the independent blogger, up-and-coming musicians, etc. 2. ISP double-dipping. Currently, ISPs charge customers for Internet access, but if this plan goes into effect, ISPs will also be able to charge corporations that want to use the so-called "Internet fast lane." These costs will likely be passed along to customers in the form of price hikes or new charges to view content that was previously free. 3. Stifling innovation. True net neutrality ensures that innovators can start out small and yet still dream big without facing hurdles. If this proposal goes into effects, start-ups, innovators and entrepreneurs will be muscled out of the marketplace by large corporations that have the finances to pay for the "Internet fast lane." This proposal is not true net neutrality and it needs to be changed in order to prevent the above issues from happening.
—Tim Weston, Orlando, FL

Net Neutrality is important to me, because I want access to as much FREE, undiluted information as possible. I'm a student, and MY education IS my future. MY education is YOUR future. MY education is the COUNTRY's future. And you fuck with that, and you ruin our country. PLEASE RECLASSIFY THE INTERNET AND SAVE OUR FUTURE!
—Michael Huarachi, NEW YORK, NY

I am a college student in California. I am not the CEO of a powerful company. I am not a lobbyist in Washington DC. I don't have the influence or funds to buy any special treatment for myself on the Internet. The Internet is no one's and everyone's. This fact needs to be remembered and the just decision to allow freedom of Internet be upheld.
—Eddie Hamel, Oceano, CA

Only a free and open exchange if ideas is consistent with our cherished principle of free speech. Eliminating neutrality puts too much control in the hands of corporations -- that have too much control already!
—Daniel Cavanaugh, Belleville, MI

I am so disappointed in you. The internet is for the exchange of ideas with all being equal. Are you selling us out to the big corps. Please do not.
—Paul Young, Long Lane, MO

our global competitiveness relies on this. google, facebook, youtube all were possible due to net neutrality and the potential investors saw in them. without net neutrality, investors will shy away from these sorts of internet start-ups. without investment, companies of this sort cease to begin and compete. without these companies competing, non-US companies take the lead on key internet businesses. don't hurt the US
—Brian Fuller, Cheshire, CT

I know a lot of people want faster internet and that a lot of websites deserve that faster connection, but it shouldn't be done by blocking the rest. I think the way to move forward effectively is through technological advancements, but not ending net neutrality.
—Paul Xi, Bath, ME

By ending Net Neutrality, which this plan absolutely does, you are completely destroying the very thing that makes the internet a tool for innovation. It will cause America to regress. ISPs should be classified as common carriers - they are granted monopolies and should be regulated like monopolies.
—Andrew Fry, Indianapolis, IN

ISPs, in ALL FAIRNESS to website owners and consumers alike, SHOULD BE classified as common carriers. Corporations should NOT have control as they desire. It is to their benefit ONLY. Granting them this unfair benefit IS the first step to CENSORSHIP.
—John van Kleef, Chicago, IL

Democracy is dependent upon the right of free speech which an open Internet provides. The freedom of the American people requires genuine Net Neutrality.
—Nickolas Pittman, Oak Park, MI

The Net should always remain free and neutral for the benefit of all mankind! Sharing is caring!
—Erik Heyns, Bertem,

The internet should be free and open to all. Creating tiers of service is creating inequality between those who have money and those who do not. America needs to stick to it's original intent of being free and open to all...especially where access to the internet is concerned.
—Mark Rhoades, Austin, TX

Our society has enough "pay to play," I need to know that what I have available on the internet is free of undue influence of those that want to influence public opinion to feather their own nests.
—Margaret Brown, Hanover, PA

The rich can already afford higher speed internet. I've worked with homeless people for years. They need to be able to search for jobs and study for tests online at libraries and at social work offices. Children need study aids at home. Please don't give another hurdle to the underpriveledged.
—Ryan, Little rock, AR

I cannot afford to pay more than I do now
—Stephen G Lasher, REGO PARK, NY

It's crucial that we have a fair and balanced internet that won't be ruled by money and competition. We all deserve equal access and equal choice on the internet.
—Molly Bancroft, ann arbor, MI

As an American living in Canada, I hope one day to return to the states. However, as much as *everything* is now the internet now, I'm picturing what it will be like even just 10 years from now. I suspect a loss of net neutrality will mean not only mean the end of the internet as we know it, but will result in the US becoming a third world country where news and information about the world outside the US is only available to the select few. I'm already finding many of my relatives choice to VPN tunnel through my Canadian ISP so they can see all the things that are currently region blocked in the US. Imagine how much worse this will be once ISP's are in on the game of limiting access to content.
—Bill Riemers, Stoney Creek, Ontario,

From what I have heard and seen, passing to discriminate internet use and power is like discrimination among races, not allowing certain people to use or do certain things just because of what they do and/or don't have. For years the internet has provided us with many things from entertainment to news bulletins and has successfully grown to an enormous size, WITHOUT the need to use discrimination rules for the internet. This plan can also cause a problem for the one thing we strive to stop and contain: crime. In some ways this these rules would have a massively negative effect, equivalent to the prohibition of alcohol. With the rules set in place, people can and will find ways to make loopholes and solutions that would bypass these rules, thus causing more problems to containment rather than more solutions. In all essence, I have no power whatsoever to stop this; HOWEVER, you can stop this problem from ever occurring in the first place. Please stop these rules from being passed into reality, or it will all be too late for every one of us.
—John Zachary Spear, Yardley, PA

Allowing this to happen would be in way limiting out ability for free speech.
—Cory Seesz, Tacoma, WA

I'm a sole trader who needs internet consistency that's affordable for all and with no preference of one group over another. As an internet user on a personal level, I value freedom of expression and creativity and fear these would be lost if there are two tiers of internet in the US or elsewhere.
—Amy Parker, Sale,

The internet is a part of my generation. This is something that hasn't been ruined by previous inheritants. Not only is it wrong, you lack the moral right to remove the open internet. This would be destroying its original intent, similarly to the lamentable disregard of the constitution. I'm sixteen and I know better. You should too.
—Aaron Leighton, Fountain hills, AZ

Do you guys even try anymore? Does the FCC really care about making sure the USA stays competitive on a global scale or are you guys more concerned with what plush job you'll have lined up at Comcast/AT&T/etc. when you leave your post? Grow some balls, put America's interests first and enforce Net Neutrality!
—Mr. Clark Wolfe, Dayton, OH

Why should anybody pay more for the speed we already have? This is one of the stupidest things. Not to mention you're affecting the whole world - from the US!! Could you BE any more self centered?
—Gail, Jerusalem,

The internet was not invented or developed by Time-Warner or Comcast, and they shouldn't own it. The internet should be a public utility.
—Gregory L Kruse, Morrison, IL

The internet should be free to everyone and should remain a source/outlet without discrimination. Furthermore, the FCC needs to throw out its rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Net neutrality is a must, needs to be protected, and should be fought for at all costs.
—Kristi Rohrbaugh, Millsboro, DE

I've paid income tax since I was 15; that's for over a half century. My income tax dollars made the internet possible. And now you propose access costs for the internet go increase and for me to be kicked off the information super highway and told to take the dirt road, bum. This is obscene. Ever hear of anti-trust? Do your job.
—M C Kubiak, BMI, IL

Laws should be set in place for the benefit of the people, and it is clear that the majority of people in this country have benefited from a neutral internet and oppose the two-tier system. This is an important ruling for freedom in this country, and the proposed rules place us firmly in the wrong direction. I urge you to throw out the new rules and restore a neutral internet.
—Micah D Hintz, Walnut Creek, CA

I contacted Mr. Wheeler and he promised that an "open internet" was important to him and that he would take no action to hinder that. Either he lied and is, or somehow the FCC is going over his head. I support an open internet...do not allow companies to buy favor.
—William Dobbins, Chloe, WV

Mr. Wheeler, I'll keep this brief. I don't trust your open internet proposal, especially the "commercially unreasonable" clause. Instead of trying to convince people that your plan is indeed for the open internet, just classify ISPs as common carriers to prove you are really for the open internet.
—Joel Swenson, Minnetonka, MN

Knowledge and education is a human right. You can't take back a portal to such great knowledge. To do so would put you on the wrong side of history. Viva Net Neutrality!
—Matthew Sipple, Fort Mitchell, KY

Throw out those stupid rules and look what your erasing for everyone!
—Olivia Baregrounds, Holly Springs, NC

Large broadband carriers should not be able to control what sites and services are winners and losers. This could shutdown millions of small ecommerce websites costing tens of thousands of jobs. Amazon did a study showing 100ms of website response time was equal to 1% of revenue for ecommerce sites. Small ecommerce sites will not be able to negotiate the same rates are large companies that buy in large volume or they simply will not be able to afford to pay it.
—Kansas Serritt, Calhoun, GA

The internet is a valuable educational, entertainment, and economic resource and the ISPs should have NO SAY in what or how it is consumed. I'm not paying my ISP for content, I'm paying them to deliver the content I choose (to paraphrase Vi Hart). ISPs should be reclassified as common carriers to preserve net neutrality.
—Ryan NIswonger, Portland, OR

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Fast lane Internet will destroy what is left of the digital free market. Do what's best for everyone and stop this foolishness.
—Jason Brumbelow, Calhoun, GA

America is a democracy, not an oligarchy.
—Chris Kubiak, Bloomington, IL

Equality.
—Tom Larsen, vadnais hts, MN

This doesn't truly benefit the people. It merely enables large companies to become larger, weeds out potential competition and continue our societies march from a democracy to an oligopoly.
—Dale Block, Milwaukee, WI

Net neutrality is a critical component of the human right to free speech and personal improvement through access to learning and culture. It is indefensible and detestable that the FCC, an organization meant to protect this basic human interest, would betray the people's trust and its own mission in this way. I urge Tom Wheeler and his associates and employees to remember their moral responsibility and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Travis Tindall, Whitman, MA

Net Neutrality means equality. It means a level playing field.
—Jeremy Bethel, Roanoke, VA

One man, one vote. Equality for all Americans. Liberty and FREEDOM. The FCC should keep the internet equal to the COMMONWEALTH for the WELFARE of all Americans and all the world. thanks, erryl eyster
—Erryl Eyster, Polebridge, MT

Stop trying to segregate the internet. The only advantage the two tier plan has is to the profit margins of the giant ISPs who already are hugely financially successful. It hurts everyone else. Represent the people you work for, not the tiny powerful elite. PLEASE!!!
—Michael Goforth, Olympia, WA

The quality of service is already lower and more expensive than many other countries. Don't believe me? Compare it to Korea who's service is some 12 times faster while being less expensive than our own. We need more and better options here.
—Chris Cady, Bellevue, NE

Net Neutrality stops ISPs from taking away what makes the Internet so useful.
—Elijah Love, Hingham, MA

The backlash from this will cost you your job. Of course Comcast will continue paying you.
—Bill Davis, Yukon, OK

millions use the internet. It should not be up to the moneyed class
—D Goldsmith, Portland, OR

Open internet helps the free flow of information and counters corporate monopolies and cartels.
—Keith Steffen, Blanchardville, WI

Internet is a utility, just like electricity and water.
—Anne Iulianelli, highland, MI

The FCC serves the lobbyists. We will never quit. We are not stupid, but getting angrier each passing day.
—Nathan stehle, Madison, WI

The FCC appears to be another captured regulator which protects the profits and monopoly of the industry it is supposed to be regulating at the expense of the public welfare.
—Albert D. Viener Esq., Miami, FL

Our country was built on a constitution that is now being ignored for the greed of the goverment and large companies. Reconsider what you are changing as it will affect the live of all our generations to come.
—Shannon Turner, Windsor, VA

Net neutrality is very important to me because I don't want any company yo control what I can and cannot do or view in the internet.
—Sian Smith, Richmond, VA

Think of the Children!
—Carrie Trochet, vallejo, CA

I just don't understand. How many Americans have to tell you people that we want to protect Net Neutrality before it sticks? 100,000? 1,000,000?
—James Wainio, Brandon, FL

Without Net Neutrality, I can't study as much on small. sites. Also, nobody owns the internet.
—Danma Rin, Monroville, PA

Net Neutrality is a vital part of what makes the internet such a valuable tool. It is the only way to ensure that freedom of speech and the pursuit of happiness are upheld and maintained for the future of the internet.
—Ethan sparks, wayland, MI

you know where the profit motive will take the system and these rules will give them license to do so in a big way.....give the small guy a chance and keep our internet a source of innovation and competition....
—Mike King, roseburg, OR

It's our greatest resource and it needs to be preserved so everyone has equal access!
—Ms. Karen King, London, ON

The internet would become almost useless as a few large corporations buy up the speed
—Andrew Viau, Plainville, MA

This "fast lane" version of the internet is uncalled for. You're automatically killing the next Google/Amazon/etc because the large companies will be able to reach computers faster since they can afford to pay to do that. Also giving the crappy telecoms more money. You're making it quite obvious that you used to lobby for Comcast. Stop the fast lane and make every bit on the internet have the same weight across a network!
—Tony Lemke, East Lansing, MI

We essentially have a monopoly when it comes to ISP carries. In my town I can either chose Verizon or Comcast. There has been no innovation in this industry, prices continue to rise and competition gets gobbled up by the big guys further limiting the options. Looking around the world the prices are lower, the options are numerous and the service is better. We're supposed to be innovation leaders in the world. Instead we are letting big business take over and stomp on the little guy. The FCC proposal will be the final nail in the coffin. It does nothing to further innovation and advance the industry, it does not help the american people, it only allows the ISPs to make even more money. You need to throw out this proposal and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Its the only way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Kyle Reilly, Hopkinton, MA

Independent internet is important in my community because all people need to be able to access information as a basic human right.
—Tate Breswick, Portland, OR

PLEASE do not remove Net Neutrality! It is the only neutral playing ground and truly free thing left in the world. It should be a right just as freedom of speech. Not only that, I should be able to have the same ability to build a business on the internet without having to pay Cable companies for a service they already provide. The internet, for the most part, should be free. You proceed with your plan, and you take away freedom, innovation, and give control to companies that only see people as cattle and want to exert more control.
—Frank Varela, El Segundo, CA

The Internet is a Utility and should be classified as a common carrier, not as something to be controlled by private corporations at the public's expense!
—D Lancon, Tujunga, CA

Without Net Neutrality, the internet will be exploited by the giant telecoms and content will become censored.
—Rebecca Vickers, Portsmouth, RI

Telecommunications corporations can make a profit without disenfranchising their customers. Other countries have shown that profits can be based on efficiencies, rather than monopoly practices.
—Edwina White, Sacramento, CA

The internet was built on equality for all, please don't take that away from us!
—Jan van der Lugt, San Francisco, CA

Please re-consider this issue. I am a Verizon internet user. But, I do not want Verizon choosing for me what I have access to and what I don't. This is limiting my freedom of information and limits free enterprise. Please re-consider this gross misplace of trust in large commercial companies to continue to provide freedom of speech and freedom of development. Thank you.
—Barbara Mulich, Uniontown, PA

Don't let our internet be pushed around by the big corporations!
—Austin MCDOUGAL, Boulder, CO

Those with money have too much influence/control already. The internet has become critical infrastructure and must be regulated as such. Our country depends on the internet not just for free flow of information (even though too much of it wrong) which supports democracy but also for innovation and development of new enterprises.
—Diana Smith, Denver, CO

Mr. Wheeler and his colleagues need to classify ISPs as common carriers. Treat them like utility companies. No fast lanes for the privileged few!
—Mr. Timothy S Naughton, Roseville, CA

The internet is one of the primary channels of communication in the modern world. It's how we access information, the news, connect with friends, relatives and strangers in countries we've never visited. One of the reasons the internet has become so important is that so many people have easy access to the network. Many of those people have built the programs and interfaces that have changed the internet and the world. Taking that away would be hugely detrimental. A tiered pricing scheme for fast, effective internet connection will undemocratize the internet. This is a BIG deal in the USA and for the precedent it may set worldwide.
—Emily willobee, Grand Rapids, MI

I can do my work and learn and educate others . I can be on the same level as someone with a higher class and people on lower classes are the same to me.
—Joseph D Ruiz, Arvada, CO

Net Neutrality is essential to the survival of democracy in the U.S. Losing it will close the last avenue of communication not controlled by big-money interests. The Federal Commumications Commission should not stifle open communication.
—Don Rohmer, Muenter, TX

This is equilvalent for only letting rich people own books or the go to the library. The internet is the information boon of our time. Don't limit access based on 1% desire to control information. We need one place the public is free to express itself and not have to have money to be heard.
—Hildy DeFrisco, Danville, CA

Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers, please. We need net neutrality.
—Marilyn Kohring, Dayton, OH

It is very clear that ISPs should be treated as a common carriers. These companies have semi-monopolies, and consumers have little choice but to use them.
—Edward Goff, Phoenix, AZ

The Internet is a utility and a necessity. I have a very severe physical disability, quadriplegia. I rely on the Internet for accessing the news, communicating with medical professionals, family and other people. I use both email and VoIP. These are necessities, not luxuries. Am also very fearful that the Internet will become like cable TV which favors wealthier people and reduces the ability of people like myself to access all parts of the media. I also work for a small nonprofit. Net neutrality protects this nonprofit, and others from being discriminated against because of financing.
—Dennis Heaphy, Boston, MA

The proposed system would cater to an oligopoly of big internet service providers which would in turn affect the success of smaller media distributors. (small online gaming companies especially)
—Carl Sommer, Indianapolis, IN

I'm new to this partially because I didn't have a very good understanding of what "Net Neutrality" was, this article was very informative and I'm sure I still have a lot to learn which i will be using the Internet to educate myself. I do not want my lower socioeconomic status to hinder yet another aspect of my life. If i am already paying an outrageous about for Internet services trough a "name brand" ISP I should not ha r to pay additional fees to use certain websites (especially when those sites already charge you a fee of their own) this change up will cause an uproar (it already has on a professional level) & it's now reaching to the little people like myself and my fiance who use the Internet regularly for school and other personal wants I.e. social media or streaming movies and videos! I will educate myself regarding Net Neutrality and I will not take this lying down! Equality for everyone & everything!
—Alyssa Schartz, Southgate, MI

Leave the internet alone.
—Mr. Regg Williams, Walkerton, IN

The internet is a frontier. It is a level playing ground. Don't take that away!
—Eric Bennett, Portland, OR

You're going to ruin it for everyone--including yourselves--if you do this! You'll send this country back to the dial-up days.
—R Lauer, Orlando, FL

Come on guys, this is not cool
—Sam, Renton, WA

As a young college student with an interest in computer science and web development, any limits on the internet will directly limit my professional future. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and prevent them from forming a monopoly over the internet-- this is going to directly affect YOU as a person who also needs reliable access to the internet!
—Acacia Dai, Fairfax, VA

Aas teh net now stands it is fairly affordable to most people that wont to use it on some level. In order to maitain this ability the rules for use must reflect that I SPs are seen as common carriers
—Rick Nevitt-LaMantia, Capitola, CA

Corporations have no business turning the internet into their play thing. The abuse enough in this country as it is.
—Eric Lee, Lake Charles, LA

The Internet was developed with public funds and therefore should be regulated solely as a public service in the public interest. Consequently the FCC should reclassify all ISPs as common carriers and regulate them as such.
—Mrs. and Cregg McCullin, West Monroe, LA

If Net Neutrality is not maintained our internet will face a lot of negative changes. If an ISP is allowed to dictate who runs at what speed than the door for discrimination and corruption is wide open. Essentially this would discourage innovation and competition in our related markets. In no way can this result in anything positive.
—Daniel Applebee, Evanston, WY

Your proposed rules will put another nail in the coffin of equality and democracy in this country, where almost all the nails are already in place!!
—Michael Babitch, Kimberton, PA

I can not afford a change.
—R Elosua, albq., NM

Net Neutrality is important for Democracy. It is also important for small start up business. The net should be treated as a public utility. Cindy Vantrease, Bellbrook Ohio
—Cynthia Vantrease, Bellbrook, OH

I have a small business the depends on my customers having fast and reliable access to my server. I make a living but I couldn't if I had to start paying for reliable access to comcast or verizon customers. I use to work for verizon and I know that it's only a matter of time until they would charge me if they could.
—Mr. Mark Myers, Tigard, OR

This is our freedom you are threatening! We don't take kindly to threats! You are warned!
—Elijah Asaro, Kent, WA

It is important to not allow big business to squish smaller business and private users of the internet. Many people and companies depend on the internet for income, and limiting it to those who can afford would deplete their resources and diminish their existence.
—Christina Johnson, Firestone, CO

Internet belongs to the people. Don't hand it over to corporate. It's really not a good time to take anything else away from the people.
—Marianne Sippel, Nevada City, CA

Classify the service providers as common carriers, net neutrality is what it's all about. No 2 teired net, go back to basics.
—Haley H Haynes, Lake Orion, MI

The internet as we know it today is the last remaining true democracy. People from all around the world can freely express their beliefs, share information, lessen the divide between rich and poor, topple dictators, allow for great innovations, and generally just creates a larger but closer world. By allowing ISP's to essentially control the internet should never be allowed or tolerated. And allowing ISP's to create paid fast lanes is not a better alternative. It stifles innovation, creates a larger divide between rich and poor, can eliminate the free transfer of information, could force access to corporate agendas not our own, and segregates the United States of America from the rest of the world. The easiest solution I see is to break up the monopolies the ISP's have on Americans. When you live in a city where you have only one choice for a connection to the internet, that is monopoly. Satellite and DSL do not count as competition, as they pale in comparison to true broadband connections. By breaking up the monopolies, the FCC takes over the cable infrastructure already laid down and paid for by the ISP's, essentially allowing for greater competition. It's amazing how competition helps innovation, brings down costs, and allows for greater connectivity to citizens like myself. Years ago the FCC broke up the telephone industry. I'm not sure how you allowed the same thing to occur years later, but I hope you can fix things before they get out of control and we lose the last true democratic piece to the world we live in today.
—Eric Putz, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

I'm a web developer and having the internet be free for everyone to use is very important to me. I don't want to make websites that people have a hard time accessing because their ISP is shutting down their connection.
—Paul Marek, Woodstock, GA

Net Neutrality is import to me because the start-up community relies on an open and free Internet to become successful and produce innovative, new products.
—Robert Landis, The Woodlands, TX

I can't imagine the internet with slow and fast lanes. THAT is against the public's best interests!
—Nick Berezansky, Ridgewood, NJ

Why are you messing with something that isn't broken? What is your goal behind this? Leave OUR internet alone.
—Richard Laporte, Calgary,

Net neutrality is the voice of the people and to deny Americans their voice is to deny freedom to all. Your job is to protect this freedom.
—LuMarion Conkliin, Flagstaff, AZ

We already pay more than other countries for slower connections. These carriers don't need any more power.
—Brett Digre, North bend, WA

We need reliable information. There is no other media outlet we can trust.
—Dort Rothafel, Santa Cruz, CA

Net Neutrality keeps the internet democratic!
—Christopher Tuch, new braunfels, TX

Let us continue our new Age of Enlightenment. Avoid invoking new a Dark Age.
—Brody Harris, Mableton, GA

Preserve freedom of information and the right to know.
—Mary Esther Gilbert, El Mirage, AZ

How about a landmark, heaven resounding breakthrough, where somebody big DOES NOT decide on the side for the biggest money. You could make a different kind of decision altogether. A righteous, ethical decision--above money.
—Sandra V O'Neal, Cave Junction, OR

We want a free and open internet, not a corporate monopoly internet! Listen to the consumers instead of the lobbyists and do your job for the American people! The FCC is supposed to represent the consumer not set the stage for future monopolies.
—Robert Wheeler, Winter Park, FL

I visit a lot of small websites which would be put out of business by these rules, which violate the basic precepts of the Internet.
—Susan Freas Rogers, Grass Valley, CA

The internet belongs to the people, it does not belong to corporations nor is it there for them to control, make money from, or intimidate with. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers so that we can all have equal access to the WORLD WIDE INTERNET and so that we in America, supposedly a free country, can say that we are part of a Democracy and not living under a repressive and domineering regime of corporate, mob-like greediness! The government does not condone The Mafia or any other group that uses similar strong arm tactics. Well, the end of Net Neutrality smells an awful lot like The Mafia. Please give the Internet back to the people where it belongs! Thank you for all your efforts on the behalf of all of us who want to keep our country free and for the people!
—Jan Ketchel, Red Hook, NY

The internet is like a library - each book can be checked out the same way. There is no "faster checkout" for more expensive books. I decide what I want access to - the ISP has the responsibility of providing me access to the sites I want, not the sites they want me to go to.
—D T Ptak, delevan, NY

The Internet was created with public funds. It belongs to ALL of us.
—Thom Fistner, Fountain Hill, PA

Classifying ISPs as common carriers will prevent the largest corporations from determining what online content and applications we have access to. This is a First Amendment issue.
—James Knowles, Hertford, NC

I cannot believe these rules, despite the obvious public obosition, are actually on the road to get pushed through. This is proof to me that leaders of the government and it's commissions now work to line their pockets and the pockets of corporations rather work for the people they are supposed to represent. Whether we like it or not this decision does not only affect the us but many nations around the world because so much of the internet is hosted and regulated here. It is selfish and unacceptable that this is actually getting pushed through despite the comment of the American people. I want to move to another country.
—Eric Anderson, Lakewood, CO

Lets try to keep America fair for al its citizen. The rich and corporations keep winning and the inequality continues.
—Toni Jones, Greensboro, NC

This is a vital channel of information, communication, free thought and progress. Preserve it!
—Heather Dale, Wilsonville, OR

Stop putting your own personal funding ahead of what the people want. Reclassify the internet and save it's neutrality. You are harming the entire democratic party and are making yourself look like a fool.
—Joel Haines, Gainesville, FL

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers, as that's all they really are and should be!
—Robert, Iasi,

Telecom monopolies block measurable civic progress in this country and have enough power and profits for what they provide. The internet was created with public funding and interests. With fiber optic grade communications, communities such as mine could revolutionize their business, labor, educational environments and cut costs and advance revenues toward better investments that will pay for decades to come. The telecoms have actively and knowingly blocked expansion toward this goal against the public interest in order to build toward the vast ownership leverage they are now expressing--primarily to promulgate cheap entertainment as their civic contribution.
—Keith Baughman, Ashford, CT

I am a telecommuter that relies on a fast Internet connection to perform my duties. My employer does not pay for my connection and I have doubts that I could afford to pay for a fast Internet lane on top of the service fees I already pay.
—Jered Hollon, Monett, MO

This legislation would assist the creation and continued existence of telecomm oligarchies. The role of the Federal Government is to deter oligarchies and monopolies. This is an abandonment of your mission and ethics.
—James Parks, Falls Church, VA

Equal access to information is a key component of a democratic form of government. Without it there is no democracy. Or honesty. All is economically driven advertising, with the human person cast aside. Is this really to ANY ONE's true benefit?
—Pascale Macleod, San Francisco, CA

Net Neutrality affects our First Amendment right to equal freedom of speech for all. Please reclassify IPSs as common carriers!
—Felicia Sanders, Dorena, OR

Net Neutrality is the basis for a free transfer of information across the internet. It's bad enough we already pay some of the highest prices per MB in the entire world, and they are trying to make us pay more?! That is robbery; information is free and should remain that way.
—TC Marker, Cleveland, OH

Net Neutrality is important to me because its the only think that keeps those ISPs from overpricing their services while worsening their services. They don't want to work for the money they received for their services. They don't want to work for America. They are hurting America with their greed, crushing the great speech tool that is the Internet, thus threatening Freedom of Speech with it. That's why Net Neutrality is important to me.
—Alexis Niebla, Calexico, CA

I use the internet daily. It is used for paying bills, shopping, communicating with family and friends, also to interact with my employer and colleagues. I am not young anymore so having the advantage to shop online with delivery is a bonus for myself and husband. We also use it to learn and educate ourselves. My children and their children use it to also educate in order to obtain degrees. The internet already has a high cost to use, ours was just increased again! For many seniors it is a means of entertainment as well. I tire of the imposing greed for huge corporations and we the "middle" class are always at their mercy. Thank you for listening and a bigger thank you for hearing.
—Kyle V Feldhousen, lockport, NY

As a small business owner who sells online, my livelihood depends on an open internet.
—Jason Strong, Glendora, CA

I am a small business owner.
—Jim Riley, Berwick, ME

If I wanted my internet censored, I'd move to China.
—Letitia Susi, Baltimore, MD

Welcome to communist china Tom Wheeler!!!
—Carlos R Rodriguez, Vero Beach, FL

No regulation is better than the proposed regulation which allows ISPs to hide behind the logistics of the FCC's rules. A tiered internet means small businesses will be left behind and consumers will be faced with ever increasing charges as ISPs get paid from content providers which in turn raise rates for content subscribers. If there is to be regulation, as it stands now there is too much ambiguity for it to be effective in maintaining a fair, competitive internet.
—Stuart Massie, Placentia, CA

Net neutrality = free speech.
—William York, Bloomington, IN

I'm extremely disappointed that those whose responsibility it is to make informed decisions on matters that impact the way the human race will communicate moving forward are so incompetent. If the policy makers don't understand what real Net Neutrality is they either need to get educated or resign. It's not difficult to wrap your head around - internet freedoms are critically important for the betterment of humanity. Greedy corporations want rape your online freedom and put us all at their mercy. It's unacceptable. Time to choose - be part of the problem or part of the solution.
—Seth Lewis, Winnetka, CA

Net neutrality is something that millions of other countries enjoy because the corporations are not gods to them. Corporate takeover of our country must be stopped and this is a hugh step in the right direction.
—Patricia Bereczki, Vancouver, WA

internet should NOT be subject to anyones arbitrarity. it should be free and accessible to anyone, anywhere, anytime. who control it or restrict it in any way?
—Manuel Arreaza, Oakville,

Its the right thing to do. Ive already sent many letters and sign petitions. Just do what the people are asking you to do, we have voiced enough but we will continue to voice till get true Net Neutrality.
—Vincent Cuccia, Fayetteville, AR

There is such a vast amount of information available on the internet that it seems an insurmountable burden to let private companies decide who can reach what.
—Michael G. Price, Los Angeles, CA

Dear Federal Communications Commission: Net neutrality is essential for consumer fairness. A 2-tiered Internet will be a huge win for ISP corporations like Comcast and another huge gift to those who can afford to pay more. Tom Wheeler's current plan will be another example of how too many recent government policies increase the gap between the haves and have nots. We urge the FCC to keep the Internet neutral by reclassifying ISP's as common carriers, thereby subjecting proposed price increases to scrutiny. The FCC has the power to prevent just-short-of-monopolies like Comcast and AT & T from continued rampant price gouging. Please have the courage to stand up to corporate interests and greed by standing up for the average consumer. Make ISP's common carriers with the accompanying regulations that help protect me. Alicelia and Robert Warren 2122 Bridgeport Way W University Place WA 98466
—Alicelia Warren, University Place, WA

the free access and flow of information is too important for too many reasons to make the Net a multi-tiered carrier. Not every endeavor needs to be corporatized, privatized. Net access, Net Neutrality is one of those endeavors. thank you.
—Jack Migdal, Chicago, IL

This is the antithesis of good customer service!
—Vierre Weathersbee, Morrow, GA

As an IT professional, I rely on technical forums on the internet in my work daily. Most are cooperative sites that rely on user donations to support and maintain their site. Allowing ISPs to charge these sites for bandwidth, that I've already paid the ISP to deliver, would bankrupt many of them.
—Robert Carrick, Dayton, PA

I do not think you or workers really WANT to patrol what we're all doing, therefore you shouldn't charge, because with charging comes an unneeded responsibility of patrolling! Please don't! **Keep our net free, both money wise and patrol wise!**
—Emily Boldt, Denver, CO

Keep freedom of choice, and keep the ability of anyone with a good idea to flourish despite a lack of money !
—Michael A. DiZio, Arlington, MA

Protect open i-net--make ISPs common carriers. "NO" to pay-to-play!!
—Gayle Goff, Austin, TX

Net Neutrality is a necessity because the Internet has become a utility. Millions of people use the Internet to talk to each other, have business meetings, spread new ideas, alter old ideas, transfer information, shop around, entertain other people, do many forms of business, get library books, find local events to attend to, and many other functions. Net Neutrality would ensure that all forms of traffic are treated as equal, so that a small website (such as a small town's) can be just as quickly accessed as a big website (like Netflix).
—Jonathan Maschke, Port Hope, MI

It is ridiculous to classify cell phones as a utility, but not the internet.
—Asa McCurry, Stillwater, OK

The beauty of the Internet is it belongs to no one. If the Feds have to step in to maintain an open highway, then so be it. How will we know what is missed when we can't make the decision to see what is out there first? No, this is wrong, contrary to what the public accepts as the purpose of the Internet.
—Margaret Auth, Anchorage, AK

We have an open and democratic Internet, and we need to keep it that way. A two-tiered Internet would be discriminatory and just plain wrong!
—Nancy Kosnar Hartman, Louisville, CO

We are already suffering from an unchecked monopoly in this arena. Please do something to keep the internet accessible and affordable.
—Sarah Gilchrist, Baltimore, MD

I am a small business owner that relies heavily upon the internet and internet marketing techniques. Countless small businesses rely on the internet to bring in customers and get their message across. You would be killing the innumerable amounts of small businesses out there that need the internet to survive. We cannot afford the extra expense of paying for their website to be in a "fast lane." And when you lose small businesses, the economy is hurt and people lose jobs. Don't be a pawn in these corporations' game - keep Net Neutrality alive!
—John X, New Lenox, IL

We shouldn't have to pay more. We already have internet set up in a fair way, that everyone can access, without bias to class or income level. This is another way to keep information out of the already impoverished's hands, and makes it less likely that they will be able to educate themselves on their own time, and changing that to favor the already-favored-by-society (the rich) is simply disgusting. It widens class disparities even further when we should be trying to even the playing field.
—Jessie Heglin, Grand Rapids, MI

Net Neutrality would help to enforce the basic concept of equal opportunity, influence, and power on the Internet. Allowing ISPs to give certain traffic, or websites priority over other traffic opens the door to corruption and abuse of power. Please do not alter the way the Internet has been functioning and thriving. Numerous very popular websites and services have thrived on the ability to start from nothing and create a massive following and audience. If they're not given the same priority and exposure as any other corporation, then how are they expected to grow? Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank You, Paul Myers
—Paul Myers, Lubbock, TX

It is sad to live in a country whose leaders are only interested in corporations and not the people. They get to Washington and forget what their job is....doing what the voters want. We pay the bill. Have a corporate job waiting for you?
—Mary Oego, centenniual, CO

If the ability to get information is stratified according to income, then there is no hope for equality.
—Jean Leung, Brooklyn, NY

Net Neutrality fosters a level-playing field for all content providers, not just a few.
—James Reamer, Ashland, MA

In order for all political opinions across the spectrum to be aired, and truth in politics to exist, without the directing of sites favorable to the mega-giants of communication, the internet needs to be open to all, as it always was, with free access to all--there already is monopoly enough with the few companies who provide the service at rates that are non-competitive--why would you, who are supposed to represent "the people's interest" find in the direction of content controlled by the few, and coporations at that! Clearly you must be corporatists yourselves, or on their payrolls, back door or front, to consider such a move--it is very transparent--I suppose at the level you have reached, it is no longer necessary to have a conscience, but just go along with the greed crowd
—Ruth Strauss, Los Angeles, CA

The Internet, like the phone companies qnd electric utilities, are and should be treated and regulated as utilities. Please move in that direction for the sake of the people you serve (in the broadest sense).
—Peter Munson, Shelter Island Heights, NY

To much control would be under corporate America. Everything would be regulated and process would keep increasing. Our freedom of choice would be almost removed.
—Erika Krueger, Crystal lake, IL

I already pay almost $100 for phone. TV, and internet. Since I live primarily on SSI I cannot afford any faster internet service but need to stay connected.
—Lizette weiss, Fort Bragg, CA

Everyone's access to the resources on the internet should be unimpeded, regardless of how they connect to it. I don't want something that I want access to be slower because they can't afford priority with my internet provider or theirs. It will stifle everything that an open internet has fostered like creativity and open exchange. This is also a step toward monetized censorship.
—Mike Bresser, Merrill, MI

This farce has gone on long enough. Stop taking away the free internet.
—David Samuel Stowers, Galveston, TX

Dear FCC I oppose your proposed net neutrality rules. There should be no restrictions on access to content over the internet. It should be illegal for ISPs to have more than one price or more than one speed or ability to access content. There should be no slow lane and no fast lane, only 1 lane! Regulate them as a common carrier, please, as necessary. thanks Doug Nevel Albany, NY 12158
—Doug Nevel, Selkirk, NY

How does slowed information work in the stock market. Not fair. Who buys an old news paper? We already have slower internet access than other countries. There's a political revolving door, and clearly unfair money power in politics, let one invention stay ideal.
—Colleen Rosby, San Francisco, CA

The creativity that flourishes on the Internet is dependent upon everyone having access to sounding boards of equal strength. I do not want the current state of things--where the Internet allows even the most obscure, unconnected, and shallow-pocketed among us to be heard by all with Internet access--to be just a blip in the history of the Internet. We need to preserve Net Neutrality in order to preserve the power of the Internet to be a democratic, empowering technological advance. It's one of the few such "places" left.
—Kathryn Warren, Dallas, TX

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Lowell Webb, Soquel, CA

Internet is the last and (by now) ultimate platform of human freedom, free speech, free will, free education, free expression and global communication. Forfeit it and the evolution of the human collective as a whole becomes corporate statistics, our very first steps toward true unity waí into tiny footprints being washed away by a sea of currencies and petty ambitions. Your choice, but not only your responsibility. I made mine.
—Márk Nemes, Kaposvár,

Net neutrality is democratic and will give critical access of information to the public. It is the FCC's responsibility to ensure access and to manage the internet in a way that is fair and democratic. As a consumer and as an American citizen I want access to a diverse array of information which is the ultimate foundation of a free nation. WE WANT OPTIONS, WE WANT TO HAVE A CHOICE!
—Angie Morteo, Alhambra, CA

Stop taking money from corporations and do what's right. We're already slaves to multinationals. The Internet is the only place where everyone can be equal. It should have rules, but it should only be monitored, NOT controlled.
—Jeroen Palmans, Geel,

Just because all other aspects of our lives are controlled by corporations, must the electronic commons be sacrificed to the almighty dollar?
—Jeffrey Panciera, Seattle, WA

We should all have access to whats on the net in a even manner. We don't need to be funneled by big companies to specific websites and things they own or have a hand in. Let Us have the choice to what we view online. Limiting things like this would absolutely kill what the internet means, what it stands for and for what? just for the benefit of those who want to control it.
—Rodrigo Rodriguez, Romeoville, IL

I already have slow internet, and can't afford to buy better. I'd be forced to if these rules were to become a reality. It would not only affect my browsing speeds for my own liesure, but it would also have a powerful, negative impact on my job as I connect with everyone via the internet. Without true Net Neutrality my job and my family are in jeopardy.
—Keith Walker, Chino Hills, CA

We already have been totally outclassed by other nations with regard to internet speed. Do we really need to establish class differentiation when it comes to data? Holding our citizens down and making us compete with one another, while just one factor, is a reason that other nations are able to be more intelligent. How many more races will we lose with the rest of the world before we are nothing but a bully with no academic backbone.
—Jeff Thomas, Collingswood, NJ

Wheeler's plan will destroy the Internet as we know it, raising prices to criminally high level's!
—Michael H. Sodos, Frederick, MD

ISPs are trying to double dip. If I pay for a certain speed, I should get it, no matter what website I am viewing. The idea that there would be two "lanes", one that discriminates against certain content is greedy and unethical. The ISPs should provide the internet service at the speed, I as the consumer, pay for, period. It is not their right to dictate which content I can view smoothly or efficiently, effectively dictating content they "approve of" and "do not approve of" as well as stifling variety and new content or businesses. Enough. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and go further, break of these illegal monopolies so consumers have choice. A free market is only free when customers have knowledge and true choice.
—A C. McGarry, Belleville, MI

The internet is for everyone!
—Amanda Cochrane, albuquerque, NM

If you make it possible to use the net as a way to increase profit margins we all lose. GO POP! That means pull your head out of your arse and see and smell whats going on!
—Roger F Dancy, Berlin Heights, OH

I don't want to live in a world where a corperation makes my decisions.
—Tyler Yee, manchester, NH

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Brittany, staten island, NY

Please keep the internet equal for ALL to use. The people really paying for the "fast lane" isn't the service providers it will be people like me that pay an increased fee to use their service. In the end the FCC is hurting the people by letting the greed of corporation control the internet.
—Brian Middleton, ALOHA, OR

This struggle is for our basic freedoms.
—Doloris Mikkelsen, Sutherlin, OR

I want to be able to use the internet on a regular basis. However, the monthly subscription is already becoming too expensive for older folks to afford. I would not want to have to choose between food for the month or internet. It is almost to that point now.
—Donnmaria Killinger, ELIZABETHTOWN, PA

The rise of new technology, new services and new ideas require a level playing field in competition with the established players. Please keep the Net neutral!!
—Chris Jeske, Canoga Park, CA

My family uses the internet for many things from homework to entertainment. This is our only extra we have as money is tight and we shouldn't have to pay more to access sites we use now.
—Jennifer Sleeper, Taunton, MA

I can't afford to pay anymore than what I already pay for internet. Keep Net Neutrality.
—Ron Chin, Ozone Park, NY

We need to save net neutrality!
—Sandra Dryden, Tucson, AZ

I have friends and family that use the internet as a source to broadcast media such as written work or art. They use websites they built and host to display such work. If Net Neutrality was eliminated by the FCC, people from around the world would not be able to visit these sites. This is just one example out of hundreds. The end of Net Neutrality will kill jobs, hinder those that use the internet for their businesses, and eliminate competition amongst successful and unsuccessful websites.
—Alexander Hilliard, Lancaster, PA

Capitalism shouldn't be allowed to run off with the internet. The fact that fast lanes are even possible shows services are being withheld. This is backwards and opposes progress.
—Joel Jensen, Milwaukie, OR

I pay for internet access at certain speeds. It's not fair to throttle the websites and services that I want to access based on if THEY also pay. They already have to pay for access, as well! This is crazy and will stifle innovation for the future.
—Evan Nevermore, Reisterstown, MD

The internet is an amazing resource for many reasons. One of the most important is the access that everyone has to make their voices heard. Net neutrality is hugely important to continuing this. These regulations will fundamentally change the internet. PLEASE keep the web open for all.
—Joshua Weichsel, Minneapolis, MN

What you have done is not fair to the people and will ruined the internet as we know it please fix it now before it's to late
—Collin Cline, monroe, NC

Knowledge for all.
—M Raquel, rochester, NY

i want too enjoy my internet, just keep it how it is.
—Brian Malanga, aguora hills, CA

Freedom of information means equal access
—Emma, Jarrettsville, MD

The future of the open Internet is in your hands. And yet you have proposed rules that would actually break it. Your proposed path would open the door to widespread discrimination online. It would give Internet service providers the green light to implement pay-for-priority schemes that would be a disaster for startups, nonprofits and everyday Internet users who cannot afford these unnecessary tolls. I urge you to scrap these proposed rules and instead restore the principle of online nondiscrimination by reclassifying broadband as a telecommunications service. The internet is my last bastion of freedom. I can find information and entertainment that I cannot get in the mass media dominated by the "free speech" of money. I consider pay for priority schemes, which would discriminate against online content and applications, as nothing less than censorship. The internet would become just another mass media outlet promoting the pro corporate agenda and mind set while numbing and dumbing its users. Money is swearing at us from all directions so please don't let it take over the internet and drown out everything else.
—Roy C. Wilson, New York, NY

People all over the world use the Internet more and more, and have become more dependent on it. As such, the Internet should remain a common good, and not class-based service. Please do not adopt the proposed rules.
—Elizabeth Greer, Tucson, AZ

Net neutrality is important to me because the freedom to share information is essential to maintain a free world.
—Kristina Rohder, Stanwood, WA

You have two options. You can under-regulate and create an unequal playing field, or you can regulate under Title II. The latter comports with the reality that the broadband market is nearly competition-free. So treat the ISPs as utilities, so they can be regulated properly. _Then_ lobby Congress to limit the regulation to just what's necessary to protect net neutrality. Start from a position of strength, not self-inflicted weakness.
—Bruce Donnelly, Shaker Heights, OH

Why would you even THINK about let alone enact such an absurd policy? The FCC is supposed to work for US, the citizens and NOT corporations who want to suck every last penny from us! Why should THEY get a fast lane and WE get the dirt lane? You KNOW this will ultimately despite their claims to the contrary. We already pay much more for Internet access than the rest of the world and most of us can barely afford it as it is! To have to pay even more is atrocious! PROVE ME WRONG, DO THE RIGHT THING AND STOP THIS IN ITS TRACKS!
—Terry Angelli, Malden, MA

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Jerry Ruiz, El Paso, TX

It is so important to leave the road open to all users, I think especially of news programing. Complete power of the wealthy would have devastating results on the nation. Thank you for reading this.
—Jacquelyn Weddington, Greenville, SC

The internet is a important source we rely on for so many uses everyday, from applying for a job, bills, to learning about a certain certain topic or learning about a plant. With the current plans put in place I see it would put the internet we know and love in serious jeopardy. This from what I have learned is not real Net Neutrality! The internet is meant to be a public service commons and never a total entertainment hub. No company has any right to choose what to put out of place, and not out place. That is truly not free, hampers freedom of speech and creativity. Please stand up for a truly free and open internet or it looks like there will be no use for it all. There is too many of us that will not settle for the current deals in place. We expect the FCC to protect us and stand up for free and open internet!
—Brandon Head, Lakeland, FL

because the net should be open for all people to use at the same speed. Always.
—ariel Moore, Lake In The Hills, IL

In order to keep an open society, that is a basis for a real democracy we need net neutrality.
—Mark Boyd, Washington, DC

You can't give companies more power than they already have because they are not here to help people or play fair. A business operates to make money and crush all competition. The FCC can not be relied on to review every claim of infraction that will be made after ISPs are given the go ahead to do as they please. Letting net neutrality be weakened like this is only a lazy way out of dealing with the issue. No company can be trusted to make fair and lawful practices. The internet is today what running water, electricity, radio and television were to generations before us. The defining points of a generation that are necessary for the generation to progress, and it needs to be treated as such.
—Jonathan P Leone, San Antonio, TX

It aint broke, don't "fix" it.
—Mr. C Dickerson, Portland, OR

My livelihood depends on internet accessibility.
—Erika Deoudes, Henderson, NV

The internet is not something that should be put up for privatization. This goes against exactly what the internet is all about. Free, open sharing of ideas and thoughts. Being able to use the same internet everywhere is what makes us all equal online. It looks like the death of net neutrality would easily create untold profits for the corporations that set the prices, but is that needed? Just because we COULD, does that mean we should? The internet is not owned by anyone. It belongs to us all, and is made by the people of the world, so it and it's contents needs to be equal and open for everyone, not arbitrarily short changed and sectioned off. NO ONE benefits from this, except for those looking to make lots of money on this. It is plain and simple to us, the general populace that this would be little more than a way for corporations to generate money for the sake of generating money and offers no public benefit.
—Matthew L Brabham, Albany, OR

It is biased thus unfair!!!!
—Carol Joan Patterson, Eureka Springs, AR

I love the internet, and the way it is now works. There is no need for so drastic a change, and the nature of the internet as a source of information and entertainment could be altered if this proposal goes through. I know "big businesses" see the internet as a money printing machine, but I see it as a helpful tool with school work, and a way to keep in contact with people. Allowing certain companies this power to pick and choose which sites get what internet speed, something they already do anyway to a lesser degree, would ruin the freedom the internet gives us. It would increase advertisements in an effort to make more money to afford the faster internet access, and destroy the neutrality that alows start up like YouTube to form. It just doesn't make sense for anybody but the "big business." If it doesn't benefit internet users, then what is the point?
—Regan Talley, Southlake, TX

as an artist, I am a self-employed entrepreneur who would have a much harder time competing online in a two-tiered internet. I've already experienced this with Facebook's pay-for-post-boosting system that crowds out non-paid posts. Without REAL net neutrality, I would have no alternatives to this system that favors the well-funded.
—SC Whiteside, Christiansburg, VA

The Internet is one way to level the global playing field. The people who use it the most are those who are not über wealthy. Don't compromise this innovation in order to give a small number of people even greater profits.
—David & Mary Anne Buerge, Seattle, WA

Hi there, Hopefully someone is reading this, and understands the idea of net neutrality. I hope that the FCC can keep it safe since I value the idea of 'equality'. Whether it is in modern day racial situations or the internet's go anywhere, do anything idea, I really value the freedom of choice that I have in America. Please, do not take away from me.
—Paul S, Champaign, IL

I count. I am a real person.
—Ronald J Schlesinger, Rockville, MD

Since we have no competition between ISPs we need to require net neutrality.
—Andrew Morton, Reno, NV

I work at IBM, and Net Neutrality is important to me and to all Americans!
—Stan Latta, CARY, NC

Equality regardless of financial status in the eyes of the government is key!
—David Johnston, Portland, OR

The internet needs to remain free and readily available to everyone as it has always been and not by dictating a higher price for speed. Stop the greed!
—Tim Wheeler, Orlando, FL

The internet should be an equal area and not governed by fear of security threats or conglomeratization. Competition and high speed internet access is a must have in this day and age and allowing a few companies to monopolize the industry would have the same negative repercussions as AT&T's phoneline monopoly decades ago.
—Rebecca R Johnson, Pittsburgh, PA

All data on the Internet should be treated equally, not discriminating or charging differentially by user, content, site, platform, application, type of attached equipment, and modes of communication. One issue that will arise, is which sites or online services garner priority fast lanes. More than likely it will be companies that can afford to have fast lanes open to their sites, hindering online startups.
—Jon Dotson, Stone Mountain, GA

Net Neutrality is key in maintaining a free and open internet, without it innovation and prosperity will falter.
—Brad Wallick, Osmond, NE

I am a researcher who often finds the information I need in the "nooks and crannies" of the Internet. Please don't make valuable information even harder to get by pushing it into a slow lane behind the big entertainment providers.
—Patrick Lufkin, Berkeley, CA

Net neutrality is important because with out it there is no freedom of press, education, and it would make it harder to expose government courruption, the internet is one of the keys to positive progress of American culture, mainly because it has exposed alot of the disgusting imperialistic crimes against humanity. it makes it so that your fake history classes in public schools have very little power to brain wash children the way the fascist capitalists want them to, the internet is good for the economy because it makes it so that their is no need to rely public schools or classist tuitional collages for a higher education, those useless organization now only exist for people to get degrees to get money, not for education. and also these capitalist corporations have done nothing for the internet since it was created, all they have done is buy other peoples ideas and then ruin everything that was good about that idea, for instance look at what google has done to youtube, corporations do nothing good for humanity, they destroy the environment, democracy, the net, education, all forms of communication, and degrades cultures. The internet is what america is all about. Free, and its going to stay free no matter how pathetic your apartheid state fails at lifting a finger to not become a capitalist fascist imperialistic despotic tyranny. Stop justifying a much needed insurrection.
—Thomas Houston, fulton, MO

Your proposed plan is appalling! Please keep Net Neutrality, have the FCC protect open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers! This is hugely important to low income, and disabled, people like myself. Gesine Lohr
—Gesine Lohr, Alameda, CA

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Charles C Marye, germantown, MD

ISPs have enough money. We don't need to turn the US into a fascist third-world country in order to give them even more.
—Linda Rogers, Port Angeles, WA

Everyone has the right to equal information. It must not become something you have to buy.
—Helen Gex Greer, Tucson, AZ

The intrinsic neutrality of the internet leveled the playing field when it was becoming so incredibly imbalanced in favor of corporations and against the common citizen. Please don't undo so much opportunity to make a few dollars and then a few more dollars when you return to the corporations from whence you came.
—Jeremy Carlson, Los Angeles, CA

Don't give corporations more power than the people.
—Louis Wagner, Gloucester, MA

Why is Net Neutrality not important to you? Today the middle class is shrinking dramatically. The income disparity between the "have's and the have not's" is great and not good for our economy or democracy. How will making the internet less equal serve our economy or democracy? In a time where "one man one vote" is becoming a punchline, we need to protect that which gives us access to information.
—DC Dr. Pete Borboa, los angeles, CA

Listen to what Americans want not greedy ISPs corporations. We want net neutrality and increased regulation of ISPs so we can obtain competitive internet and innovation.
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I'm disappointed in the results of the meeting this last Wednesday. I've already sent you my opinion once before so I'm just going to voice my disapproval. I'm telling every one I know that you are speaking out of both sides of your mouth Tom Wheeler! (P.S. Just in case your mom didn't tell you, that means you're lying) Below is my previous letter of concerns: Dear FCC, I was disturbed to hear about the court ruling against net neutrality. I am an aspiring internet entrepreneur and I am worried that if you let the telecom industry dictate the speeds of its competitors that entrepreneurs like me will be left out in the cold. I have already seen in my web analytics that if a user has to wait 4 seconds instead of 3 for a page to load 80% close the page before it even loads. I'm not sure if you are aware of how important every second of speed is in order to compete in this crowded market place. So first I want to make it clear how this affects the ability for small entrepreneurs to compete with big companies. The internet is one of the few areas we have left that helps us build a middle class. The internet needs to be a public utility. To not do so is an affrontement to the middle class. Secondly, I fear that your sense of urgency to protect net neutrality has diminished because of the increased density of entertainment that is on the web today. Just because every day uses now include things like Netflix, does not mean you start to treat it like a cable service. The reason we had net neutrality in the first place was because originally most of the content on the internet was information going between educational and government institutions. It was easy to put a box around that type of information and say this needs to be protected, but now since we have Netflix, Youtube and a slew of publishers that produce seemingly trivial content, mixed in with that, it seems to diminish the need to protect net neutrality, because the internet looks more and more like cable. But it is not like cable. It is a place where innovation and activism thrives, where individuals have a market place for their own creative outputs. It is a place where we conduct almost every transaction conceivable. It is raw power, just like electricity, it is agnostic to its use. Thirdly, the telecom industry makes the point that non Netflix users shouldn't contribute to paying for part of the Netflix traffic. This sounds unfair at first, but the reality is that everyone watches videos on the internet. If they are not paying for Netflix they are paying for Youtube or Vimeo. If they are not watching videos it is because their internet speeds are too slow and thus are paying less anyways. The money that goes to upgrading the internet for Netflix makes it a better internet for video, for everyone. Forth, Comcast has stated that it is not fair that my subscription fee is being distributed across all the different sites out there, for which I am not using. For every site I use there is someone out there paying for it by using sites I don't use. Even if the distribution is not equal, you can't enforce that. Take insurance companies for instance, they take in money and redistribute it to those who need it. They do this and make it work financially, Comcast and Verizon have done this and can continue to do the same. Net neutrality is the insurance plan for freedom of speech, equal access to information and the American dream. It is insurance for the American dream that you can compete in the market place to do it better than the next guy or even a big company. Without net neutrality it is back to not who can do it better but who is better at controlling the system. Fifth, the telecom companies have made the point that they are suffering under net neutrality. They were able to exist just fine before the courts allowed them to single out services like Netflix. So, you have to admit that this is not an issue around creating a fair system where Comcast and Verizon has the money to support a better infrastructure. It is an issue around weather they have the right to use their monopoly of networks to reap huge profits. This is not a "how do we pay for the infrastructure?" issue. They do it just fine in europe where they preserve net neutrality. In conclusion, I want to state my firm belief that the internet is like electricity because it is information agnostic. As such, it should be treated as a public utility. Innovation must move forward, Comcast and Version are not immune to the disruptive forces of innovation and they are trying to find a way to outlive their obsolescence. In the same way newspapers have had to adapt, to find a way to survive they also must do the same for the greater good. Lastly, I want to leave you with a promise. A promise that if you do not, correct the error of the courts and make the telecom industry a public utility, that if you fail the American dream and freedom of speech. I will identify the public figures responsible for this failure and actively work to educate my network of contacts about who was responsible. May wisdom guide your decision, Sincerely, Nicholas Dunbar
—Nicholas Dunbar, Boulder, CO

Hitler would have tried to destroy Net Neutrality too.
—Amber Atwood, Kenilworth, UT

So much of what all Americans do is currently based on the internet. Commerce, entertainment, innovation, education all depend on access to the internet. Giving corporations control over what the public can access and how quickly they can access it is a betrayal of the American public.
—Kristin Harbuck, Bozeman, MT

Mr. Wheeler, it really is unthinkable to me that you would allow the internet to be sliced and diced and sold to the highest bidders just for the financial benefit of a few greedy corporate mobsters. The internet belongs to all of us, and allowing those ethically bereft, rapacious, insatiable swines to charge for it like cable television, with different tiers of service, is despicable, and I would not want the Karma of the guy who allows that to happen. I sincerely hope you believe in some kind of power in the Universe that is bigger than yourself, Mr. Wheeler, because this is a big deal and you don't want the Cosmic retribution that will be coming your way if you allow this travesty of justice and all that is decent, to go the Corporatist Oligarchs way. Do the decent, and right, thing here Mr. Wheeler; preserve net neutrality.
—Dianne Whitehead, Santa Barbara, CA

our rights and freedoms need to be protected and that includes equal access to the open internet for everyone
—M Brennan, Barrie,

I get more than 100 E-Mails a day. It's a full-time job dealing with them (and I'm retired). I can imagine the burden a slow Internet will have on me, much less a person with a full-time job.
—Kenneth W Johnson, Oakhurst, NJ

Net Neutrality is important because it is Net Neutrality that allows, through competition and open communication, for innovation in all endeavors, including education, technology, business and healthcare. Killing Net Neutrality will lead to greater human suffering and death. Killing Net Neutrality will diminish the quality of our children's education, the effect of which will last long beyond the reversal of the mistake you are considering. Killing Net Neutrality in any form, including the introduction of "Fast Lanes," will kill the existence of a competitive marketplace, eventually destroying our economy. Countless millions will pay for this mistake through unemployment, hunger, and malnutrition. Destroying Net Neutrality will reinforce the fact that limited money translates to limited speech, further eroding the power of the people to have a voice in the direction of our future. Killing Net Neutrality will affect communication, impacting the landscape of our election process, and eventually costing us our ability to petition our government for the redress of grievances. Killing Net Neutrality will diminish transparency in our government, leading to increased levels of corruption. Having studied Communications, Economics, Finance, Business and Technology, I can state with some expertise that the truth is that this is much more common sense than the corruption in our system is pretending it to be. It is the responsibility of our government-- It is your responsibility-- to ensure the common good, to promote the general welfare, and secure the blessings of liberty for ourselves and our posterity. It is not your responsibility to protect the profitability of a few select corporations.
—Robert Collins, San Jose, CA

As an artist, promoting myself is not something I should be made to pay for with my career because I can't pay enough to be allowed into the big leagues. Goodbye America, democracy is dead, it's all for sale.
—PrairieRose Leyba, Ola, ID

Our corporation owned politicians and bureaucrats have already given these same companies the gift of digital broadcasting, which requires virtually all TV viewers to pay them ridiculous fees. The internet does not and should not belong to these special interests.
—George Metsopulos, Gig Harbor, WA

You must reclassify ISPs as common carriers
—Mr nicks, Beverly hills, CA

What is now the Internet was paid for with taxpayer dollars. Therefore, all citizens should have EQUAL access to it!
—Dennis Fogarty, Columbus, OH

I want a network of information free of censure and corporate control so that i, my family, friend and us as human beings can speak our mind and discuss topics freely. Net Neutrality enables me to make up my own views on things and share my opinions as well as received the opinion of others. To me, Net Neutrality and free information is THE leading factor in a peaceful, resourceful and free society. Reclassify Internet Service Providers to Common Carriers please as Net Neutrality is very important to me.
—Bruno Anghene, st-lambert,

We need ISPs as common carriers so that the Internet can still be a free place to get information which is not censored.
—Neva Steffens, Greenville, SC

Regulate this like a utility for the greater good of American society. Otherwise, you begin another division of haves and have nots.
—Gary S Albright, Reno, NV

It is one of our first amendment freedoms and to change it s to skeleton away one of unique American rights. Our forefathers gave their lives to uphold these freedoms. In this day and age, our freedoms are more important than ever before in history. Please consider the impact your decision will ave for many years to come! Be wise!
—Mary Burgess, Belvidere, IL

The Internet is a part of infrastructure, not a resource to be controlled by an already consolidated industry. We already pay more, and receive less. Net Neutrality, and faster access, are key to a democratic society.
—Paul Drowns, Saco, ME

Because its opposite, internet fascism, is not my cup of tea, nor my idea of freedom, safety, health, sanity, safety and sovereignty.
—Diane Pilikian, Colorado Springs, CO

protect true net neutrality.
—Danny G, Los Angeles, CA

Internet is a basic human right and is fundamentally the greatest beacon of democracy that currently (or likely) will ever exist.
—Eric Iafigliola, Willowick, OH

There is no democracy without equal access to informatiation
—Carrie Santulli Schudda, Oregon, WI

We need a level playing field. There is no reason to give big money corporations ANOTHER leg up. You know this. It is so flippin' obvious, I can't imagine why you need to be told.
—Yvonne Baab, Montpelier, VT

The founder of the World Wide Web, Tim Berners-Lee, has said it all time and time again. In a Scientific American article in November 2010, "Long Live the Web: A Call for Continued Open Standards and Neutrality" he wrote, "The Web evolved into a powerful, ubiquitous tool because it was built on egalitarian principles and because thousands of individuals, universities and companies have worked, both independently and together as part of the World Wide Web Consortium, to expand its capabilities based on those principles." He saw the threat to the web even then. Rise to the occasion. Preserve net neutrality. It's so easy to do.
—Nancy Belmore, Victoria, BC

Stop favors for the rich. Let all people be able to communicate on a neutral Internet.
—Paul C Hans, Scottsdale, AZ

Our tax dollars gave the ability for these companies to even HAVE the backbone for internet. Pay to play caters to nothing but big business. It can lead to backdoor deals third party contracts to eliminate compitition. It's a really bad idea.
—Richard Ford, Morgantown, IN

As a man who works for a major company as a contractor, having non-tiered internet service is essential to my being able to work. The internet is no longer a luxury that we can do without: it is a necessity, and by giving the power to make a tiered system to ISPs, you are definitely giving them carte blanche rights to discriminate against any company and use that to extort and blackmail them to pay more. If the company I work for is unable to connect at a consistent speed, or if I am unable to connect to my company's network via VPN because my internet provider decided to 'slow down' my connection, this impacts business and global orders can grind to a halt. The internet should be a utility, no tiered service provided to everyone equally. That is the absolute only way to ensure that every business gets fair and equal access to as many customers and their suppliers as needed.
—Jared Brokaw, Moline, IL

There are so many things I have learned or am looking forward to learning that the internet makes easily accessible to me. Nobody should have the ability to take that from people or jeopardize it in any way.
—Alexis Vick, Palm Coast, FL

PLEASE, do not implement Wheeler's plan to change the Internet. The Internet was created freely for everyone and should stay this way. Please, do not make this mistake in taking whatever is left us for free. It would be extremely sad to see this happens, with some companies being able to broadcast on a faster lane than others. This is going backwards in time. Please, do not allow that to happen in this country or anywhere else in the world, in the name of real progress, please! I did vote for President Obama and now am regretting giving my vote to someone who'd give Wheeler the power to make such a decision. The Internet was created for the people, for humanity and MUST STAY THIS WAY! Enough is enough!!!
—Sandra Oliveira, Tustin, CA

The internet is a global entity. A single government giving limits to it's usage is against the very foundation it was created upon. Don't destroy the internet because of corporate greed.
—Kevin Mason, Mesa, AZ

The one place where the 1% has not sucked the life out of the rest of us and now that may go too? NO!
—Shari, Westfield, MA

I use the internet for recreational purposes mostly, but also for research. If all of what I did became classified as "high-traffic" or "premium" services, It would financially bankrupt me, as well as cause potential harm to componies that provide these services. Perserve Net Neutrality!
—Jonathan Banks, Lakewood, CO

Not only will this hinder business for small business start-ups and reduce potential economic recovery for the nation, but it hinders the rights of Americans to use the internet as they please for business and personal use by restricting access to sites that are willing and able to pay for better quality service. We need the ability to have open communication and exploration to feed innovation, and Americans should be free to access the internet sites they choose without restriction.
—Tina Silk, Wolfeboro, NH

Stop playing games with applications of semantics to what a telecommunications is vs. a data communications vs. television network etc. Look. Its real simple. The internet belongs to EVERYONE EQUALLY. The truth of the matter is that access to it should be wide and varied and super fast and most importantly free in every way, because when it comes down to it, it is a vast library and information system, it is education, communication, music, and videos, and all that there is, in a perfect documentation of our society the world over. It is a library and a grand museum and a story that all, every single human should have access to. In america, and other world powers over, education and history are the cornerstones to our lives. They are what makes us all, great in our strengths. Just as much as a library, is most always public, and free, and there but for the service to the patron. Stop playing with the internet...make it strong, make it free, make it equal, and then, make sure that every single person that you possibly can has access to it and its wondrous treasure trove of all that there is as fast as we can create and record and input it all. This, is perhaps, the greatest achievement of all that mankind has accomplished because...it is communication, a leveling field between cultures, a way to seek and understand and grow, and it could rival our haloed US Constitution and all that we stand for as to the importance of it. Your decision right here, right now, in this generation that you have been entrusted to not only carry out the will of the people, but, to protect what is right. A free, neutral, protected, equal, un censored, un throttled, un molested internet is was is RIGHT. And Im willing to bet that you know it. The question is, what kind of person(s) are you? The kind who would bow to corporations and their greed and ever encroaching control for their own purposes over the good of the people? Or...are you an American...a Human Patriot who can recognize the importance of what you choose on our behalf? I am asking that you protect the good of the people, trust in us as a humanity in whole for all the good and bad of what is out there with this vast internet we built...that we as a greater proportion will use the internet responsibly as it will enrich our lives, that you ensure it with the same vigor and defiance you would apply to priceless paper tomes in an millennium old archive, or as a national treasure, or in a very basic way...our very lives..because, too late to reverse it now, the internet is so engrained in our lives that it is a very part of us as a persona, a way of living, and an invisible appendage. You must see the internet as the entity it is, its remarkable and exponential potential, as a medium for crossing nations and reaching out to one another, as the tool and existence of our lives in it…to make it a monopoly of corporations would be as to indenture humanity to CEOs. Make this Right, Make it Neutral. Fight for US. Very Respectfully, Nicholas A. Charlebois
—Charlebois Nicholas A, Gresham, OR

Net neutrality is the engine we need to leverage people's creativity.
—Philippe Laurens, Lansing, MI

Please don't be pressured by large businesses throwing money around. Small businesses need a say too.
—Jeb Makula, Rock Island, IL

The internet is the last place where you can find a free press not muzzled by state and political interests, the last place where there is still a free market where people can carry out business with whomever they so choose, and where there is still freedom of speech and expression. Take all that away and all the internet will become is another gigantic, corporately controlled department store with little form or substance. Keep corporate and government cronyism out of the internet! Don't give corporations exclusive buying power over everybody else for bandwidth speed and information access!
—Dar, Billings, MT

I probably send 300 emails to my friends for each one phone call. I've been using email since February 1981 (in Sunnyvale and then Palo Alto, California). It is an essential part of my life. Please recognize that fact (I'm not the only one who feels this way) and reclassify the Internet as a common carrier. It's the right and reasonable thing to do. Thank you.
—Paulianne Ann Balch-Rancourt, Port Orford, OR

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet is the very last place of freedom of information and to make one internet for the CHOSEN FEW, and one for the UNWASHED MASSES to do this is tantamount to jim crow in the civil rights era to segregate one group from another & make access to something everyone should be able to access on the same level with no upper tier & lower tier KEEP THE INETRNET FREE!!!
—Sara Wing, Bristol, TN

The large corporations need to be stopped. This will help to further shut down the mom and pop run businesses. If this passes it's further evidence that big corporations are running this country.
—Matthew Hinz, Fullerton, CA

We made the Internet not corporate giant! To earn or gain profit from us is like taking the money from the poor.
—Adrence Apong, Malaysia,

Uphold Net Neutrality and STOP selling out to big business. Do something right for a change!
—Will Cortes, NEW YORK, NY

Because free speech is important, and Internet service in America is already slower than in many developed countries.
—Kieran Fenlon, Cookeville, TN

The Internet must be free!
—Jm, Santa Cruz, CA

I am a 16 year old regular teenage Jersey boy. I love the Internet for YouTube, online gaming, and most importantly to me DeviantArt. I have a DeviantArt account, and I love digital art and without Net Neutrality, then my goal is basically "ruined". I love online games, and without online games like Roblox, and other online games that are located in America they will have huge effect for it American players who normally play the games. Not just that but think about those online games like Roblox would not only lose a ton of players, but have to quit their own businesses. Therefore no more updates for those players in other countries.
—Louis Morrell, Moorestown, NJ

I heard an interesting program about this yesterday. There is absolutely NO reason for people with money to have faster access on the internet, or better access. and why should telephone companies get any more money? ISP's are common carriers. Thank you.
—Bonita Parodi, Boise, ID

Please reclassify all internet service providers, the known big ones and any others (not yet known or small ones) as common carriers. The internet needs to be neutral and permanently safe from the hands of greedy corporations.
—Marilyn Coleman, windsor, CT

Sir/Ma'am, Internet service providers primary mission statement is to maximize profit using all legal methods available. They are under no legal obligation to innovate or upgrade their infrastructure. My concern is that combined with the lack of local market competition, reclassifying ISP's as information services, will cause non-paying content providers to lag behind as consumers become impatient with access times. Thank you for your time, Gary Butler
—Gary Butler, Keesler AFB, MS

Net Neutrality protects me from some CONGLOMERATE controlling the Internet and with it charging fees, etc.
—Peggy L. rth, Spokane, WA

I'm not interested in supporting Big Business efforts to control humanity and the planet for profit, greed and control!
—Stella Yfantidis, Singapore, WV

Because we live in a democracy!!!!!
—Urania Messing, Elmsford, NY

A system of haves and have nots is not the principle on which this country was founded.
—Warren Desonia, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality is important to everyone, the big guy and the little guy providing content. It is only fair everyone gets the same treatment and not have a two - tiered level of Internet service.
—Donovan Corzo, Grapevine, TX

I pay for internet service at specific speeds, I should determine what I want to use that bandwidth on.
—Sheila stafford, South bend, IN

Without effective equality of all internet content providers, which means enforceable rules to prevent discrimination based on ability to pay the owners of internet pipelines, the free flow of information that is the lifeblood of democracy in the 21st century will be staunched and ultimately strangled to death.
—James Bell, Burlington,

The idea that having internet access, or an internet presence for a business, is optional or a luxury is absurd. Anything less than true Net Neutrality is discriminatory at best.
—Valerie Mehring, Seattle, WA

I have given up on main stream media and rely on the internet for my news to fill in the blanks in the information feed to us by big media. If we lose Net Neutrality we loss the only source of local aid international events as they occur as the independent news sources will not be able to pay the high fees a monopoly of providers would demand to keep the small sources competitive with the large providers..
—Phil Orzech, TUCSON, AZ

Internet access is a part of the commons and must not be enclosed through commoditization. The FCC has the responsibility to guarantee internet access for all citizens. Let the agency not fail to discharge its responsibility faithfully.
—Norman Traum, Louisville, CO

The internet is for everyone, not for bloated corporations to line their pockets with even more of our money. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. For access for all.
—James Gardner, San Antonio, TX

I want Net Neutrality equal to everyone.
—Rafael Varela, SAN ANTONIO, TX

We should not be an oligarchy! We need at least one thing to remain fair for smaller business/websites.
—Kendra Williams, Chicago, IL

E-commerce is the continuing wave of the future... if it is not "neutrally" accessible to all, our great experiment will begin failing and the economic implications of that would be horrendous. PLEASE maintain a EQUAL NET NEUTRALITY!!! Thank you!
—Vera Ellen Rich, Green Cove Springs, FL

For a country that allows all people (even liars) to have free speech over the air. Talk radio hosts like Rush and Glen Beck constant bombard the airways with their opinions and whether we like them or not it is part of the constitution. Well the internet should be part of the our rights to free speech, not to be censored or slowed for any reason especially as a means to get money. This would allow the rich freedom of speech and information and everyone else less than. I am against this and so is everyone else I know. DUMP THIS BILL!
—Dennis Wells, Las Vegas, NV

Net Neutrality is essential if liberty and freedom are to be preserved in our United States.
—Douglas Caddy, Houston, TX

Wealthy individuals and big corporations have been steadily gaining more power in our country. Continuing to allow everyone equal access to the internet is extremely important to allow freedom of speech for all, not just the rich.
—Janet Campbell, Corvallis, OR

I don't want to be bought! I want freedom to make my own choices at the same speed!
—Betsy Fouts, Coatesville, IN

We have very little choice for broadband internet. Please do not take away net neutrality. Please require all Internet Service Providers to treat each packet neutrally. With a near monopoly, be should not be doing anything that would allow ISPs to discriminate or make fast lanes. Please keep the Internet open and neutral!
—Joshua Prescott, Bartow, FL

I doubt you remeber me but I have personally written each and every member of the FFC regarding my opinions on this matter. To make my statements breif, I want the FCC to respect the internet and leave it alone. Do not place rules/laws/regultions or other upon the internet to try and allow discrimination of any form. It is very obvious these laws that support an open internet are in fact trying to generate more money out of an already cash strapped country. The internet was fine. LEAVE IT ALONE. I do not want to be discriminated against; I do not want my fellow people discriminated against for money. Choosing to allow discrimination for “commercialized content” for pay is wrong. I want to be able to hear all the voices on the Internet not just the big ones. I want diversity and uniqueness not just what someone says I should have. I do not want people making choices for me on what I watch, how I use Internet telephones or anything even remotely similar. I am just a small time YouTube girl with barely any subscribers. However, I would like to have a future or to have possibilities of growth and freedom on the Internet.
—Merry Weather, Savannah, MO

As a consumer, I expect to pay for what I use. However, tiering prices at the carrier level simply squashes innovation and gives the big Telecom companies control over which businesses can provide viable services to me.
—Dave Prescott, Bartow, FL

Please reconsider your plans for the internet. This is something I feel very strongly about. Net Neutrality is very important for the future of our country. I know that the proposal put forth by the FCC would be a disaster for Net Neutrality and small businesses. Please reconsider your plans and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank You.
—Charles Edwards, Marion, NC

Please don't turn internet access into one system for the rich and another for the poor.
—Paula Shafransky, Sedro Woolley, WA

The internet is the best thing since public libraries. Please let it stay that way.
—Deborah J. Miller, Austin, TX

Every website needs to have equal access for all customers.
—Vickie Jones, Hermitage, TN

It feels like the brink of a dark age. Free unfettered Internet has been golden, expanding culture, humanity, brotherhood. If it is given to the commercial realm, as so much else has been, the jail bars of commerce will strangle the heart of creative spirit. Think carefully , very carefully. Do not be bought. Classify ISP's as common carriers all the way.
—Elizabeth jenness, Tampa, FL

Leave the internet a level playing field. Dont make those without money also lose their voice.
—John Turcotte, Bristow, VA

If your proposals are taken up in the States then it is not too hard to envisage other countries becoming portals for an open net which would thus leave your country behind. For your own sakes I hope you leave the net alone.
—Robin Wingrove, Duffy,

I'm tired of you FCC cowards trying to control our lives, it's not right for you to regulate the internet connection. You guys are corrupt scum. because we all really know what this is about and that this is not really about money and allowing people who pay more money to get their connection dilivered faster, This is about the NEW WORLD ORDER and your plan for TOTAL CONTROL. CONSOLIDATION THEN REGULATION. I want you to know that WE THE PEOPLE OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA SEE YOU AND ARE AWARE OF YOUR EVIL SCEEMS.
—Raymond Nelson, Brooklyn, NY

COMMISSIONERS: In the interests of commerce, small business, and entrepreneurial innovation, uniform accessibility to the Internet should be available to the big and small content providers alike. IN ACCORD with the recent federal ruling on web content and retrieval accessibility, the easiest way to accomplish this objective so critical to a growing economy is to classify all Internet Service Providers as "common carriers" within a function in the public domain. Appreciate that the understanding by the public-at-large is that the electronic infrastructure of the world-wide-web was derived from a DARPA network at taxpayer expense. As such, it is widely appreciated that in speed provision or any other discrimination of content by providers, a two-or-more tiered Internet would be a "give away" to ISPs and well vested interests which can more easily pay for optimally available content. . Thank you, Sam Stetson .
—Sam Stetson, Charleston, WV

Re AT&T merger w/Direct TV: AT&T would not support commercial free independent stations (Link; FSTV; AJAM, etc.) currently on Direct TV Re 2-tier Internet: Not democratic; we have already given up ownership of our commons to telecom companies; do not side w/already privileged companies; do not approve these rules; do side w/citizens;let us keep open access on the Internet; do reclassfy ISPs as common carriers. Simple as ABC,
—Lorraine Mann, Chicago, IL

The definition of neutral is: not helping or supporting either side in a conflict, disagreement, etc.; impartial. Net Neutrality is being impartial to everything on the Internet and not taking sides. The FCC's proposal takes sides.
—Jim Cvitkovic, Powder Springs, GA

Please protect us all!
—T Francis, Dayton, OH

Net Neutrality is a hallmark of a free society. Anything else opens the doorway to oligarchy, privilege, and exactly the things which led to the actions our USA founders felt it necessary to take way back in the 1770s!
—Catherine Woods, Fort Collins, CO

I have maintained a web site since 1999 for my personal profession as a mortgage broker my practice is best described as "boutique" we do a low volume of business by industry standards however the quality of our services are great. I know that innovation and competitiveness will be damaged in our country with this proposed plan.
—Jay Cooke, Magalia, CA

I own a small, bootstrapped web-based software company (coachaccountable.com). It is successful, and I don't know that it would have been possible without access to a free and open internet.
—John Larson, Glendale, CO

Freedom of speech is guaranteed by the bill of rights. Support the bill of rights.
—Dr. Roger C Johnson Phd, Mc Kenzie, TN

The internet should be free and not bound
—Wendy L Stafford, carlsbad, CA

We need to keep the internet exactly how it is. thank you for your consideration,,, Michael
—Michael Grundt, Fountain Hills, AZ

Freedom of Speech is on the chopping block! Preserve this liberty.
—Jim McCormick, Laurel Springs, NC

Having equal access to the internet at equal speeds equals free speech in this day and age. Equal access to the speech of others equals the same. A two tier system is tantamount to canceling the most revered freedom the constitution provides. It is utterly unthinkable that an oligarchy of communication and information be installed in this way. DO NOT LET THIS HAPPEN. Or we might as well be living in a Taliban state. Truly.
—Sarah Brennan, Pacific Palisades, CA

OPEN INTERNET - Can't BE open if you charge for different paths
—Michael Pennington, West Palm Beach, FL

I don't want an Internet that favors corporate interests and increases my cost to use. When Netflix has to pay more for access, who do you think that cost gets passed on to? Net Neutrality is the only fair way to administer Internet access and allow the open Internet to provide the innovation and freedoms we have seen thus far.
—Douglas Barstow, Independence, OH

These large corporations should not have control of what I can find on the internet, period. It should be free and open for all types of businesses, charities and groups without regard to money. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. There should be no "fast lane" allowed for those with money to pay, or it will become an internet for the rich only. This will also give the internet carriers to much power to block or bury information that may be detrimental to their pocketbooks. This is censorship, pure and simple.
—Donna Rowland, Seattle, WA

The democratic main street superhighway that is the web must not be devolved into yet one more private piggy bank for telecom monopolies Time Warner/AT&T. The web must be open to all voices, not just the corporate propaganda spewed by Wall St.
—Rick Freeman, louisville, KY

The net is free for a reason, and everyone depends on it. We're not a third world country where internet access is strictly controlled. Let's keep it free.
—Yvgeniy Zhuk, Valley Village, CA

Net Neutrality is important because an open and free Internet to everyone is key to its powerful ability to equalize people of different classes and privileges. It's also essential for the formation of communities that can't form elsewhere, including those for traditionally oppressed folks who may not be able to afford higher fees for access.
—Shannon, Rockville, MD

because i am a loser who stays on the internet most of the day
—Ryan Nguyen, B, OR

Focus your energies on making ALL our internet speed equal to fast Hong Kong, Korea and Japan. NOT on limiting the majority of us from having access by allowing big companies to buy it.
—Elizabeth Finders, PORTLAND, OR

Please do not further widen the gap between rich and poor with these proposed rules. If our civilization is to last, we must do as much as possible to create equality in our society - these rules would deaden creativity and innovation and boring people with money would decide everything. Our country became great back in the days when education and libraries and a just society was our primary concern.
—Katherine Wagner, Studio City, CA

Instead of adopting the proposed Internet rules, reclassify ISP's as common carriers and protect net neutrality! Thank you for your consideration.
—Brian Wolff, Stockton, NJ

To learn the truth, not mainstream propaganda
—Biddy, Colne,

It is essential to free speech. Two or three tiered internet will enable the ones with the deepest pockets to have the loudest voice. This is not constitutional.
—James Ryan, Sea Cliff, NY

I want a neutral network because it is my human right. And that's it.
—Ariel Romero, San Salvador,

Net neutrality helps us to make money and make a living online. Its good for buisness.
—Andrew, sebring, FL

The Internet should remain a neutral entity. The end users pay ISPs for the privilege to access the Internet and make the decision based on their needs how fast they want their Internet to be. The content should be provided without bias and the providers of that content should not be required or encouraged to pay extra for better, faster, or more reliable connections. The US should strive to be a modern country where access to information is a right not a privilege, and access to the Internet should be considered a necessity. To hinder the access to certain sources of information and not others is a concept that is completely un-American. Keep the internet neutral and make ISPs common carriers.
—Mark Moline, Brookline, MA

Please, I value equal access to every website without prioritizing traffic and ask you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Please restore net neutrality!
—Oleksandr Tsyupka, Chuckey, TN

An open internet is vital to innovation and the fair practice of equal access to all for all. Without neutrality the character of discovery and advancing technology would be lost in the minuscule short-term financial gains of large media conglomerates who will rule and select by way of unnecessary tariffs what the people of the leading democracy of the free-world and the international community are entitled to view and experience in the greatest single technological innovation of the 20th Century.
—Jon J Curto Jr, Dunedin, FL

We pay for internet service, and with that, are told we get certain access speeds. AT&T, Comcast, etc already get a huge fee and truly do not deliver on the speeds they guarantee. As a prior PacBell employee, I am aware of this inability to deliver as promised. To add additional charges is just one more insult of greed by the communication monopolies. Let's use some common sense, just say no. Keep internet "Net Neutrality."
—Tracie Feldhaus, Magalia, CA

It gives us the freedom to decide where the truth lies.
—Eric Roberts, Highlands Ranch, CO

I do not want the middle man(internet providers) to decide what I get to access. The internet should be like a library, all of it open to everyone.
—Christopher Shanley, Bloomfield Hills, MI

The potential for abuse is way too great. We need government to back down, not rise up. Look at what Google has done. They didn't need the government's help to create Google Fiber, but with the new regulations, it will be harder for them to expand their service. The beauty of capitalism is that businesses are forced to innovate and improve, and having to government swoop in and hinder the ability to innovate and improve doesn't make sense at all. I realize that these new regulations have good intentions, but like some other recent laws (cough, cough, ACA) we know that laws with good intentions don't always help the country. Please just leave well-enough alone.
—Alex Ohannes, Seattle, WA

This involves prioritizing human freedom of expression in the digital age. There are few issues of equal importance to the future of humankind and democracy and freedom.
—Lee F Greer Ph.D., Riverside, CA

First of all it's prejudice, the rich benefit, as alway's, and the unfortunate are left empty handed and left to feel like their looked downb upon. Secondly, it's a sure way of becoming a war of the "Classes" .Bottom line is the Outcome will not be a positive one. Do'nt allow "Greed" is the number one factor that is behind the decline and destructure of our planets problems , from an increase in tornadoes, increase in "Wildfires" our water supplies depleting, which is causing towns to extinction, Huge snowstorms in warm climates have just about doubled. Droughts are more wide spread. It all comes down to "Greed" do these corporations really want to have a hand in what "Greed" is doing to us, and each other, Our very Planet? How about helping to solve the problems instead of being a part of the problem? Sad as it is, I do'nt have to be a psychic to know the Outcome, do I ? P.S. could not close without mentioning how certain "Sites" are already controlling what you are saying and "Fining" you for speaking out of context, what happened to freedom of speech ? Our rights are already being violated online just for giving our opinion, speaking our mind ! I literally felt my jaw drop when I was reprimanded !
—Helen Hunt, Watertown, MA

net neutrality is important because the internet is a vast open world just waiting to be explored. it is the only thing in this country i still consider to have freedom and taking that freedom away by taking away net neutrality will, in my opinion, cripple the internet.
—Jason Novak, NORTH AURORA, IL

As a small (really small) business partner, the internet is vital to our performance company for advertising and booking events. Everything is time sensitive. Our family's most important seasonal work is in November and December -- yes, Santa. Delays, missed connections and people being unable to access our website means that children won't know the joy that a visit from Santa can bring. Last year, Santa visited military family parties, homes, and public events. Net neutrality will keep Santa flying from house to house.
—Debra Burrell, Norfolk, VA

I disagree with the FCC's plan to let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. The Internet, as a form of democracy, should be kept open for everyone to access.
—Kimberley Jutze, Washington, DC

Because yall going to fuck everything up like yall always do. Leave us the fuck alobe, and leave the damn web alone jesus fucking christ already!
—Paul Johnson, MVOMEOMOME, SC

Because The Rock says that's why!
—Dwayne Johnson, Know your role blvd., GA

The internet is the truest expression of freedom and human progression. If it is allowed to be corrupted like so many other facets of our global society in the name of profit and corporate greed. There is no hope for humanity. Remember what really matters and do what is required to be able to call yourself human.
—Jake Schwenke, Melbourne,

Chairman Wheeler, I am deeply concerned with the subject of net neutrality. I am aware of the arguments made by industrialists in favor of the ability to portion and package internet access; I won't belabor the point with arguments you've undoubtedly heard before, but I will stress that the role of the internet is different and more integral to the fabric of society than most of these industrialists seem to grasp, assuming the best motivations, and that the dissolution of the internet as we know it would be akin to selling our roads to various interests, narrow in the scope of their pursuits and shortsighted in the implications of their policies. I pray on behalf of everyone in this age of information that you are mindful of the weighty implications of the decision you make to the very nature of humanity's ability to comprehend and communicate with each other. I beseech you from the bottom of my heart as someone who regards the internet as a milestone achievement in human history not to allow this great work to be undone for the sake of thinly-veiled desires to build trusts by another name. With respect, Peter Deer
—Peter Deer, Magalia, CA

Because is really important for the people that want open internet.
—Fong Chang, Warren, MI

The ONLY reason that exists to make these changes to the internet is so some huge conglomerate can rake in even more dollars from the American public. Why would our government want to okay that? Is there something to be gained for the people (of which our Government is supposedly made)? If the Government of the United States practices selling us out to big business, we know what will happen. Hopefully no desire to do that exists. THERE IS NO REASON IN THE WORLD TO ALLOW ANY ASPECTS OF THE INTERNET TO BE CONTROLLED BY A FEW BIG BUSINESSES. Do the right thing!
—Judy Granda, Largo, FL

Net Neutrality means an open and free internet, a place where people can say what is on their minds and if these new rules go into place it will ruin it and make the internet a place that doesn't allow people to have their stand from which to speak. Also there are many other companies that use the internet for their business and if you let the ISPs have their way then you are also going to be costing the country billions from losing the money from these small businesses going out of business possibly. So please consider the consequences of your actions before letting these rules pass and reclassify ISPs as common carriers, Thank you for your time in reading this.
—Hayden Shelby, Shreveport, LA

It is the way it should remain.
—Doug di Giovanni, San Mateo, CA

Money should NOT determine the speed of internet that the rest of us get!!!
—Rebecca Hickey, Portland, OR

No multi-tiered access! This society is too divided by wealth already - it's time to classify as the common carriers that they are and we need them to continue to be.
—Diane Clark, Staten Island, NY

Net neutrality is important to me and my family because it is our only source of information of the truth about what is happening around the world. The TV and it's outlets are consumed with big corporate B.S. And ever increasing rate hikes for mindless trashy programs. Other countries have free internet access, why does the US control and suck every nickel from the American people? The land of the free, what a joke.
—Sue Krill, Anoka, MN

Dear Chairman Wheeler: It is my understanding that the First Amendment to the Constitution guarantees free speech EQUALLY to ALL. It does NOT say, "The more money you have, the more right to free speech you have." Although I certainly understand that some services use more bandwidth than others, that is "the cost of doing business." It is not a justification for infringing on a basic right that we, as Americans, have held ever since the Bill of Rights came into existence. Allowing corporations to trample on this basic right is the beginning of a very slippery slope. Sooner or later, corporations will decide what we can and can't have access to. There is no need to "design" new rules that will allow corporations to do an end run around our basic right to freely access and disseminate information. The internet should be designated as a common carrier and that would clearly and rightly settle the matter once and for all. Thank you for your time. Sincerely, Bruce Baker
—Bruce Baker, Hazelwood, NC

Net neutrality matters for everyone on the internet for common reasons. Not everyone goes to the leading websites that may cost money because theres a cheaper alternative elsewhere. Creating this new paradigm essentially eliminates this cheaper alternative branch in favor of larger corporations that can pay the large amounts of money to shut other websites out of running. Wh9iich sounds pretty un-American to me.
—Juan C Rodriguez, Phoenix, AZ

As President of a small non-profit arts organization, I depend on people finding us on the web. When I say small, I mean we are really small, but we make an impact only because of net neutrality. We depend on it.
—Irene O'Neill, West Chicago, IL

Your proposed rules will benefit large corporations at the expense of everyone else, or is that your intention? Where are your concerns for ordinary internet users? Isn't your mission to protect the public within the communications network?
—Mike Rummerfield, Onalaska, WA

Please keep the internet open to all and do not let Big Business destroy it.
—Stephen Anderson, Deerfield, IL

Thank you.
—Michelle Buerger, Madison, WI

My wife is disabled, so her only interaction with family and friends is online. We also play online games and get most of our entertainment online. I personally keep in touch with my parents across the country through email. We need a completely neutral Internet or I fear we will see a major loss of services as the big companies only give fast access to those websites that are willing to pay them. It's bad enough that we have some of the slowest internet service in the developed world, don't let the big corporations choose who gets the better access to the Internet.
—Steven Moore, Pocatello, ID

Freedom to search and educate, entertain, connect should be expected in a world that revolves around the internet.
—Kiyomi, Portland, OR

If it aint broken ..... don't fix it, in other words keep your hands off the internet it's the way people communicate destroy that and you'll have a lot of pissed off people looking for your blood, leave well enough alone.
—Karl, milwaukie, OR

Throw out these new rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Henrietta Taylor, sebring, FL

Net Neutrality promotes the free exchange of ideas.
—Gary Shade, Pasadena, MD

Without an equal playing field many of the recent inventions and innovations would not have gotten to where they are today.
—Kevin Tharp, Santa Rosa, CA

I feel The Internet Should be equally available to all. I do not like that these new proposed rules, would give wealthier persons preferential treatment to the internet,than people who can not afford to pay as much.. The corporations would gain too much power., Please do not enact these rules. Respectfully Submitted, William G Keller
—William G Keller, Cobleskill, NY

I'm a small business owner. VERY small business. The opportunities to network over the "free" internet have helped me find people, and helped people find me. My work has saved my clients money, and helped me feed my family, quite literally. If not for the internet, my hobby would still be nowhere, I'd still be unemployed, and I'd still have NO CHANCE at turning my hobby into a business that can provide an income for my family. I live in a semi-rural area and do not have enough local business to sustain myself. I also live an a moderately economically depressed region where jobs are hard to come by. I cannot afford to "pony up" all of the extra money I'm bringing in through business found via the internet to internet companies, or advertising firms or newspapers whose track records over the last FORTY years are as unreliable and falsified as Putin's claims of self-determination the Eastern Ukraine or Ahmadinejad's claims that the Holocaust never happened.
—Craig Simons, Nooksack, WA

Reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Erik Larsen, Johnson City, TN

Dear FCC, It is very important that you guard Net Neutrality for now and for forgeable future. Internet is still a very new mode of information transmission and taking the Net Neutrality will cause demise of the egalitarian net access and transmission. It is also very vital for entrepreneurial startup since the cost is low; however, taking Net Neutrality away will greatly disadvantage startups. Taking Net Neutrality away will also hinder the ability of free expression. I urge you to please keep Net Neutrality as a basic need for our society. Thank you.
—Reza Chowdhury, Columbia, MD

The telecommunications cartel cannot bevallowed carte blanche to charge whatever they want while at the same time throttling traffic to and from competitors. The Internet must be relayed asa public utility.
—Rhonda K McDougall, Vancouver, WA

The great thing about the inter-net is there being open access to information. The lack of filtering is a great strength and with the cable companies and internet providers using the technology to filter and everyone pays more for less, and less. Unless you are big bucks corporation and have the power to who gets on the inter-net and who doesn't. The slippery slope is grease with greed, and being a common carrier the regulation is about access to all, and every one has a connection.
—Ted Liljeholm, Portland, OR

Net Neutrality is the only way to keep all content on a level playing field. Not having Net Neutrality would once again put consumers at a disadvantage. It would favor those companies with enough big bucks to put smaller sites at a speed disadvantage, resulting in a supreme disservice to the consumer.
—Lisa Eisenberg, Salt Lake City, UT

The internet is wonderful. It has given me and others the ability to do marvelous things. Net Neutrality goes hand-in-hand with the wonders that the internet gives us. The internet provides us with wonderful opportunities to meet and interact with people from all over the world. I've talked to people from other parts of the U.S. and from other countries as well. It has been fun learning about how different cultures do things. It has been fun making new friends as well. The internet has provided many artists an outlet to share their work and make their name known. Musicians have utilized YouTube. Physical artists have utilized deviantART. They can display their works through sites like those, and then connect with and meet fans through social networking sites like Twitter, Instagram, and Facebook. The internet provides people access to knowledge of various kinds. For example, I love language. There are a lot of different sites that help people master languages that they are learning. I have utilized many that have helped me to grasp difficult grammatical concepts and confusing vocabulary of foreign languages. Speaking of language, people are able to look up on the internet things that help them with their native language as well. It is easy for people to look up grammar questions and find quick answers that help them succeed in writing and speaking their language. I have also found it nice to be able to do a quick search to find local movie theater showtimes, the length of a movie, the open hours of a restaurant, or even some unique things like the feeding habits of boars. (I actually needed to look that up recently for a novel that I'm writing. The internet made it easy for me to find the info that I needed and get back to cranking out those words in my book.) The internet has always been free, and I believe that it should remain free: Because it connected those two strangers in American and the UK. Because it helped that artist to make a career out of what she love. Because it helped that student write an essay for school by providing the information that he needed grammatically and factually. Because it helped that couple plan their movie and dinner date night. Because it helped that man learn to speak French. Because it helped that woman learn how to use her smartphone. Net Neutrality is important to me because, in this day and age, the internet is how we connect with the world and learn things. It's a resource that has been made available to anyone with a computer or smartphone with no discrimination because of lack of money. I have had as much access to the internet as the wealthy businessman and the single mom living paycheck by paycheck. Net Neutrality is important and should be reserved.
—Ryan Robidoux, Columbia, SC

This is an outrage! Internet providers can not tell us what we can and can not do or site we can visit. Talk about total control!
—Jennifer graves, Sacramento, CA

Hello. I’m writing you to express my disapproval with the new “Net Neutrality” proposed by the FCC, 15 May 2014. Neutrality is defined as state of not supporting either side. So why is this proposal giving ISPs more control of my internet? You are effectively segregating the population between rich and poor. If you want internet to be neutral then classify ISPs as telecom carriers under Title II of the Communications Act.
—Jason Baldwin, Alamogordo, NM

Your rush to clamp down on Freedom and institute a new Police State of America will backfire.
—Eli Dumitru, Medford, OR

The proposed FCC rules are abhorrent and make no sense. Free speech and the health of our society hangs in the balance. I demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Johan Rindegard, Sunnyvale, CA

Net Neutrality is important because I can look up many thing quickly without leaving my home. I can get the latest on a new story. My grandchildren can get home work help. I and many others have used the Internet to educate ourselves about many subjects easily using the Internet.
—Rosa Parris, Bronx, NY

Net neutrality must be maintained. All of us should have equal access to the internet. It should never be compromised by giving big businesses and monied access a louder voice that will drown out the small businesses that are the backbone that made this of country what it is. We have allowed company interests to monopolize our country and if net neutrality is not kept it will be another nail in the coffin of the battles this country is losing to the power of the few with no moral scruples about anything except making more money. We need to draw the line now and stop this madness.
—Steven C Kniss, Palm Beach Gardens, FL

I turn to a variety of sites and sources for my news, my cultural information and my work. As a working parent, time is of the essence. If some sites become slower than others it will, without a doubt, direct more traffic to faster sites, and this will give information on the faster sites an advantage. All the information on the internet should be equal. Money already determines what people learn and see on tv - the internet is the necessary counter to the flood of money on television.
—Linsay Firman, Brooklyn, NY

Please grant the Net Neutrality! It is important to me for my personal freedom of communication! No two tired Internet!
—Tuncay, München,

Without net neutrality, there is no internet. We cannot see our internet to die. Save net neutrality.
—Badar Jamal, Lahore,

Please stop. Please. You know it's wrong for your constituents. It's wrong for the world. This could seriously start another dark age for humanity.
—Matthew dark, Mountain Mesa, CA

Reclassify ISP's as common carriers, that way EVERYONE can have fair and unrestricted access to the net, not just those that can afford it. The net was created neutral and it needs to STAY neutral!
—Pat Brunson, Las Vegas, NV

The FCC's proposed rules benefit no one except the large internet companies and could potentially allow large web-based companies to buy faster internet speeds for there sites and then increase prices that there customers must pay, in addition to multiple other issues that the internet service providers could take advantage of for their own benefit. I therefore am strongly against the proposed rules and think it would severely hamper net neutrality.
—Tate Demaray, Camp Pendleton, CA

I do not think it is the right of big businesses to get in the way of how the Internet is controlled. Paying ISPs to "promote" their companies to consumers by use of an internet "fast lane" is not fair to smaller businesses trying to compete with them. I urge you to reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Amanda Zehner, Athens, GA

Do not destroy the Internet by selling out to multibillion dollar enterprises. It is too important to all 300 million Americans.
—Christopher Finta, Honolulu, HI

Net Neutrality is of the utmost importance to me and everyone else. Save America and our freedom of speech.
—Jeannie Lovell, Phoenix, AZ

even if im not in your country, i believe in net neutrality. aside from pay for convenience being unfair, i think that foreign users would slowly stop going to websites that have not paid, slowly killing them therefore forcing smaller website owners to pay unnecessarily.my favorite web sites don't belong to large companies but are originally from america. please don't be pushovers who do what money tells them to and keep net neutrality alive.
—Panayoti, athens,

net neutrality is vital to a free and equal internet...what wheeler's plan would do is to discriminate so that people who could pay for the fast connection would get it and others who don't want to pay the high speed would get slow speed internet. Internet providers would also be able to discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. this is not net neutrality and should not happen! Throw out FCC rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This would protect net neutrality.
—Tlaloc Tokuda, kailua kona, HI

My Hobby
—Saydur Rahman, sylhet,

All surveys on net neutrality show that the overwhelming majority of people and businesses, including Microsoft, Google etc, want net neutrality to remain. Removing it would benefit a small minority and the overwhelming majority would face a reduced service or greater cost, this is not fair or democratic. Net neutrality should be kept.
—Iain Moodie, Sheffield,

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Net Neutrality won't lead anywhere enlightening or creative, think of what will be sacrificed if the TCC bows to Tom Wheeler's whims.
—Lauren Rothman, West Hollywood, CA

First off a fast lane i and a slow lane is propositus. If you have paid internet you have to take the bandwidth from somewhere. (E.g. the slow lane.) Second, this would discriminate against companies that don't have the deep pockets to pay for this type access. Next, instead of forcing companies to upgrade their infrastructure to keep competitive, bandwidth management would be their goal. It's bad enough that there only 2 broadband providers where I live, but to never to have infrastructure to grow to keep up with newer technology or new population demands? There is no other way but to reject these rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Michael Joseph Gaul II, Northglenn, CO

I know many fellow artists and small business owners who rely on the internet as their way of sharing their work and seeking to make a living. If big corporations are given the power to determine what content is available at faster speeds, they also have the ability to take into their hands the success of many small buisness' and artists. I put NO faith in large corporations to respect and stand up for the little "guy" ...and I ask you to be the one to say, "Yes, we will make sure the internet remains a fair and free service for ALL!" Please do what is best for EVERYONE that calls this country home! (Not just those who can pay extra.) Thank you from all of us out here who are just trying to share our work and make a fair living!
—Mary Ruth Kamp, Kidron, OH

for a better world
—Uwe Thomas, berlin,

Democracy rests upon a well-informed citizenry. As the Internet is critical for the free-flow of information, it is imperative that we allow no corporation or group of corporations to impede ready, universal, and uniform access to its content, including the creation of slow versus fast information lanes.
—Glen Wallick, Gaithersburg, MD

The proposed rules give monopoly power to ISPs. This would be unacceptable.
—William Christiaanse, Westport, CT

Keep it free
—Gloria Love, Central, SC

Net Neutrality matters because it was the biggest driver in creating new business and hence it created alot of jobs. End net neutrality and only big established companies will rule the internet and a no new jobs will be created. Furthermore billions of people have access to the internet but the USA has the biggest influence on the internet. Therefore the USA has the highest responsibility for a technique that is important for freedom of expression, especially in countries where this freedom is not guaranteed, moreover to spread news (not only to generate profit) who are not manipulated by governments. It helps millions of people to get information and education who otherwise can not get these. The internet is too important for the whole human society to let some companies decide about it! It needs to be neutral by any means!
—Christoph Mußmann, Cottbus,

Without Net Neutralty I cannot afford it.
—Ms. Alberta Sabin, Chelsea, MI

like voting, the internet allows for a level playing field where any and every idea has as much weight as an individual chooses to give it. Allowing big companies to decide what we see and how long it takes to access information they don't profit from ruins this platform...a platform that has launched countless innovations and social movements. We can not afford to loose that.
—Christopher Maiurro, Long Island City, NY

The internet is extremely important to me for both personal and work purposes. First it is very affordable given that It provides an invaluable research tool, provides limitless opportunities for education, social contact, entertainment, and a vehicle for communication with anyone, anywhere in the world. For the sake of our present as well as future generations, please maintain net neutrality and have all ISPs reclassified as common carriers. Thank you.
—Simon Castillo Jr, San Antonio, TX

This is important to maintain Democracy and freedom of speech. You must protect this for us and future generations!
—Beverly Gould, Brooklyn, NY

It's a terrible thing when our democracy is co-opted by oligarchs and giant corporations, bur it's even worse when the FCC, which is supposed to be looking out for the interests of the people, deliberately sets out to give away our rights to freedom of information and freedom of expression to the highest bidder. I especially fear for education and research if you murder net neutrality. Take it back and do your duty as a guardian and defender of the people. We already have a two tier justice system and a two tier voting system and a two tier health system. This is your opportunity to stop the slide. Thank you.
—Diane Fails, Fremont, OH

The President promised
—Robin C Newquist, PASADENA, CA

No one should have a preference over another person simply because they have more money!! We are all equal under the eyes of God!!
—Edna Brown, Cordoba,

Should be open to all not just for wealthy companies.
—Keith Rycroft, Chester,

I work from home and depend on high speed internet to do my job. If I have to pay outrageous price for better service, my company may not be willing to pay for it. I would lose my job or be force to drive 3 hrs per day to nearest office. I'm tired of being gouged by companies who are already making mega bucks and get out of paying their share of taxes
—Amy, Wooster, OH

Please dont allow discrimination in internet usage
—Nijith B Nair, Ernakulam,

This is the only area that has true freedom of speech. You can speak your "opinion" and find resources free of regulation. The FCC has already damaged the businesses of Television, terrestrial radio, and the music by deregulations of standards in those industries, and the censorships of certain topics and words discussed. So because of this action, entrepreneurs have found the internet as the new source of innovation. It has obviously taken notice over the years, as the consumer has ended business with mainstream and migrated to this new tech. And now big business are threatened by it as they see they're precious 8 to 9 figure profits shrink, and want to give they're money to the FCC to funnel out the new businesses that depend on the internet so they can regain monopolizing the competition. I say no. These businesses have no right to control us citizens what our quality of product is, and cannot force us to make themselves the only provider. And the FCC does not need to be briebed by the corporate cash. FCC..... get your god dam hands off our internet!
—Adrian Houston, moorpark, CA

The internet as a free and open source of information should remain that way, and not be tilted toward the same entities that control our elections.
—Jeremy Evanchesky, Lakeland, FL

I feel that the internet, as it was created, is to be used as is. We shouldn't have to suffer from ISPs growing larger and imposing more fees for basic daily uses. We pay a monthly fee for ALL the internet, as it is. Please do not allow an ISP to determine what we can and cannot see, based off of their ideals, and bank accounts. Please keep REAL net neutrality.
—Robert Frateschi, Syracuse, NY

I believe free speech and open communications are essential for democracy. Pricing people out of the game is Fascist.
—Jack Smith, Seattle, WA

because everyone has the right to go on internet if this law passes that statement will no longer be true
—Noah Vanhalteren, omemee,

Net neutrality is essential for a open and free Internet. Do not let corporatians have full power over it, you will kill the Internet as we know it, and dare I to remind you that by doing this you are messing with the entire world.
—Mikael Eilertsen, harstad,

The internet is and has always been a place to research and learn about things never taught n school. It is source of communication around the world. It is glowing example of free speech, whether we agree or not. Do not take away this ability away from many of having these things by choking it off in a 2-tiered system. Please keep an open Internet with net neutrality.
—Debra L. Cox, Newark, DE

throw out the rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.Protect real Net Neutrality.
—Ralph Calabria, Cold Spring, MN

The greedy corporations and industries are steadily robbing the human citizens of our nation's assets and wealth, and are controlling all of our communications. We are becoming slaves to the oligarchs!
—Mike Testa, Raleigh, NC

The Net is where I learn, read, get unbiased news, shop, communicate with friends and family world-wide, and play. Please don't give that away to big giant media who will control even more than they do now. What ever happened to fair competition?
—Beryl, Arcata, CA

I am not wealthy and cannot afford pay as I go internet. I pay plenty right now just for access to it.
—Patricia Fuller, Canton, IL

Information is critical in a democracy. Net neutrality is necessary for ALL people to have access to information.
—Bg Kenley, Mechanicsville, VA

I do not want to be relegated to a slower internet connection. Just because this started under the previous chairman, you can change it. You have ability to do so, so everybody gets the same.
—Katherine Tweedale, Eastpointe, MI

I am dirt poor, but don't like being controlled.
—Robert Kames, Kalamazoo, MI

Why are you doing this? This is America and YOU are letting BIG corporations destroy it!
—John Zimmermann, Fort Lauderdale, FL

The internet is a public utility bought and paid for by the American people. President Obama needs to act immediately to secure the internet for everyone .. Not just the rich and powerful. It takes only Obama word to the FCC to make this happen. If he does not, he will go down in history as the president who handed over the internet to the highest bidder. Very very disappointed in Obama . Once an enthusiastic supporter but now disheartened and sad.
—Dane LANCASTER, Novato, CA

I think it's quite obvious why. Just read what the majority have said.
—Randy Eckardt, Ocean View, HI

The Internet must be free and open for all of us.
—Nancy Mueller, Chapel Hill, NC

Privacy is our right and you have NO right to take it away from us. If this bill is pushed through it shouldn't only be "the people" that are monitored, YOUR life should be invaded as well, after all all corporations are a living entity.
—Ashley Kennis, Sault Ste Marie,

Net neutrality is important because its the only completely democratic way for people to express themselves in.
—Erik Granelv, Stockholm,

The internet is a conduit for information and communication, and, as such, should be classified as a public utility. We cannot allow corporations to regulate the flow of information based on how much the source of that information has paid them. This would effectively silence any source whose information was critical of the corporation in question, or contrary to its policies and goals. This is rapidly becoming a First Amendment issue, where truly free internet speech will no longer be possible.
—Wendy Battle, Dallas, TX

Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Mary Stookey, cincy, OH

Ideas not bucks need to rule the internet.
—Mark Wahl, Langley, WA

Liberty!
—David Eppelsheimer Sr., Wauwatosa, WI

ISP's should remain neutral providers of internet access. These monopolies already throttle the internet for profit, enough already.
—James G Whitehead, Mount Clemens, MI

All Citizens should ENJOY AMERICAN RIGHTS!
—Billy Hamilton, Granbury, TX

Net neutrality is one of the most important things for me that's connected to humanity and population! Everybody should have equal rights, and that's true for the internet equality (neutrality) too! I don't want any company or man to have better priority or access if he pays more, that's just not fair, not equal. Please, we already said a lot of times, WE WANT TRUE NET NEUTRALITY.
—Nagy-Kristófi Dániel, Oradea,

If a news agency shows something that it's sponsors don't like, you get a media blackout. If a website isn't deemed worthy of equal access (to or from it's patrons) and has it's bandwidth throttled, it's akin to censorship.
—Chris Dozier, Prescott, AZ

Please keep the internet and all its related services free from censorship and draconian control by special interest groups and other businesses that only care for profit over what is in the best interest of the people of the entire world. The internet is the worlds most powerful and important collaborative tool that humanity has created to date, if you destroy the neutrality that allows access to all equally, you will take from everyone. Who knows when or where the next Nelson Mandela, Johaan Sebastian Bach or other creative or philosophical genious may arise? If you allow corporations to control the internet, sharing and the free exchange of ideas will be stifled simply because any one company in control will be able to lock, delete or block ANYTHING said or done. This is an important moment in history. Don't let the people of the future have to look back on this moment and proclaim we had and lost our chance to make the internet a truly free place for all people to share and exchange their ideas freely, without fear of deletion or reprisal.
—Shannon E Bentley, Jefferson City, MO

I want to decide what websites I have good access to. I do not want my ISP deciding for me. Or giant companies creating monopolies by having an a financial advantage so they can buy faster access putting smaller companies at a huge disadvantage. It is already hard enough for small companies to compete against the wealth of large companies.
—Christopher J. M. Hodges, Atlanta, GA

Internet activism is one of the few powerful tools the middle class has left against the monied interests. With the 5 Right Wing Supreme Court whores destroying our political system through rampant dark money, we need an equal ability to influence public policy through internet activism. Destroying Net Neutrality will destroy that activism and be the last nail in the coffin for democracy in America. Just learn to say No to the bastards flashing the big rolls of money.
—Harry and Jill Brownfield, Newport, PA

It is important to have a level playing field. It should not be whomever pays the most. That is not neutral.
—Patricia Doyle, burr ridge, IL

I believe in freedom of speech for individual citizens that should be favored over corporate media and power. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Kent Homesley, Greenville, SC

We must make access to fast internet available to everyone in the USA. We don't have that yet, and to give advantage to high paying corporations would strangle citizen access.
—Elizabeth Barger, Summertown, TN

The FCC's proposed Internet rules are out —and they're terrible. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Mario E. Castillo, Los Angeles, CA

The internet has to remain as it is - free access to all the information that's out there, and not jus the information that comes from big companies.
—Yonathan Zarkovian, Holon,

Regulating my ability to search for information and intellectual propertyis not an act of freedom.
—Chris Callahan, Bozeman, MT

Please throw out this silly rubbish rule. Leave the internet as it is. Service providers are already greedy enough and you all are putting fuel to the fire. Wake up, leave the internet aside from greed.
—Brazil D Uluwita, Long Beach, CA

Net Neutrality is one of the rare remaining platforms of equality and egalitarian function. Comcast already dictates to its 'customers' way too much, overcharges, arbitrarily cuts off services, lies about charges and then says, "We have to make a profit." when confronted about the latest lie.
—Ria Tanz Kubota, El Sobrante, CA

I will not and cannot tolerate your attempt to create a social caste system by perverting our freedom of information. The public says no.
—Brian Vincent, Maspeth, NY

its time to stop the monopolys taking place in the internet. isps should be common carriers and we need net neutrality
—Jerry Vanalstyne, gloversville, NY

To lack internet access today is to be precluded from participation in the world. Internet has become so integral to our lives that it can no longer be considered a luxury or privilege; it is a right. If we allow providers to manipulate internet service, we exasurbate the inequality that is already far too pernicious in American society.
—AE Chipkin, Bethesda, MD

We are all equal and should be treated as such.
—Shirley M. Ross, El Dorado, CA

I believe that what people want is to be able to access all websites at a good speed. If tier speed programs are put in place, I want something that will guarantee, even the lowest of these tiers operate at high speeds. In other words, a minimum internet speed limit.
—Raymond Huang, Naperville, IL

I feel net neutrality is free speech
—Candee Wadsworth, Syracuse, NY

Because we're not a totalitarian country. Everyone deserves to be able to have any type of information whenever they want it. Isn't that what our freedom constitutional right consist of?
—Melissa Rizo, Los Angeles, CA

The free and open internet is a key extension of America's commitment to personal liberty. Killing net neutrality would take away power away from the people and place it into the hands of large corporations. I urge you to protect net neutrality and, by it, the liberties of the American people.
—Daniel Perlmutter, San Jose, CA

Net Neutrality, with one price for all, serves better to build the overall economy --ultimately much more so-- than the exclusionary, user-discouraging two-tiered internet being proposed by the FCC . As it functions now and has historically, the internet (broadband) serves us all as a utility and should be treated as such!
—Charlotte Trolinger, Boulder, MT

Net Neutrality is important to me because I believe a truly open internet is the greatest invention of our time. The ability to access information and content as you desire whether it be video lectures from Harvard or reruns of house wives of some city or another. It leads to a fair environment for everyone and encourages competition where the focus is on service and quality which benefits consumers. Most importantly though is that it protects free speech. Allowing companies to start regulating access to information is one more step closer to a facist state for this country. Fascism as quoted by Mussolini should more appropriately be called Corporatism because it is a merger of State and corporate power. With recent supreme court rulings allowing companies and their owners free reign to use money to influence politics, we have moved one step closer to corporations controlling the state. Allowing for fast lanes or other such options that circumvent true net neutrality, you're giving companies one more means of influencing information flow and exerting corporate pressure. How easy it would be for an ISP to decide a liberal based media site uses too much bandwidth and customer who want access will have to pay an extra $3 each month, slowly choking out their voice or offer up faster speeds to a liberal site on the other side of the coin making their content much easier to access creating a preference in consumers over time. This type of bar onf free speech is unacceptable and to give companies the power to do so is unconscionable. Time over time we have seen that industries cannot be trusted to act fairly or in the publics best interest, don't allow ISPs to become the next chapter in that book.
—Brendan Loughrige, Elgin, IL

The internet belongs to everyone. Letting it fall victim to corporations would be a huge disaster.
—Hugo Zink, Dordrecht, FL

By restricting the ability of the majority of Americans to communicate effectively with each other, you have shown yourself to be unwilling to do this job that you have accepted. Your actions and inactions regarding this and related matters have been, are being and will be remembered by all of us who will live in the world that you are shaping with your decisions right now. We are all in this together.
—Sam Inabinet, Virginia Beach, VA

the noose is getting tighter and tighter for stopping freedom of expression in the USA.
—Marie Schmid, weehawken, NJ

Reclassify ISP's as common carriers!
—Liz Hourican, phoenix, AZ

The Internet is a needed public resource
—Alex Tracy-D'Unger, Chicopee, MA

It s important to keep the internet open to all, but especially to tose new, young and upcoming independent voices.
—Jean L. Corcoran, Tarpon Springs, FL

Stop making everything a money bank. The internet is for funny cat videos, not monopolies!
—Morgan Baker, Kensington, MD

I use the Internet every day, and I know how lousy it is when Comcast screws up, which is frequently. I don't like it when my access is slowed down significantly, and I am quite sure that is what will happen if they can sell fast access to some.
—Emily Willoughby, Tukwila, WA

It should be the people's internet. In exchange for using the people's airwaves and public utility right of way in order to make a profit the corporations should be forced to keep the net nuetral.
—Michael Tuohy, suffern, NY

We need to protect free press for all peoples. This is a constitutional issue! I want to be fully informed on all issues in our country and the world!
—JoAnn Smith, Valley Village, CA

I want the idea of a "dumb" internet to persist so large corporations shouldn't screw with a fair system
—Ari Rieganu, Fremont, CA

It is an extension of the ongoing erosion of my civil rights being redefined in favor of corporate America and the extremely wealthy class, not only being supported by my tax dollars through subsidies and the like, but enhanced by them.
—Robert Kleyweg, West Jordan, UT

The FCC should protect net neutrality and not let big corporations dominate the Internet. We have a right to hear everyone's voice and receive service at the same speed. Net neutrality is important for innovation and democracy. Tom Wheeler should work for the people and not for large corporations!
—Janet Davis, Madison, WI

At this stage, the internet is the vehicle left for the preservation of democracy. Citizens United has destroyed all the other safeguards. Obama's presidency will already be remembered as the period of greatest assault on America's constitutional democracy. But that can be blamed on the Supreme court. If you don't protect the internet, he will become the president - and you the FCC Chair that gave the Constitution away.
—Andrea Swift, Astoria, NY

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan is a type of discrimination towards people & small businesses that can't afford to pay more. This could be devastating to some of the smaller companies! Please throw out these plans and keep true Net Neutrality. It is the only thing that is fair for EVERYONE!
—Heather E Greene, Phoenix, AZ

The information superhighway does not resemble an actual superhighway with fast and slow lanes. At this point there is no evidence that having internet users are suffering slow website retrieval times, even though the number of sites continue to multiply. Allowing a few providers faster hookups will only complicate the efforts of alternative sites to connect with interested customers. That, in turn, will reduce the overall democratic nature of the Net. It could dis-empower the general public. Not fair and not democratic. It would restrict how the Net continues to develop and channel future developments into traffic lanes the government or corporate megalopolies want the public to travel. Very odious. I don't think our Founding Fathers would approve one bit.
—Stephen Henning, Beachwood, OH

This is a basic communication freedom...let's keep it
—Dr. HH H. James, Durango, CO

I am disabled and do not receive enough money to keep pumping money to my cable bill. I use my smartphone to help ease my pain while at the doctors office and some times that means watching a video. I am already paying more money for my cable and phone bill than that of my bills , gas and food. I think that is ridiculous. There is absolutely no competition in Cable. I would like to have a lower priced cable service that my neighbors have but because of my zip code I am not allowed that company. So how does competition help with addressing this issue. How does allowing for price increase help disabled or those who are on fixed income enjoy the same rewards of the internet. You are basically saying the poor, elderly, and disabled should not be treated with respect and the same as those who have too much money. Who cares about us, DO YOU?
—Mr. Reynold Alberti, Temecula, CA

I urge you to fully protect net neutrality. It is the only way to ensure full participation of the public in electronic communication. This is a public right, as our taxpayer dollars paid for the development of the internet, and corporations should not have the ability to limit our access to information.
—Jane Yater, Austin, TX

It is important that everyone has equal access at equal speed. All "men" are created equal, right?
—Nancy S Diehl, San Antonio, TX

The internet should not be income or demographically priced or served. All people should receive the same service.
—Martha Dragovich, Martinez, CA

ISPs should not be allowed to control access to content they do not own. The internet is an infrastructure of its own, and the sum of an ISP's work should be to provide access to it. This process should not involve cutting the world's largest readily accessible database into little pieces. That would be a tragedy.
—Jeremy Stubbs, Atlanta, GA

We live in a free country and should have a choice!
—Chandra Sigmund, Austin, TX

The web is an open, democratizing platform. It is a public resource that deserves protection.
—Tom Rogers, Minneapolis, MN

Keep freedom of speech free!!! Don't hand it over to the corporate fascists!!!!!
—john G, Louisville, KY

True Net Neutrality means an equal playing field for everyone.
—Maryann LaNew, San Clemente, CA

Please save net neutrality it is the American way
—Santha Locklear, GREER, SC

The internet is a public good. Public goods are not to be sold to the highest bidder leaving inferior service for the rest. Keep it open, keep it equal. I am a citizen, not a lobbyist. My voice is just that, of a citizen, not a lobbyist's representing Comcast or Verizon, AT&T or Time Warner whose interest are to make the most money and not serve the people
—Rebecca Schildkret, Somerville, MA

At this point in time, the Internet is effectively a untility due to its importance to conduct basic activities in daily life. Classification as a common carrier is the proper way to treat this utility. Particularly when the phone carriers who supply Internet connectivity are trying to dump their POTS obligations and move phone service to and IP/Internet based system. Prove for once that you work for the citizens and not corporate interests.
—David Waratuke, Round Lake Beach, IL

Keep the internet FREE !
—Bronnie Meadows, Livingston, TN

As a public health professional, I am outraged by the proposed FCC plan. A healthy pubic requires healthy public policy and a healthy democracy. Access to information is key. Let's NOT vote in favor of expanding inequalities in this country. FCC, please toss out your rules, and instead reclassify ISPs as common characters.
—Julie Beschta, Seattle, WA

That was as it was conceived, and why it has developed so much. Losing it, at the end of the day, would be a loss for everybody.
—Marta Gazquez, la Vall d'Uixó,

Net neutrality provides equal opportunity to access education. Businesses shouldn't be allowed to meddle in that access - we should be able to learn and research without that online content being bogged down by not being able to pay fees. And online content creators like web cartoonists shouldn't have to pay more to give their content to readers. Right now the open sharing of the internet promotes creativity and the sharing of culture. Businesses will kill that, and it will be a great loss for everyone. I depend on Net Neutrality for my growth as a person through learning and art, and I demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Nicole Ryan, Mesa, AZ

The internet should have equal access regardless of your income.
—Marcia Annenberg, New York, NY

I don't use JUST "fast lanes" that my ISP wants me to - I roam the Internet, both personally and for business. What Big Telco wants stifles free expression and innovation!
—Timothy Liebe, Syracuse, NY

This was promised by President Obama. I live in a semi-rural area with few options for internet service. I DO NOT want a two-tiered internet. Once again the wealthy will have an advantage if this happens.
—Jane A Roberts, Delavan, WI

This country is based upon the principle of equality. Net neutrality is the application of that principle. Do it!
—Richard Croner, Houston, TX

The FCC should reclassify the internet as a telecommunications service. After all, phone companies cannot control what you say over the phone, and internet service providers should not be allowed to have separate fast lanes for websites that can pay and slow lanes for websites that can't. Chairman Tom Wheeler's proposal to allow a two-tiered system is unacceptable. It is not just ordinary people like me who think this way. Some big corporations like Google, Facebook, Amazon, Twitter, LinkedIn, and Netflix agree. Net neutrality is so important that groups that disagree on most issues agree on the importance of net neutrality, like MoveOn and the Christian Coalition.
—Michael Aaron Karsh, Martinez, CA

A 2 tiered internet, would increase the rate of start up companies by skewering the market to existing companies. This would reduce competition, reduce innovation and increase prices. It would also limit freedom of information, as the only timely information would be from the rich and powerful.
—David Kronheim, K of P, PA

Net neutrality is important to me become I think that the ability to share information should be open and free. Adding a fast lane to the service known as the internet would give bandwidth priority to large companies who have money to pay for it. This would make it harder for people to ever have that opportunity because this would give those companies so much more power. It would make it hard to compete with those companies that can afford it.
—Noah Muller, North Vancouver,

It should be considered a Public Utility. It is a integral part of the social and economic life of all Americans.
—Howard Woolley Iii, Melbourne, FL

Giving a fast lane Internet to those who have the money is completely contrary to what makes the Internet so successful. It is the most important social technology on the planet and more. Don't corrupt it with businesses ideas for making more money. I feel very strongly about this.
—Roland Cruse, orlando, FL

It's critical to have a voice in our society.
—Ellisha wright, Portland, OR

net neutrality
—James T Smith, laguna beach, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me because it is currently held in common by all the people who use it. We should not fence in the commons to allow only rich companies access to its services. Such an action would effectively shut normal people out of the most important information highway of our time. We would only see websites promoted by rich companies, and minority opinions might never see the light of day. This is dangerous for democracy. At the time of our revolution, newspapers and pamphlets were published and distributed by many different sources. Individuals could easily share their ideas with a wide audience - including Thomas Paine and his Common Sense. The practice of ordinary individuals able to print and share ideas is the cornerstone of democracy. Today, instead of pamphlet writing, we use blog writing. Do not kill Net Neutrality that allows modern individuals to uphold democracy which is so important to our country.
—Aimee Polekoff, Lansdale, PA

America needs a more open Internet, one which more people have access to, not a two-tiered one which makes it harder for people to access the information and services that they need and want.
—Lorena Wolfe, Rialto, CA

The internet is a sacred place and people will fight to the end to protect it. They will hack servers take down websites and fight back. We love what we have and people don't want regulations of any sort
—Alexander Talbott, Folsom, CA

I use the internet to stay informed on politics and world events.
—Glenna Draffen, Montgomery, AL

this is just another corporate push to take control for profits. I pay for internet service and I want the whole product delivered to me without added cost or filtering by some company who just wants me to view what they choose to put in front of me.
—Tina Baker, kenmore, WA

Classify as common carriers!
—Cynthia Wood, Bolinas, CA

It is the only way we can express our opinion anymore...and Corporations don't want that.
—Ms. Ag Waring, Weed, CA

Everyone needs access to the internet!
—Judith Max, Philadelphia, PA

Look up the Sherman Anti Trust Act and you`ll understand my concerns.
—Tom Rose, Portland, IN

Please through out your proposed rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is how they should have been classified in the first place. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—John Hartman, Tulsa, OK

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—Roseanne Hartman, Tulsa, OK

Please do away with the old rules and reclassifyI SPs as common carriers. Everyone can have a fair share at a better rate not only those who can affoed higher payments.
—Marguerite Desir, New Yotk, NY

Please through out your proposed rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is how they should have been classified in the first place. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Nicholas Hartman, Tulsa, OK

The rich have taken over our country. We are well on the way to becoming a third class country. Stop supporting the rich. Keep everyone equal!
—sylvia richey, Fort Myers, FL

The Internet is where our future is created. Discrimination is something that belongs in history books. Don't let it get in the way of progress!
—Viktor Denisov, Newark, DE

Access to the Internet should be treated as a human right in this day and age. Keep the Internet open and place no restrictions in any form.
—Rose Bostaph, santa rosa, CA

FREE INTERNET FOR ALL
—Piero Zoro, Houston, TX

I have a solo legal practice and depend a lot on my website and internet presence for adverts. My website will likely never get traffic without net neutrality.
—Gigi- Penn, Olympia, WA

My job is to facilitate the flow of business across cultures. Most of my work is with SMEs. This move by the FCC puts me and my clients, who are the lifeblood of commerce, at a disadvantage. They're not playing in the same league as the corporations that will benefit from this move. You are undermining the very foundation of global commerce with this foolish move, and if you choose to proceed I predict the blowback will far exceed your expectations.
—Bill Watson, Kelston,

Dear FCC: I count on the Internet for my online teacher licensing classes, and for communication and entertainment. I am low income and cannot afford faster Internet, even though I would like it. I pay $60 plus taxes and fees monthly for 25 mbps Internet and a land line; I do not have a cell phone or cable service.. Please develop new rules to protect the majority of Americans who are nor rich and who are losing help, protections, and financial ground daily. Please reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers. They, in fact, are. Please protect net neutrality and the American consumer. Yours truly, Karen T. Kane
—Karen Kane, Roslindale, MA

A fair and open internet is vital to democracy. Net neutrality supports that.
—Julie Walker, Tigard, OR

Please reconsider your current plan to allow internet service providers to charge more for better and faster service. As an individual, I can't afford to pay the kinds of fees that big businesses can, and neither can the small business that I work for. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Please support an open internet for everyone, and not just those who can pay for it.
—Christine Nafalski, Haskell, NJ

The internet needs to be open and tier free.
—Linda Maimone, Cincinnati, OH

To ensure net neutrality is to stop the stealth of a future for our children far less cruel
—Ian Daniel, Cairns,

I like the internet the way it is.
—Kat Van Sice, Annapolis, MD

A nondiscriminatory internet means nondiscriminatory information is accessible to all people; it is crucial that this be protected
—Rebecca McGehee, Seattle, WA

Net neutrality means to me, freedom of speech and access to information, both of which are hugely important to me when researching. Please keep the internet free and accessible to everyone in the world, without discriminating based on what they can pay. It was created for everybody, and nobody should ever 'own' it. Please, please protect this incredible vehicle of free speech, community and commerce, thank you!
—Susan Barnacle, London,

Just don't muck with our freedoms please.
—David James, Auckland,

I have basic needs and I don't have enough finance to support something as unnecessary as this.
—Michael Denbrook, St.george,

If this plan goes through, we would have "the one percent" problem in yet another area of our society - an important part of our society that is only going to get more important. And it only works if its freedom is preserved. /You wouldn't segregate us in real life. Don't do it online./
—Todd Olfert, Winnipeg,

The push is on to render those with less money less and less visible, less and less heard, less and less able to defend their rights and interests against those who have lots of money. So those with lots of money use some of it to keep changing legislation to further enrich and empower themselves at the expense of the less rich until . . . . Until what?
—John Young, San Benito, TX

The Internet has long been a place for the free exchange of ideas, and it has been a tool for democracy and equality from the Arab Spring to Ukraine's Euromaidan. An educated citizenry with free and equal access to every type of information is essential for the welfare of the country and its people.
—Matt Quarterman, Seattle, WA

Fuck this. We NEED Net Neutrality.
—Sakura Vesely, Martinez, CA

The internet has become a utility that everyone deserves equal access to. Content providers who happen to be given the rights to local internet pipelines should not be able to influence how those lines are used for their advantage.
—Gregory Breault, Simi Valley, CA

I am retired and have limited income and I cannot afford to spend extra money to be able to use the services that I now enjoy on the internet.
—Michael Lee, Bremerton, WA

please keep the net equal!
—John Bona, Enfield, CT

I want to go where I want and see what I want with no-one restricting my ability to get there by throttling back bandwith or blocking a web site entirely. The Internet will die if the cable TV business model is allowed. Technological innovation will suffer as well, as new startups will not have the money to buy access to the fast lane. The Internet is such an integral part of our society, it should be treated the same was as our power and water supplies.
—Mark Euclide, Two Rivers, WI

Net Neutrality is important to me and the rest of the country, and also the world because the internet is the most important database for everything that we use. If the internet was transformed into a systematic caste of who could pay and who could not pay, that would fundamentally rip citizens of their rights and put big business ahead of everything, a problem that the United States has had since the 1870's. Don't let that problem come back. Net Neutrality is an essential right for everyone in the world because it allows everyone to interact freely and avoid conflict. If this was taken away, we can surely expect conflict. Please protect Net Neutrality.
—Dominic Fikany, centennial, CO

Internet content creators need a level playing field for fair competition. Without net nutrality, some content creators could get unfair advantages by entering into deals with ISPs to make their content stream faster. This would mean they would be getting an advantage just from their speed, not the actual quality of the content they create. Treating all data equal facilitates the best content being made.
—Harrison Wynn, Mulvane, KS

The ISP tiered internet system threatens all internet traffic that touches a United States based system. This effects not only users within the U.S., but people from all over the world that utilized services hosted within U.S. boundaries. This issue expands beyond the scope of domestic rights; it will adversely impact the global economy.
—Jeffrey Sutorus, Baton Rouge, LA

Net neutrality matters because we need fair, open line of communication! The internet is fast becoming the easiest way to interact and for us to move forward via this form of communication it can not be discriminatory! If you kill net neutrality, you are also killing everyone's ability to use it. -and if you are sitting there, thinking that doesn't matter, then I suggest you look at all the natural disasters recently and consider the helpful part open Internet communication has played. Would you take that away?
—Bridget McNamara-Bates, Mt Victoria,

The oinkers are already getting a very large percent of folks money.
—Sheilagh Creighton, Fairfax, CA

FREE FAST INTERNET FOR ALL
—Piero Rendoni, Houston, TX

The net needs to remain democratic. Do not give corporations an unfair advantage. They will abuse it!
—Stephen Markel, Los Angeles, CA

The rescues I volunteer with which are all non profits would be decimated by this.
—Joanne Wagner, Madison, WI

The internet is the most important communications medium the world has. To allow for-profit entities to police what information takes a higher priority than others effectively means they decide what information is more important than others - effectively giving them free reign to censor and control information by allowing/denying others' access to it.
—Tim, North Olmsted, OH

Net neutrality is very important to the voting public.
—Barbara Wood, Punta Gorda, FL

Because the internet should be for everyone to enjoy freely.
—Mario A Valdez, Irvine, CA

Don't make changes to something,which isn't broken. Seriously reconsider the consequences of the FCC's pending changes, which aren't necessary.
—Nancy Yoksza, West Hartford, CT

The net is worthless if it isn't neutral.
—Larry D. Hols, Kansas City, KS

My small internet business is one of 4 of its type. There's only one major competitor that will easily kill any traffic to the rest of us 3 that aren't remotely as big. The loss of net neutrality will completely destroy competition for smaller sites like mine.
—Matthew Kernes, RESEDA, CA

I am a 27 year old graphic designer, and I am utterly heartbroken to hear that my generation's future is being sold for the short-term profit of a few, goliath internet service providers. We millennials are already inheriting a devastated environment, a crippling national debt, and a bankrupt social security system. Please don't force us into an artificially "two-tiered internet"—where information can only flow freely if comes through companies with deep enough pockets. The internet should have common carrier status. It has all the hallmarks of existing common carriers: We pay for how much electricity we use, not what our electricity is used for. We pay for the length of our phone calls, not for who we were talking to. Forty years from now, I'll pass down some form of the internet to my children and grandchildren. Please let me speak highly of Chairman Wheeler and the FCC's ultimate decision. Please let it be a net neutral internet.
—Jared Norby, Los Angeles, CA

my opinion, my likes, my money, my loves, my life and my data are just as important as the next user's. period. not supporting net neutrality is effectively negating this belief and weighting the importance of a user's data based solely upon how much more money they spend for their service. seems kind of silly when you consider that someone 'liking' a Facebook meme page could get prioritized over something much more important, like a final message to someone on their death bed, simply because they pay for priority. keep it even. my 1's and 0's have the same values as your 1's and 0's.
—Drew Moore, Charleston, SC

the internet, i see it as a haven for people to communicate and have fun in a free way, freedom for everyone regardless of background, race, sexual preference, and life
—Evan French, Palm Harbor, FL

Every one on the net should have an equal path, both the websites and the users.
—Barb Travis, Ewa Beach, HI

The Internet needs to remain a level playing field. Do not bend over to the backbone companies. They already have tiered use plans to cover themselves for different levels of usage. They will only continue to bite your ankles until you make it clear they cannot. Reclassify the Internet as a Carrier backbone. We pay $101 per month at the lowest speed level for access now and do not even have phone or TV over the Internet!
—Claude Hayn, Frederick, MD

Whether America gets to keep its internet open will have dramatic effects on the whole world since the internet is by its nature a global landscape. Please keep in mind that stifling innovation and hitting at the heart of the very thing that has made the internet the brilliant cultural force it is will not only have negative effects within the States. It would be a disaster globally.
—Dionysis Kapsalis, Thessaloniki,

The internet needs to be kept open and free!
—Nathanael Brown, Cedar Crest, NM

Give me net neutrality or give me death!
—Cactuspat Pat, Quincy, FL

Net Neutrality is the only fair and democratic way. There have been enough assaults on our freedoms.
—Mary Kay Pinnick, Walla Walla, WA

Net neutrality I'd important to me because I'm on a LIMITED income and can't afford all those fucking crap fees that ISPs charge the small people. The internet is my ONLY way to communicate with the outside world. It's how I get my groceries, pay my bills such as electric and internet and fuel. It's how I keep in contact with my family, friends and even my DOCTORS! Taking that away from the people like me who need it is MURDER!!!! It's how I get my meds delivered that are necessary for me to stay alive. It's how I manage my life despite my age. Taking that away will LITERALLY KILL me! Which is considered murder. I may not be the smartest or prettiest person in the world but I AM a fucking Person. A living, breathing HUMAN BEING! You know those people that you are SUPPOSED to PROTECT from all of those money hungry people in the world!! GET RID OF YOUR STUPID FUCKING RULES and RECLASSIFY the INTERNET to PROTECT IT and US!!!! Make it so that the little people that can't afford to pay OUTRAGEOUS fees are protected from big name ISPs. RECLASSIFY ISPs as COMMON CARRIERS!!! Don't fuck this up! Cause there WILL be HELL to pay if you don't reclassify those as*h*le ISPs! Do not become a serial killer cause that is what you will be if you don't take the PROPER Action and defend the people by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers and the internet as a communications thing to protect it.
—Tanya Hill, Orangeville, PA

Common sense says that the Internet is a tool for communication of ideas and as such the ISPs should be held under Title 2 and reclassified as common carriers. Let common sense reign.
—Jim Siderits, Rialto, CA

Freedom of information, whether it is on Tv, in books or on the internet, is an important piece in distinguishing this country as different than a country like lets say Soviet Russia. Once we have indirectly censored the internet will we be censoring TV programs and news reports? Maybe we will follow that up with some book burning parties. A building doesn't collapse all at once, it falls down one piece at a time. Once one part of the building's structural integrity fails then another one is sure to follow. Soon the entire building will come crashing down. You are part of the structure that holds this country and its freedoms upright. Don't fail on us.
—Nicholas Childers, Gastonia, NC

Competition is important in a democracy, and America used to stand for opportunity. As a small business owner who may be subjected to slower speeds because I don't have the dollars, I am outraged this is even a consideration. If you side with monopolization over competition and fair business practices, then please quit your job now and register as a lobbyist for the industry you came from and stop pretending to be working in the public's best interest when we know you clearly are not on our side - if you were, this would have been settled by a rule change months ago. Do the right thing.
—Ida M. DeLisi, Burnsville, MN

As an American, I believe Net Neutrality is essential for America because it promotes free speech and innovation. These rules would destroy our free speech rights and negativly affect innovation. Please give the People REAL Net Neutrality, the Internet is for the people, not for the ISPs.
—Nate Pressley, Howe, TX

Please keep net as neutral as possible!
—Lauren, Rockbridge, OH

The internet's innovation comes from two angles - increasing transmission speeds and the freedom of new companies to utilize those speeds for new products. Every potential loophole that distracts the infrastructure providers from investing in improving transmission speeds is bad - whether that distraction is in lobbying, in lawyers to find loopholes in regulations, or in technology that they can segment service and claim it is not creating a slow lane - it's bad for the end user. Any effort they put into creating their separate-but-equal fast lanes could and should be put into the basic service, moving the infrastructure companies out of the picking-winners-and-losers game and into providing quality service. We are falling farther behind Hong Kong, South Korea, Sweden, and other countries since the US infrastructure providers have more incentive to play politics than invest in new technologies. It's time to fix that misprioritization. Protect Network Neutrality. Treat all packets equally.
—Matthew Smyth, Lafayette, CA

Because the water can't tell me how i use their water. Why should ISPs be able to tell me how i use my internet. I believe Tom Wheeler bought his way into head of the FCC using the same companies he worked for as a lobbyist. Having a former lobbyist for the cable and phone companies as head of the FCC is a huge conflict of interest that shows how the influence of lobbyist has corrupted the basic functions of the government.
—Kyle Colby, Midland, MI

Pleas keep internet neutrality.
—Ann Kelly, Mount Laurel, NJ

Broadband technology has yet reached Hoopa, CA. We are working on a grant project to connect in two years. The end of net neutrality will turn the technology in yet another means to extract more of our financial resources. We are already limited to one telephone service provider, Verizon of CA, and they are already taking large sums out of our pockets on cellular telephone service.
—Joseph R. Orozco, Hoopa, CA

A monopoly does not benefit the public interest, which you were formed to protect. You are morally bound to do your job; to promote competition.
—John F Kohler, Daly City, CA

This legislation is just another way for big companies to squeeze every possible penny from the consumer. Broadband coverage is subpar in the country compared to many countries around the world. You want to regulate something? Regulate how the big ISPs SPEND their profits, instead of how they make them. They are already extremely profitable, and should be focussed on infrastructure and service quality above charging extra for services we ALREADY pay for.
—Jason Boucher, Norco, CA

Because the internet should always be a neutral information pipeline. The companies that want to change the rules wouldn't have been able to get started had these rules been in place
—Jeremy Miller, Marina Del Rey, CA

I do NOT want my access to the internet to be tampered with or decisions made FOR me regarding about whom, what, where I may do my reading and research. Joni Carleton
—Joni Carleton, St. Louis, MO

This is the only illusion of freedom we have left.
—Kat Von Hausen, Athens, TX

Dear FCC, Do you think that helping these conglomerate companies to take over a single resource is a fair use to use our hard-earned tax dollars that pay your salary? I frankly think you need to turn your attention to more of what's on "TV" which is your first obligation which is the reason your division exists within the United States. There are curse words and questionable content on all networks, worry about the ones that were meant to be controlled. The internet was created to be free as we were at one point. Curb your attention to the fact that you're denying the people whom pay you, a freedom. What would occur if we all decided to stop paying our income tax? Where would that leave the FCC? Sincerely, Yancarlo Reinoso May 24th, 2014
—Yancarlo Reinoso, Atkins, VA

FCC, If you take away Net Neutrality then no one will be able to torrent and there are so many great people in the world that have become rich because of Net Neutrality and torrent also it is a free world we should be able to do anything we want on the Internet.
—Tej Dungarani, PLYMOUTH, MI

Because why fight and have shit intednet when yoy can have good internet
—Sean Anderson, wallingford, CT

Equality for all! Reclassify ISPs as common cariers.
—Dana Monroe, San Diego, CA

Political systems all over the world have shown that when you allow those with money to drown out the voices of others, corruption and suppression are quick to follow. Keep the Global Communications Network that is the internet free from these corrupting influences, and ensure every person has a voice.
—John Gosling, Chicago, IL

This country is founded on free enterprise; on fair competition. It's unconscionable to allow large corporations and conglomerates to abuse the law in order to squash small businesses. That's what's happening here. It's un-American. It's shameful. It's wrong. Don't let this happen.
—Kathy Fieler, Orlando, FL

The internet is the one place average people (like us) can communicate with out representatives, our friends, and our family. In other words, democracy personified. Do not take it away in favor of corporations who already have WAY too much control over our lives.
—Jan and larry J. Slobin, Portland, OR

An open internet is needed to maintain a free and open exchange of ideas which is required to maintain a strong economy. Without this our society will be unable to compete with other countries and lower our level of quality.
—Richard D Fieler, Orlando, FL

Dear FCC, have some pride and don't sell yourselves like common streetwalkers. Do your civic duty and protect the Hector's of the world from the Achilles of the world.
—Michael Miles-Coccaro, Chicago, IL

It is the chance for FREEDOM
—James Garule, Shenandoah, PA

All deserve an equal shot and they find it on the internet
—Jacob Murphy, Hartforn, CT

Give the bribes back to the ISPs. Do the right thing to protect real internet freedom and declare ISPs to be common carriers.
—Mary Jozwiak, Dripping Springs, TX

It would effectively destroy anyone's ability to create new content, and new methods that aren't fed through already established giants. Loss of competition is what breeds poor service. If Hulu and Netflix never have to worry about a competitor (a certainty with out net-neutrality) they will be able to raise rates with impunity and no one will be able to pay the IP providers enough to compete creating an overall loss of effective service to the consumer, i.e. the group you should actually be campaigning for...
—Daniel Levin, Los Angeles, CA

Tom Wheeler, you and your cronies, Alvarez, Vervus, Carr, Pai –minions of Comcast and Verizon—you are on one side of the revolving door between a corrupt government and the corrupt, un-American corporate establishment that drools over current prospects to grab their next tier of unearned profits, while stepping in front of the American people to solidify their desired grasp on the peoples' internet and block the free flow of information. They, through you, will get what you all have already agreed upon. Can you redeem what you have started? You would have to disappoint the very zero-point-one percent whom you represent and serve. President Obama presides as usual.
—David C Bauer, Santa Rosa, CA

Allowing Internet Service Providers to discriminate against certain websites or services that they do not agree with will severely hamper the use of the internet as a communications utility. Not to mention that it would encourage monopolies of certain online services, putting an end to smaller web-based companies that would be ignored by ISPs for more profitable partners. By allowing corporations to control a vital communications utility, you are allowing them to exert a certain degree of control on the citizens of this country that they are not entitled to. Please rethink your decision. Go down in history as someone who protected the people's ability to use the internet freely, instead of one who hampered that freedom.
—Jesse Slomka, Bemidji, MN

Companies are taking over our democracy. Free internet is crucial to freedom.
—Mel Metje, West Chester, OH

So many things in our culture has become corrupt by the pull of money, PLEASE do not let net neutrality be one of these great mistakes. We all need, no we DESERVE net neutrality. Allowing corporations to control what businesses have a fast lane to more business and customers is horrible. It would be impossible for a small business to thrive without even another financial hurdle to overcome. Please don't allow this atrocity to go any further. Thank you for your time.
—Javan Clark, LA Vergne, TN

I know you claim to support "open internet" Mr. Wheeler, but we need you to PROTECT the people against being in the slow lane and paying higher prices to access the same service that corporations will be getting. NO PREFERENTIAL TREATMENT FOR CORPORATIONS and NO EXTRA FEES for the little people.
—Cheryl Liniman, Parma, OH

Net Neutrality is a necessary part of the net. Making others pay extra for the service that they currently have is absurd. This means of abandoning net neutrality means that others won't have the same opportunity's as others on the net. It also means that services that pay to be in the "Fast Lane" will raise their services to become faster and handle their load on the server. Other who don't have this luxury will not be able to handle their load and will be left behind by the competitors. Removing Net Neutrality limits the business opportunity's for all the other people in the world, and their innovation might be lost because of it.
—Tanner Wendland, Bolivar, MO

I did not elect a President and a Congress for the benefit of corporation. I did so for the benefit of the American people. Do not do what is not in the long term best interest of the PEOPLE of the United States.
—Mr. Vladimir G Ivanovic, Los Altos, CA

Access to communications infrastructure must never be in the private sector.
—Danny Dyche, Hillsboro, OR

Net Neutrality is important for me because it lets me be able to do some of my hobbies; like watching netflix, or streaming music, or playing games, or watching tutorial videos on youtube. Without it, anyone could deem that my hobbies aren't as important as someone else checking their facebook page. Now granted, I understand that I am not the most important person in the world, and that the things I do aren't more important than what someone else is doing, but I do think that people that are using streaming devices or that are gaming should have more speed than a social media page.
—Adam Edward Grosjean, Kuna, ID

This will restrict the ability of people to look at what they want. People already pay for 'high-speed internet' from these companies and yet they're being greedy by wanting to charge the web domains money for the services the customers are already paying for. This is extortion. Not only that, but if ISPs were labeled as common carriers, it would prevent monopolies from taking place. This would be a win for the economy and the consumer.
—Jason Rivera, PONCA CITY, OK

The internet is part of the "commons" something that is shared with all of us and should be classified as a utility that is regulated to be sure that we are not being gouged. It was developed by the government, not by the cable companies, and are part of the public utility. The cable companies are already making more money than God for something that was pretty much handed to them. We need unfettered access to research as well as finding unfiltered news and information at the same speed as the rest of the digital world. I don't want companies to have the power to discriminate against online content and applications just because we aren't paying extra fees to get the fast speed.
—Anne Karppinen, Kenmore, WA

I rely on the open internet to work, play, and live. Please ensure ISPs are common carriers. Thank you.
—Kyle Knight, Huntersville, NC

freedom of speech is equality of access.Monopoly of access is the definition of fascism which is corporate rule.
—Roderic & Amy Sorrell, Truth or Consequences, NM

Net neutrality means equal opportunity to all: individuals and corporations regardless of wealth. The idea of creating tiers in internet traffic means tipping the balance in favor of the wealthy and affecting not only new entrepreneurs but the end-users themselves. Tiered traffic is a recipe for stifling innovation in services and content and has the potential to restricting content and expression. Unrestricted, unfiltered, uncontrolled internet traffic without ISP interference is important to me because it provides us all with opportunities for free expression and communication. The potential for growth and innovation cannot be overlooked - services like google, amazon, youtube, facebook, and wikipedia, among others, had humble beginnings and would not be what they are today if it wasn’t for net neutrality. Please don’t contribute to crony-capitalism. Take action to keep the internet neutral, open, unrestricted, transparent.
—Gustavo E. Carpio, Houston, TX

Corporations are not to be trusted.
—Rich Moser, Santa Barbara, CA

i believe the only way to harbor freedom of expression and continued growth of new ideas is through true internet neutrality.
—Damon Stuart, nokomis,

This is unacceptable for so many reasons. A big one being that it will make it much harder for new businesses to start up. Which is a shame, because as we all know, most jobs are created from small businesses. Well, I suppose the 90+ million Americans unemployed will befine with it, so long as the big corporations have their way. As always of late, another government alphabet agency looking out for corporate interests rather than the general public.
—Lane Adams, Grandview, MO

I'm strongly opposed to changing the rules to a two-tier system which favors corporations with lots of money and leaves us,the public, with the crums. THIS is not RUSSIA or the MIDDLE EAST. IF this is approved, the voters will just throw all YOU (BOUGHT-AND-SOLD) Fat cats OUT next
—gilda I victoria, Santa Ana, CA

Net neutrality is of highest importance to keep our country a Democracy. Otherwise money will dictate who really has the power.
—Elsie Kent, Palo Alto, CA

We want to be able to choose ourselves what we want. Governments are unable to decide what we want.
—Garry Jones, George Town,

It is the last primary protection of our democracy. Our government--President, Congress and the Supreme court is doing a poor job. We still are able to make our voices heard via the internet.
—E Joan Emery, Front Royal, VA

It is a bad idea to limit access to internet sites which are unable to pay internet providers for faster speeds. The argument could be made that access will not be prevented to any site on the web, however an overly long wait time to load a web page is essentially the same as not being able to access the the site. I ask that the FCC reclassify internet service providers as common carriers.
—Oliver Topp, Pullman, WA

Net Neutrality IS freedom of speech, it's the ability to get the whole truth and nothing but the truth instead of what businesses with the most money and media receiving the biggest bribes or with the most dishonest agendas will spoon feed us. Keep the net neutral and keep the world honest and free!
—Michelle Potter, Conroe, TX

the interned is supposed to be an unbiased tool that treats all information of equal importance. this means my netflix has the same priority speed as my email should. allowing IsPs to create fast lanes is a way of breaking the internet. Please do the right thing and keep net neutrality and classify the internet as a utility. don't let them ruin the most important form of communication since writing.
—Patrick Bickel, Hammonton, NJ

The American people deserve better than to be bullied by corporations who are determined to make as much money as they possibly can. When the American situation of the Internet is viewed in a relative perspective with the rest of the world, we pay far greater amounts of money for significantly slower service. What Tom Wheeler is planning in allowing paid prioritization of companies' web sites is simply making that situation much worse at the expense of the people. ISPs must be classified as common carriers, and the Internet must be classified as a public utility. Why a public utility, you may ask? The Internet is a necessity in this day and age, and to pay exorbitant amounts for intentionally slow service with the goal of maximizing profits for ISPs would significantly limit the access to an all-too-necessary resource in this telecommunications-based society. Thank you for your time.
—Antonio Diaz, St. Cloud, FL

It was brought to my attention that our current system is under threat by corporate interestes. Although it doesn't suprise me that this is taking place, my concern is mired in our ability to receive and share information to the benefit of all in this nation. Small business start ups, students, the eldery, and those who are impoverished will be unable to learn, participate or contribute to this outstanding resource. That would limit opportunity which would greatly impact our society. Dumbing down information gathering and sharing I would suggest, is a or should be a national security concern for all. Our strenght has always been in our ability as a nation to offer opportunities for growth among its citizenry. Limiting information via cost/pricing variables is not the way to go for this wonderful resource. While this nation was built on commerce of all kind's both good and bad, the internet is a resource that should be available for all to access, communicate and participate through. I ask you to please reconsider and make the internet forever an open forum in this country. Thank you for your consideration.
—Jo Drew, New York, NY

This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Brent Christensen, Omaha, NE

We should have the right to use the Internet as well as a corporation does-their work matters but so does ours.
—Robert R Moore, Clio, MI

I pay a fair sum of money to enjoy high speed Internet access, which allows me to access websites, listen to music and watching my favorite TV shows and movies. Ending net neutrality could possibly either put those activities in jeopardy, or result in me paying even more for the services. It is a completely unfair idea, and I implore you to look out for the customers whose dollars go towards enough services. Thank you, Brandon Foster-Gray
—Brandon Foster-Gray, Norfolk, VA

Net neutrality is vital to maintain an equal and open internet in which important information can be willingly shared around the globe
—Camille Cronkhite, Huntington Beach, CA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Rachel Tomaselli, Gunnison, CO

Freedom for all.
—Sonya Locklear, Greer, SC

The internet is one of the few even playing fields left.
—Ryan Cooper, Fredericton,

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Mariah Dawn Shepherd, Evansville, IN

Your responsibility is to the little guy not the corporate overlords, they have the SCOTUS looking out for their best interest. Do your job, dammit!
—John J Audette, Boston, MA

Should you and I not be able to breath the same air as well as have freedom to view all that is on the internet without interference? Why is Net Neutrality even up for debate or discussion other than the bottom line in America is always the dollar bill. Give Neutrality a chance...please.
—George Zuk, BELLINGHAM, WA

Because we need to learn from our history and learn that just as the Railroad companies screwed americans in the past before being controlled, broadband internet providers are wringing their hands with glee just waiting to take advantage of the American public.
—Wayne Fletcher, Des Plaines, IL

It levels the playing field, as far as giving the same opportunities to everyone to succeed.
—Victor Magana, Fresno, CA

These rules are censorship. Plain and simple.
—Collin Locklair, Atlanta, GA

Those of us in the rural areas still don't have access other than dial-up in most cases. The internet needs to be treated as a public utility for those of us out in the sticks.
—Perry Williams, Ramsey, IN

The Internet is a powerful tool And fundamental to operating in the world today. Everyone deserves equal access to the web!
—Gabriel Iverson, Oregon City, OR

I'm retired. If the content providers have their rates raised then my rates will rise as well. This means I will have less content because I refuse to starve. How is this serving the people?
—Pete Eichstaedt, Lombard, IL

because everyone should have equal access to the internet not just huge companies who can buy their way to the top!
—Paul Gobbeo, colorado springs, CO

By doing a two tiered internet you would make it unfair and it would just make things worse, net neutrality keeps everyone happy.
—Randall James Mintz, smyrna, TN

Isn't freedom to publish online freedom of speech? There is no excuse for restricting that.
—Amy Norton, Columbus, OH

The Internet is the only resource people have to freely access information, particularly unbiased news of what is happening in the world. The Internet belongs to ALL PEOPLE on the planet. To allow corporations to have preferred access to the Internet is going to lead to limited access and slower access to the Internet and the resources it holds. As an American citizen and world citizen I ask that you NOT provide preferential treatment to the corporations such as AT&T, Verizon, etc. and protect our right to equal access for all to the Internet.
—Patti James, Rancho Murieta, CA

The internet should be free to all as an avenue of communication and not sold to the highest bidder. It will enable education, freedom of press, and a knowledge-based society which will improve our economy. Please protect the open Internet and reclassify ISPs as common carriers with all providers on the same equal page.
—D Tam, Arlington, VA

A free and open internet promotes innovation, stimulates competition betweeninternet service provides, facilitates the spread of ideas and most imporantly protects FREE SPEECH.
—Katelyn Rogers, Westlake Village, CA

Stop continuing to be lobbyists for Comcast et al. The vast majority of Americans want these isps to be classified as common carriers. What will it take for you to do your job and do what is in the best interest for the American people- not a couple if corporations you use to represent? If you destroy net neutrality for your personal interest, you are thieves. It is unconscionable that this is even happening. You work for us not Comcast!
—Deborah Grossberg, san Rafael, CA

I am a partner in a small business that relies on the internet to communicate with our customers and research. Additional charges or slower speeds, directly or indirectly, would be detrimental to the growth and future of our business. Lower prices and better service are driven by completion not monopolies like the FCC is proposing. Please make us voters, home owners, parents, home owners, small business man, tax payers ect. First not the big ISP. Please keep the the internet free and open. Please understand this is a free democracy issue and must not be approved. Thank you
—Ken Magargee, Yorba Linda, CA

Bad enough our service speeds are far below those of Korea and Japan.
—Anthony Deen, Brooklyn, NY

In this ever expanding system of two-tiered justice, one set of rules for the rich and powerful and another for the poor and weak, you could do nothing worse in your career than to be complicit in allowing corporations additional means of controlling internet content. The corporate goal is milking fees from an internet as meaningless and controlled as mainstream news.
—James Griffin, Harrisburg, PA

Please take action to insure net neutrality - don't bury something so simple in dense jargon and try to tell us that you support neutrality while you are giving in to the big service providers. Keep it simple - don't be complicated - reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Ordinary people in this country are being nickeled and dimed to death everyday: don't add more to this trend with added fees and charges. Don't give in on this. We need people in government to hear and respond to the voice of the people, not the voice of the moneyed interests. Do the RIGHT thing for once.
—Nelda Ferlic, Germantown, MD

The Internet is not something that should be controlled by the highest bidder in the marketplace.
—Frank Ortiz, Los Angeles, CA

This is public space. There is no reason apart from the almighty dollar that it should be controlled by Comcast, ATT, Verizon--none of which think twice about charging for each minute of current service. Utterly absurd.
—Valerie Heinonen, NY, NY

It is necessary for the internet to STAY a fair place for all. Net neutrality is a MUST for the good of this country and planet!
—Samantha G Swartzmiller, Traverse City, MI

For now, everything seems ok. You open a "fast lane" here, tell sites and companies you'll give better connection speed for a price, everything is hunky dory. But when the technology gets better and the speeds naturally connect faster, is everyone getting a boost? Probably not. The smaller sites will remain at a crawling pace as bandwidth is allocated for profit, possibly even purposefully slowed down to "show them who's boss". Free and non-profit sites like Wikipedia, which does not rely on a service fee or advertising of any kind, will reach a point of unaffordability. Starting a site will be impossible, let alone allowing it to grow. And when that happens, when the costs get to high to actually share information, do you know what happens? Those charges trickle down back to the consumers. Facebook will require a setup fee. Google Search will be a subscription. Everything we know and love about a free and open internet will crumble. The internet is not a bookstore. We do not pay for the individual materials unless they're premium. The internet is a library, a commonwealth of information that should be shared and fully accessible to and by all. Imagine, if you will, a convention center. People already have to pay for space and to be there. They can set up their booth however they like so long as it falls within the guidelines for what a booth can be, and buy a bigger booth space if they like. Everyone who pays to go to the convention has equal access to every booth. But what happens if you block the paths to those booths? You put up a barricade or move that booth to a nigh-inaccessible backroom and tell the booth buyer "Pay us more and we'll make it easier for people to see your booth"? What if it happened to everyone? Is it fair then? The answer is no. They have already paid to be there, and they should not be required to pay more for folks to see their booth. Some can't afford it, or in order to afford they would have to raise the price of whatever they were selling, decreasing their consumer market. That's exactly what is happening here. Websites who can't afford that "extra" speed as allocated by ISPs will be forced to push that extra fee onto their consumer base. The internet will no longer be open and free to all. It will only be accessible to the wealthy. Being a part of the 99% not considered "wealthy", that is not a sound prospect to me. Renew Net Neutrality. Do not let an unsustainable idea of profit get in the way of Free Speech, Press, and Access to Information. By allowing this to pass, our Constitutional Rights, set down by our fore-fathers, are in jeopardy.
—James Weldon, Hutto, TX

The internet has been fostered by its open and equal architecture. Selling access to the highest bidders will severely limit future development including the next big thing.
—Norton Allen, Arlington, MA

ARE WE REALLY GOING THE ROUTE THAT CHINA IRAN MOST OF THE DICTATORSHIPS TOOK WITH THEIR PEOPLE AND THE INTERNET!!!!!
—Abraham VASQUEZ, new york city, NY

Thank you for your acknowledgment but you have made the internet two-tiered with fast lanes for business class and slow lanes for the rest of us. How fair is that? It's the kind of equality that passes for democratic government these days where the big corporations use their lobbying power and money to protect and extend their privileges. The FCC needs to use its authority to protect people's rights. Be fair, withdraw your two-tier discriminatory plan and restore net neutrality which is the true equalizer in a privatized, wealth-advantaged world.
—Kendall C Lovett, Preston South,

The government has no business messing with the internet. You have enough mess to clean up
—Cindy Evans, Palm Bay, FL

Consider how much innovation and creativity has been fostered by an open Internet. Our world today constantly reaps the benefits of an Internet where everyone has a chance to be seen and heard. I feel the prospects of an unregulated Internet would ruin the very essence of this tool that had transformed out world. Please reclassify isp's as common carriers.
—Madeline Buck, Edina, MN

The Internet is a public utility, and those that provide internet access should be regulated as "common carriers". The FCC has the obligation to regulate that utility in the interests of the American people and the public good. Access to content may not be restricted in any way. The freedom to provide content shall not be infringed in any way! All content providers and those who access that content shall be treated as equal by ISPs. Look, I've been following this issue for years as the telecoms have repeatedly tried to find ways to exploit the Internet for their gain at the expense of consumers. This is yet another way for them to drive up costs and further line their own pockets at public expense. Furthermore these telecoms have done nothing to improve the speed and quality of the service they provide through the exorbitant fees they already charge. Their profits go toward executive salaries and shareholder pay-outs and do not filter down to consumers in the form of better products or services. The Internet is the property of the American people. It is a utility we all must use to conduct our daily lives and business. As stewards of a public utility, those who provide Internet access (ISPs) must be constrained to serve the public interest.
—Lynne Schrupp, Troy, MI

I am graduating high school this year and I want the internet to remain unadulterated for future generations. It is the greatest tool for communicating that has ever been created and it allows people around the world to connect in ways that were never conceivable before. If net neutrality falls, however, greedy corporations will be able to discriminate and choose how quickly each person's messages are sent, limiting freedom of expression for my fellow Americans.
—Wade, Saint Charles, IA

The internet shouldn't be regulated by huge multimedia corporations.
—Mike c, Chicago, IL

If the broadband companies can make the speed faster for some, they should make it faster for all. They are common carriers uncommon two tier carriers.
—Richard Monahan, San Jose, CA

Everyone deserves equal access to the internet.
—Collin Magargee, Villa park, CA

The decision to create a two-tier Internet Service in the USA will have na major knock-on effect to all Internet users around the World and therefore as a European I feel I have a say in the matter. The FCC must maintain Net Neutrality to avoid complete domination of the Internet by rich multi-National Corporations. I believe selling priorities online will leave all the average users like myself at the bottom of the pile.
—Terence Waites, Stockton-on-Tees,

The big Internet providers already have enough of a monopoly on Internet transit; giving them the ability to tier traffic based on content or source would make the Internet just as bad as the cable TV or telecom industries, both of which are horribly corrupt and above the reach of the FCC as it is.
—Chad Sutton, North Haledon, NJ

You NEED to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality. Just DO IT!!!
—A Mogavero, schdy, NY

Net Neutrality & free speech go hand in hand. Please protect net neutrality & the constitution!
—A Poindexter, Bennett, CO

The internet is part of my daily life. It is how I communicate and where I get my information. Access to these functions should be available to everyone and preference should not be given to anyone due to an ability to pay higher fees.
—Becky Scott, Madison, WI

Interbet Service Providers may NOT be allowed to infringe upon our First Amendment rights! Thet are Common Carriers, end of story.
—Linda wickenkamp, Lakeland, FL

WE HAVE THE RIGHT TO OUR FREEDOM , NOT THE "RIGHTS" UNDER BIG BUSINESS !
—Alita DeMarco, Ypsilanti, MI

Our rights as free citizens hinge on our ability to transmit our speech in any way we can and with no unnatural hindrances. Net Neutrality upholds that. Uphold net neutrality, uphold freedom.
—Abdiel Yescas, Austin, TX

Stop this nonsense in the name of FAIRNESS
—Gerald Thompson, Granite City, IL

Introducing different levels of service into the internet - providing full service for people who can afford to pay more and crippling the access of people who can't - benefits no one but the bottom line budgets of huge ISPs. It will introduce economic impediments for small businesses and start-ups that rely on the level playing field of the Internet to be able to create and promote new products and services. This will shut down one of the greatest engines for economic development that the world has seen in our time by raising financial barriers to creativity and increasing the transaction costs of doing business. On the consumer side, it will reduce consumer choice and allow our buying and spending habits to be increasing controlled by a small, set number of pre-existing, established players, who will be able to lock out new sources competition by out-spending them to promote their own services, and therefore have no incentive to improve their offerings. Introducing discrimination into Internet service is wrong - not only for consumers, but for our the health and strength of our economy overall. Do not cave in to the complaints of the ISPs who are trying to find a way to carve more profit for themselves out of the Internet at the expense of everyone else.
—Rachel McCleery, Tallahassee, FL

I don't want the privileged class and the second class on the Net.
—John Edakara, San Rafael, CA

Protect Net Neutrality! Everyone has a right to internet speeds and this would be a huge step back for humanity for the gain of large corps. People over money!
—Brett Wilkins, Olympia, WA

The internet is no less than the most free space that exists on planet Earth. The possibilities in terms of liberating the human species into new equally free states of being cannot be calculated, but they can be imagined. In light of this alone, no one should be allowed to erect any barriers between any human of any social strata, and those vast possibilities.
—Jason Yawn, Annandale, VA

Must I even start?
—Robin Lerios, Santa Cruz, CA

As a web developer, "fast lanes" at higher rates poses a financial hurdle to starting a new product or business that may be data-heavy.
—Art Lawrt, Beverly, MA

So, corporate America rules again. You can take your proposed new rules and put them where the sun don't shine. In the meantime, how about ensuring that we serfs can have an open and fast internet. Why is it that in France, citizens users can have 4X the speed at 1/4 the price????
—Richard Miller, Flower Mound, TX

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Elena Vanko, Towson, MD

To make it short and meaningful, a two-tiered internet would make it so someone with as much talent, but as small of a budget as me would never be able to fulfill their dream of working by creating and selling art online. In order to make it accessible to as many people as possible, I'd have to shell out a lot of money that I can't afford to spend if I want income... IF I even HAVE the money to spend! Starving artists are called that for a reason, it's already hard enough to make a living as one. Having this extra roadblock would not just make it difficult, it could make it impossible for not just me, but hundreds of thousands of other artists out there wishing to make an occupation out of their passion.
—Matthew Tritz, Omaha, NE

Net Neutrality has been a topic of confusion and hot debate as of late. The confusion is completely unnecessary: ISPs want to govern access to content through money, and they've been fighting tooth and nail to get that control. Censorship is still censorship, by any other name. Official definition : "the practice of officially examining books, movies, etc., and suppressing unacceptable parts." Giving the ISPs the freedom to slow or speed up connections to specific content is absolutely a form of suppression. That article that has information making my ISP company look bad? Good thing we can slow the connection so less users are inclined to see it! We have a chance to nip this in the bud, now. Classify the ISPs as common carriers, we don't need someone else deciding what content is worth having a better connection to.
—Erica Evans, Anacortes, WA

As an old computer scientist and software engineer, I am consious of the importance of SIMPLICITY. Please reclassify ISP-s as common carriers. Complicated tricks that try to reconcile 2 tiers (aka fast and slow lanes) with net neutrality will FAIL. Net neutrality is an important public good. Tiers are just a way to make more money for ISP-s. Making money is fine; trampling public goods to make money is not.
—Barry K Rosen, Stormville, NY

A tiered internet would be a deathblow to startup entrepeneurship, damaging the economy and ruining many peoples shots at the American Dream. Reclassify ISPs as Common Carriers.
—Harrison Taylor, Tallahassee, FL

People have the right to a free market.
—John Lary, oak grove, MO

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers to protect Net Neutrality. Keep the internet free and open to all and not anther avenue of corporate control.
—John Barker, Antigo, WI

Net neutrality is the basis for democracy, corporations should not be allowed to sell, restraint what we can do online
—Mortier, Brussels,

As a older person with less access to the outside world, ne neutrality provides me with the access I need to stay connected with the people in my life, with the goods and services I need, with what's happening in the world and with the means to have a voice about that. As an American citizen, I count on all that continuing for me/us and being expanded to all across this great country. Equal access for all. Thank you.
—Karin Welsh, Ballston Spa, NY

Without free speak/info freedom like, a omelet but without eggs ...
—Huseyin Kocabas, London,

Please OPEN YOUR EYES to the FUTURE.Net Neutrality is a very large and integral tool for operating a fair and unbiased forum for ALL walks of life. As a diverse country, My country, The United States of America , was founded on Freedom and Justice for ALL. Look it up. We only race faster to our own demise as we feed th caseum developing between the Lower "99" and top 1%
—Nickilee Greenwalt, st paul, MN

Net Neutrality is really important to me because it is important that companies and individuals who can't afford the higher price of bandwidth would be limited in the kind of information and content they could provide. Most of the content providers I subscribe to or care about are individuals or small providers who would suffer from this loss of bandwidth availability. Also, in my eyes, this means that big companies would have an advantage in the information and media systems. Their opinions and interests will have increased exposure to the masses, while the smaller companies and individuals will struggle to get exposure. This could negatively affect many aspects of our communities, because it is well-known that big businesses are usually more interested in their own profits than the well-being of their customers, the very people that their exposure would influence. I beg you to consider that I as a consumer have the right to choose what I wish to be exposed to, regardless of whether my chosen media is from a big company in New York or from a middle-class individual in Wisconsin.
—Katelyn M Cabe, Coshocton, OH

Net neutrality assures information, ideas, and possible solutions to problems. Mainstream media's presentation of these things cannot be trusted due to controlling interests.
—Kim Baptista, Colonia, NJ

Net Neutrality is crucial not just to the individuals who utilize the Internet as a tool. It is a symbol of their freedom to communicate openly and without persecution. Allowing Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to regulate the traffic on the Internet is simply another form of the government bowing to its corporate sponsors by giving them more rights than the people to whom the government is responsible. It's analogous to annulling Bill of Rights because it prevents some major company from making more money. ISPs already restrict the data rates in the United States by charging exorbitant service fees for mediocre quality, at best. This action to annul Net Neutrality would compromise the digital freedom of the citizens of United States of America.
—William Lyons, Valley Glen, CA

we should all have the access to the same internet here in the us. Some of us can't afford the faster and off the internet that you guys want to create. just leave the way the Internet is right now alone.
—Douglas Bomer, Eagle, ID

Mr. Wheeler, Thank you for your service to the country. I feel it's essential at this time to prevent the corruption of the internet by ISPs. And I don't believe the new rules that have been proposed will do that. The only way we can assure that the ISPs behave properly is by classifying ISPs as common carriers. The internet is more important than all the other communications mediums that came before it combined. And it is poised to replace all of them. If we don't reclassify the ISPs as common carriers, the internet will naturally shift to a corrupt, closed payola marketplace where only the elite will thrive or even survive. Please understand that this is how your constituency feels and that we're counting on your actions to directly reflect our needs. Thank you for your time!
—Andrew W Rozendal, Granada Hills, CA

My livelihood depends on it.
—Nelson Hebert, Marietta, GA

I don't want the little guy, the startup, to be at a disadvantage on the Internet. Forcing them to pay extra to get equal access to the ISP's customers would stifle innovation and progress - just the things the Internet has stood for.
—Richard Chimenti, Twain Harte, CA

If we allow companies to just throw money at the political system and get away with it then i have lost all faith in American politics. Don't let this happen!
—Brennan Giles, Sherwood, OR

ISPs are nothing more than common carriers and should be reclassified as such. Although I work for a municipality, I often work from home evenings and weekends. This would interfere with my important government work.
—Vicky Matsui, Seattle, WA

Because the efforts by industry-friendly FCC to further consolidate corporate control of ALL content undermines the Commons, but it sure does hand more control of our activities over to corporate once again. All arguments to the contrary by the FCC and it's corporate handlers is hogwash. The FCC can prove this wrong by throwing out these "rules" that would mean the end of Net Neutrality. If past actions by the FCC are any measure of what we can expect on this next "ruling" -- we're all in trouble. Of course, I doubt the corporate-controlled FCC cares one iota what the public desires of its government institutions. Tell me I'm wrong -- please. Tell me I'm wrong by throwing out its rules (designed to thwart the will of the public, be damned) and instead re-classify ISPs as common carries, which the are.
—Nancy Hatfield, Marysville, CA

Allowing "fastlanes" on the Internet to those who can afford it will end Net Neutrality
—Steven Fenster, Pemberton Borough, NJ

The World Wide Web revolutionized our access to information and our connectivity in the modern world. It enabled a brand new form of education, and opened the doors to freedom for millions around the world... It's a crying shame to witness the destruction, so soon, of this still young innovation, first through the illegal and unconstitutional actions of the NSA, and now through this more basic capitalistic threat to net neutrality, in which the quality of one's net access would be determined by one's ability to pay a great deal more than others... just too sad. We really need to hold on to the grand steps we've achieved, instead of passively letting it all slip away from us, so soon....
—Hilary von Waldenfels, Berlin / New York, NY

It is a necessary part of infrastructure and should be considered as such, regulated as such, available to all, and priced accordingly.
—Linda Bailly, Albuquerque, NM

I rely on the Internet for my business. It should be open and equal for all. This really is a no-brainer.
—John Sodrel, New Albany, IN

Totally unfair to the public.
—Stephen E Sussman, Finksburg, MD

I have been using the Internet since it was universally available and I do not want to see my access restricted by ISPs. Please keep the Internet open for all users.
—James Nicholson, Manassas, VA

You have no right to use your position -which was not earned- to enact your benefactors agenda
—Failea Bocanegra, Whittier, CA

Internet speed is very important to me and effects most of what I do. I also believe everyone should have equal right online.
—Orlando Speed, Anderson, SC

I think corporations already have too much power over what consumers/customers are able to access easily. Please don't give them any more power to control the Internet.
—Cyprienne Schroeppel, anderson island, WA

The telephone company was a monopoly during the a part of the last century. They had brutal control over the cost of service. I was a service representative for Ma Bell so I can attest to their lack of concern with the underprivileged part of our society. I had to tell a mother she would loose her service because she missed her payments (due to emergency medical bills) Later I was a mother myself, living it NY and had to choice between milk for my kids or a call home to check on an family emergency in the mid-west. That is the situation you allow when companies become so big they have unlimited control. If there is a means to increase the speed it should be a benefit for all and not a profit for a few!!!
—Beverly Tangen, valley village, CA

I'm a college student, I can't fucking afford to pay any extra fees as it is, just so you can line your damn pockets.
—Janine, Forest Grove, OR

Throw out the FCC rules and reclassify ISPS common carriers. I want net neutrality!!!
—Sarah Arneson, quincy, MA

A free and open internet is important to me because it is how I get my work. It is a tool, a utility I must have in order to survive in these modern times. Without it, I cannot take emails, I cannot look up important and valuable information, and I cannot connect with my network or job hunt. With a different structure, the internet will become more expensive, and ultimately lead to pushing consumers who require internet to do their job, out of the work.
—BHawkinson, Los Angeles, CA

The internet must be alowed to be accessable by everyone everywere at an equal cost and equal speed to promote freedom of expression - politics - religion - knowlage - with no restrictions - without compromising privacy - freedom of commerce - to not be controled by corporations - governments - or any one individual.
—John Sadler, Roberts Creek,

I use the internet for far more frequently for non commercial purposes. This sort of usage will be negatively affected by the corporate moves to take over the internet.
—Kenneth Thompson, West Grove, PA

the average person in this country cannot afford to be ripped-off by these mega giant companies who already charge excesss prtices for their services .Do not give them even more power.It is your job to protect the citizens of this country from these companies. Thank you, Juidth Cohen
—Judith Cohen, seattle, WA

Everyone relies on the internet to conduct business at many different levels. As a future entrepreneur it is very critical to the success of future business to be able to communicate on the same level as everyone else around the world. We must keep communication lines open to everyone to better our world.
—Bryan Magargee, Yorba Linda, CA

I want to be able to access content that is not being paid for by corporate interests.
—Laura LaVertu, Alexandria, VA

I want true net neutrality! Free and open internet please!
—JL L. Good, Topeka, KS

The internet should be free and unbiased. Big business has enough control in the US. Give freedom of speech and sccess to it a chance.
—Genie Tartell, Kingston, NY

Net Neutrality is important to me because companies should not have the power to control the internet simply because they have the monetary means. This will keep huge amounts of vital information from the public and allow the largest companies to control what we the people are exposed to.
—Anna Dresdale, Brooklyn, NY

Because it's our rights.
—Bryce Jones, Belton, SC

Please let Americans have a choice.
—Christy Clark, Tucker, GA

There is absolutely no way to get around the fact that the FCC must define Internet providers as Title II Common Carriers and regulate them as defined. There is no cute language that can be substituted in their decision in order to placate the ISPs while preserving a democratic and open, neutral Internet. The Internet has become a utility to consumers, no different from water or electricity or natural gas, with ISPs having nearly the same monopoly in specific areas as providers. This is not negotiable.
—Ron A McCullough, Nashville, TN

The FCC should declare ISPs as common carriers, and they should be forced to let competitors use their network, especially if that network's construction was subsidized by the Universal Service Fund. If any "ISP" does not want to allow use of its network, it can choose not to be an ISP, but in doing so, it loses the right to claim it offers internet access, at least not true internet access, and any portion of "its" network built by the USF. If a company wants to be classified as an ISP, it would have access to use the USF, however, it would have to allow competitors access to the network and wouldn’t be allowed to give any company proprietary access through the network. Exceptions could be made for services (e.g. telephony service), but ISPs would not be allowed to provide specific companies special access; they would just be able to proprietary access for the protocol that service uses. Meaning that the end user is the one that gets to decide which service they use, not the ISP. Whether a company wants to be an ISP or not, the decision should be a definitive decision; a company should not be able to claim its network is private in areas where it has built its own network, but that it is an ISP in areas where it has not or will not build infrastructure. Either companies should be a regulated entity or not, and that decision should dictate how they can run their business and what assistance they get from any government entity. This should bring competition to the internet industry either through competition using existing infrastructure, expansion of private infrastructure, and/or construction of more public infrastructure. Once this is done, citizens should be able to expect a superior, high-quality service not just hope they get one once companies feel there are enough incentive to bring one.
—Brian Burwell, Momence, IL

It's important to me because we shouldn't have to pay even more to see or read things on top of monthly fees
—Terry Pirame, Rahway, NJ

To the FCC, I see all of humanity as one peoples. No nations, no divisions. Just brothers and sisters, fathers and mothers - all of us together in the struggle for happiness and fulfilment. Though the reality of the world at present is that: there are borders, there are divisions, there are differences that seem to be insurmountable, I still do my best to bring about a world where all people treat each other with empathy, acceptance of their differences and at least respect for one another at best love for one another. In all of human history that dream seemed like an idealistic utopia that could never be attained. But now in the twenty first century with the advent of the internet the world is becoming smaller, the borders are becoming less relevant and we are becoming more and more one peoples - the nation called Human. The internet enables this unification of humanity for in it everyone is truly equal to all others and has as much chance as anyone to express herself (himself) freely and openly through their creativity, works and opinions. Please do not allow this freedom to be diminished in any degree, because if you do my firm belief is that you will be delaying the end of all wars, all poverty and all oppression. Please let our children have a better chance in living in a slightly more livable world than We were, are and will be living in. Sincerely hopeful, Anton Atanassov.
—Anton Atanassov, Sofia,

As a former paid lobbyist for the cable and wireless industry, Mr Wheeler should have no ability to vote in this decision. Mr. Wheeler has no interest in a level playing field for all internet users, start-ups, and competition in the field. Mr. Mega-Merger should be his title. The FCC must classify now make the decision that they have balked at stopping short of doing and now make the decision that is fair for all users and companies on the Internet: to classify ISP's as common carriers. If it is the position of the government that all people are to have access to the Internet, then ISP's are no longer just a service, they are considered part of the infrastructure that is replacing old copper lines and bringing high speed internet as a common carrier to the last mile of all people in the United States. Mr. Wheeler, you are no longer a lobbyist. You now represent the people and are in a position to make the right choice although it goes against what in your heart of hearts you really want to kill - equal access for all. Common carrier status for ISP's is now required. Do the right thing!
—Kent Stutzman, Newton, KS

A world with limited internet access isn't right. Everyone should have the same access with the same price range.
—Jazmine Martinez, Panorama City, CA

Everyone should have equal access to this vital means of communication and information.
—Sandi, Caledonia, WI

My taxes helped pay for the development of the Internet. That was sufficient reason to insist that the Internet remain totally neutral and not just another source of corporate greed. No exceptions.
—Edward Thornton, Swarthmore, PA

Fast internet for all! FCC - throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—John H. Young, Encinitas, CA

A free, open, and accessible Internet is a key backbone of democracy in the modern world. Corporate structuring of the Internet, of any kind, is a threat to democracy.
—Robert Arumdale, Fairbanks, AK

This plan kills net neutrality and allows ISPs to essentially censor the internet... I don't want any company to dictate my life,especially any company life Comcast.
—Eugene Golden, Aurora, CO

corporate greed needs to be destroyed. equality needs power.
—Johanna Bon, new york, NY

Net neutrality is important in maintaining our democracy in the face of vicious, arrogant, power-hungry special interests. These people are tyrannical. They are drowning out my voice!
—Sue Christiansen, Iowa City, IA

The FCC's proposal will completely change the internet for the worse. The creation of internet fast lanes will only help internet companies make more money without providing benefits to the user. The new rules will result in paying for direct access which will create a fast and a slow internet, not “one internet” as we have now. It is unrealistic to think the FCC's proposal will keep providers from slowing down content from non-paying internet companies. The FCC's proposal gives an unfair advantage to companies that can afford to pay-for-priority and makes it a lot harder for startup or smaller internet content companies. The internet should be classified under Title II, which would treat the internet as a utility, keeping the internet open and neutral. Rules should be put in place that stop broadband providers from trying to limit Internet openness.
—Cullen Mumley, Orlando, FL

ISP's should be classified as COMMON CARRIERS. FCC's leadership is in bed with Comcast. Power is greed. Stop it. Preserve Net Neutrality.
—Matt McHUGH, Des Moines, IA

Many people including me cannot afford to pay extra fees to get a good Internet speed. The tier system idea is unfair. Internet service providers should have always be classified as carriers. They are merely a pipe for the Internet.
—Grant W. Levy, Costa Mesa, CA

We have seen how the concept of two Americas with respect to income equality has cost our countries future. Creating a tow-tiered system for the INternet would only further exacerbates those effects.
—MIchael Rosa, west hartford, CT

we don't need AT&T OR VERIZON OR COMCAST TO CHARGE US FOR THE INTERNET ITS FREE INFO KIDS CAN LEARN FROM IT IF AT$T OR VERIZON N COMCAST TOOK OVER IT WILL BE SLOW CERTAIN WEBSITES WILL BE SLOW OR CAN'T GET ON ALL 3 ARE CORRUPTED AND CROOKED EVIL BECOMES EVIL STAND BY THE PEOPLE LET THE CORPORATE GREED ROT IN HELL666 STOP SERVING THE BEAST UNLESS THEY ARE BRIDING YOU
—Thomas Roles, forest hills, NY

A free and open internet is pivotal for innovation, the spread of ideas, and it is, in modern times, the greatest example of freedom. Eradicating Net Neutrality is the best way to abolish the freedom of the people, cut off access to education and drive our nation's poor deeper into poverty. Our Nation is envied for its freedom--this is a direct violation of such. I implore you to preserve it in all facets.
—Angelique Phelan, costa mesa, CA

Please protect Net Neutrality and reclassify ISPs as common carriers so we can enable the internet to grow our economy.
—Bradley Roy Williams, Brush Prairie, WA

I make my livelihood on the internet. The internet slow lane will cripple my ability to job and feed my family.
—Rachel Dukes, Los Angeles, CA

It's important to me as one of the "little guys" that I have equal access to the Internet!
—Anne Graydon, St. Petersburg,, FL

Corporations already have too much control of our country. Please protect the open internet.
—Pat Hanbury, Reno, NV

I am very concerned that non-profits and entrepreneurs will be hampered by these awful rules. Please reconsider.
—Chris Holbein, Gaithersburg, MD

the net is too important to be in the clutches of korporations.
—Michael Boshears, crestline, CA

This is important to me as this is our last true freedom of speech left to us. Without this we are a slave to the corporate tyrants.
—Terry Andrews, Rhome, TX

Because the internet and all of us should be free
—Cynthia Davis, Needles, CA

As I am on a limited income, the government needs to stay out of the internet, let the market rule!
—Douglas Hackney, Nampa, ID

Ending Net Neutrality will strangle new businesses trying to gain a foothold on an uneven playing field and hurt consumers with slower content.
—Dan Brassil, Saint Louis, MO

I want to do what i want on the internett. I dont want anyone else to see what i am seaching at at any time.
—Sondre Nergård, hagan,

Freedom of Speech
—Markmonkman, San Francisco, CA

This gives unfair advantage and control to big businesses and little to none to small businesses who can't afford the cost, creating yet one more difficulty for small businesses by making it more expensive to have an equal challenge against big businesses who can afford the cost.
—Susan, St. Louis, MO

Net neutrality is the backbone of the high tech economy. Thousands of start-up companies and millions of jobs depend on it. A two-tiered Internet would strangle American innovation - and prove to the world that America is now no better than Russia, China, or Iran, since it has a controlled Internet just like them. If we want to remain both a prosperous free market and an inspiration for freedom, we need freedom on the Internet.
—Jason Dickey, Bellingham, MA

America was founded on freedom. Why limit the freedom of Americans by letting people control the internet. We are already light years behind in the internet speed race with other countries (which majority have an open free internet unless you want to be a communist type and control it). Listen to America and don't change the internet.
—Nick Pearson, Birmingham, AL

Do you people have to sap any more right out of us than you already have. Geez, at least let us keep our internet.
—Jakaila kearney, warrenton, NC

Dear FCC, please stop supporting monopolies and think of ordinary citizens who want a fair, democratic internet!
—Timothy Bombar, Sammamish, WA

As more and more people get there news strictly from the internet, net neutrality is vital for ensuring that a select few are not able to control what the public knows and what they don't. It is already hard enough to find news that is not controlled by the interest of cooperations as many of the largest news sources are owned by companies with political interest. The internet is one of the last places where we can find unfiltered information. If companies are aloud to buy internet speed, crucial information and extremely politically relevant information will be blocked by inability to access them in the short period of time that consumers have come to expect. This is even more vital considering that more news is now being broadcasted by online videos which cannot be watched if the internet speed is not fast enough.
—Adia White, Santa Cruz, CA

It's a higher ideal. It's up there with freedom of the press. Everyday I sacrifice my life to the betterment of humanity and give more money than I logically should to help mankind. Why because it's a moral imperative. Nuff said
—Bryan Ward, Bloomington, IN

I'm afraid that if the Net Neutrality does not continue then information that powerful people do not want the public to know will be pushed to the back page of the internet and the information that the elite want to spread will be on the fast lane of the internet. There should not be an opportunity to prohibit free speech.
—Troy K Unruh, Newton, KS

I feel that by allowing the ISP,s to be allowed a 2 tiered system will just be the beginning . As you've probably noticed by allowing media conglomerates to procure more assets has had a very bad affect on our media! They will never get enough . Also many industry loving poliicans have restricted their on people from staring ISP's that would compete with the present telecom giants Please reign these monsters in before we loose another aspect of our democracy completely!
—Michael S. Thomas, Merchantville, NJ

I demand Net Neutrality!
—Susan Christiansen, Iowa City, IA

The internet should made available to everyone regardless or heir income or ability to pay. This will violate our ConConstitution. Equal rights clause.
—Earl Goldstein, Santa Ana, CA

I use the internet as a resource to learn and help in my personal and professional progression. Without access to this resource, I will be greatly hindered in my endeavors. I will always stand up for net neutrality.
—Cole Jorgensen, White rock,

Allowing libraries and business to be gouged by power hungry corporations with an insatiable thirst for every last cent they can squeeze out is un-American and closes the door to future entreprenuership. Does that sound like a promising path for the free world?? NO.
—Josue D., San Jose, CA

Tech innovation will be crippled without net neutrality!! The Internet should be equal for every single regardless of how much they pay the big ISP'S!!!
—Sergio Gomez, Sunnyvale, CA

It's the only way I can keep in touch with lots of folk, given my busy life.
—Laurel Facey, Millers Falls, MA

Every person in any economic bracket should have equal access to all information.
—Janet Dore, San Diego, CA

I think Net Neutrality is instrumental in ensuring that the Internet stays accessible to all.
—Janelle Palmer, Detroit, MI

Net neutrality was the way the internet was conceived. You have no right to change it for love of the unholy dollar. Shame on you for even thinking of changing it. Is nothing sacred in this country...everything seems to have a dollar sign on it....its all take take take and never giving back. Someone should really investigate this Tom Wheeler and see how much he is being paid or blackmailed to due this awful thing. I can't believe the president is putting up with this shit. Shame on him.
—John Di Fatta, Burbank, CA

I h use internet to contact all members of my family, to get latest news, and to investigate health related information, the latter of which I need to keep up with latest news, like side effects of medications I must take. The ability to do this is allowing me to stay out of medical facilities which drag on Medicare. I would think the FCC would care about saving money for Medicare usage. Please vote against whatever lobby decided you should make such information harder for us to get!!!
—Mary Pat Larsen, Concrete, WA

We americans want the internet open as it is now!
—June jones, Gilbert, AZ

Please just keep it a it is.
—Cole Richardt, No, MN

It is my will and the will of millions of other people that the internet has net neutrality so that there is not tiers of service for different rates and at different speeds.
—John Paul Troy Cooke, Edmonton,

You shouldn't be able to bully small business online by buying up all the bandwith. This will destroy what's left of the american dream.
—Ron Brownz, Greenbelt, MD

US telephone and Internet charges are already out of control because of government failure to regulate the industry. Currently, unlimited telephone and Internet DSL service in Germany is available for 30 to 35 Euros monthly. THAT IS $41 - $48! Stop screwing 99% of US consumers.
—Robert Edborg, Los Angeles, CA

You won't care what I say, you are owned your corporate masters. If you have any shred of morality left you will reclassify these huge ISPs as common carriers as should have been done years ago.
—Mr. Leonard Heether, Trufant, MI

BECAUSE IT REPRISENTS WHAT IS AMERICAN !!!
—Constance M Rodman, seattle, WA

The internet should be a public utility. It is a necessity in people's lives just like heat, electricity, telephone, television.
—Constance Engle, Hendersonville, NC

As both an artist and a small business owner, I rely heavily upon the internet for sales, website construction and getting the word out about my products. Not only am I incapable of paying the higher fees to "fast track" my products, but many buyers would be unable or willing to spend the time necessary to find my products. In short, a two-tiered internet would be devastating to both my sales and the promotion of my artwork. And I am only one individual. Combine this with all other sellers and you will find a widespread devastation to our already fragile economy. The only way to ensure equality would be to reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Michael Camarata, Medford, OR

not just net neutrality all forms of communications, stand up for the little guy we're paying the bill, You are pushing our great nation further and further behind, get your head out of your rectum and your hand out of the fat cats pockets and truely help the american peoples
—Chancellor Ibberson, Rochester, NY

An open internet, free of "slow lanes", allows innovative ideas to be shared with millions. If an individual makes a great website, but the website competes with an internet service provider's service (say Netflix vs. Xfinity), that ISP can throttle the individual's website until he/she pays the ISP. This gives ISP's an excessive amount of power. A video explaining my view point can be found here: http://youtu.be/wtt2aSV8wdw.
—Jason R. Rector, Chicago, IL

You need to stop.
—Stephen Severance, Mout Ephraim, NJ

Keep corporate power out of everything. We are a democracy
—William Resseguie, Phoenix, AZ

I need an open internet for my livlihood
—Harriet Heywood, homosassa, FL

As a retiree, my income is already very tight. Having to compete with businesses to get internet time, would put me at the back of the line. Please don't allow a system that would discriminate and put people like me at a disadvantage.
—Barbara Martin, Delaware, OH

Slow down the NSA- NOT the public!
—Stan Banos, SF, CA

Net neutrality means freedom of expression, one of the founding tenets of this country. Hijacking the net to feed corporate interest takes this intrinsic right away from the American people.
—Juliette, Havre de Grace, MD

as a neutral opinion, perhaps it would be better for them to instead of scrapping their rules, rewrite them to feature balanced areas of the original rules, sans loopholes, and also take into consideration a few of the internet's different pleas
—Charles Facette, Ottawa,

I want quality communications, network and video in my life. I do not want monopolies,higher prices and bad service. Make these corporations innovate to earn their money, not just make crappy Wall Street deals that enrich the few at the expense of American progress and quality of life.
—Chris Wegner, Moscow, ID

Tom Wheeler, in response to corporate dictates, is attempting to create a two-tiered internet: one for the 1% (and their clients and customers) and one for the rest of us. Stewart Brand once told us that information wants to be free. And it does. But corporations want to attach a high price tag to everything and make nothing free except their own endlessly and exponentially expanding profits. Say NO to corporate dictators and YES to the free exchange of information (as guaranteed in the US Constitution). Support Net Neutrality. Keep the Net Free!
—Leigh Clark, Granada Hills, CA

Net Neutrality is important because it levels the playing field among companies supplying content to the internet. Without it, ISPs will be able to restrict or price out vendors who they do not favor. This is not in the spirit of competition that this country has been built on. Government should be forcing competition, not restricting it.
—Adam Felchner, HONOLULU, HI

Eliminating Net Neutrality by Tom Wheeler is another insidious step that would take America further down the path towards Globalist Corporatist Fascism and be another block set up in the developing Architecture of Tyranny that is blatantly being pulled over on We The People. Keep the Last Bastion of Free Speech In America - the open and free Internet with Net Neutrality!!! Who are you working for Tom Wheeler?!? We are watching you.
—Rodolfo Bahr, Ortonville, MI

We all need to communicate the way we are now---freely and on a level playing field.
—Carole Abrahams, New York, NY

Because people are being gouged by the humongus corporate internet providers. Isn't the FCC supposed to look out for interest of the citizens. The internet is NOT, if it ever was, an information service - it is a means by which people receive information amongst themselves, from businesses, schools, non-profits, corporations, etc. can get their information out to people. It should be designated as a common carrier and the commissioners of the FCC do not understand this then they have been living in DC too long and don't know what's going on with the American people whose interests they say they are protecting.
—L Parker, Everett, WA

As a frequent internet user, net neutrality matters to me because I believe the internet has only become the breeding ground for innovation that it is to day because of the principle of net neutrality on which it was founded. Allowing the giant service providers with extremely obvious conflicts of interest the ability to dictate the flow of traffic on the internet would be catastrophic. All of this aside, the internet is quite clearly a means of communication and should be classified as such.
—Geoffrey Martin-Noble, Seattle, WA

The First Amendment is terribly important.
—Ann B. Clarkson PhD, Portland, OR

Most stuff I like is independently created and having fast internet for the big guys would make it harder for independents!
—Peyton, St Kilda,

There is no benefit to this for 99% of America. There is only a benefit for the CEOs and the 1% that is stripping our economy. The government is not serving us.. if the internet is restricted and it cost money to use for certain websites.. then it is only another roadblock to the success of American youth. Lets remove this roadblock before it exists.
—Tony Darnell, Cleveland, OH

Freedon of speech
—Kurtis magargee, Yorba linda, CA

For many low income people, including the disabled, the internet is the equivalent of library, radio and television. Breaking net neutrality would harm the vital flow of information to the people who need it most! Imagine if FDR could not have reached the citizens suffering from the effects of the depression with his fireside chats? Or if Carnegie's libraries split into members only seeing the best resources? The gentrification of the internet will be a death knell to freedom.
—Pam Parisi, Kingston, NY

This is one of the worst things to happen to the internet for everyone. Games, techies, non-geeks, EVERYONE!!! The internet was made for the free and open exchange of information, and they are trying to put the brakes on that. Its sad! Not only that, but they are trying to line the pockets of greedy ISPs and screw everyone else. They want the customer to pay more and the providers of high-bandwidth services to pay more. You know what that means? Crazy price hikes coming from all sides and stifling of innovations. This will screw internet startups and hurt quality services that we all enjoy.
—Aryar Rachogan, Ranch Cordova, CA

It seems obvious to me that internet access should be regulated as a common carrier like telephone. The technology is mostly the same now and the merged communication medium makes differentiating them odd. Preserve free speech and the free flow of ideas (why the internet was developed!) and preserve true net neutrality. Thaks
—Garth Shaneyfelt, Greenfield, MA

Hello, I am against a two-tiered Internet. It would ruin what the internet has been about for so many people. To create a two-tier internet and hand control of the web to major corporations would only cause problems for the little guys.
—Patrick McDaniel, Tampa, FL

Current plans will stifle innovative uses of the Internet. While this could provide a competitive advantage to some companies, it can provide such relatively worse performance for new uses that it will be a disencentive for consumers who may otherwise use a new idea or product. I do not create nor provide services nor products on the Internet. This is my opinion as a consumer.
—Craig A. brown, Fayetteville, AR

Net Neutrality is a very important issue. If this doesn't go through, the ISPs WILL start applying extra fees and a multi-tier system. They're already starting to do it in some cases. ISPs will raise prices, slow services, and never upgrade the bandwidth available. Net Neutrality is needed now.
—Jeremy Fischer, Durham, NC

I will never be able to afford the fast lane.I won't be able to afford Netflix or even basic cable. It's not fair that the 1% get every advantage.
—Lori Mulvey, Comstock Park, MI

Broadband access is a utility, please protect the American people's interests. Thank you, Shon Barrett
—Shon Barrett, Houston, TX

The access to information and fast and quick is important to me because it helps better understand what is going on in the world.
—Sarah Fordjour, Nazareth, PA

I voted for Obama because he promised to maintain net neutrality. What happened to that?
—Tita Owre, sarasota, FL

I am fed up to be spied
—Marie-Jeanne Leduc, Salaberry-de-Valleyfield,

The internet has become the primary mode that I use to obtain news and other important information that I use on a daily basis. It is essential to a well funtioning democracy to have an informed citizenry, which in this day and age requires the internet be kept open, neutral and free to all users.
—Barbara Schweizer, Philadelphia, PA

Stop the takeover of the Internet by corporate america.the internet must remain free,
—Steve Cummings, Mt Vernon, IN

Everyone should have equal access. Carriers may want to make more money, but the internet is a public utility--information should be available to rich and less rich schools and people-and ALL of the internet-no one should decide who can see what how soon. The open and free internet must be protected.
—LuAn M Keller, Catawissa, PA

The internet is NOT meant for a class system. There are enough problems in the world when it comes to classes, we don't need the only medium left to have this issue as well.
—Callum Mizzi, Fairfield,

Paying for internet speed should be handled at the user's end as it currently is. I pay $46 per month for bandwidth that is well below what other first-world countries receive. Internet providers should be classified as common carriers and not allowed to filter information content by dollars.
—Tom Videen, Santa Fe, NM

Everyone should have the same access regardless of social standing or affluence.
—Richard Sarafin, Shutesbury, MA

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Leonor Steiner, Spokane, WA

Most retired persons that I know spend large parts of their time on the Internet, so a free, fast Internet is especially important to us.
—David Brock, Mathis, TX

Classify ISPs as Common Carriers because that is what they are. They use our phone network to make money so we should all have the same access.
—Tom Barger, Mexico, NY

Net Neutrality will allows all of us to enjoy a communication system that is without economic bias for quality of service. Lets not make the Internet a class filter of haves and have nots.
—Tom A Wiley, Houston, TX

Net neutrality is quickly becoming a cornerstone point of our society. Being able to connect to the web is slowing being recognized as a human right. Limiting the internet in the ways you have proposed allows companies to discriminate against information, and double dip, charging both the consumer for access and the provider to access that consumer. It is at best a dirty business practice and at worst, a horrible horrible precedent. Maintain Net Neutrality... for the good of everyone, let it be our right.
—Mark Taylor, LEWISVILLE, TX

Net neutrality will destroy competition and drastically hinder innovation. The barrier to enter making your own streaming service based on a new tech will too large (any amount for a startup is too large) for anyone to start themselves. I depend on making sure my sites are fast, none of my clients will want to pay more to make their sites faster. This is a ridiculous idea. ISP are just a gateway connection the internet and should just be a common carrier, not a service to say who's traffic is more important.
—Alex Bor, Manchester,

Allowing ISPs to control content is a slippery slope, down which the end result is the control of information and the stifling of liberties. The internet should not be controlled by anyone or anything. ISPs should be considered common carriers.
—Davin Hazirjian, Newburgh, NY

The greatest thing about the internet has been that everyone has equal access. Why must those who have more money be allowed to buy faster access? It will ruin the internet.
—Ellen Asbell, Boyertown, PA

Net neutrality is basically a technological advancement which parallels the constitutional provision where "all men (and women) are created equal..." Whether by way of reclassifying Internet Service Providers as common carriers, or by way of categorizing the internet as a telecommunications service, the important action to take is to simply protect net neutrality as it it now exists - and this protection will thus further protect the equality of those who utilize this technological advancement.
—Joseph Schuchert, Brimley, MI

As a programmer, I use the internet to download libraries and supporting files for writing programs as well as keeping up-to-date on the latest languages with coursework. Without net neutrality, taking classes over the internet would be severely impacted since schools are already strapped for cash.
—Chris Jones, Odenton, MD

This "plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it." But most importantly it takes the freedom from the internet. It hurts minorities and other small businesses.
—Syene Jasmin, Trenton, NC

The internet has been an essential tool for my education throughout my entire life. Many of the websites I visit are not interested in making profits and therefore would not have the money to compete with websites that would be willing to pay for preferential access to costumers.Without net neutrality websites like this would be much slower, or have to focus on money instead of education.
—Juan Perez-Gea, Philadelphia, PA

Because everyone should be handled equally, whether you are a big company with lots of money or you are a small company with little money.
—Robbe Janssens, Eppegem,

The idea of creating a two-tiered Internet and abolishing Net Neutrality is the height of ignorance and corporate corruption. Congrats Mr. Wheeler, you have proven yourself to be a totally unethical, bought and paid for corporate puppet. You are a complete DISGRACE!
—Karl Pavloff, Cincinnati, OH

Neutrality is essential to allow justice and libertiy to be an expresion of humang beings in benefit of the hole environment, and this shoud not be bloqued or reduced. It is through all people actions in liberty and respect how we must live and grow. It is YOUR responsibility now to make sure it can be managed in the best way to defend the interest of the planet we live in. It is through Internet that we have the way to change things in order to have a better world for all, by SHARING IDEAS IN BENEFIT OF ALL. Please assume your responsibility. I am doing now what i think i have to do, by writing this to You. Kind regards, and Full Consciousness for You. Please do not consider this information if you think it is manipulated, or consider it if you think you should. Thank You anyway. Juan Antonio Alonso
—Juan Antonio Antonio, Guadarrama,

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Rachel Watts, anchorage, AK

Net Neutrality is essential to the future of the Internet.
—Willy Karam, New York, NY

Net neutrality matters to me because I believe internet should remain a publicly available resource.
—Elizabeth Criger, Tucson, AZ

PLEASE, PLEASE don't let the Charman pander to his giant communications buddies! You have the power AND the obligation to save the Internet for ALL!
—Don Sodrel, New Albany, IN

We deserve freedom.
—Carla, Buenos Aires,

Net Neutrality is the basic idea that internet service should be equal for all. In a debate between fair and benefiting a particular group, how could you ever side with the latter? Make the hard decision and listen to the people. Do what's right not what may benefit you personally.
—Joshua LeMay, Belfast, ME

A two-tiered internet is unethical.
—Sharon Swainson, Los Angeles, CA

I depend on the internet being a open, shared space, for my business and for the creatives I work with, and this plan would take all that away. It upsets me that the FCC would toss Net Neutrality aside so lightly in favor of burdening the users of the internet with fees and a unfair system of limiting access to those who can't afford these new costs. I and many many others depend on Net Neutrality, and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Karli Cooper, Kalamazoo, MI

I want to read and publish, without being censored, facts and opinions which are against the interests of big corporations. I want to be able to protest when victims of the so called free market system complain and I want to be able to defend their rights. I want to be able to organise resistence via internet if needed. We are human, not animals and slaves of a few thousand superrich people. It is time to make economy democatic, because the balance op economic power is dangerously out of order. How will mankind survive this 'economy of the superrich'?
—Hans Potters, OEGSTGEEST,

It is time to realize we are in the 21st century, and that internet is a basic human need.
—Brent Mosher, Tampa, FL

NEUTRALITY is the only fair way to go!!!
—Bethany Lynn, Concrete, WA

I request that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Douglas Friday, Chandler, AZ

This down-is-up, tiered-internet-is-good notion only makes sense in a few profit-obsessed boardrooms. It is NOT in the bests interests of the people of this country. You are CERTAIN to be on the wrong side of the history books if you fall for this scam.
—Tom Metzguer, Hillsborough, NC

I should have equal access to all sites, large and small. It should start with the network being deemed a common carrier.
—Neil M Schuster, Lutz, FL

Everyone should have free access to the internet, not just people with money.
—Wendy Dannett, new york, NY

Here in Mexico is very dangerous where your information might end. Last year our government leaked a Data Base of many of its citizens IDs and ended up in clandestine markets for anyone to buy. Information like these is very delicate in 3 world countries like ours, mostly kidnaping and extortion comes from not having security or privacy in internet. Please help us make the internet a safe place to share information.
—Eduardo Valdez, México D.F.,

Wheeler's proposal to allow internet content providers to pay ISPs for preferential treatment of the content provider’s data streams will lead to 1) a slowdown of content from all providers who don’t pay ISPs an extra fee, and 2) the passing on of content provider’s additional costs to consumers. Currently the Internet is in the same FCC category as cable TV services. Cable TV services are historically and still predominantly “one-way” communication systems. Clearly the Internet is a “two-way” system like the legacy US telephone system, and should be in the same Common Carrier category as the legacy US phone system.
—David Hall, Rancho Palos Verdes, CA

Whoever controls the information pipeline controls the flow of information. That is an issue which affects us all. The information highway needs to be for the people not just PROFIT.
—Michael A. Morgan, Kansas City, MO

In this time communication is crucial and it must be available to all, free, protected and transparent. Please do your job and protect net neutrality.
—Susan Singh, Tulsa, OK

The internet should operate on an even field, not on who can pay more.
—Zack Brown, McKinney, TX

Dear FCC, Net Neutrality is the defining action of our generation. It's the difference between showing the world now, and the future what we care about, money and privatization of what need to be public services, or equal access to a service that is the most popular, accessible, and helpful too our entire world has right now. Don't settle for Wheeler, don't settle for throttling, don't settle at all. Make the internet what it should have been from the start, a Common Carrier. Sincerely, Ty McNulty
—Ty McNulty, Milwaukee, WI

Net Neutrality matters to me because I think that the monopolization of the internet could lead to disastrous things and it is also morally wrong, but what are morals to someone who works to promote getting rid of net neutrality. Brendan Y. 15 years old.
—Brendan Thomas Yeager, Utica, MI

Your plan doesn't create a fast lane. It creates a slow lane. I'm already paying for internet access. The service I'm connecting to already pays for internet access. And we're all getting some of the slowest service in the world. Now you're going to allow these slow carriers to threaten to slow our already paid for service even more if they're not allowed to make even bigger profits than they're making now? The internet is one of the greatest sources of new businesses and new jobs in America. One that allows new companies to compete on equal footing with large companies. It allows small brick and mortar shops in small dying towns to compete globally and bring money into their city. And yet, your proposal gives the large companies an advantage over newly forming companies by making sure that he has the most money provides the fastest service. The internet companies aren't struggling. Don't give them more money at the expense of the whole economy.
—Douglas Wise, Washington, DC

For us ancients with modest means the internet as it is provides great connection to the world at large. Please keep it THAT WAY.
—Judy K Litt, Portland, OR

Internet speeds in the United States are already slower than the rest of the world. We don't need corporate greed making this issue even worse.
—Thomas Hibbard, South Lyon, MI

Be on the side of the people and not on the side of the monopolies. Be on the side of democracy. Be on the side of a free press. Be on the side of equal access, equality of opportunity. Be on the side of innovation. Be on the side of reclassifying the internet as a common carrier. Don't be a lobbyist tool.
—BeVan Presley, Plymouth, MN

because the internet HAS to be fair. Because neutrality is it's flesh and blood. because we need new content everyday and the new providers need a fair chance to express themselves. because of a lot of other ideologies that you could call idealists but above all, because we ARE living in a society that should be ruled FOR the people. And the people have SPOKEN, a LARGE majority wants neutrality and you know it. Policies shouldn't favor neither the rich or the poor, neither the corporations neither the small businesses. Do what's right, please.
—Yann Gbedo, Merignac,

I depend on the internet for communication with my distant friends and family around the world whom I care about deeply. If I can't rely on my internet for real-time communications, then I can not rely on my friends and family.
—Ian Sanderson, Sherman, CT

We want it back!
—will Stewart, Birmingham, AL

Dear FCC, it is with in your best interest to be on the side of the people on this issue if you do not want to deal with bigger problems. I urge you to throw out your rules that favor corporations and instead establish rules that favor the people (i.e. - reclassify ISPs as common carriers).
—Victoria Perizes, Long Grove, IL

This bill will only make hackers more active to pay you and the is p's back for this. I don't want to see this and I Believe in net neutrality.
—Logan, Sierra Vista, AZ

The internet is the one place where everyone is well and truly free and equal. The end of net neutrality would mean that people with enough money and power could censor the internet, and kill the only true democracy in the world. With net neutrality, the internet would remain an open platform that promotes free speech and new ideas– and companies like Comcast, Verizon, and AT&T would not be able to pick winners and losers on the internet in a way that benefits them.
—Kalli Kerr, Chicago, IL

As a student with lots of ideas if my bigger concurrents' websites have a favorited access it will not allow me to grow bigger and spread my ideas and products.
—Sebastien Michel, Atlanta, GA

This is going to kill the internet. This will kill new start-ups and possibly many existing sites on the web. You are selfish and disgusting to charge people a ransom for what we already have!
—Holly Crane, Springfield, NE

Over the past few years the Internet has become the biggest platform of exchange in the world. I think it is important to protect its neutrality and therefore its diversity so that getting information doesn't become the privilege of a minority. The Internet should be used as a tool to promote education and connection between people, not as a mean for compagnies to get even richer than they are.
—Juliette Michel, Atlanta, GA

Big money has bought nearly everything else in this country! Free speech can not and should not be for sale. Shame on those of you who are willing to sell our constitutional rights to the highest bidder. Net neutrality is essential for a free country and free speech. No selling out our rights! ISPs are common carriers--- not owners of the Net.
—Sharon Anderson, Napa, CA

By failing to reclassify ISPs as common carriers, the FCC is transforming regulated monopolies into de facto unregulated monopolies. As gate keepers to the internet and with the FCC standing aside and allowing their charges to set up a system to squeeze the public for more cash, these companies, as all monopolies invariably do, will use their monopoly power to squeeze the public for more cash. Using their monopoly power, they will shrink the supply of fast lanes, for which they will charge a premium, and with the help of the FCC increase the supply of very slow lanes for the majority of the public. Please do not allow a few ISPs to appropriate the commons, i.e, the net, for their own personal gain. This smacks of yet another government policy contributing to the income gap between rich and poor and contributing to the decline of our democracy. Despite the fact that the comments made by the Chairman strongly suggest that the FCC has been captured by the industry it was appointed to regulate, the FCC has a solemn duty to protect the public from profiteering by those it regulates. The net is the public's collective commons to be protect by the FCC for the public's use, and not the private estate of a small number of well connected ISPs for their own enrichment, facilitated by the FCC, and at the expense of the public.
—Michael Harrod, Arroyo Grande, CA

I rely on the web as a vital communications conduit, both as a producer of content (university library, community organizations) and as an informed citizen. "Fast Lane" or tiered service models erode the value of the internet for everyone.
—Mr. Gabe Ormsby, Minneapolis, MN

because free and equal access belong to all not just those with larger funds
—Max, leicester,

The Internet must stay neutral and must not become a fast vs slow lane corporation nightmare.
—Brian Dakin, jonquiere,

I do not want my internet providers to discriminate by dictating lesser speed the speed or quality of service for rival companies. I believe that we should treat internet providers as common carriers, as the internet is no longer optional for many industries. A highway of commerce should not have it's laws dictated by private businesses who have every interest to curb and harass trade to their benefit.
—servete Kolar, Staten Island, NY

I'm a web designer, and if the FCC ends Net Neutrality, I will likely lose my job because my clients will not be able to afford to pay the extra charges to keep their website fast/accessible. I'm only trained in web design, so if the above happens, I'll be unemployed, and will likely lose my house, car, possessions, etc, as I won't be able to pay for them without a job.
—Hugh Dickson, Devizes,

Because blackmail should not be legal
—Jesse Charschan, Scotch Plains, NJ

You have the responsibility to protect public access to communication for everyone. Do your job and protect the little guy from these huge companies that have only profit as a motive. Make them do what's right, and reclassifying ISP's as common carriers would serve the purpose admirably. Sincerely, Joni Metcalf-Kemp
—Joni Metcalf-Kemp, Greenwood, IN

Net Neutrality is an important to the freedom of speech. With out Net Neutrality, there will be mass-content filtering and will lead to the redaction of the FREE internet. FCC DO YOUR JOB. TAKE THE MONEY OUT OF POLITICS. Net Neutrality is the WILL of the people YOU serve.
—David Tiao, Williamsburg, VA

It is in Americas best economic interest that we preserve and strengthen Net Neutrality. It creates an even playing field and allows anyone to access or run their businesses, communicate freely and continually push the boundaries of technology and innovation. Something America is known for. I fear that if you allow these corporations an avenue to monetize and capitalize on the very thing that makes the internet amazing; a currently free and open line of direct communication with no specific bias or set discrimination against a set people or party, you will have successfully destroyed the past decade of technological revolution. This would be a economic catastrophe seeing as how this is one of Americas most important areas of economic growth it behooves you to preserve and encourage it. I urge you to do not put more power into the hands of these corporations. Let we, the American people decide our technological and economic future! What frustrates me the most as that you hear millions of Americans against your current plans yet you ignore us and move along with it anyways. Its applauding and disappointing.
—Dustin d'Arnault, Dallas, TX

I rely on my internet connection for telephone, television, news and information and most of my personal communications now. I can't imagine a more common carrier, and the net neutrality rule proposal on the table will not protect or preserve it. It must be re-classified to be able to assert regulatory authority. The net is now a public good and should be treated as the public service it has come to be .
—Kirk Leonard, Salem, OR

The internet must remain an open platform for speech and commerce.
—Steven Blanco, AUSTIN, TX

The internet needs to remain a free and open marketplace of ideas. The end of net neutrality is the end of personal freedom on the web.
—Daniel, Butler, PA

First of all, I think it caters to the rich and is discriminatory.no individual or company should have the right to discriminate and restrict information on the Internet. It is a form of censorship, which is essentially what the TV and radio news networks do. I am a senior citizen and it is my main source of free, indiscriminate and unbiased information. I cannot afford TV
—Harold R LeTourneau, Tacoma, WA

This is really important to me. Net neutrality is vital, to prevent a takeover of the internet and charge high fees for fast service. Leave it alone.
—Elin Heard, Jerome, AZ

Net Neutrallity is important to keeping freedom on the internet. It allowes new companies to come up. It also stops big companies from taking advantage of people.
—Ammar Vohra, Collegeville, PA

As a college student who just finished her first year, the idea of some information being less accessible is honestly kind of repugnant to me (also, Netflix). I do most of my research for classes and for personal interest on the internet, and I also use the internet to interact and communicate with people from around the country and the world. The internet is too big and far too important to be controlled by selfish corporations, especially because it's sort of the last place we have where that isn't always entirely true. Although recent studies have shown that America is much more of an oligarchy than a democracy, keeping net neutrality is one of the few things that would tip the scales slightly more towards the democratic side of the scale. I hope you want that as much as I do.
—Ms. Tamar Novetsky, Teaneck, NJ

Net neutrality promotes competition, opportunity for everyone and the American Spirit! Equal access to a neutral internet is just as important as civil rights. A neutral internet will protect individuals' freedom from infringement by governments and private organizations.
—Lauren Elbaum, Miami, FL

The main purpose of the internet is to remain open and free! its our right to have a free and open bandwidth from service providers as you should be more concerned with public interest rather than businesses interest. Wheeler, you're murdering net neutrality.
—AlJawhara, Riyadh,

Keep the Internet fair for all!
—Jennie deBeausset, Grosse Ile, MI

This is an application of my first amendment rights and I feel violated that it is being messed with.
—Wilma Rittel, Roswell, NM

I entirely feel that the decision to get rid of and or end net neutrality is one that will have extreme future consequences. I feel the FCC should work to spread fiber networks across the United States, to once again make us a world leader, instead of focusing on destroying that which is of our future.(The Internet) I feel that allowing this unfair play between corporations would be a complete disaster. P.S. It is extremely hard for me the average citizen to not see this as a corrupt move on the FCC's part. My prediction is that one day this nation will realize just how corrupt this government is and in some way topple it.
—Michael Cody Stewart, ponca city, OK

The recent rules proposed by the FCC will prohibit innovation and entrepreneurship by small businesses trying to break into the market. As an Operations Manager for a tech start-up which uses video, I am constantly met by restrictions in broadband access and the reliability of the connections we employ. These new rules would further our ability to innovate and grow. Don't hurt the life-blood of our economy. Throw out these rules!
—Joseph Mabus, Evanston, IL

Corporations are not people. I am a person. Do not destroy net neutrality.
—Corey Shepherd, lakeland, FL

I do not want large industries monopolizing the internet in order to exploit their own interests instead of focusing on innovation. I believe that if large Internet providers tier the internet, development of telephone and computer industries will slow immensely. Furthermore, I like to read anything from news reports to recipes from different sources - from small, specialized news websites to personal blogs - and not just from large institutions like the New York Times. Especially as a college student who has incurred a lot of debt and is financially strained, I would not be able to afford "premium" Internet from Internet service providers; thus, I would use the Internet less, and therefore inhibit more people from innovating. Let's look at history; Western Union monopolized the telegram industry. Princeton's Starr said, "Even in its heyday, [Western Union] also devoted little to research." Rather, telecommunication incumbents "invest more in politics than in technology – indeed, they are downright frightened by innovation, whose ultimate effects they can't control." Big companies won't invest money to research and development; they'll invest it in politics. Research, development, and innovation of the Internet is important to me because it means that the small-scale political blogger will have equal opportunity to gain views as large institutions like The New Yorker. As someone who loves to read small-scale, personal blogs, I would be disappointed and angry that it would take much longer for these small blogs to load compared to the New Yorker website.
—Nancy Ko, Los Alamitos, CA

ISPs state that their reasoning for wanting to be able to treat packets differently (based upon content, customers, etc) is due to their being overwhelmed by the amount of usage and can't keep up. Well, then they need to expand their infrastructure! When a customer pays for a certain amount of bandwidth, it is an agreement that the company will provide that bandwidth so long as the customer pays the fees to use it. If the service that company provides becomes so popular that the company can't keep pace with the demand, then they have two options: expand your infrastructure or reduce your market share. Breaching the contractual obligations (i.e. ceasing to provide internet access at the agreed-upon speed) is not one of those options. The plan of the ISPs is nothing more than to create a digital mafia. Those whom can afford to pay the required protection money will have the privilege to do continue acting as they were before; so long as they don't do anything objectionable that might invite retaliation (e.g. criticize the ISP, its parent corporation, or *anything else* that is found even mildly distasteful). The Internet is, by design, a common carrier. Great minds of decades past realized the need to protect such systems from censorship - be it by the government, companies, or anyone else. Do the right thing and classify the Internet as a common carrier.
—Samuel Walters-Nevet, Rockville, MD

Net neutrality is important because it promotes a free and open market on the internet. If smaller companies cannot pay the fee to speed up their internet, the user sees this company as either having diminished quality OR the consumer ends up fronting the money, which thereby decreases competition in any industry the internet touches. The recent merger of Comcast and Time Warner is also alarming, seeing as these cable companies effectively form a monopoly on the cable industry. How is this capitalism?
—Mike Albanese, Lemont, IL

Stop Screwing Up Everything In The Name Of Greed.
—Raven Mitchell, Uttoxeter,

Its harder for small companies to get noticed on the internet because they would have to pay extra money so they get on the "Fast Lane". If they don't then there website would be slow and useless because no one wants to stay on a slow website.
—Tyler Hill, lake in the hills, IL

I have been around the world twice using internet all over and having the neutrality keeps it to where people are free to think and do as we like. Plus if this is taken away alot of hard core computer types will just end up haking the system and then you the FCC would be mad cause your losing money faster than you could make it so don't do this to us or yourselves.
—Eric N. Galloway, Grovetown, GA

SAVE NET NEUTRALITY!
—Justin M Villa, San Marcos, TX

We need to stop the increasingly dangerous income gap in America, and your duty is to ALL Americans!
—Roberta Richardson, Melbourne, FL

As a teacher of computer science and technology, I don't want to have to educate my students during a time when the single greatest benefit of the web, it's freedom, is threatened or compromised by a country that claims freedom for its people. As a society, we've already drifted down a path towards a powerless people, imbalanced by regulations that provide disproportionate advantages to the few. Information, knowledge and expression should not be a brokered commodity when we have the resources to keep the web free and equal for all. The bottom line: I will vote against any representative or administration that imposes regulations limiting the freedom of the web or that promotes policy which imbalances access based on financial means. To a degree, this is already a problem that would be made worse by such policies.
—Chris Cozort, San Jose, CA

The internet is the most powerful resource the world has, not nukes, not soldiers. I will act alongside others at the vanguard to protect the most pure resource my generation has. No lawmakers will destroy my RIGHT to the internet and all it has to offer without a fight.
—Jacob Gordon, Woodinville, WA

America is a country built upon its freedoms. Taking those freedoms away is taking away part of America itself, and in the name of what? Greed. This isn't the America I was born in, nor is it the one I want to live in.
—Leila Wilson, Pomona, CA

Because many of the people in the US who I know use the internet because they don't have the money to spend on entertainment. This will negatively affect them and many others like new companies trying to get started on the net will have a huge disadvantage toward other already established ones.
—Vito Pichini, Perth,

I thought the government wasn't supposed to pick winners and losers. The internet is a public good, just like the airwaves.
—Jeremy Bourget, Rumford, RI

we should all have access to the exact same stuff. no one person is better than another unless the are mentally or physically inferior.
—Santiago Bliss, san francisco, CA

In a true democracy-information which shapes knowledge, thoughts should be available to all equally. . .a two tiered system is propels entertainment conglomerates to the forefront-net flix, directv. . and those who can afford it but does nothing to promote a more informed society just one that is entertained. The novel "Fahrenheit 451" realized.
—K Carr, Long Beach, CA

Right now you are allowing big business to have priority over small businesses. This isn't equal. Throwing out the idea of equality so you can show favor to the elite is wrong. It always has been. Nothing good has ever come from favor the select few at the expense of others. This is what you are currently doing. We need net neutrality. We need equality.
—Lynn Pawlowski, Boothbay, ME

Dear Mr. Wheeler: I've been using the internet for years and to see it's neutrality go away would really be a heart breaker. Please protect the interests of all of us, not just a few, by classifying ISPs as what they really are, common carriers. (And we need more of them).
—Faith Gagne, South Yarmouth, MA

ISP s should be common carriers
—Don MacDonald, Watertown, MA

There is too much corporate dictatorship already.
—Murray Howlett, Regents Park,

I want Net Neutrality because I want equal opportunities for internet users.
—Lisa Pawlowski, Boothbay, ME

If the FCC doesn't reclassify ISPs as common carriers, net neutrality will not survive. When you see how the Internet is used in business and in lives of individuals, why would the FCC not reclassify it? The Internet IS the most common carrier being used by everyone today! Please, do what is best for the individual and the small business community. Our government shouldn't be in the business of ensuring that big companies continue to rake in obscene profits for their CEOs and shareholders on the backs of the ordinary person.
—Elizabeth Hinnant, Vancouver, WA

Unlimited internet access already means limited data and speed, imagine how it will be without net Neutrality
—Chuck Gushlaw, Watertown, NY

The importance of the internet to allow the people to access free information and other related outlets that provide content. Its essential, the ability to inform one self via the internet by the vast amount of distributed knowledge to educate, learn, and form one's opinion of the world around them.
—Javier Garay, Whittier, CA

Net Neutrality boils down to free speech online. Wealthy companies's voices would be heard; everyone else would be drowned out. Please do not take away free speech just because internet carriers don't want to invest in building more towers.
—Rachel Story, Cape Girardeau, MO

Because Internet acces is important for everyone - not only fpr big companies
—Michael Steinmeyer, Wagenfeld,

No blocking! No discrimination! No slowdown! No speedup. Reclassify broadband Internet access as a telecommunications service. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Gary Hosey, Greensboro, NC

Restricting communication in this manner goes against the ideals of free association and access to reasonable information. This is nothing but a money-grab that will restrict communication, reduce happiness, and further widen the worlds' growing economic gap. There are better ways to deal with the bandwidth ceiling. Keep the net neutral!
—Colin Pinnell, Stony Plain,

The internet providers can change the cost or restrict data flow without net neutrality
—Bob Tim, canton, OH

Net neutrality is important in maintaining a fair and open internet for the American people.
—Quentin Carter, Portland, OR

The internet has become a rising job market which has been helping boost the economy, and, naturally, many people's income rely on it. Slowing the internet down for sites that can't afford to pay for higher priority will severely cripple the growth in the market. We can't afford to nip this in the bud right now.
—Michael Burke, Chicago Heights, IL

You suck. The majority of America hates you. As a young adult growing up in America, I have been privileged with the right of Net Neutrality and firmly believe that with Net Neutrality, America is the leader in technology commerce and a treasured leader in free speech. Because of this, word spreads faster than it ever did, cover ups and lines are exposed, all have a voice, whether hateful or uplifting and everyone has the ability to access any information they can. But with the new proposed guidelines, who will have a voice? Who can post whatever they feel like? With Net Neutrality my voice is being heard right now by some one but what happens when it's gone? The very principle every single company started with in the wee hours of the internet age will be taken away. Without Net Neutrality, none of the current companies taking it away right now would exist. Of course you don't care about any of this, you just want your paycheck. You're discriminating against those who helped build you yet claim that it's blown out of proportion? Shame on you all.
—David Merchan, Cedar Rapids, IA

Innovation cannot thrive in an environment where the biggest wallets can purchase preferential treatment. The internet, and its startups, have been a huge source of economic growth and we need to maintain that innovation-supportive atmosphere!
—Eric Danley, 60544, IL

I strongly believe that the last mile is not a competitive market very much like the railroad industry. We need to guarantee equal access and prevent the same mistakes we made with the railroad trusts. And for that matter, why would we ever make a perpetual sale of bandwidth? At least lease it!
—James Kleckner, Palo Alto, CA

Please, keep net neutrality.
—Joseph P Piontkowski, Tarentum, PA

Don't let large business win over the common citizen. We have a right to equal access.
—Henry Burger, Palo Alto, CA

Net Neutrality is important not just for small businesses, but for diverse political discourse. Both of these things matter, and destroying Net Neutrality harms both.
—Lance Johnson, Pensacola, FL

I don't like being backed against a wall, my choices made for me by a bully who thinks he can because he is bigger than me. I've never backed down from a single aggressor who tried. I will advocate in opposition, I will never succumb, I'd rather play my uke or guitar in the woods for entertainment and kiss the internet goodbye, then to yield my freedom. I will base my future voting on who is out there to protect neutrality. Whoever even thought of the idea of this new level of control should be ashamed of themselves. Though, I bet they are quite rich from the idea and fancy themselves a great deal. Nothing like having huge corporations love you. I call that person a sell-out. A thief who sells other's rights.
—Michael Downs, Hillsboro, OR

Freedom is our right.
—Kerrie L DallaCosta, Eugene, OR

Dear FCC, The internet is a great vehicle for democracy, for the ordinary person to be heard by any and all. If you put an end to net neutrality and give control of the internet to the rich and powerful, you will essentially kill one of the most generous gifts of free and accessible communication for all. Please restore this gift by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers. The internet should not be owned by anyone, but should be shared equally. Sincerely, John Rockwell
—John Rockwell, Barnet, VT

The internet is one of our most democratic spaces. Let's keep it that way, please.
—Ariana Wohl, Providence, RI

This country is based on competition in order to make it liveable for all of us---we must not have just one provider--we need competition!
—Marian Krewson, bELLEVUE, WA

Payola has always bee illegal. By allowing companies with more money to pay extra fees you are effectively cutting out the small, independent voice. This is nothing but payola and should not be allowed to go forward.
—Marianne Flanagan, Des Plaines, IL

prioritizing what internet services can run at what speed jeopardizes their ability to effectively be heard by a wide audience. freedom of speech should truly be free and that includes the internet. What makes the internet great should be preserved or it is not worth having.
—Mr. Brian Seabury, Houston, TX

The internet is great because it's an equal playing field for all great ideas and rewards innovation no matter if a big company is backing it or not. To change that would mean the end of the greatest thing to happen in our lifetimes. A free and unbiased internet gives the people the power and allows what is good, appreciated, and wanted to be popular, not for us to be spoon fed what major corporations want and nothing more. You HAVE TO RESTORE THE LAWS THAT ENFORCE A FREE AND OPEN INTERNET! No one wants to live in a world without it.
—Michael Shackelford, Cincinnati, OH

The Internet is a public common good. Call it what it is, and regulate it that way, please.
—Stephen G Schoggen, Little Silver, NJ

Without sufficient rules and regulations, any entity will use abuse it's power to the fullest. They will try any way they can to raise profits unless the government limits them. Does the plan the FCC's chairmen proposed favor ISP's significantly versus free enterprise? Yes.
—Bascomb Arnette, Los Angeles, CA

Its important for me
—Yonathan Gordon, Northbrook, IL

We already have enough distinction between the have and have -notes. Access to information should not be in that category.
—Diane Rojas, Arlington, VA

Everything of value about the internet has been collectively created by the people, for the people. For corporate cable cartels to come in now and ruin it for their own gain is offensive to all that we have built. Throwing out net neutrality is an insulting disregard for the collective value which we have created without the cable companies who seek to rake in obscene profits at our expense. Please reclassify the internet as a telecommunications service to keep the ISPs from ruining our internet.
—Lindsey Medeiros, Stoughton, MA

Equal access to all web information is important to maintaining democracy. We should not allow ISPs to control our content by making website owners pay more to reach us better. American citizens have the right to access any information they need at equal speed of the large companies that can pay the ISPs more. We need to maintain net neutrality so that the people can control what they learn and enjoy online. Please do not allow corporate greed control us online, as it does on TV. American citizens need to feel they are more important than money - for once.
—Carolina Lavayen, Las Vegas, NV

Net Neutrality is necessary for a free internet, free people, and free enterprise. Don't kill it.
—Michael Edwards, Rancho Santa Fe, CA

The internet thrives because it is a fair and equitable platform for all types of discourse, allowing ISPs to ransom access will spell the death of the free and open marketplace of ideas.
—Michael Grgich, San Diego, CA

This is my only source of news.
—Dr. Diann Taylor, Independence, MO

I think Net Neutrality is important because the internet must be treated like a public utility and remain open for all content providers without having to pay to speed up service. This is the only way to ensure that innovation in online content continues, and to keep the internet the open, unfiltered communication channel it is.
—Donna Ellis, ASHLAND, OH

The internet has the potential to be a giant force for equality in the world... A way for human beings to connect... The global village brought home in a real way... Net Neutrality is crucial to maintaining democracy and freedom online...
—Ksenia Danylevich, Washington, DC

I don't want big telecom companies controlling the internet!!
—J martin, Henderson, CO

Corporations should not dictate the content of what I see and use. Ending net neutrality will kill the net as we know it.
—Brian Hicks, Lemont, IL

This is the last source of a free press. If a free internet ends, a free America will no longer exist.
—Michael Sullivan, KALISPELL, MT

I do not need my freedom on the internet to be taken. I do not need my prices raised and I do not need slow speeds because of this. Reclassify these carriers as common carriers, revamp the 30 year old common carrier laws to apply to TODAY's situation, and be done with it.
—Matt L Perkins, Mesa, AZ

The internet is a open medium for information and therefore should not be infringed or moderated by government bodies.
—Evan Knutson, Loomis, CA

The public needs access to the unvarnished truth, whatever and wherever that may be, without having to pay for certain venues, if our democracy is to survive.
—Linda Sullivan, Huntington Beach, CA

One of the things we Americans pride ourselves with is the ability to go from nothing to something. The ability to use our brains and skills to not only make a living but make the world a better place. Killing net neutrality will make it harder for the little guy to make a positive difference in the world because their voice will be further stifled. I hope it is evident to you that killing net neutrality is just another way for large companies to make more money and make it harder for there to be any innovation.
—L Chibesa, Austin, TX

People of all economic levels should have equal access to information!
—Mia D, Oakland, CA

Hello, I am concerned with allowing ISPs to create an arbitrary tier system of bandwidth based on a companys ability to pay. Doing so would allow IPSs to pick winners and losers, eliminate competitors unfairly and would inhibit new e-commerce growth and innovation. Please rethink your decision. This isn't just about netflix and some gamer trying to top the leader boards, it's about fair practice and free speech. Thanks for your time. Cheers, William Collins
—William Collins, Charlottesville, VA

Please throw away these rules and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers in order to preserve real net neutrality. Please help to assure fair prices for all. A neutral network facilitates innovation and communication which benefits everyone. Please help to keep information and knowledge open and freely accessible to all without discrimination.
—Michael fernandez, alpharetta, GA

Please help the American people to have a fair say in this proposed monoply of cable providers.
—Linda Bishop, Sebastopol, CA

I'm a Realtor and work more and more on line. Even when I'm showing houses I carry an iPad to answer client's questions about this or other homes. Once while showing a house the client asked what it might cost to remodel the kitchen. I was able to check that with the Cost vs. Value report from Remodeling magazine on the spot so she could make a decision. For me to have a degraded time response because bandwidth is taken up by "priority" customers is unfair. I switched from Comcast to DSL service from Century Link last year and it was a big mistake for time spent on the internet - much slower (usually 3-5 Mbps) which is killing me. I spend half my life waiting for the computer to talk to the internet. I'll be back to a cable provider the minute my 2-year contract is up. When I switch back I expect to have the same download speed as before - 20+ Mbps.
—Dave Sutton, Portland, OR

The FCC must protect fair and equal access to the open internet by classifying ISP's as common carriers - period!
—Ms. Carol Ortiz, Montgomery, TX

This country is supposed to stand for freedom, so why are you taking that away?
—Meghan C, Lewisville, TX

Money should not determine the manner in which the internet functions. Everyone should be able to use the internet at the same speed.
—John Hunt, Sunset Beach, NC

Public, not privatization
—Rafael Stephen, Riviera Beach, FL

I believe in freedom for all. Not just the powerful
—Keith Miller, Cleveland, OH

I want an internet that is free to speak out, as America was meant to. Attempting to defeat the freedom that our nation is built on is a foolish choice, and it would be our undoing.
—Logan Overton, Cottage Grove, OR

It saddens me that immense, powerful corporations could take over one of the few things left where there is a level playing field for all of us. Can you not see how terribly, terribly wrong this proposal is? What would be the possible purpose of this other than to disenfranchise Everyman and pad the bulging pockets of out richest corporations? Is the FCC bought and paid for?
—Susan van der Naald, Oregon City, OR

I would like the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Logan Griffin, Ojai, CA

Net neutrality is a fundamental principle to an open and free internet, enough said.
—Andrew, Burnie,

The internet is functionally a public utility, and it must be strictly governed by the principle of net neutrality. No access-provider company has the right to enclose portions of the internet, and give preferential treatment based either on willingness to pay or ideological alignment with the access provider. This principle is far too important to be subject to negotiated agreements by Verizon, Google, or anyone else. The internet is a public commons, and cannot be carved up into fiefdoms governed by access provides for their own financial or ideological goals. FCC must use its full statutory authority, including the accurate reclassification of internet service providers as telecommunications providers, to ensure that net neutrality is enshrined formally in law. The existence of net neutrality in practice is already beginning to erode under the commercial machinations of ISP's, and will collapse entirely soon without FCC action.
—Jim Steitz, Gatlinburg, TN

One image comes to mind, from the FCC's current action, one line from one classic novel: "All of us are equal; some of us are more equal than others." There is no open internet when some users are privileged over others in any way or for any reason.
—Lesley Shure, Boerne, TX

Chairman Wheeler's definition isn't exactly what I had in mind. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Stand up to the big guys, please.
—Mrs. Gunta Norman, Coquille, OR

Control over the internet shouldn't be handed to a few businesses. The internet doesn't belong to a group of companies. It is a huge mistake, and will hurt people unable to afford extra fees. It will restrict the freedom of people's access to online content without the say of people who use the internet.
—Meg Luce, ewa beach, HI

The US has dropped from eighth place might not be worth a worry if it weren't indicative of bigger problems in the U.S. broadband market. Marguerite Reardon of CNET recently wrote that U.S. cable providers aren't exactly encouraging consumers to adopt high-speed broadband -- "and when they do, they charge significantly higher prices that escalate as you move to faster tiers." The Huffington Post reported last month that several cable company CEOs had begun releasing editorials extolling U.S. broadband prices and speeds, likely in response to spates of recent criticism about both. And again, ninth out of 243 countries isn't bad. But if America's large cable companies keep pricing their services so as to discourage high-speed broadband adoption, the Internet in the U.S. will only keep slowing down relative to the rest of the world.
—Mr David Rose, Martins Ferry, OH

Net Neutrality is the backbone of the Internet, it's the reason that the Internet is so great. Voiding Net Neutrality would be killing the Internet.
—Erik Gustafsson, Skövde,

If ISPs are allowed to create faster internet access for people who can afford it, innovation and small business will be crushed, along with a large part of the economy.
—David Gardner, Bentleigh East,

We must have free and open access to the internet available to all viewpoints, not just those favorable to the elite interests in our society. Protect Net Neutrality!
—Jere Cockrell, Missoula, MT

Your job is not to provide unequal access to services!
—Michael Lawlor, Anchorage, AK

Supporting Net Neutrality is the only thing that makes sense for protecting the interests of the American people. Reclassifying ISPs as common carriers protects the internet as we have come to expect it, where all data is treated equally. Tom Wheeler's plan to allow for two tiered service only serves the interests of the massive ISPs that already stifle growth and competition. Real Net Neutrality needs to be protected, it is time for the FCC to stand up and protect the interests of the citizens of this country and not kowtow to the companies it is supposed to be regulating.
—Keenan McCardle, Peoria, AZ

If the FCC allows for Internet Service Providers to discriminate based on content it will be the end of the Internet as we know it, where instead of consumers deciding what they want to see and produce on the web, companies like Verizon and Comcast will get to decide, stifling the economy, innovation, and the full expression of human thought. I've made my living for the past decade online working with a variety of different communities, many of them immigrant communities and communities of color. It is already difficult enough to exist outside of giant technology companies like Apple, Google, and Facebook, if those communities also have to contend with getting through whatever cost filter Verizon and Comcast set up, the FCC might as well be saying they shouldn't exist at all.
—Kyle de Beausset, Grosse Ile, MI

It will make our e-business and IT sector far less competitive! Why are we selling our IT sector to lobbyist and monopolies.
—Simeon Bourim, honolulu, HI

Net neutural is necessary and Net neutural means that noone get to fast track.
—Mary gibbs, addison, IL

The internet is one the highest level of freedom of speech where your voice can reach nearly everyone on the planet. Limiting the internet, or putting in place payment tiers, is akin to charging extra for our right to freedom of speech.
—Joseph Naulty, Augusta, GA

I want a free and open Internet, as unregulated as electriicity, like it is now. I don't want companies controlling what I can and can't do on the web!
—Zane Miller, Fort Collins, CO

This does NOT truly benefit the consumer in any way whatsoever. It only provides CORPORATIONS and those with large sums of money to further their own interests at the expense of equality. I beg and urge you to reconsider.
—Tyler Scherer, Pittsburgh, PA

Net Neutrality is important because it means that my family and I won't have to pay more to enjoy the things we love. It means my friends will be able to have a chance to start their own business without being crushed by the bigger company and it means the Internet can be free to continue to express their right to freedom of speech.
—Charles Harris, nampa, ID

Net needs to be a public utility with unlimited access and without fees
—Lisa Patrell, Ann arbor, MI

If you change the system, access will change. It works now. Don't mess with it.
—Beth Rankin, McMinnville, OR

The Internet is many things: some good, some not. But it is fair and equal, allowing ideas to be shared across the board and reminiscent of the original ARPANET. Please allow the Internet to remain neutral.
—Frank Congedo, Wappinger, NY

NET NEUTRALITY is the one thing that almost every nation has why should we be any different. GIVE ME LIBERTY OR GIVE ME DEATH.
—Jacob Ludwig, Altoona, IA

I am the co-founder of a start-up that competes with a number of large companies. If my service were relegated to a slower speed than theirs, this would kill my ability to compete.
—Richard Barnes, Minneapolis, MN

If corporations are able under any circumstances to place a barrier in between any individual or corporation's message and the natural and maximal capabilities of the internet, it places the fundamental freedom of speech upon which our nation is built in peril. It is clear from the proposed rules that the FCC wants to create a legal method which allows ISPs to give preferential treatment to entities who will pay a premium for it. The inexcusable problem with this course of action is that currently every internet user that is providing content enjoys unrestricted access to the fullest and fastest capabilities of the networks that their content is being delivered on. There is no way for any ISP to provide a premium service over and above this current maximal ability of the network without laying many miles of new cable - something which many ISPs are admittedly unwilling to do due to the immense cost and the lack of a readily available market. This means that the only way to create a premium service for the customers who elect to pay for it is to downgrade the service available to the common user. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers so that the FCC can enact real change and control over an industry that is quickly becoming one of the most important of this young century. I understand the reluctance to regulate business too strictly for fear of losing it overseas, but keep in mind that these ISPs are forced, by the definition of the service they provide, to operate in the USA. Their capitol is here and they can't take it anywhere else. Thank you for your time.
—Michael Croweak, Cheshire, CT

The Internet is a utility and like water or power should be regulated and available equally to everyone.
—Richard Corbeil, Fremont, CA

Have you not forgotten about the 1996 telecommunications act where the ISP's where nothing but just providers, and not trying to be gate keepers as in the limiting us on going on the internet. They were supposed to upgrade our infrustructure to give us bigger speeds, not lower it. Even with the upgrade of the infrustructure going from copper to fiber optics that has not been done. How is this anyway a step forward. This is only a step backwards and a big one if it actully happens. Small buisness will get crushed, their names on the internet would not even scratch the surface.
—Erald Bardhollari, Royal Oak, MI

Keeping the internet open,free, equalfor all of America is integral for out democracy and free speech.
—Barbara postema, Rochester, MN

Dear FCC Net neutrality is extremely important to my day-to-day life. These new rules for the internet are harmful to the internet and its free-market of ideas. Phone companies don't regulate which people I can call more easily, so why should internet providers be able to regulate what websites and computer servers I can connect to. RECLASSIFY ISPS AS COMMON CARRIERS. Thank you for your time, Trevor Grover
—Trevor Grover, Logan, UT

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers! The internet is a free form of communication, and ought to remain that way. Throw out the proposed new rules!
—Sophie Morgan, Lexington, MA

I insist that you reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Any loophole or permission to allow these companies to tier the internet will severely degrade what has and continues to be our most dynamic tool for innovation. Michael McCone
—Michael A McCone, Seattle, WA

Net Neutrality is important because everyone deserves equal access to the internet.
—Ms. Jocelyn Ziemian, Washington, DC

The internet should be equally accessible to everyone. Please do not make this another situation where those with money have better access.
—Amy Parker, Williston, VT

level playing ground for start ups and small businesses is important to me as a co.founder of a new company
—Grant Ogna, redwood city, CA

Network interconnection fees are fine but fees to be given priority are not. Otherwise network providers won't have an incentive to keep the links between them adequate.
—Pablo Morales, Arlington, TX

We need to maintain an open and free internet if we wish to continue to act like we live in an open and free country. More and more laws continue to be passed which take away our freedom. Don't let this be another one of those laws!
—Caleb Snow, Inverness, FL

As an independent business - responsible for essentially all net new jobs - I depend on reliable, neutral communications services. These are often the most important resources for a business.
—Michael Inners, Grand Isle, VT

I telecommute and changes in the way information is dispersed could end my career.
—Thomas Wilson, Pottstown, PA

You do not own the internet. You cannot therefore sell the internet. The internet belongs to its users who create the content that make it humanity's most valuable asset. By giving into the telecommunications services (because that's what they are) you are stealing from the American People for profit. Do what is ethical.
—Douglas Welcome, Takoma Park, MD

As a young college student, I know net neutrality will be an essential component of my generation's prosperity in the troubled economy. A two-tiered Internet will be a tremendous setback to young entrepreneurs and the young wage earners of this country. FCC, you must stand for the people
—Joseph DiZoglio jr, East Greenwich, RI

Throw out the FCC's rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers!!!!!!
—Julie Miller, Washington, DC

The internet is the future of audio-visual media access. Telecom companies already are getting premium dollars from American consumers and are returning sub-standard service compared to other countries. Access cannot be decided by telecom companies and the market. Equal access is critical for innovation and our democracy.
—Dylan, Brookyn, NY

As an American citizen, I value sound and equally shared infrastructure. This benefits everybody in the long run.
—David Modjeska, Toronto, CA

We have enough restrictions on other parts of 'freedom' - don't take this from us!
—Megan Warren, Duncanville, TX

Mr. Wheeler, I'm certain you have heard all this before, but now please hear it from me. The internet is the best thing that has ever happened to the world. There has never been a free source of information quite like it. Though it is not yet guaranteed by any particular constitution at this point, unfettered access to this information should be a basic human right. Allowing companies to pick and choose who gets more bandwidth, to charge fees for the use of it, will choke out new business and make it harder to compete with those who can pay. It will also put the power of information into the hands of the few rather than the many. I do not know how much you know about this, you may have been subject to a great deal of the misinformation lobbyists are spreading around. I have heard some of it. Don't be distracted, don't be misinformed. We are the American people. We know what's best for us. Please listen to us. Thank you.
—Mike Locke-Paddon, Watsonville, CA

Imagine a world where only the rich can go to Disneyland...oh wait, that already happened. Let's not proliferate the already increasing inequality in this world. A number of sci-fi movies come to mind, all with a common theme - inhumane amounts of power in the hands of a few egocentric maniacs. Knowledge is power and what (earthly) entity contains more knowledge than the internet??
—Stephanie Okeeffe, Tustin, CA

Tell the FCC to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Kim Christian, Las Vegas, NV

On open, unencumbered internet connection is critical for American innovation, competition, education, and political discourse. To allow a precious few to purchase, purloin, and control the free flow and access of information would be a tragic step backwards, and would impair many generations potential for decades to come.
—Justin E Hout, Fort Smith, AR

To maintain equality and free speech. Keeping the interenet equal and fair to all is truly American. What the FCC is proposing would limit freedom in gathering information and discriminate against those with limited means and opposing viewpoints leaving and open door to limiting free speech. This cannot happen!!!
—Jennifer Benesch, Brooklyn, NY

The internet provides a means for small businesses to grow, and create the jobs that this country needs.
—Alexandra Feehery, Houston, TX

Please re-think your decision. Everyone should have free and equal access to the internet. It is a repository for data and a learning tool for all Americans. Please keep the flow of information open and reclassify ISP's as common carriers. Kind Regards, Miranda
—Miranda Criger, Campbell, CA

Don't fix what aint broken you bastards!
—John Teasley, walker, la, LA

Your fast-lane plan means that new businesses will be at a disadvantage. More perks for large, rich corporations is the last thing the world needs!
—Susan Myran, West St Paul, MN

democracy
—Katharine Burns, Somerville, MA

Democracy depends on Net Neutrality.
—Lynn Musgrove, Groton, NY

Comcast attempting to buy TWC will make it so a massive amount of internet users will be slowed down unless they can pay for more. Please take down this monopoly on internet use.
—Justin Villalta, Pacoima, CA

FCC please reconsider the rules you have proposed for the internet. A tiered internet service would allow companies to effectively discriminate against online content and applications. It would basically be a system of censorship that goes against our freedoms to information. The internet is meant to be a place where we can explore freely, without any company or other thing controlling our decisions there. The only true way we can maintain net neutrality is if you reclassify broadband providers as common carriers under Title II of the Communications Act. I urge you to keep the internet a place free from discrimination.
—Kieran O'Donnell, Normandy Park, WA

We already pay to gain access to the internet, and pay more to access the deep web, it's not fair to let the ISPs levy more costs against access!
—Ms. Sandy Craft, Mt. Sterling, KY

The internet may be America's greatest asset, so long as it is open and neutral. Not everything can be fenced off by corporations, some resources must be inalienable, and the internet as a common carrier should be one of them.
—Malcolm McCullough, Ann Arbor, MI

We run a small website that offers free educational materials. Slower connections would reduce the availability of our site to teachers and parents who use it.
—Jerome Taylor, Berkeley, CA

As a broadband customer, I don't appreciate corporations dictating which content I can easily access and which I can't. I see it as the censorship of free speech. As an American, I worry about the unforeseen consequences that this will have on innovation and on public discourse. It could make America a less open and less creative society at a time when those are the major competitive advantages that we have over other countries.
—Greg Burgess, O'Fallon, IL

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Cheryl Fritz, Safety Harbor, FL

Freedom!!!!
—Doug Pelkin, roswell, GA

No ones access to information or data should be hindered because someone is willing to pay more. Nor should a retailer be forced to pay for data lines so that their customers can enjoy their services. Demanding pay from those retailers is extortion, & brought on by greedy, unethical companies. Keep the net neutral!
—Jamie Ferguson, Maricopa, AZ

You do not own the internet. You cannot therefore sell the internet. The internet belongs to its users who create the content that make it humanity's most valuable asset. By giving into the telecommunications services (because that's what they are) you are stealing from the American People for profit. Do what is ethical.
—Michael Janczyn, San Diego, CA

Net Neutrality allows our country to remain one of freedom, education, and equal opportunity. Please, care more about the American people than about profits for companies.
—Coral Peterson, Morris, IL

I'm retired and old. I spend a lot of communicating with relatives and friends. Net neutrality gives me what I need and want! Howard Huelster
—Howard Huelster, West Saint Paul, MN

LEAVE THE INTERNET ALONE!!!!
—Jose Ruiz Ruiz, NEW ROCHELLE, NY

Without Net Neutrality, all the educational and scientific would struggle. The value of the Internet to American society would be diminished. --Margaret Pillow
—Margaret Pillow, Berkeley, CA

Net Neutrality is essential for democratic Internet access and business practices. To bias the Internet, in ANY way, is undemocratic and unAmerican.
—Bob Rusk, Point Pleasant, NJ

I do not want money to prioritize content on the internet.
—Dominique Cote, Cambridge, MA

Enabling the ISPs to terrace the internet based on QoS will stratify the internet and any streaming content into a class like system, where those with more money will benefit while those with less money will not. One of the greatest things about the internet is that it provides an equal voice to those with less to those with more. Lets protect the internet from enabling those with more to benefit over those with less. All IP addresses should be treated fairly, equally, and without prejudice, just as utilities are provided. Please do not pass any legislation destroying Net Neutrality, but carefully and dilligently further its protection and enforcement. Thank you.
—Brent Anthony, Owings Mills, MD

Information must be readily available to ensure a democratic populace. Equal access to the most important source of that information is vital.
—Harold VanderLaan, Alameda, CA

Corporate money dominates our legislature; will we allow it through commerce to control of our ability to communicate that awareness among ourselves?
—John T. Denton, Encinitas, CA

The internet is more a source of education for me rather than for commerce or social media, though I use it for all. Don't let corporate greed ruin the internet's great educational potential.
—Karen Hennigan, West Grove, PA

I have spent the past several years building websites for small business and helping them start and grow their brand. Without net Neutrality...My business and their businesses would not have the opportunity to succeed. An idea, and internet connection and hard work should be all a person needs to make a business for themselves.
—Khalid Robinson, Los Angeles, CA

Because we live in an information age, we ALL should have quick, efficient, and affordable Internet connection.
—Ms. Linda A. Heath, Senecaville, OH

no net neutrality = no freedom of information = no democracy
—Antoine Amanieux, los gatos, CA

It is very important that we have net neutrality so all can have access to the net equally.
—Robert Hertz, Palo Alto, CA

Bluntly- the freedom of choice- and I believe that this wpould increase the rates of the Internet. Please keep it so Everyone can afford it. Thank you.
—Teal Michaelson, Charlotte, NC

DON'T BREAK WHAT IS NOT BROKEN !!! DON'T SCREW WITH MY INTERNET !!! DO YOUR JOB AND PROTECT THE AMERICAN CONSUMER, NOT YOUR CORPORATE OVERLORDS.
—Keith Fabing, Seattle, WA

It is very important for me to have the same opportunities as anyone else on the internet. No "fast lanes" for anyone please, that would be the end of the open Internet and a beginning of something very unfair!
—Lucia Spark, Pezinok,

I will not subscribe to cable or satellite, and the failure to recognize DSL as common carrier service with my monopoly telephone provider has been increasingly frustrating. Do not make it worse by giving preference to corporate entities whose sole purpose is to create revenue for stockholders. Keep the Internet's playing field level.
—Margaret McCarthy, Rio Rancho, NM

Please take a stand for the people and not just the corporations. Say "NO" to a two-tiered Internet.
—Sylvia Donnelly, Hartsburg, MO

Net Neutrality is important because it was what the founders and creators of the internet imagined the information highway to be. With these proposed plans, there will be a sort of rampant censorship online. Sites that are not in the best interest of companies will be slowed down and hushed out. This is not what the internet is for. It's for freedom of expression, the ability to share any information, and everything else in between. It is not built as a way for companies to profit. I know the companies are obviously the ones backing you on your decision, but please, PLEASE reconsider. The internet is meant to be an open place.
—Justin Nolan, Union, KY

The Internet is an important place to gain information, amuse people with games & videos, and buy/sell products through online shopping outlets. As well as giving us a voice. Please don't take that away from us!
—Joe Reames, Fort Mill, SC

Net Neutrality is freedom of speech. Citizens United said money is freedom of speech and the Supreme Court ruled in it's favor. Please do not take away our Net Neutrality so the big Communication Companies can profit off of limiting our freedom of speech. People like my wife and I are retired and are on a limited income. We use the internet daily for numerous things. Having to pay more for what we have access today on the internet would be a tragic social injustice for the people by the big powers. Respectfully, A USA citizen
—Biagio Cacciatore, Novato, CA

Net Neutrality is important to a free and innovative society. Don't destroy it! Classify the internet a public utility. It already is!
—Mr. Tim McDonald, San Rafael, CA

We already pay high fees for Internet access, and that access should not be controlled by ISPs in order to further price gouge customers.
—Anna Brown, Folsom, CA

I believe that the spirit of America's capitalism necessitates Free Enterprise so that businesses can expand without the interference of monopolistic corporations. The same rules should apply to Internet Service Providers in the US, they are no different. The internet is a form of telecommunication and so the companies that provide it should be treated as such. A telephone company is not allowed to decide whose calls you get and whose you do not, and so an Internet provider should not be allowed to decide which site's content can reach you. I firmly believe that Net Neutrality should be actively maintained, not disrupted.
—Ofek Inbar, Redmond, WA

Without Net Neutrality, you have no freedom online. Internet service providers, if given evidence, can shut off someone's internet due to harassing or threatening remarks. I agree that words can hurt, but if this law is passed everyone that isn't rich will suffer. In that sense, have you noticed the "poor line" in North America has risen? There's the really rich, the rich , slightly above average, average, lower than average, poor, even more poor households. Do you realize how many people this will affect? This is a horrendous idea and should NOT be approved. It should be REJECTED firmly and the idea to be terminated.
—Lenae Witherow, Prince Albert,

The Internet should be open and fair for all - not only large companies with deep pockets. In order for businesses and individuals in the US to thrive, the Internet must remain open to all regardless of economic circumstances.
—Brian Watt, Lawrence, KS

Please make good decisions.
—Josh Pucci, RICHMOND, VA

The internet is a gateway to knowledge. If I want to learn more about a subject I don't have to wait until I can go to the library; I can usually get the info I'm looking for right now via the Internet. Please don't limit my access by creating extra fees. We don't want those with the money to be the deciders of what the rest of us can see.
—Karen Finkle, Seattle, WA

Making the internet better for people who can afford it and worse for people who cannot is the opposite of everything this country stands for. This plan would further widen the gap between the rich and the poor and effectively create a two-tiered society in which the rich have access to more information and knowledge than the poor.
—Abigail Edwards, Fort Collins, CO

The internet should be freely open to everyone. Corporations slowing access based on their own criteria is no better than government censorship. It is your job to regulate these companies to my rights as a citizen. I am deeply disappointed that the FCC is failing to do so.
—Kimberly Jones, Philadelphia, PA

Net Neutrality is important to me because we should be able to do what we want, and not forced to do things we don't want to be able to do. There shouldn't be discrimination against those who can't afford to pay extra for their internet bill, and be forced tohave extremely slow internet.
—Tye Tess, Cumberland, RI

Net neutrality is common sense!
—David Robertson, Drouin,

The idea that you're even thinking of allowing the large corporations to strangle out their smaller competitors even more is sickening from an ideological and practical standpoint.
—Christian Ducharme, Auburn, ME

The internet has replaced many household phones and is now even more important to citizens to have access to free and open internet.
—Kaela Mitchell, Wrightwood, CA

Absolutely silly the amount of loophole exploiting and lawyering that occurs in the world of big companies. This notion of discriminating against online content is ridiculous and has to be stopped. Regardless of what is said nothing good can come from such a scenario.
—Austin, Enfield, CT

When I learn about how far the US lags behind in terms of access and speed for internet, I am appalled. Then to learn that this has gotten worse since declaring the internet an "Information Service" versus being a utility, and I am even more disgusted that you refuse to see what is best for the American citizen and businesses. Instead, you are acting as though you are still a lobbyist for the telecom industry - which coincidently your predecessor on the FCC (Powell) now fills your former role. Please fulfill the promise that President Obama tasked you with - keep the internet open, and not tiered. Net neutrality is what will keep America at the forefront of innovation and freedom.
—Daniel Moore, Seattle, WA

Net neutrality is very important to me as a daily user of the internet and as a simple supporter of fair and non-monopolized business. Net neutrality is important because the internet is a complex and useful tool for people that should not be leveraged for the benefit of massive internet providers.
—Lieu T Nguyen, Haltom City, TX

Net Neutrality is important, and very important because without it conglomerates would become bigger and larger monopolies very probably would slow efficiency, (eg. National Steel and U.S. Steel) while also adding probability of corruption possibilities. Please consider stopping the potential conglomeration and corruption. Thank you for considering the possible options and outcomes. <http://www.chacha.com/question/why-are-monopolies-dangerous -in-capitalism> "Monopolies are one example of capitalism failing. Monopolies have virtually no competition and can dictate prices to their customers unless they are restricted by regulators. The customer either has to pay the price demanded by the monopoly or not receive that good/service. These are some reasons why monopolies are dangerous in capitalism."
—Jon Boren, Temple City, CA

I fear that with out Net Neutrality the internet will lose the potential of progressing into something truly unimaginably amazing. Allowing Net Neutrality to die would be extremely detrimental to the future of so.. so.. many things. So make Net Neutrality work properly PLEASE!! =(
—Derek Diehl, Rio Rancho, NM

I am an illustrator who has a large portion of his exposure come from online view. I don't make a lot of money as it is, and having to pay more for people to see my content would cripple me financially.
—Mike Madsen, Pittsburgh, PA

Can you really afford any more enemies at this point? Even if you have control of the internet for a short time it will just move every one to their own internet / internet infrastructure. Instead of the free and open internet that prevents xenophobia and promotes the betterment of man kind. Knowledge and freedom for all. Good day, Matt L.
—Matthew Lillywhite, Calgary,

Net Neutrality is important so that every person has an equal voice. It is not sustainable to live lives ruled by money. I am a small business owner and anyone searching on the internet in my line of work needs to be able to find me!
—Janet Dhaenens, Sandpoint, ID

I'm a 16 year old girl I use the internet for school and social purposes. To have the internet slowed down because one company can pay more then another is not fair and the internet should stay open. you gave Indian tribes better internet that you pay for but are going to take ours away is not fair considering we pay for it out of our own pockets.
—Julia Garulle, shenandoah, PA

Every web site big or small, rich or poor should all run at the same speed. There is no reason to change how the internet runs now. What you are proposing is descrimination and is illegal.
—Melissa Thompson, Anchorage, AK

Net Neutrality to me, is one of the last few real freedoms we have as Americans. It allows us to share our voices and also hear the voices of others. Communication is KEY in a country riddled with suspicions of foul play. But then, that may be why the FCC wants to keep the internet under wraps. The wrong thing gets out and it all comes tumbling down because pissed off Americans are going to be tired of being suppressed and lied to.
—Zackary Bridges, Hackettstown, NJ

Its important for the little guys to be seen. If we limit what we see to those that can afford the prices of the middle man then the truth will get swapped for lies. A free internet is important for an abundant diverse world.
—Zach Orford, Petaluma, CA

The people will not stand for this dictatorship!
—David Nicholas, Heatherton,

The effects of ending net neutrality will be detrimental. This is not what the American people want or deserve. The internet was intended for everyone to have access to; it should be equal for all users.
—Savannah Rodgers, Olathe, KS

There cannot be rules imposed on freedoms. That is turning freedom into privilege. Our minds are not a privilege. The only way to ensure our right and freedom expression is by eliminating vague rules and MANDATING a complete, open web. Regardless of carriers, with no extra action on the individual to ensure their access to their communication platform. No discrimination. The internet is not to be toyed with, it is everyone's. If the end to this battle isn't complete neutrality, it is not really the end.
—Nicole Cirignani, Aliso Viejo, CA

The internet was conceived and designed to be a free/low cost service for all. It was developed with government funds . . . i.e. TAXES . . . i.e. the PEOPLE'S money. Corporations should not be allowed to take this over for private profit. Corporations did nothing to develop, test, or implement the system, yet they want to profit from it. This CANNOT be allowed to happen.
—Joe Cooper, Austin, TX

Net neutrality evens the playing field and encourages innovation.
—John Naylor, makawao, HI

Remember,monopolies increase fees and expenses and the average joe will not be able to afford them.
—Glen Conkling, Euclid, OH

Two tiered net is unfair! The US has one if not the highest cost net service in existence. The FCC should support the people not specific companies to make them richer. Makes one wonder a lot about kick backs!
—Lloyd R. Jackson, Kansas City, KS

Because ComCast already has too much power!
—David Lovely, Chicago, IL

Please protect Net Neutrality for generations to come.
—Eric Fosburgh, Seattle, WA

I support upcoming companies by visiting their websites. Killing Net Neutrality would make it impossible for the public to quickly and efficiently load their page to give them exposure. I do not support the killing of this right.
—Alexis Beshara, Richfield, OH

Only the rich will have REAL ACCESS to the internet, unless you support net neutrality and put an end to this discriminatory plan! Fast lanes for the few rich will mean an end to internet for the majority of Americans, while catering to the wealthy!
—Dian Berger, Boise, ID

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—Russ Berger, Boise, ID

I met my wife on the internet. Without her, I would probably be alone right now and very suicidal. We need net neutrality for the people that are going through what I did. Without it I'd be dead right now. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Christopher Dunagan, winston-salem, NC

If online content can be discriminated against, the news regarding environment, energy, GMO's, water poisoned for tracking (I could go on but you get the idea) could be harder to find and/or slower. It's the substantive information corporations would just as soon keep the general public in the dark about. Our country has changed for the worse. Losing net neutrality would just be another nail on the coffin.
—Leslie Johnson, St Cloud, FL

****** TITLE 2 COMMON CARRIER NOW ****** FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Alexander Utter, Hawthorne, CA

If we don't take a stand here, when will it end? will we not be allowed to speak the truth about a corporation because they have money? Without Net Neutrality the United States is on a fast track to being completely under the control of big business, the exact reason the U.S. and the world is in so much trouble to begin with. We cannot sit idly by as we are stripped of a fundamental right. This is exactly how Hitler was able to gain so much power over the German people, slow and minor changes until it was too late for anyone to deny he was in the right. A closed internet is an unconstitutional Internet. The Internet is a utility and should be a common carrier, These are the wishes of the American people, anything different is disgusting and oppressive
—Alec William Goncharow, huntersville, NC

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—Peter Kloberdans, northglenn, CO

Why charge us more than what we already pay? It's unfair and eliminates our freedoms.
—Chris Vasquez, Huntersville, NC

I am both a consumer and an entrepreneur. As an entrepreneur building an internet-connected product, I know that net neutrality is ESSENTIAL to the future success of our business. And really, all businesses like ours. We're small, fast-moving risk takers with a lot of innovation but not a lot of cash. With large companies able to pay for better connectivity to customers businesses like us won't be able to compete and grow. You will kill the next Google or Facebook or Apple before it even gets off the ground. As a consumer and American citizen, I'm personally outraged by the state of Internet connectivity in this country. Carriers charge exorbitant prices for poor quality, and their monopoly positions give them no incentive to innovate or improve. Instead, they extract whatever they can from us as consumers and then turn around and stick it to the companies. This has to stop. Please, please, please reclassify ISPs as common carriers and force them to sell bandwidth to re-sellers. It will foster competition and improve access and service. We will be better off as entrepreneurs, as consumers, and ultimately as a society.
—Haomiao Huang, REDWOOD CITY, CA

You're not making the internet better for us. You are only making it worse. Why change it? It is fine just the way it is. I pay good money to use the net. It must stay neutral. Doing this is like separating the rich from the poor. And it's not fair to the millions of middle class Americans like myself that have to pay for slow lanes while these rich nut jobs get the fast lanes. there is nothing wrong with Net Neutrality. It should be left alone and unchanged. If anything it should be protected.
—AJ Edwards, Fort Lauderdale, FL

I can't believe you would let the beautiful repository of knowledge and information fall into the hands of corporate dictators. The internet is a medium where all should have equal access and speed. DO NOT eliminate net neutrality.
—Todd Stewart, San Diego, CA

If internet is supposed to be the great equalizer, then it must remain free for all.
—Christianna Sigliano, West Harrison, NY

I believe net neutrality is a big part of why the tech boom has been so strong for our economy. Just as an example, take YouTube. At the time YouTube became popular, Google had a video service called Google Video, which was inferior but better funded. If net neutrality hadn't existed at the time, Google could have paid for better service and put YouTube out of business. The resulting lack of competition would have hurt everyone. Net neutrality ensured that, because of the level playing field, everyone had to innovate to stay alive, and the best product won, instead of the largest player.
—Nathan Paymer, Mountain View, CA

Money should not determine people's ability to practice free speech.
—Matthew Sullivan, Yonkers, NY

Net Neutrality matters so big companies can't work together rather than compete to produce a better quality service/good at lower cost. Businesses should earn their right to be the best by offering the highest quality, smallest rate, and most reliable service/ good. You can even draw connections between corporate fat cats to kings and queens. They have all the riches they have the means to distribute and share the wealth to create new business and save people money. Huge companies believe with enough lobbying they can achieve any goals they please, and the sad part is they do. Please don't strip our freedom from us, its the only thing the United States has left to brag about. THROW OUT YOUR RULES AND INSTEAD RECLASSIFY ISPS AS COMMON CARRIERS.
—Jake Bye, Livermore, CA

The mainstream media is totally biased and filtered according to what the elitist's favour - please allow the internet to be an open, unedited source of information for the people. Please do what is right
—James Neate, BONDI BEACH,

It should be a right
—Allan, El Paso, TX

I want to live in a democracy, and the government keeps proving to me time and time again that the people don't matter, and the only ones who do are the large corporations. Are you going to show me what country we live in? Or will you continue to destroy America with your greed? Your decision will show me who you really work for.
—Austin Chamberlin, littleton, CO

Because I live in Europe and do not wish my internet to be dominated by US based providers favoring only US based citizens with US based content while treating the rest of the world with the usual US based apathy and disdain. WE ARE NOT THIRD WORLD CITIZENS STOP MONOPOLIZING SOMETHING THAT DOES NOT BELONG TO YOU AND THAT YOU SHOULD HAVE NO JURISDICTION OVER NO MATTER HOW CORRUPT YOUR GOVERNMENT IS!
—Hans Engelen, Olen,

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free internet free world
—Tomasz Cesarz, Coventry,

ISPs should be treated no different than anyone else! The internet was not intended to be a means only to make money but so much more. If you limit something such as this you limit all of us!
—Sam, summerville, SC

Net Neutrality is important to me because discrimination in any form is wrong. Everyone should have the same speed and access regardless of what data it is.
—Casey Walters, Woodstock, GA

The internet should not favour certain types of data above others: doing so will increase costs for companies (such as netflix) and consumers. The internet was created to be open to everyone - all data should be treated the same.
—Jack Sedgwick, Royston,

I do not acknowledge that a provider has a right to choose what passes over its network and how fast (this also extends to 'illegal' things and things some people don't like). Violating this allows interested parties to undermine the privacy and efficacy of people's day to day lives, who consider their activities noones business but their own.
—Philip Haworth, Worcester,

The internet is a pivotal instrument for dissemination it would infringe on individual rights to limit public access and allow corporations to control it in its entirety...freedom would have it's voice muted as it is the media of today and tomorrow....do not allow corporations to take it over.
—Jason Fournie, Gulf Breeze, FL

The internet really is the last truly democratic communications medium and is essential to keeping an informed citizenry. We can't rely on corporate media on television or print to bring truth to power. We need to preserve the openness of the internet at all costs and cannot afford to open any doors to corporatizing it and giving more favors to the already enormous players.
—Andrew Leroy, Greenwich, CT

I don't want to have to pay extra fee's to enjoy the services that I currently enjoy on an open internet. We all know why the ISP's are supporting this, for profit. I believe that it is unfair to charge different fee's for different internet websites/services.
—Loammi Girardello, Boca Raton, FL

Please preserve the internet as an open and equal platform for all to use, now and into the future.
—Sara Wallfisch, portland, OR

We can't have internet gate keepers. Keep the internet open.
—Pablo Felipe Pena, Boston, MA

The more choices and information people have, the more likely they can fulfill their interests. That's why Net Neutrality is important.
—Ron Summey, Evergreen, CO

Net neutrality is absolutely vital! FCC throw out your rules & reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Is this a plan to destroy freedom of speech?
—Susan Dever, newport news, VA

The internet is a communication company not infomation
—jo Ann becktold, stroux, OK

We depend on Net Neutrality, the FCC needs to protect the public and keep the open Internet by reclassifying ISP's as common carriers.
—Peggy Gheta, Avon, OH

The entire Western consumer economy of the 21st century was brought into existence precisely because of Net Neutrality, without it, that's far less consumers! Reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers and protect Net Neutrality.
—Gary Tregoning, Swansea,

An Internet with open, equal access for all is essential to American free speech and innovation. The worldwide web as we know it has grown and flourished ONLY because it's been fairly unfettered by capitalistic concerns up to now. Chairman Wheeler, please, abandon your new proposed rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers to help maintain Net Neutrality now and forever. Thank you.
—Scott Benjaminson, Evanston, IL

The internet is an amazing tool to provide people all over the world with education, communication with friends and family, sharing of ideas - I could go on. The point is, making people pay for this would kill the open internet and take away this tool that is needed BY THE PEOPLE WHO CAN AFFORD IT LEAST. Please, please, please keep the internet open and neutral. You would literally be killing communities and limiting education and opportunities, especially to those who need them most.
—Kirstin, Dorking,

Freedom for all
—Steve P, Oakland, CA

The internet was built around the idea of openness, to allow people to connect and share knowledge and information freely. Having tiers impedes that goal, hinders innovation, and gives unfair advantage to the 'big guys'. Big guy Amazon wouldn't get where they are now if when starting out they couldn't afford to pay for a higher tier!
—Dan Horgan, millis, MA

As a retired at&t employee I'm well versed in the actions of a company which places the customers last and profit last. I have an "unlimited data plan" for my iPhone, and at about 5gig at&t slows my service to where its worthless. I'm pressured to leave this plan if I want features like Facetime, which uses more data. So the internet companies need regulation, left to their own devices the public looses and our future internet will be worse than many countries who have no democracy.
—Michael Turner, Gridley, CA

Dear, Mr Chairman Wheeler Please think about other people couldn't to give more pay high cost of ISP now, even we are pay more right now. We do need freedom to chose to have a open internet! And most other people using internet don't used own computers at all. Please drop your bad ideas, and keep this Net Neutrality open for everyone can use it!!! Sign Melissa Maddox
—Melissa Maddox, Frankfort, KY

Because I'm one of the underemployed working poor that was told by older generations that I'd get a fair shake at life if I worked for it.
—Jennifer Trevisan, Mount Vernon, NY

The Net Neutrality really matters to me. Is about freedom, about free thinking, about us. Don't let a small group do what is better to them. Equality for all.
—Bautista Aramendía, Gualeguay,

Our democracy was founded with the premise that education, communication, and equality were necessary for a democracy to survive. I think this is correct. Without Net Neutrality, those three requirements for democracy are compromised, if not thrown by the wayside. This is done in the interests of money. I am really weary of money being equated to virtue in this country. It is often the enemy of virtue. If democracy is a virtue, than the internet, developed with government money, and using the conduits that have long been assigned to the public ownership, the common good, as it can be called, needs to be kept open and available to all. Giving access to information and communication (the internet) away to be used to further the interests of those with the most money and influence, to be used to increase that money and influence, is antithetical to the intent of the founders of this democracy. Please keep the internet 'neutral.' Thank you.
—Susan Herndon, Boise, ID

In the past few years since I have been an employee of the most valuable computer company I have learned a great deal about technology and the way we interact with it. I am very blessed to work with an innovative and caring company. Being part of said company, I am all but required to have an active internet life to stay current with world affairs and the development of new technology. The internet as it is has become an integral part of my life, the lives of my peers and the lives of our customers. The freedom of expression is literally what helped me land the awesome job I have now. It has helped my friends and my customers start their own businesses, has let my sister share photos of my nephew, and has spread knowledge that has saved lives. The internet has it's dark side too, but like all things, freedom breeds creativity. Imagine a world where all things were ordered off of a menu, just like at your favorite restaurant. Imagine logging on to your computer and being able to pick from only a select few websites to visit, some being fast, some being near dial-up. Those that could not afford the premiums would just become dust metaphorical dust on the internet prairie. freedom is what this country was born of, and allowing companies like Time Warner and Comcast govern what I see and when I see it is a bastardization of this country's very foundation. Freedom is what has made this country great and is what has allowed so many to become so much more with a tool as open as the internet, and now it is under threat of being destroyed by companies that are trying to scam even more money from their consumers now that their sub-par, over priced internet service has been forced down the throat of so many Americans. I implore whomever is reading this, if there is anyone hearing our voice; Stop what you are doing now and say No to the companies trying to eliminate our freedom.
—Cameron Henry, san antonio, TX

I'm sick and tired of big business dominating and the stifling American economy. I will also make these wished know to all of my elected representatives.
—Edward Stear, Stamford, CT

Because our economy is already hurting, we don't need another expense.
—Gsry Ryan, meridiam, ID

I believe that the Internet should be classified under Title II as a common-carrier telecommunications service and without any further attempts to undermine this with ambiguous terms like "commercially reasonable" that create loopholes that can be exploited. The Internet should not operate with fast and slow lanes and nor should companies like Comcast extort companies like Netflix for money to deliver their customers what they've already paid for. It is no business of an ISP what a customer does with the data that they purchase from them -- it is only their duty to make sure that that data is delivered. Data is data and should not ever be discriminated against. In fact, it's already being discriminated against now according to Level 3 Communications. (source: http://blog.level3.com/global- connectivity/observations-inte rnet-middleman/) In our society, the Internet is required to participate, function, and thrive. It is needed to pay bills as well as for education, communication, commerce, and culture. To destroy this public utility would be a major crime. ISPs have already robbed Americans of more than $200 billion from the Internet Telecommunications Act of 1996 which made ISPs promise that they would invest in their networks. They haven't (source: http://www.pbs.org/cringely/pu lpit/2007/pulpit_20070810_0026 83.html). Now instead of upgrading (America is woefully behind), companies like Comcast and Verizon hoard their money only so that they may purchase other companies to become even bigger oligopolies all while netting over 90% profit from their customers who have no choice but to pay their outrageous prices. Furthermore, I also believe that Tom Wheeler should resign from the FCC. As a former cable lobbyist, he has no business deciding against the American people in favor of corporations that wield far too much power with their money. With the revolving door system, he'll probably end up working for Comcast or CTIA like former shameful FCC commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker anyway. It was a giant mistake for President Obama to elect such an obvious snake into power instead of somebody who would respect the will of the people like Susan Crawford. The American people will not stand for this disgusting plutocracy.
—Nick Scott, Loveland, CO

A fast lane for companies who pay means that the rest of us are in the slow lane. Broadband companies should improve their infrastructure with the cost shared by all so that everyone benefits.
—Jim Pinckney, Monterey, CA

Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Daniel Kosowski, Machias, NY

Having observed two carriers who doesn't respect net neutrality already operating in my country, MEO and NOS, by giving unlimited tariff to certain apps and not to others, I have witnessed the devastating effects it had on my friends at that network. One example, recently I have invited a friend for a new great app I found for chatting, and my friend even got interested but just for the mere fact that that app didn't include free traffic that friend immediately excluded it. Imagine if everyone done this and excluded the other apps in favour of the ones who had free data only. It would be a disaster, app development would greatly decrease and our choices would be much less. It would be a much more sad internet. Please don't allow this disaster to happen! Stop it now!
—Pedro Paheco, Ponta Delgada,

Broadband internet is vital for our personal lives and for economic activity and should be regulated like other vital utilities such as telephones and electricity. Please reclassify internet service providers as common carriers.
—Ethan Perry, Duluth, MN

Where does the gap between the rich and poor end?
—Gillian Pardesi, NY, NY

Net neutrality is the most important good in a real democracy. I expect you to appreciate that and please kick your rules and classify ISPs as common carrieres. Thank you for proofing that we dont do not behave like Russia.
—Harry Schneider, San Jose, CA

Net Neutrality is extremely important, private companies should not have this amount of power over who can view what or how well it works.
—Tyler Broeker, Miami, FL

My husband and I run a small Internet based business which currently sells one online-accessed sales training product. Fast, reliable and affordable Internet service is critical for us to survive, let alone achieve success. Please rethink your committee's decision and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. We can't (and don't want to) compete with AT&T or Comcast or any of those huge service providers. The biggest advantage we have now is the level playing field of the Internet: don't take it away from us and all small businesses. Thank you, Linda Willis for Peter and Linda Willis http://www.mygoforthegreen.com
—Linda Willis, Naples, FL

We have an opportunity to evolve and I am curious. Don't be evil.
—Devyn Waitt, oldsmar, FL

A free and open internet is the single greatest technology of our time, and control should not be at the mercy of corporations. Furthermore I do not want to be forced to pay for what is currently free, as an avid lover of the internet I think that this new law would be an absolute disgrace.
—Alex Hall, Southampton,

YOU'RE SUPPOSED TO PROTECT OUR ACCESS TO THE INTERNET, NOT SELL IT AWAY TO CORP THAT ALREADY RIP US OFF FOR POOR SERVICE.
—Darryl Figueroa, Maitland, FL

There is no justice to be had from a corporate exec turned "public" servant. ISPs should be common carriers, it's an issue about democratic governance and should not be based on corporate profit.
—Cindy Marsh, Cambridge, MA

We need free and open internet, not a toll road that thoose with the most money can buy.
—Perry Williams, Tacoma, WA

The internet today is one of the last free markets for information. Do not let corporations take another free market in order to make big dollars. Corporations in America are our of control and need to be told where the limit is.
—Micki Fortune, Commerce City, CO

Please reclassify broadband internet as a telecommunications service. Otherwise, we may end up with a very unfair situation where libraries, schools, students, small businesses, etc. will not get the same access to broadband internet.
—Ashley Hinson, Sherman Oaks, CA

reclassify broadband internet as a telecommunications (or "Common carrier") service. Right now broadband is regulated like TV or radio, which doesn't make sense.
—Alberto De Armas, Riverview, FL

I do not support a two-tiered internet which allows company's like Comcast - who are already a monopoly in most markets - to control who can afford to receive certain internet content in a fast or slow way, further separately out the have and have nots in the tech world to those who can afford it and those who cant. this is deplorable and you are sticking it to the average person while back slapping your corporate cronies.
—Farrah Lamoreaux, Denver, CO

The Internet must be classified as a common carrier. And the reality is – the Internet currently is a common carrier – the law should be consistent with reality. Net Neautrality must be just that neutral, unbiased and impartial. The proposed rule says it would “permit broadband providers to serve customers and carry traffic on an individually negotiated basis.” Translated this means tiered "fast lane" vs "slow lane" service. This is not neautrality is any sense of the word. This tiered Internet with different levels of service in essence would authorize cable and phone companies to discriminate among websites and charge Web giants for “fast lanes” while keeping the rest of us in a “slow lane.” President Obama repaetedly stated that he supports an open Internet that functions without discrimination. The FCC should take his lead and implement rules that enforce open internet and equal access for all.
—J Zuk, Piscataway, NJ

The Internet was built on the idea of free exchange of information and ideas. By allowing the ISPs to control what information get's priority, the ISPs can then decide to prioritize information that they find favorable. Likewise, the ISPs can use their large size and near ubiquity in their service areas to cripple websites that try to compete with their own. This is completely contrary to what has always made the internet great. It is imperative that you keep the internet great and strike down the idea of "Tiered Priority".
—David Knipe, White Bera Lake, MN

I run a small startup technology firm in Baltimore. Starting a technology business is a substantial risk filled with considerable challenges. These risk have only become greater with time. Every day you hear about established market players using their considerable resources to branch out and take over markets innovated by smaller companies. Most of the time these companies don't have the funds to compete in the very markets they created. Giving broadband providers the right to sell preferential access to larger companies who have the ability to pay would only accelerate this trend making the risk inherent in starting a technology business too great. Our economy is built on the backs of innovators, many of whom started in a garage with nothing but a dollar and a dream. Allowing telecommunication conglomerates to place these trailblazers in the internet equivalent of a slow lane is just about the best thing the FCC can do to disincentivize innovation and harm our country's status as a world leader of technology. The FCC claims it’s role is to maintain a balanced market where innovation can thrive. If this is indeed true, the clear choice in this matter would be to classify broadband internet providers as a title II utility.
—Stephen Constantinides, Baltimore, MD

Leave the internet alone! It deserves to be neutral and open to everyone equally! Let people decide what they want to use the bandwidth they pay for...whether it is using the internet for school research or watching all the seasons of their favorite TV show. You get paid enough from us...
—Lisa C Clark, Yucca Valley, CA

Net neutrality is paramount in preserving the equity in internet all together.
—Shane Hohenstein, Minneapolis, MN

Removing net neutrality will greatly hurt small businesses and tech start-ups. As someone that works closely with these sort of companies it greatly worries me that would risk their survival, and it doing so potentially cripple the us economy and innovation, just to pad the pockets of companies like comcast and AT&T. Seriously, you are supposed to be for the people, please act in OUR interests.
—Peter Stocke, boulder, CO

This internet is the worlds library, without open neutrality our future will be chaotic and unorganized.. This world is getting smaller and smaller, and our problems are getting bigger and bigger. We need human unity.
—Caleb Colpitts, Battleground, WA

The internet as it exists today is essential to enable African-Americans to take advantage of this new technology. We are already disadvantaged economically and this would discriminate against those unable to afford any higher fees.
—Rick Goode, Chicago, IL

Tom Wheeler is dooming future generations to live in a stupid parody of a dystopia where cable companies rule the world. It's almost too stupid to actually be happening. So don't. Let. It. Happen.
—Jonty Levine, Saffron Walden, MN

I do not want "tiers" of internet. It is extremely important that we remain a leading force in the economics of technology, and we will not be able to do so if we allow the internet to be destroyed by those large companies who are simply hoping to make more money now, at the expense of the innovative future of our country.
—Rebecca Masur, San Francisco, CA

I can not do my job if you kill Net Neutrality. Please Mr. Wheeler reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Don't hurt America.
—Rae Griest, Clovis, NM

The SmartAmerica Challenge, in which I'm currently participating, is about advancing America's technological status into the 21st century, when we think the Internet of Things will become a reality as we embrace cyber-physical systems more and more. As a young researcher in this field excited about the possible applications of networked sensing and actuation devices providing the data we need to improve our quality of life, safety, and shape the future our children's educations, I am appalled by this short-sighted attempt to allow ISPs to segregate the Internet. If allowed to pass, not only will my community's current research fail to deliver its promises because of possibly diminished network connectivity, but the hope of my, and others like me, future business will be jeopardized. If the major ISPs are allowed to throttle my home automation and CPS safety-related devices' network connections, I will be forced to pay them off in order to make my business a reality. This will either result in my company never existing in the first place (loss in high-paying skilled jobs as well as quality of life diminishment), or I will be forced to increase my products' cost, thereby driving it out of the price range of hundreds of thousands of Americans who might otherwise enjoy a healthier, safer, and more environmentally friendly life. So I ask you, Chairman Wheeler, is the future of my company and my career as a whole worth sacrificing to appease the telecom giants who have not delivered on their promises of high-speed connectivity to every American so rightfully deserving of it?
—Kyle Benson, Hockessin, DE

We did livein the land of the free, but now I'm not so sure anymore, not only its it a monopoly on food and healthcare, now it's on cable AND internet! Please let me tell my children that this IS the land of the free!
—Elizabeth Samson, turnersville, NJ

Net neutrality saves the internet for those that wish to develop for the future. It saves it for our children when some parents cannot afford to pay for super fast speeds. Its saves our pockets so that smaller companies like netflix do not have to pay to have their movies streamed out to our homes when they really shouldnt have too. Fast lanes on the internet should not exist. As the way of the data went on the phones if net neutrality is not upheld we still eventually have the internet blocked like cell phone data. We will have to pay to even access the data that should be rightfully free to access. So please defend the net neutrality. Defend the freedom of the internet. Fight back against big business trying to make every aspect of our life a pay to do.
—Shawn Yeatman, Lindenwold, NJ

Without Net Neutrality we undermine the ability of the common person in America to have equal access to vital information that will be able to make or break the future of every man, woman and child in this country and probably THE PLANET! If corporations who operate on the internet can use their power to limit information that only the wealthy will have access to, the wealthy are given power that further enriches themselves by denying access to everyone else. This to me will put in place a second phenomenon that will allow winners or losers in the market place of ideas and information that will make the wealthy more and more powerful, giving them rights while denying everyone else. It will destroy equality in this country to higher and higher levels. We already have destroyed the ability of those without power to advance into better living and learning situations by the extreme inequality of the bail out. This would be another equally disenfranchising phenomenon that will push the 99% further and further behind the 1% Oligarchs who will continue to accrue more and more power based on a wealth divide that gets worse and worse over time. Another HUGE blow to 99% of the population. I am totally against this. And I will NOT support it. EVER!
—Wilma E Ralls, Rohnert Park, CA

I don't want large corporations to control Internet traffic. I think the system we have now works well.
—Gene Naden, Chicago, IL

Net neutrality is important to me because I don't know who will create the next big thing. I do know that companies like Google, Twitter, Facebook, Instagram, and so on, could not have been created without fair and open access to the internet. The cable and telephone companies have no competition in any given market and these rules would allow them to get paid twice. Every bit is created equal.
—Keith Gray, St. Charles, MO

LEAVE THE GODDAMN INTERNET ALONE!
—Ariel Kelly, York, PA

The internet is for everyone and it needs to be free and open. Please don't do this. Comcast and other telecommunication companies make plenty of money and charge a lot. Take a stance and honor net neutrality and people will love you for this.
—Robert Distefano, White Plains, NY

No one or two companies own the internet!
—Sherry Owens, memphis, TN

Please maintain net neutrality. It is the only shield for common people against corporate abuse of power from ISPs.
—John Bell, New Bedford, MA

The internet is opening up a whole new world of ubiquity and collaboration. To compromise this by removing Net Neutrality would be a blow to innovation and progress.
—Greg Leonard, Boston, MA

Net Neutrality means access to information which I need for my work. It also means the ability to shop freely and not be limited by the choice an ISP feels that it should make for me. Net Neutrality also means that I would keep my current ISP. I would leave my ISP if it did not offer this to me.
—Darlene Elkins, West Richland, WA

The robber barons of corporatocracy must not be allowed to stifle our freedom of speech!!!
—Joseph R Martin, VANCOUVER, WA

Giving up net neutrality is giving up the most defining characteristic of the web as we know it; open-access. The internet service providers (ISPs) do not own the network of networks, links, or interconnected leased lines across the world that make up the internet. The contributing organizations of people around the world openly participate in the creation and management of the web's content and resources, not the ISPs. Your device specifications and local network equipment should be the only bottlenecks in internet access speeds. These companies (ISPs) are meant to connect us to the internet as a whole, not to interfere with the process using biased priorities and bandwidth throttling to network resources (that's not their own). We already pay to be connected to the internet, the ISPs should not be involved or paid for anything more than that. To also pay for fair presence on the internet would be unnecessary, redundant, and criminal. Throw out your agenda and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. As of now, no one has the right to regulate the internet considering it's intangible common ownership across the globe. Unless this is China, or the FCC unjustly ends net neutrality, it should remain that way.
—Eric Weston, Philadelphia, PA

The internet has democratized knowledge worldwide. Without Net Neutrality, high speed access to to the web is at risk of being divide into the "haves" and "have nots". Thanks... - Brad
—Brad Davies, Los Angeles, CA

Please, don't do *anything* that allows broadband providers to offer preferential access to those with more money. Keep the internet FREE, and be honest with yourselves about it! Sincerely, John
—John I. Clark, Ridgway, CO

The internet is the place where all people have equal and fair opportunity to begin businesses, create new ideas, and share your thoughts through the one and zero flowing through the cables. However, when internet service providers begin segregating people into different "lanes" of internet traffic it just isn't fair! It's as if all roads had a fast road and a slow road; only the rich people can use the fast road while the not as fortunate people need to use the other slower roads. This control over the flow of data just isn't fair, it's clearly a marketing move that doesn't create competition and discourage new internet providers as-well.
—David Kang, Northbrook, IL

FCC throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Janet, Beaverton, OR

I do not want somebody I don't know determining what information I am able to access on the World Wide Web. Come on. Anybody worth their salt already knows that the news in the U.S. Is filtered and diluted. Watch what is happening in the news around the world as opposed to the crap we are fed on TV. We are shielded from what is really going on. The internet allows us to choose for ourselves the news that matters.
—Jon-Paul Wolfe, San Jose, CA

I want equal access to content. The FCC's mandate should be to maintain a level paying field...
—Jeremiah David Revitch, Mill Valley, CA

ISP's are common carriers, and should be classified as such.
—John Haley, GROSSE POINTE, MI

free and equal access to all information is essential if we hope to someday achieve the goal of a free and equal society
—David L. Bishop, Cape Girardeau, MO

Free and neutral internet is crucial for free and open society.
—Gary davis, morgantown, WV

Taxpayer dollars went towards building the Internet either directly or through subsidies. It is in the public domain and should stay that way.
—Kenny Sabarese, South Orange, NJ

I am a pediatric physical therapist. I live and work in a rural area that already has difficulties with internet access. Our company relies on cloud-based programs for documenting, scheduling, and billing. The proposed rules would likely make it difficult if not impossible for small businesses such as ours to perform our jobs in a timely, professional manner and may cause some to fold. One of the premises of the internet is that it offers similar opportunities to all, regardless of location. The propsed rules would kill that premise. As a citizen, I want the FCC to accept that technology has changed and reclassify the ISPs as common carriers so that everyone has equal access.
—Laura Knight, Penrose, NC

Special interests, corporations, and wealthy people are always more equal than anyone else in America. At least keep the internet as one of the last vestiges of real democracy.
—Stephen Feiner, Sea Cliff, NY

The large telecommunications corporations already have many advantages in the form of exclusive franchises. To give them more advantages, while depriving the American people of a present common resource, can only lead to more economic polarization.
—Mr. John P. Shea, Houston, TX

The internet provides vital information to those of us unable to research issues in person. It connects those of us who feel isolated by age or illness and should remain an open highway, available to anyone regardless of financial means. the internet is a utility, vital to modern life. It should not have fast lanes for some.
—Sandra J. Carrubba, Buffalo, NY

I support online teaching and learning. As more and more students rely on this modality for thei education and we strive to provide a rich media experience for that learming, having an open internet is the only way to provide a level olaying field for access to education. Thank you.
—Audrey J Williams, Knoxville, TN

Net neutrality = free speech!
—Adam Huard, BENSALEM, PA

My profession of working in the music industry requires that I have access to the internet at all tubes to see what's new, what's moving, to gather new ideas and inspiration. To be able to share and evolve. The internet shouldn't be used as a playground from companies to bid over. It should be used as a tool, to further ideas, further education, to help develop, without feeding companies millions to be able to learn.
—Jeffery Allen, Cleveland, OH

Because all people are created equal. We don´t need a two-class society!
—Leif Hosius, Weinsheim,

Internet is a free and open forum for independent communication. It needs to stay that way
—Carina Hizliok, Malden, MA

Even we small people and businesses need the Internet to treat us fairly! If you give more priority to big corporations, then we ordinary people will always beholden to them, and controlled by them, and that is not the society Americans want. Save our Internet Equality, please!!
—Kaye Windham, Cherryfield, ME

Polls suggest that the vast majority of Americans, as so does the majority in the rest of the countries, want change. They want less greedy people in charge, they want a world that is less about money and more about a healthy, peaceful, and happy place for all. A place where we can all battle for a common goal, like reaching new worlds out there in the cosmos, ridding humanity of ailments like cancer, AIDS, and malaria, and reversing climate change for a fresh air, green planet. The internet is the greatest tool ever created to connect the people accross countries that with their visions fight for these common goals of humanity. Please, reclassify ISPs as common carriers, please think less about money and more about the world that we are building. Think of the people, and of all the suffering that the Internet helps mitigate. Thank you.
—Cristopher Adorno Rodríguez, San Antonio, TX

Big corporations have enough power. Let the smaller business at least compete. That's how everything starts, right? Smaller businesses, at least give them a chance to continue to improve this country. Don't let this snowball into something awful.
—Taylor Pline, Lansing, MI, MI

Net Neutrality is important to me because it fosters growth and development without unfair advantages and exclusions. It provides unaltered access to information without the intrusion of middlemen wanting more profit for this or that quarter.
—Sarah Durrant, Toronto,

As an author who publishes his work online, net discrimination would seriously inhibit, if not utterly destroy my ability to provide my audience with my work, as I lack the funds to pay for the necessary bandwith that such a discrimination would make exclusive to wealthy people.
—Georgios Michailidis, Schwalmtal,

This isn't what we pay you to do! The internet is supposed to be an open and free item. The internet is meant for learning, growing and sharing ideas. How dare you allow these already multi-billion dollar companies make more money off of the middle class. This is just another step closer to enslavement.
—James, Westbabylon, NY

It's essential to the free exercise of speech, association, and the innovation that comes from both that net neutrality be preserved. For-profit corporations determining who gets heard versus who does not is fundamentally anti-democratic. Further institutionalizing inequality of opportunity in expression will not only harm the dynamic character of the internet, it will create an unfortunate "new normal" where Americans take for granted the principle that the more wealthy are more worthy of fundamental rights of expression. They're not. Preserve net neutrality.
—Samuel John, Houston, TX

Net nuetrality is essential to provide equal access to information for all people, and therefore essential to maintaining our democratic process. With out it only those with the most money will have access AND control of information provided. Loss of net nuetrality will contribute to the continued stratification of socioeconomic classes, and the ever increasing economic gap. Information is power, and should be equally available to all of us.
—Tery L Eaton, Brush Prairie, WA

I demand that fcc protects the open internet and dont let monopolizing of att or for that matter any other company who wants to do this
—My Info, san antonio, TX

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Neill Barrett, Portland, OR

I want to continue to see a neutral playing-field for all constituencies currently using the internet now, and for those who will in the future. Please make that happen!
—Kara Humphrey, Kirksville, MO

I want the TRUTH, not LIES paid for by a few billionaires.
—Richard A. Johnson, Eugene, OR

If our country represents the idea of Equal Opportunity for All, then we must ensure internet access speeds remain the same for All.
—Genevieve Shiffrar, Oakland, CA

This plan is discriminatory, pure and simple, and allows big money to ultimately censor free speech through control of content and applications. True net neutrality is imperative to maintain. Big money cannot be allowed to take over the internet, fascism is unacceptable--support American values of fairness and openness.
—Candyce Reynolds, Columbus, WI

I try to look at the bigger picture of life. I believe net neutrality is something that will benefit millions of people across the country.the service providers will abuse their power and purposely give people who cannot pay high prices slow internet and discriminate. this will be a hindrance in society that could easily be avoided
—Austin Galea, cfescent city, CA

Net Neutrality is needed to ensure that all online content is treated equally and ISPs aren't able to discriminate against certain content sites to favor their own.
—Brian Tracy, San Marcos, TX

The internet was founded upon the principal of freely accessible information and the free flow of said information. By allowing random businesses (read ISP Monopolies) the freedom to restrict the internet at their own leisure for their already massive profit is against not only the principals of what the internet has come to be, but free market practice.
—Caleb Brooks, Coppell, TX

Net Neutrality is important not only to me but to everyone in the world. The whole concept of the internet is for the free flow of information and to take that away would change the way America is drastically. Take a look at all the innovation's and ideas that have come from the internet in say the last 10 years or so. The ability to have access to any information we want 24/7 is paramount to this country's continued success. Some countries view access to the internet as essential and this access is protected by their governments. Please don't limit our freedoms.
—Christopher Mercon, Morrisville, VT

To build my business as a self employed innovating person. The open internet is a lifeline to health , well being and balance on many levels! I implore you to reclassify ISP'S as common carriers! Thank-you for your kind consideration! Signed, Ms. Pamela Joy Eisman
—Pamela Joy, New York, NY

The Internet is one of the most complex machines we have ever built. It is difficult enough to keep it running when its rules for connectivity are simple and known. Adding a hidden layer of "paid peering" is an excellent way to create something that absolutely nobody understands or can fix. Please classify ISPs as "common carriers," because they are, in many ways, *more* of a common carrier than telephone networks are.
—Kyle Bresin, Hopkins, MN

An open and neutral internet will allow small business to compete on a level playing field with the huge companies, which encourages innovation.
—Mr. Bill Krzyzanowski, Kansas City, MO

Safeguarding fair and open internet access is the only way to ensure that profit-driven corporations do not skew our democracy by inhibiting at will and with financial penalty individuals' access to telecommunications channels -- we need internet services re-classified as common carriers to preclude this kind of profiteering at the expense of access.
—James Sharp, San Antonio, TX

As a library professional and a citizen, I feel very strongly that Internet should be equally accessible to all. A tiered approach to Internet access will severely inhibit the level of access that libraries will be able to provide for patrons, as public libraries' budgets are tight and certainly are not at the level of large corporations with money to burn. People should not be punished with less access to information. Information should be equally accessible to all people and to all organizations.
—Jill W, Chicago, IL

internet is my life dont take that away from me noobs
—Pedro, AVEIRO,

ISPs are already de facto a common carrier. Why not make them a de jure common carrier as well?
—Lin Barrett, Portland, OR

AT&T & Comcast have already raised my bills for Internet services!
—Robert J. Miller, Fremont, CA

Public knowledge, whether text/audio/video, is always a public resource and should not be gated behind time lapse by a common carrier.
—Brian Wells, Colorado Springs, CO

Once this barrier is breakable it wont stop, please keep the internet and fair and open place.
—Darran Hurlbut, Kirkland, WA

Please protect the rights of everyone to easily access the Internet, not just those with large sums of financial clout. The Net requires your protection, now more than ever.
—Christine Rosenbalm, Dryden, MI

ISPs are common carriers. There is so little competition that it's ridiculous to pretend they're in the same ballpark as other platforms.
—A Waldschmidt, Denver, CO

We deserve to get what we paid for. We the taxpayers paid for the internet, not COMCAST.
—Laurinda Conyers, Fair Oaks, CA

Free Communication with Others!
—Ben Miller, RioRancho, NM

BECAUSE THIS IS NOT RUSSIA!
—Karen T. Davis, Philadelphia, PA

ISP's should not be allowed to bottleneck access to any other site on the internet. The net needs to continue to be free and neutral.
—Tim Frentz, Lincoln, NE

WE THE PEOPLE are coming! Beware Banksters and all of your elite ilk. Your power over us will be removed and true sovereignty and freedom will be restored to the People and their Nations. Planet Earth shall be free and governed by us NOT YOU!
—Jeffrey Wilkins, Harvard, MA

Privacy is muy importante!
—Gail Mazyck, Raleigh, NC

FREEDOM OF SPEECH THROUGH THE OPEN INTERNET EQUAL FAIR ACCESS FOR ALL PEOPLE
—Kyle Cannon, HARLINGEN, TX

The internet has allowed for a massive economical and intellectual expansion over the last decade, made possible by net neutrality. To threaten Net Neutrality is to threaten the flow of information and the wealth of most individuals
—Jesse Alan Krug, Tucson, AZ

I want to learn and the internet makes that easy. Imagine if someone controlled your knowledge.
—Kimberly Lawrence, Spokane, WA

The Internet is an information highway. No public highway currently allows businesses to travel faster; nor should the Internet.
—Kimberly La Liberte, Spokane, WA

To be a successful economy in the 21st century, we must have the tools, such as an open, unbiased, internet. Please do not hinder our economy that it already is.
—Samir Sheth, Blacklick, OH

All persons should have equal access! The internet is the only equality in the world for people who are not rich! Useage should not be limited for those who can't afford fast speeds! This should be viewed as a freedom of speech issue, and should be impossible to infringe upon the constitutional rights of the American People!
—Sarah Byrd, Inglewood, CA

free exchange in a reciprocal flow venue is what the modern world, post-occupy is all about!
—Al B Chazin, kew gardens hills, NY

As a worker in the silicon valley, I fear for the impact of this ruling on the ability for young startups to compete with established companies such as netflix that can afford a fast track. Please treat the internet as a common carrier.
—Katherine Richert, San Francisco, CA

Dear FCC, The free and open Internet is critical to our ability to access and share information without a corporate filter, and to effectively organize for social justice. As the FCC's National Broadband Plan acknowledges, high-speed Internet is an essential service that all Americans need in order to perform basic tasks, from applying for a job to doing schoolwork to finding a home or to run a business. With the dismantling of the FCC's 2010 Open Internet Order, which provided vital (if imperfect)protections for Internet users against discrimination by our Internet service providers (ISPs), it is urgent that the FCC take immediate and decisive action to protect the public from these corporations' predatory business practices. The FCC exists to serve the public, not the corporate bottom line. The Court in Verizon v. FCC made clear that your agency has the authority to regulate interstate communications. I urge you to act on that authority now to reverse the flawed decision to deregulate cable broadband, which made the Open Internet Order unsustainable from the start and paves the way for the privatization of the Internet. The ball is squarely in the FCC's court: please take action to reclassify broadband as a telecommunications service now. Sincerely, Nathan Park
—Nathan Park, Charlestown, IN

Dear Chairman Wheeler of the FCC, Net neutrality is very crucial in paving this current era where the Internet is a huge driving force for activists such as many YouTubers, such as "AtheneWins" to do charities through his livestreams such as Twitch as well. This individual has raised more than US$11 million in the past two years. If the new rules set out by the FCC do indeed take on in reality, this would mean many activists or people who earn their income through the field of entertainment on platforms such as YouTube, Twitch and so on will fade out drastically. They won`t be any of such new YouTube or Google for the individuals to earn their income off their hard work and even charities to help the poor. Therefore, I urge the FCC strongly to reclassify ISPs as common carries. Yours sincerely, Timothy Soh
—Timothy Soh Jun Hao, Woodlands,

If I get a back seat to corporate america regarding network access I will build my own ad free no cost, and no profit internet for only individual human beings to use via their own devices. No profit in that at all.
—Eric Wright, Winona, MN

We all deserve the same internet no matter how rich we are or aren't! Please don't segregate our country into classes like this.
—Stephanie Unick, Kearney, NE

The net belongs to everyone!!! I worked on it in it's infancy.
—Tom and Helen Sager, Rolla, MO, MO

Net neutrality is important to everyone because it allows everyone equal access to the internet
—MaryJane Peace, Centennial, CO

Removing net neutrality is in violation of my first amendment rights!
—Heather Stephenson, San Jose, CA

The internet should be treated as a utility in our modern age of convenience. Fair service for all.
—Ashley C Mullen, Essex Junction, VT

We shouldn't let big corporations run our communications and slow it down.
—Sura Halote, RPV, CA

It's free speech. Free speech is a constitutionally guaranteed right.
—Miquel Ferrandiz, Palo Alto, CA

No to corporation on buying the open and free internet. They shouldn't be telling people how much it's going to cost them, cause you know as well as corporation know they will be ripping people off, bumping up the price of their internet.
—Molly Noone, Chandler, AZ

Net neutrality matters to me because I cannot afford any extra fees. As a college student, I depend on net neutrality to ensure that I get my homework done on time, that my projects saved on the cloud are easy to access, and to ensure that I am able to relax at home to save expenses on going out. Net neutrality matters to me as a freelancer as well. I am attempting to establish myself through online networking, maintaining my website, and communicating with employers across the world.
—Stephani Wilkes, Cheney, WA

Keep internet free and open!
—Michael P Gallegos, Portland, OR

No democracy without Net Neutrality!
—Mikel Sola, ,

Net Neutrality cannot be dismissed, it is integral to freedom of speech.
—Ellen Conroy, Sydney,

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—Luisa I Ortiz, Miami Beach, FL

Net neutrality is one of the founding principles of the internet. The internet is the greatest tool for an individual to be heard and disrupting net neutrality would create vast inequalities as we go deeper into the information age.
—Markese Dixon, Capitol Heights, MD

Net Neutrality and a FREE PRESS is important to the survival of our Democracy! OUR Internet must be classified as a PUBLIC right/utility and NOT privatized to the corporations!
—Mary Loney Bichell, Dubuque, IA

It would be silly to impose rules like this on phone where voice is delivered at different speeds, or electricity changed flow unless you were watching pay per view. The internet should be regulated like a utility and the companies that provide the service should bill as such. This act would cause damage to the structure of the internet and to the many valuable services that could not afford to pay for access.
—Randall Coleman, Redondo Beach, CA

As a professor, researcher and citizen, I believe that Net Neutrality is an important part of our national life. Use your authority at the FCC to reclassify ISP's as common carriers. Think about what the loss of internet neutrality would mean to whole generations of students and their teachers. Do not let the power of corporations overpower common sense. Thank you. Dr. Margaret Cullen
—Margaret Cullen, Ada, OH

The internet is not meant to be cordoned off to the highest bidder. It is disgusting monetary discrimination, and favors the companies with the fullest pockets to provide the information that best suits them. It is necessary that information on the internet remain free and unbiased. The monopolization of the internet and censorship of what reaches the public can only harm the heart of America until no voices are left but those that are worth their weight in gold. It is events like this and ideas like this to exploit the American people that make me ashamed of my country and the people that run it. American politics now are centered around the wants and greeds of the richest and most powerful people. It's too late to beg that America be the free democratic oasis that it purports itself to be, but the internet is the last semblance of 'freedom' left. Or it was, before the destruction of net neutrality. With the destruction of net neutrality, the bigger companies decide on behalf of the people what information is important and what is not. The internet is of immense importance to me. It is an extremely important tool for creative expression and collaboration, where ideas have a platform to swim freely in the open air for others to discuss and expand. It is an extremely important tool for education, where knowledge is offered freely for those who cannot find it elsewhere or cannot afford it-- for instance, I currently am studying the Italian language via the free language website duolingo.com. It is an indispensable social tool that has become a necessary part of society. Enclosing the internet with monetary barriers is the destruction of America.
—Richard Pannullo, North Caldwell, NJ

The internet that we have now has made this world a better place 100 fold. Limiting the spread of information is cowardly. It only serves the purpose in the absolute end to hide the cowardly acts of the people trying to limit its spread. If the FCC strikes down Net Neutrality, people will see right through what is happening and the truth will rise to the surface, it always does. Please don't halt this world from becoming a better place.
—Devin J Gilmer, Centennial, CO

America already has slow internet access compared to our Western European cousins. The FCC should RECLASSIFY INTERNET SERVICE PROVIDERS AS COMMON CARRIERS. The only reason that the FCC would want the American people to be second-class Internet citizens is because you are in the pockets of cable and phone companies. DO YOUR JOB ON BEHALF OF AMERICA'S INTERNET USERS, NOT THESE MEGA CORPORATIONS!
—Channah Abraham, Woodstock, NY

Because the internet is important to us all, why should it benefit the few over the many? That doesn't sound very "American."
—Clyde Engle, Lake Forest, IL

If ain't broke, don't fix it...
—Mr. Pedro Estrada, Cochabamba,

if companies can speed up or slow down information as necessary for their bottom line, they will be able to control what information people can access. If our freedom to access information is limited we will struggle to teach, learn, and make researched based decisions which in turn limits our ability to be a full member of society no matter our economic level.
—Christophe Huestis, Enfield, CT

The internet should be an open platform for the flow of information. Large corporations should never be allowed to control what information I see on the internet.
—Mark Sauter, Palatine, IL

I rely on an open internet to have a leg to stand on in the future. There is no clear economic future, the last bubble has popped, but allowing a two-tiered internet to exist creates a bubble in which I can't contribute, but a bubble that we are forced to be a part of with no fair standing.
—David Charles Johnson Jr., Palm Coast, FL

This is important because i don't believe companies should get preferential treatment if they pay a fee to ISP's. Keep the internet NET NEUTRAL!!!!
—Fred Gomez, Encino, CA

Dear FCC Letting big corporations take over the internet is against anti trust laws. If we give them permission they will become monopoly. Getting rid of net neutrality means lack of information for people. When internet is regulated, we will not have enough materials to learn thing and it will make things much harder for everyone. So please do not let big corporations take over the internet.
—Temur Amriev, Brooklyn, NY

The Internet began as a free information exchange highway literally for the betterment of the human race. Physicist and students and professors coming together to unlock the secrets of the universe in an open dialog, non-profit environment. As it becomes clearer to the general public that our economic policies and practices, tax and legislative institutions, and their resulting rules and rulings have created an environment that heavily favors major corporations and the wealthy, certainly in terms of their economic ability to build capital and accumulate accelerated wealth, isn’t it time that the government simply say “no” to the only real and fundamental reason the carriers wish to squash the Open Internet Ruling as a Public Utility? That is, it *might* have a detrimental effect on the rate at which profits can be generated. Please represent WE THE PEOPLE. Contrary to whatever you may be hearing from lobbyists, helping corporate profits does NOT translate to helping me and the rest of us common folk. The fat cats are fat enough. Save the internet. Save neutrality. Restore the people’s faith in the legislature. Restore mine.
—Bradley LaChance, Euless, TX

because it the same fascism our grandfathers fought and died to destroy only with a new face and form of a multinational corporate aristocracy!!!!!
—Jon Zimmermann, madison, WI

OWER LAND IS FREE THE NET SHOULD BE TO
—Glenn Robert Slingluff, Hammonton, NJ

"Corporations don't want thinkers, they want workers." They want workers so the people can earn more money and buy more useless junk. The ability to access open information is EVERYTHING. If you control our capability to learn, you will destroy all hope of creativity. If you remove our ability to access open information, I promise I'll be revoking my American citizenship.
—Randal Ackerman, Lakewood, WA

The future of the IT industry in America depends on Net Neutrality. Millions of jobs will be compromised.
—Gordon Barr, Alameda, CA

Dear FCC, I am writing to ask you to please allow 100% net neutrality. Please do not reduce the internet into an economic apartheid between the rich and the poor. Already, we are seeing all over the world a divide occurring between the governments and the citizens. Governments should be representing the best interests of the citizens but, only too often, we are seeing governments favouring rich corporations to the sheer detriment of our society. Please rule in favour of net neutrality and start supporting the people for whom you are suppose to be serving. Best regards, Mr Herbert
—Mr Herbert, Bristol,

No current, popular internet company would exist today if not for net neutrality. Please, don't allow greed to destroy the future of our most important form of communication.
—John Patton, Columbus, OH

The internet is one of if not the most important technology man has every created. As of now almost anyone in the world can get into contact with each other in seconds. As well as read, write and engage each through an unbelievable amount of different websites. Please don't throttle connections, don't make it so that people connecting to smaller blogs have a slower speed compared to going to some major site. The internet needs to stay neutral. This is for the betterment of everyone. Please throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Please, keep the internet free. Thank you for your time.
—Patrick C., Columbus, OH

don't want to risk a society of have-nets and had-nets
—Tom Bakker, san jose, CA

The Internet Service Provider market is nowhere near the ideal state of perfect competition. With the heavy use of public lands & public permissions to build its massive infrastructure, the country has every right to regulate its operations. The computer Internet is essentially an advanced telephone system which can communicate through voice, writing, and vision. Thus employing the same regulations as a telephone network simply makes sense. Not only that, but the websites and applications we use within the Internet exist in one of the nearest perfectly-competitive markets in history! Once connected to the Internet, anyone can publish their content with remarkably little expense! It is this freedom of competition, freedom of ideas, and freedom of communication which we seek to preserve by making ISPs carry all requested traffic equally. If these same ISPs complain that Netflix is consuming so much bandwidth, they should remember that *their own customers* requested those messages from Netflix & are already paying them for the access.
—Christopher Guinnup, Newark, DE

Chairman Wheeler, Your proposal to abandon net neutrality is the wrong decision. This policy would lead to content being treated differently based on the preferences of the largest corporations in America. In addition, the "pay to play" environment you are encouraging will only force the consumer to pay more in the end, while enriching ISPs, which have some of the lowest customer service ratings of any industry. I strongly encourage you to look out the average American and classify ISPs as common carriers, so that the FCC can regulate the ISPs and promote fairness and opportunity for all Americans. Please abandon your proposed rules and support net neutrality.
—Tyler Vander Schaaf, Three Rivers, MI

Net Neutrality is important because the Internet is not something to have discrimination put upon it.
—Alicia Axon, Round Rock, TX

With the proposed rules, the free, open, competitive Internet we've all grown to know and love would at an end, and will become just another advertisement-laden source of junk news and content that nobody desires to utilize. In my line of work, free (as in freedom) software has become of utmost importance. The proposed two-tiered Internet, would likely mean many resources we, in the free software community, have flourished by and need to function would disappear. Please put an end to this madness and reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers to keep the Internet in the hands of the people and those who value intellectual freedom. I think it's horrible that these companies think they can censor information even more than they currently do, and very likely, this is in order to pad their pockets further. The Internet is one of the last bastions of true journalistic integrity and open discussion, and will only continue to be so, if we oppose these proposed rules and continue to embrace network-neutrality. Thank you for allowing our comments and your reconsideration of these devastating missteps, Lucas
—Lucas Endres, Chippewa Falls, WI

Mr. Wheeler: The internet belongs to we the people. It does not belong to the ISPs. Your plan to turn the internet over to the ISPs is anti-American. We are a free people. And a free, open internet is one of the things that makes us free. I am outraged that you would even consider allowing the moneyed interests to establish dominion over a supposedly free people. The internet is an effective monopoly, and as such, it should be reclassified as a common carrier like an electric company or a telephone company. As Chairman of the FCC, you are now an employee of the people. You owe your allegiance to the people, not to your former employers. Show some integrity; show some guts; be a man; be an American; be one of we the people. Give us our Net Neutrality!
—Dennis P Kelly, Aurora, IL

Because I am starting a start-up that we have been working on the code for the last 4 years. JustOutThere.com. We plan to have a new revolutionary way to support business tools on the internet. We are working really hard and when our company gets momentum, I do not want to be told we are using too much band with and have to pay. After all Do I have to pay the power company for more electricity and subscribe to a bright bulb service? The truth is these ISP need to develop their infrastructure and giving them control of the data will stifle innovation. Basically the ISP will get to choose what they feel is acceptable. If a heavily christian man takes over Comcast as CEO and says we will no longer braodcast or allow any data that goes against christian beliefs, what is stopping him? In the modern age, if information is power, allowing an ISP to control the information is placing too much power in their hands. I am tired of also being raped over the coals for sub par service from a communications company. They want to hold onto everything and force you to pay more money. If you do this, other countries in Europe or elsewhere will exceed the innovation that has kept this country on top for 200 years. The big companies do things in the name of money way too often and in the end it damages the country. Offshore manufacturing is a perfect example of this. We have lost our manufacturing base in America to cheaper offshore labor. If you do this, the big companies will do things in the name of money for no other reason than more money into the corporate coffers. It will have a ripple effect that will kill the spirit upon which it was founded.
—Aaron Wantuck, Albuquerque, NM

I want my children to grow up in a culture where we dont place pay/profit before cheap access to the internet - we cannot be competitive with other nations if pay-toll our internet
—Dylan Nelson, Universal City, TX

Having the Internet be a fair and equal playing ground for everyone who wishes to utilize its funuctionality is crucial! Right now we are defining how generations of people to come will be able to use this service and how it is distributed to the masses. Access to the Internet should be a human write. Giving the ability for large corporate entities to throttle it as they see fit would be a violation of the core principles the Internet was founded on.
—Thomas Molloy, Middletown, NJ

Net Neutrality really matters to me, because it is a gross double standard, if I stood in the street and only let certain people park, then had restaurants pay me to let their customers park, I'd be arrested for extortion. Not only this but it is truly wrong, allowing companies to take control of something as large as the internet, slowing down sites that millions visit every day.
—Patrick Jordan, Brooklyn, NY

If it ain't broke, don't fix it.
—Erin Moore, Sequim, WA

Don't fix what isn't broken! This could mess up everything we know and love!
—Michael R Ventura, Miami, FL

Allowing major corporations to throttle connection for goods and services that we as consumers have already payed for will only lead not only the steady rise of a monopoly, but will also put a strain on smaller companies that are trying new ideas that could possibly be the next major innovation in the progression of our technology and society. Everything about this is wrong, and in simple terms is down right unjust. Everyone should have an equal playing ground for their ideas, and by allowing major corporations to practically strangle smaller companies, you are not only being unjust, but you are also holding back the progression of our technological world.
—Greg Burns, Clayton, CA

ISPs are common carriers. It should be available to everyone equally. No pay to play!
—Gary Pierson, auburn, WA

Net Neutrality is everything all the current bill does it give ISPs more power then they need. It also classifies ISPs as information providers which is just not true. This has to be changed or forever will kill the internet as it is too date.
—Cody Bryce Kunick, Edgewood, TX

hese companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it.
—Derek Fuller, Davenport, IA

Internet service is a necessity. Do not allow the providers to control our access to information.
—Chaiya Laoteppitaks, Moorestown, NJ

The Internet is just that. An interconnection of networks. If the carriers are allowed to discriminate against networks who can't/won't pay an additional fee, then we will no longer have "The Internet." We will have a "Divided-net" The power/value of a network is a function of the number of computers connected to it. Without net neutrality, the power/value of what we once called The Internet will be tragically diminished.
—jim Young, Deerfield, WI

Not only did Obama lie if this is the case, but it makes it completely unfair for those who aren't massive companies who make millions of dollars often by being cheap assholes, and your trusting THOSE bastards to regulate themselves and be 'fair'? What is wrong with you? The poor get poorer, and the rich get richer.
—Tristin Meholick, Reynoldsville, PA

The internet is owned by no-one, yet all of us. Let's keep it that way shall we?
—Kev, Liverpool,

Its about freedom!
—Calum Jones, Wallasey,

In my view the internet is a FREE and OPEN resource which allows for the healthy distribution and open competitition of ideas. Never before in the history of man has there been such a forum. ANY attempt to throttle access by anyone, unequally in favor of anyone else, for any purpose, flirts dangerously with the survival of open and equal access.
—Daniel A Pratte, Anchorage, KY

Because I like to make my own opinion
—Robbie Quinn, Wallasey,

The internet as it exists is an invaluable tool for education and information that should be privileged to everyone equally. People who log into the internet are suddenly provided the ability to casually study ancient history, or look at the photographs taken by the Hubble telescope, even learn a new language, just to name a few activities. A plethora of valuable enrichment right at their fingertips. To stifle the internet is to propose that the right to explore and satisfy a human's curiosity is exclusive to those who can satisfy the cost of browsing. Freedom of information is a precious thing, one that I wholeheartedly support!
—Rachael Ferland, Seattle, WA

The foundation of americas online economy didnt come from nowhere. It came from every online users contribution to it. We made it. The ISP's simply provided a way for us to easily and affordable access it. IT belongs to us, and not them. And they should NOT be the ones to make a enormous profit on an already over-priced service.
—Trevor Demelo, D'iberville, MS

Net Neutrality is important to me, because it prevents discrimination. Many countries have recognized the internet as a right. The internet is critical to the education (recognized as a human right) and development of everyone. Compromising Net Neutrality compromises the rights of those who cannot afford to pay more - clear discrimination. Please protect Net Neutrality, uphold the rights of education and development.
—Holly Michaelson, Phoenix, AZ

We do not want this to happen ..end of.
—Rachel Edwards, Wirral,

its just a different form of racism, we as a country cater to the wealthy. At this rate, this opens the door to reinvented racism where the wealthy who can afford these charges get them for practically nothing while the rest figure it out. Oh, wait.... We are already living in a society where that is the way. To start having to pay for sites i have been visiting for years is not fair to anyone. Your discrimination and racism will not go unpunished in God's. You want charge everyone (the poor) money they don't have for something that is free (water) to make your already fat pockets fatter. People use the internet for whatever they use it for. But what about the people what about the people who use these apps to better their lives who don't even have an account with these providers, or the people who are already struggling trying to figure out where they can get access to the internet for jobs, medical info, school, etc. We live in the best and the worst place to live.
—Willie Edwards, north charleston, SC

Net neutrality really does matter, so many people use the internet, you are literally taking something away from billions of people. If you've learned anything from history you should know that people don't react very well when you take something from them.
—Cesar Lopez, El Paso, TX

The internet is an important tool now a days for education and the like. Why do the rich always have the world catered to them?
—Katelyn A. Croom, Alvord, TX

This is one of the most important ruling's in history we have a chance to see the first generation that's had the chance to grow up with limitless, unfiltered information. A generation that could be more well informed then any before. We already pay more for the net then any other democracy on the planet. its all theft and the people sharing freely is what made the net what it is today. this is not something you can leave to the free market and in the hands of greedy monopoly's I know the net is still the wild west but you cant hand over the key to people that only see profit and had nothing to do with making it what it is today. if I've ever seen free speech its the net. money is not speech!
—Josh CHisum, Tacoma, WA

Really? Another chance to widen the divide between the haves and the have nots? Whatever happened to the American dream? Continuing to make it harder to have an even semi-level playing field is disgusting.
—Loretta Workman, Cincinnati, OH

There is absolutely no reason in our country for our internet access to be tied to our ability to overpay for it. The argument that data is expensive to transmit back in forth is silliness, especially when these same companies work over both the state and local governments for tax breaks to build the lines and then overcharge the customers to "maintain" them once built. The internet is a utility in 2014, and treating it as anything less, is irresponsible and reprehensible. History will remember this decision as well as those who make it. The internet does not need tiers of fast and slow lanes. It does not need the option of fastpass lanes to leave the majority of people waiting behind because of their lack of wealth. Please do what is best for all people in our country as your agency is supposed to, not what is obviously best for big corporations who care nothing for any country or any people, only profits.
—Mr. Eric Carter, Lavonia, GA

Capitalism is against the things that we say we believe in - democracy, freedom of choice, fairness. It's not about any of those things now. It's about protecting the wealthy and legalizing greed. Michael Moore This couldn't be more true. Please keep the net neutral and open for all.
—Katie McCormick, Cedar Rapids, IA

Getting rid of net neutrality is just another way for the more fortunate to have more privilege and the less fortunate to have less. The socioeconomic gap has to get smaller not bigger. Are really going to let this make it harder for people to find a way up?
—Amanda Fins, Union, NJ

It's vital and critical to keep internet access free for all ordinary citizens who can't afford to subscribe to big cable company service
—Dach Mou, frederick, MD

Keep the internet free for all
—Theodore Hanold, modena, NY

I believe that allowing service providers to control content will devalue the free and open nature of the Internet. Today's Internet is a robust platform for innovation, free speech, and information which should be protected against the controlling influence of natural monopoly Telecom companies who already have little incentive to act in the interest of consumers.
—Vincent Matrisciano, Redondo beach, CA

Net Neutrality is important to me because it represents the equal expression of thought and ideas. It allows me to research topics and information that I decide is important. It allows me to connect with people that I choose for the reasons that I choose. Net Neutrality is important because the internet only works as an open environment. Corporate America has enough mediums through which to work. They do not need, nor should the have, a monopoly on bandwidth.
—Bart Schidecker, Dayton, OH

The internet is not a luxury, It is a necessity. I needed the internet for college, and now I need it for work. This proposal which will create two lanes will end net neutrality. Many of the great innovations and inventions that have been born on the internet may not have happened. Recently a plan to allow cell phone companies to charge app makers for data instead the users of the apps was struck down because it would hinder competition. Do not let innovation be a word that used to be associated with America. Protect net neutrality, protect competition, and protect America innovation.
—Matthew Kempa, Edison, NJ

The FCC needs to throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. THIS IS THE ONLY WAY TO PROTECT REAL NET NEUTRALITY!!!
—Aggie Monfette, Royal Oak, MI

All people should have the opportunity to have equal access to internet services and not be held hostage to the big companies feeding us a diet of what they think we should know. Keep the internet equal for all, irrelevant of ability to afford top-up fees.
—Allison Bentley Jones, Wallasey,

As an independent musician I am reliant on a neutral internet to allow my art to reach people at the same speed as artists backed by a major label without having to pay for a fast lane. I have no capacity to compete with the vast wealth of a major label, and the world of musicians who are also independent would suffer. This stifles the growth of music more than major labels have already done. A neutral internet allows consumers to choose the music and content from the people and businesses that they support without a penalty. People should have the right to access whatever site they desire without compromise. It is a resource that impacts the education of humanity, and should be treated as such. It is not worth sacrificing this potential in order to allow a select few to profit by selling faster "lanes." Let the country's interests (eg every person using the internet) be in front of corporations for once. Politicians that cannot recognize the importance of an open neutral internet have lost touch with modern reality, and are not the capable leaders we need for a healthy and thriving future.
—Sean Machak, Mountlake Terrace, WA

The smaller internet providers need the ability to operate on a level playing field. Their innovation also helps keep competition and fair rates based on the price the markety will bear and not a monopoly-driven rate. Don't take away our options!
—Diana Martin, Marietta, GA

We are behind Lativia in internet speed...you make Americans ashamed of their country
—Adam, auburn, AL

Wheeler’s plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. And no one would be able to do anything about it. The internet should not be able to be controlled.
—Cynthia Roberts, Yorktown, VA

The fundamental right of free speech have to be preserved for everyone. This proposal would clear the way for some less major players/companies to dictate the content of the net (like in countries like China). The Internet should not be controlled by a few and must remain free for the opinions of each. Worldwide
—Michael Schimek, Pettendorf,

The Internet was created with public tax dollars to develop DARPA. The tax payers have paid for it so don't turn it over to private corporations.
—Matt Markert, Marietta, GA

Everyone should get the same speed and type of internet, no one should be restricted, this is ridiculous.
—Shaun Johnson, Frankfort, IL

I don't want an internet filled with 'fast lanes' for those content providers who are willing to pay more. I want a neutral, Title II internet.
—Samuel Ciocco, Walkersville, MD

Information is power, and all citizens should have equal access.
—Shirley R. Vitela, Colorado Springs, CO

I smell crony capitalism
—Shawn L Johnson, Norfolk, NE

To whom it may concern, If the FCC allows companies Like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon to potentially make a two-type Internet system, it will RUIN the internet. Not only would it cost more for the average person, but imagine what impact it may cause schools, companies and business that rely solely on the internet. Stop ruining the future of communication and the internet!
—Jose hernandez, Phoenix, AZ

Net neutrality should be preserved at all costs. If the cable companies have their way, you'll be handing them even more power. This is not just about money. This is about the telecommunications companies being able to control how and when and what kind of information we have access to. It is not right for governments to have this kind of power let alone these corporations.
—Russell Gallatin, haines city, FL

All sites should operate at the same, neutral speed regardless of how rich or poor
—Scott Bonner, Mechanicsburg, PA

because it's mine and my mates around the world's right. And as I own a website I don't want my visitors to suffer slow speeds because of greed. I pay for bandwidth at my provider I don't expect people to have priority for paying more.
—Michael Dance, Alcester,

i want the internet to continue to inspire innovators. ending net neutrality would allow big business to take over the internet.
—Aaron Nedd, Fort Wayne, IN

Killing net neutrality goes against the opportunity and dream that America represents in living the American dream and giving all power to mega corporations who don't deserve it.
—James white, Dublin, CA

We are a democracy, not an oligarchy--or have we become an oligarchy with trends such as your proposal to end net neutrality? And discriminating against online content and application? Your proposal allows censorship of a high order, which would mean even greater corporate control over public access to information.
—Ms. Lonni Ann Fredman, Albuquerque, NM

Being able to access any website equally is critical to me both as a consumer and a creator. Fracturing the access disrupts access and competition negatively. Thank You.
—Edward Juarez, Portsmouth, NH

Mr. Wheeler: The current plan the FCC is proposing is one that will rupture a great platform that is an open Internet. Please do not kill the Open Internet.
—Ricardo Guzman, Lauderdale Lakes, FL

Serve people, not corporations. Do what is right for all.
—Jacob Gengenbach, Austin, TX

Hello, I would like to voice my support for Net Neutrality and emphasize its importance to the people of America. It is my fear that access to the internet and all of its possibilities for knowledge, opportunity and growth will be limited due to this proposed law. It is important to keep an open internet free from discriminating business practices that would allow the content providers who pay the most money to broadband providers to be at the forefront of internet activity, searches and access. Not only will that leave the consumers of content susceptible to more fees but less wealthy content providers may end up disappearing from the internet all together. As a Democratic society and one that champions the notion to let markets decide what content, services and products are the best, these principles are threatened by giving an unfair advantage exclusively to those who can pay for it while neglecting the markets (the internet consumers.) The internet is what connects us, informs us and makes us so much more free than many other nations. Thank you for your time.
—Sonny Torres, Denton, TX

The FCC needs to reclassify broadband Internet access as a telecommunications service. Not doing so would take away the freedom that this country and the internet was built on. Please do not enable discriminatory practices that will impact all Americans.
—Diane Lee, san francisco, CA

What happenes when we can't afford all the terrible price hikes, is it ok for us to fall behind?
—Abby, Fowler, CA

Net neutrality is important to me I dont my lack of funding to affect my my ability to have a affect on my equality online! Be aware of corporate agendas! Save the Internet!
—Anonymous, austell, MI

The agency needs to reclassify broadband Internet access as a telecommunications service, which would pave the way to long-lasting Net Neutrality rules!
—Scott Hayes, West Chester, PA

Access to the same internet should not be tiered or censored.
—Wes Previant, Pasadena, CA

Democracy depends on the free flow of information, and the internet is the only form of media remaining where citizens can communicate information, ideas, and opinions without the heavy hand of financial and political interests interceding. Telecoms are now trying to turn the internet into yet another money and power-dominated environment. The fix is simple: reclassify ISPs as telecommunications utilities, like landline providers, so they would be subject to common carrier rules. If the Obama Administration's FCC resists this course, I would have to doubt that they're actually in favor of promoting a well-informed citizenry.
—Katherine Showalter, Portland, OR

We need less restrictions on the Internet as our scooter moves forward. Limiting access to any sites limits the growth of our youth that use the internet as the gigantic source of knowledge that it is! Please don't limit our potential as a society to use the internet for what it's capable of. Knowledge is power.
—Yamil Narvaez, Sanford, FL

Something that is Designed to benefit some will Always just benefit some.
—Christopher O. Nash, Maryville, TN

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Michael, El Cajon, CA

Because it is what allow us all to learn and share as we need to.
—Eduardo Thomas Perez del Postigo, Madrid,

Consider that the open internet is freedom of speech - if you take it away you will destroy freedom of speech!
—Bryce alexander, San Antonio, TX

The Internet has flourished commercially and culturally because of its inherent freedom. Products and businesses that have revolutionized everyday life have depended on an open environment and low startup costs. Reclassifying ISPs is the surest way to ensure that this vibrant ecosystem of producers, consumers, communities, and cultures can continue to thrive and ensure that all forms of communication are not only respected but protected.
—Will McCain, Columbia, SC

The internet IS a public utility and it is time it's recognized as such.
—Linda Kade, Berkeley, CA

An open internet is now a basic necessity for the US, and like water or electricity pipelines, and it should be regulated like a public utility. It must stay evenly accessible for all, or this nation's growth, function and innovation will cease.
—Mary Ziegler, Brooklyn, NY

The Internet is the greatest tool the human race has ever had. It allows for instantaneous exchange of information which is essential for true freedom. Allowing companies to decide who gets to exchange that information is a tragedy and should not be allowed. Please change the Internet to be under telecommunications services allowing it to be protected in the manner it should. Thank you for supporting freedom and liberty.
—Steven Cheal, Logan, UT

Keep the internet neutral.
—Ethan Raible Rendlen, Chicago, IL

Will kill all internet growth.
—James Floyd, Dunkirk, IN

As an entrepreneur of 20+ years, I firmly believe the destruction of net neutrality will take tremendous opportunities out of the hands of everyday citizens desperately in need of economic hope. This is both short sighted and un-American. If you proceed on your current path, you will most certainly cripple an already struggling middle class, and assure that we continue to fall behind other countries in both prosperity and innovation. I ask you, with urgency, to stop this course of action or your only legacy will be the irreparable damage you have done to our great nation. In favor of democracy and our people, stop what you're doing before its too late. Sincerely, Bob Williams
—Bob Williams, Naperville, IL

The FCC negating Net Neutrality would be an egregious and tragic mistake for the U.S.A.
—Harold Yen, New York, NY

It is the responsibility of the government to protect individual citizens from exploitation by large corporations who greatly outweigh us in terms of money and other resources. Keeping net neutrality is a primary and necessary way to keep our democracy strong and allow individual citizens to voice our concerns. Internet providers are utilities like any other, and should be regulated as such. They should not be allowed free reign with an entity (the INTERNET) which was largely created with government money in the first place. Moreover, small businesses currently have just as much ability to operate on the internet as those businesses with deeper pockets, but that could stop if net neutrality is lost. As a small business owner myself, that will greatly impact me and could cause my business to close its doors. I urge you to stand up for your fellow citizens and protect us from the corporations that want to make money from resources they have no right to. Declare internet providers utilities and require net neutrality as part of regulating them!!
—Daphne Riordan, Eagan, MN

In my opinion, basic internet service (5 mg or slower) is currently as necessary to the normal American household as the standard telephone was 40 years ago when I was a kid. Every family that is not dirt poor has this, and even dirt poor families aspire to have this as soon as possible. Software is no longer sold in brick and mortor stores, it is sold over the internet and delivered the same way. Information is found first on the internet, and then also in libraries, where the books are reserved via the internet in advance. More commerce occurs on the internet than in shopping malls. Access speed requirements are increasing right along with use of the internet services. Back in 1985 56 kilobaud was fast. Now 5meg is average and becoming slow. If you do not ensure at least this minimum deliverable speed as a public commodity regulated much as access to the telephone and the postal service you guarantee that access to information becomes a right of the privleged. Do not allow pay to play, and speed privileges for those "who can afford them" over every user. Today's argument is about Netflix vs Comcast (a company I loathe with customer service that lies and defrauds its customers). But tomorrow's is about schools and work, all of which will also be performed over the internet. Ignore your lobbyist past and be mindful that the public future of this ever more connected country is enhanced by equal access for all uses, those in vogue today and those not yet imagined that will matter in a decade. Elena Schott
—Elena Schott, Brisbane, CA

I need the internet as it is because I am a disabled shut in and the internet is my key to the outside world. I talk to others that are afflicted like me with a disability. And I learn about the world and how I fit in it. Please keep the internet free.
—Mr. Edward Korstanje, Grayslake, IL

Net Neutrality is important to me because I use the Internet constantly, and I do not want my content such as YouTube, online gaming, and social media sites to be slower. The Internet is a big part of my life and my future career, and I do not want to have to spend more for something I already have! FCC, I beg you to preserve Net Neutrality for all. -Doug Winning
—Doug Winning, Red Bank, NJ

To allow such discrimination by ISPs is wildly unfair and degrading to the common US citizen. How are we, barely surviving in the middle class, to compete when our government is controlled by corporations who have the "highest bid"? I am aware Comcast is one of the top paying lobbyist in Congress, which unfortunately for someone like me, is deemed legal bribery. This does not protect American's, and only reiterates the fact our government is controlled by money, power and greed. Internet Neutrality was designed to protect us by preventing a monopoly of ISPs, and to preserve the First Amendment. I rely on the internet for my work, entertainment, and connection to society and world news. I am paying $85 a month for my internet connection from Comcast. I can't afford to pay for the $80.00 Comcast cable television also, so I pay another $8.00 a month for my Netflix subscription that I can't watch without paying Comcast for the broadband access. This is insanity! American's pay more for internet access than almost any other country, and now without Net Neutrality, we may be paying even more, or loosing access to the sites we are already paying for and rely on. Everyone who is not benefiting financially from the outrageous broadband fees agrees the internet has become a necessity, not a privileged commodity. We use the internet to communicate, educate, find employment and be a part of society. The internet has replaced phone books, telephones, community bulletin boards, newspapers, bills, classifieds, etc. By continuing to classify the internet as a commodity, you are further discriminating against the poor, and hard working middle class. I implore you to stand up for us as we no longer seem to have a voice. I would not even have known about Net Neutrality had it not been for my access to the internet. Since this petition is not in Comcast's favor, does that mean they would be able to block this website in the future if they did not pony up enough money to be in the "fast lane"?? How much power are we allowing one corporation to have? How far do we let it go? I'm afraid of what our future holds.
—Megan Johnson, Columbia Heights, MN

I lived in Louisiana. Only have one internet provider. The prices were close to 30 bucks a megabit for internet access. Absolutely horrendous charges. Further, they would regularly throttle my internet speeds if I used too much bandwidth. Bandwidth isn't a finite resource. This attack on net neutrality is killing the consumer's ability to access information.
—Sam Johnston, Kansas City, KS

I'm a mom, a full time worker, and I go to college, too. I can BARELY afford bills and internet right now! I'm working toward a better life for myself, my husband-to-be and our daughter but how am I supposed to do that without access to all the things that make my life run SMOOTHER like streaming Spongebob for my daughter, or being able to do my homework on my phone between shifts of my two jobs? It's not fair to those of us who weren't born into money, we struggle to make it and earn it and it is absolutely ridiculous to take away that freedom of the internet. Big business needs to bite it and America needs to get away from being COMPLETELY RUN BY BIG BUSINESS!! We are heading back to the old days where big business bought EVERYTHING and individuals had no say. NO!! It needs to stop!
—Crystal Lubick, Lapeer, MI

Why do you want to change something that is working for the majority?
—Virginia Loop, Wytheville, VA

Please throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Protect Net Neutrality! IT'S THE RIGHT THING TO DO, so please...do the right thing!
—Anne Lambert, Charlotte, NC

I understand we are a market economy, but to remove net neutrality would be to encourage monopolies. As of right now, anyone can become something on the internet. Without net neutrality, only those who can afford it can do so. This will discriminate against the poor in terms of information availability and creativity.
—Samantha Bustos, Collierville, TN

It's not fair to charge extreme amounts of money regardless if you have money or not. Stop killing the middle class.
—Barb Lubick, lapeer, MI

The internet does not need regulation by the FCC. Creating various levels of service negates the ability for new companies to compete fairly and could squash innovation by forcing these companies out of the competition.
—Lori Hutchek, Union City, NJ

Please do not pass this rule. This will put all Americans at the whim of large internet providers. This will hinder small Internet start-ups and end innovation in America.
—Ruben Perez, Mt. Juliet, TN

It is ridiculous that we even have to take action on this matter. Do not change our internet!!!!!!! We as human beings deserve a free and open internet. We will win this, just like we won last time. You will not take this away from us. You must through out these absolutely insane rules and reclassify ISP's as common carriers.
—Johnathan Campbell, Lyman, SC

I depend on an unfiltered internet experience to build advanced technology solutions. If the local monopoly I.E. Cable provider where to govern my internet access my ability to work efficiently would be greatly diminished. This would force me to work only from my office where we would have a leased fiber line with our own arrin number. Please allow our internet to continue to be free off third party filtering and regulation of services. Legally speaking keeping the internet network neutral is no different than the pacific telegraph act of 1860.
—James E. Hoffman, Morganville, NJ

For years, net neutrality has prohibited big Internet corporations from favoring or blocking certain viewpoints or websites. Our free and open Internet has made invaluable contributions to democracy both here in the United States and around the world. Whether you are rich, poor, young or old, the Internet allows all people to seek out information and communicate globally. Federal Communications Commissioner Tom Wheeler reportedly plans to vote on a rule change that would undermine the principles of net neutrality and let companies like Comcast and Verizon divide the Internet into fast and slow lanes. Under this terribly misguided proposal, the Internet as we have come to know it would cease to exist and the average American would be the big loser. We must not let private corporations turn bigger and bigger profits by putting a price tag on the free flow of ideas. Peter Zink
—Peter Zink, Lynnwood, WA

We already pay dearly for the internet and the content that we pay should not controlled via speed by the cable providers. All content should have have a level playing field. These cable companies look to be end net neutrality which result in discrimination against certain website, double-dipping by charging the customers and providers, and by stifling innovation.
—Lisa Rodriguez, Greenlawn, NY

Dear FCC, please do not allow for this two-tiered Internet to manifest. You and I know that this unacceptable as it will only create bigger monsters. What more do these monopolies want from us? Let the Internet stand as a neutral place for all. Once again, I know that you know deep down inside that this is not a good move. Please be for the people!!
—Michelle Dumit, Jersey City, NJ

Please do not implement two tier model, it will destroy internet
—Sergey Katalichenka, Ashland, MA

PLEASE KEEP THE INTERNET FREE AND NEUTRAL! this is IMPERATIVE to our future and continuing to progress. please do not sacrifice our ability to advance as a technological society and not allow corporate monopolies to put hinder us in the name of profit. access to the internet needs to be a fair and free utility and is as essential to our society now as electric, water, and transportation.
—Kevin Deng, San Francisco, CA

We need to keep net neutrality in order to preserve the rights of all americans, rich or poor, to compete in a fair and equal place. Large companies should not have the right to restrict how fast I receive information from the places I chose, just to make more money in the process. Net Neutrality gives anyone with a good idea the freedom to get that idea out to people just as fast as the people with bad ideas but money to back them. Ending net neutrality would truly be un-American.
—Richard Bullard, Cincinnati, OH

Net neutrality makes the internet fair, as in everyone using it is equal. It is central to how the internet works.
—Gary Austin, Lilburn, GA

ISPs should be classified as common carriers.
—Matthew Collins, Reston, VA

Keep the net neutral. This change only helps oligopolies and harms all others.
—Robin Linklater, Frankfort, IL

Maintain net neutrality.
—Cortney Donovan, San Bruno, CA

Net Neutrality is crucial for economic growth and stability in America. I implore you to keep the internet an open source of information for the people of this country.
—Lisa Rocchetti, Venice, CA

We have current internet speed that are comparable to Estonia and prices that are the hugest around the world, were already falling behind. The cable and ISP industry in America is already far too limited, this will provide too much power to entities who do not have the citizens interests as their primary goal, as proven by the $78 internet fee I pay for 50mbps that's $44 is a rinky dink country like Finland.
—Glen Hart, Lake Worth, FL

The internet was made to pass along ideas and to share information to allow the spread of people's view points and to learn and explore our world to bring people closer togather and to build upon knowledge we have!!!! It should be use to build people up not to stop the growth of one just because they lack funds to do so. Every one deserves to be heard at the same volume. The internet is a place all can be heard at the same volume. By takeing that away you will be silencing some and that is unfair. Plaine and simple this would be unfair and they only reason it is consider is because it will make the greedy richer!!!
—Steven Roldan, Rock hill, SC

equality for all
—Jackie Bullard, Cincinnati, OH

Please reclassify broadband internet as a title II common carrier telecommunications service
—Fernando Lim, La Crescenta, CA

I don't think there's anything I need to say in this matter besides that this plan will annihilate any good faith people have with these companies. It's downright sickening to see corporations like these enforcing evil tactics like this.
—Patrick Strouse, Wilmington, NC

My online business depends on net neutrality.
—Jeremy Clifford, West Linn, OR

My family is comprised of those who started as small entrepreneurs. Giving others (with bigger pockets) a faster bandwidth because they have more money is the equivalent to disallowing them commercials or a voice at the local business meetings. The internet is for all to experience. If one pays for a rate to receive and download info it should be for any site I choose to visit. If I visit site frequently that doesn't PAY for that faster rate, it shouldn't be afforded upon me. If there's a faster rate available, it should be provided (at the ISP's competitive rate) for any site I visit.
—Brooke Kelly, Canton, OH

Protect Net Neutrality and DO NOT create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford it and dirt roads for the rest of us. FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler is a shill for the telecommunications association and the fox in the hen house looking out for the interests of telecom giants like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon. These companies would have the power to pick winners and losers online and discriminate against online content and applications. Please Stand Up for the MILLIONS of Americans demanding you throw out these misguided corrupt rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Rick Piper, cocoa beach, FL

I love the way the internet is now
—Jamie Ehling, Mill creek, WA

For our public schools, students, and teachers who relay on the internet, please keep it free.
—Danielle, El Paso, TX

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Osibisa Peart, Phoenix, AZ

I use the internet for a lot of things, and I already pay for internet service. The internet service's just about everyone, so why does wall street have to have another way to rip us off? We all ready pay for internet service and it works very well. Ending net neutrality is a bad idea.
—Leonare Allen, Spokane, WA

I don't want my online education to be hampered.
—Anthony Eppard, Decatur, IL

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Justin Howard, Kokomo, IN

Because I've paid my ISP to access the internet at a certain speed. The sites I visit have paid their ISP's to access the internet at certain speeds. Everyone has been paid for the services they provide. This is nothing more than blackmail. If I were a landlord, and I leased a property out to someone, should I also be able to charge rent to anyone that visits my property, or if I lease a property to a business, should I be able to also charge their customers that visit my building? No, because that's stupid. So is this.
—Jonathan Hibberd, Spokane, WA

Like most things in the US, things have turned against the common man, making it more difficult for any man or woman to pursue their passion whether through business or communication. The government has given power to few rather than to many. An open internet is one of the last outlets that remains innocent from the giant conglomerates. Please don't allow greed and power change the Internet. Keep the internet open and free, democratic and capitalistic. Thank you
—John Ramirez, Chicago, IL, IL

Everyone deserves equal access.
—Jessica Acuna, Las Vegas, NV

Please don't let telecom companies monopolize. I for one do not wish to be ramshackled any further for services that are necessary for success in today's arena. They already don't compete, allowing them to hike prices up without providing decent tech to the people. Now they are allowed to gang up and extort content providers, which will result in higher prices for the consumer. How can we be a nation of progress if we can't give our citizens the best tools for change and mind expansion?
—Brandon Martin, Birmingham, AL

Business to business communications will prompt and efficient
—Nadia Plante, West Kirby,

I love the Internet for what it is: vast, uncensored, and (at least mostly) unregulated. I'm 16 and I'm in love with web development and other types of programming. I can't imagine being anything else. It's possible I won't be able to get a job unless I'm lucky enough to get hired by a huge company who can afford any fees ISPs throw at them. If I were to make a website with this proposed bill in affect, my website might be great, but if it takes more than 10 seconds to load because it's a second tier website, many impatient consumers would just go somewhere else, which would be the tiny fraction of the internet that could afford the fast lane fees. I, as well as most web developers out there, rely on an neutral, uncontrolled internet.
—Camron Abner, Brownstown, IN

The internet does not belong to the US or corporations and neither have the right to create a caste system manipulated by either party! Abandon this incredibly misguided policy before it's too late and the net is forever changed for the worse.
—Lauren Lazerus, Mount Sinai, NY

Do not try to fix what is not broke. Big Business does not need more power. We have seen how this has hurt us in the past. Please throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Adele, Parma, OH

Destroying net neutrality is only going to enable the large telecommunication companies to monopolize the availability and cost of internet service. Which I feel is a violation of our rights as an American.
—Robert Walsh, Chandler, AZ

Independant websites have rights too!
—Jamie Michael, greensboro, NC

The internet provides the planet with a level platform to be able to communicate and access unadulterated information. This is not a case of attempting to make more money out of people but instead ensuring that the best quality of information is available regardless of the medium through which it is received. I am so sick and tied of large cooperations shooting down or buying out the underdog when they get to close to overtaking them, it is having a devastating effect upon human development simply for the sake of economic gain. The internet has been revolutionary for a reason because by it's nature it is boundless and yet also equal. These are the principles which govern the universe to ensure that the survival of the fittest.
—Jack Roberts, Birmingham,

As a software engineer, I've worked at many tech startups who depended on being able to send data to customers at the same speed as bigger companies. A two tiered system would mean the end to that and create Internet monopolies.
—David Davis, Durham, NC

As a graduate level student, access is vital for my studies and capacity to engage in many of my courses. Net neutrality allows me speedy access to information I need at a moment's notice. Being a student also means that I do not have the finances currently to pay additional fees for the proposed restricted access. Additionally, I have many a friend and family member who use sites such as Etsy, Pintrest, and Facebook to advertise their crafting businesses. Placing restrictions on access would very likely kill their livelihood, yielding to a probable result of them seeking social assistance they didn't require before. Please think about this!
—Elissa Elliott, Manchester, NH

These huge companies are overshadowing our freedoms. The vision of the internet was about communication of information as a freedom, and thereby a "right" for ALL the world. A way to share our Being with one another. There are dozens of "reasons" to keep the internet open, but the best one defies explanation. It is an outrage that this 'buying-up' of something that is free to all is even in question.
—Alice Wilcox, Deerfield, NH

Small businesses and entrepreneurs need net neutrality to compete on the internet; keep the internet a level playing field.
—Takezo Murasaki, Miami, FL

i will NOT be discriminated because of big power hungry corporations, information IS and will ALWAYS be FREE
—Rafael Pabon, aguada,

Stop acting like a lobbyist and do your job.
—Jeremy Schlosky, Arvada, CO

This is important!
—Paul Swetik, Deary, ID

The risks simply outweigh the potential gains. Cable companies can't pick winners and losers. "Net neutrality" must remain. This is the job the FCC was created for. Thank you for this consideration.
—Sam Phillips, Raleigh, NC

As a software developer (for 20 years), Net Neutrality is essential for me to earn a living. Giving deep-pocketed corporations the ability to throttle access to my software or software for my clients is one of the worst possible intrusions into the very concept of what was once a non-commercial entity. Allowing large corporations to effectively reduce access to any software, websites or content (in favor of their own) is akin to legalizing censorship and limiting free speech, something that the US government should never support.
—Marc Johnson, Birdsboro, PA

I expect the FCC to reclassify ISPs as common carriers and stop this rule change allowing for a two-tiered Internet. As an entrepreneur, I value an open and equal Internet far ahead of any stated need by ISPs to manage their own networks. Rather, the ISPs are relying on the public infrastructure and wave lengths. They belong to the public and the public expects an open internet in return.
—Brian Saab, Seattle, WA

This is insane that it's even gotten this far. ISPs already get to double dip into the pot just like phone providers in that both the "shipper" and the "receiver" have to pay to send packages. This new plan would harm the "biggest shippers" by charging them more on TOP of the double dipping. It is highly unlikely that Amazon pays more to UPS for shipping more product. In fact, they probably pay less.
—Mike Hamilton, Spring Lake Park, MN

I am especially put off by bullying techniques of Verizon and others.
—John Marchant, walnut creek,, CA

We need free internet service for everybody , not just for rich people. Not many people can afford of paied internet service. Internet provide company already make such money from us, they want more? Internet is a service, not for making money purpose.
—Sherry Mou, Frederick, MD

Without net neutrality small businesses will not have a chance at competing with large corporations over the web. They will also control the speed of my internet connection allowing my ISP to completely control my connection speed without any competition.
—Clark, New Orleans, LA

The best ideas will lose to the deepest pockets if this plan is approved. The internet's role as a societal equalizer is firmly at stake here.
—Paul Minear, Lemont, PA

I want my government to work for the people, not cable companies and that's not happening. Save the internet, and do your job and regulate cable companies.
—Melissa Nurczynski, Philadelphia, PA

equal internet equal opportunities, avoid discrimination online
—Luis Falaschi, weston, FL

There should not be a two-tiered internet, everything should stay as is. Keeping everything on the same level playing field.
—Jamie, Livonia, MI

Net neutrality is the cornerstone of the internet, the most important invention of my generation. Please don't destroy this valuable tool for free speech, information and expression.
—Alex Rehm, Brooklyn, NY

I would like to search the web when and freely as I want. I would like for the things that I search for tho still be available when I search again.
—Bianca Wagner, Cincinnati, OH

Net neutrality is vitally important to the growth and use of the internet. We are already paying our ISP's to provide a service/product, just like the water company. The water company doesn't charge different prices to flush the toilet vs take a shower, they simply provide the pipe and the water. How we use that service is up to us.
—Christopher Wilke, Windsor, CT

Net neutrality is important to me because my family cannot afford a higher internet bill.
—K H, N/a, NC

My job title is "Senior Network Engineer" my primary responsibility is to provide internet services to my clients and ensure resiliency and transparency to their internet destinations. I expect the same from carriers. Their roles is to provide an infrastructure and ensure that traffic delivery is met. An ISP is not strictly a media services provider, nor should we treat certain traffic with higher priority than others. This is not a matter of profit nor is it the next cable TV company. The internet is a medium of international communications regardless of media. The internet does not discriminate, the internet does not care, the internet allows our voices to be heard around the world. Do not compromise our voices for a dollar.
—David Pita, Miami, FL

Keep the Internet open! The internet has worked wonderfully over the past 15+ years. Whether you are rich, poor, young or old, the Internet allows all people to seek out information and communicate globally.. To allow companies like Comast, TWC, and Verizon to charge for a fast lane would deteriote the internet and the chance for competition for many startups and individuals who do not necessarily have the funds to pay for a "fast lane." This also gives even more power to ISPs that already have enough power and control. Let's throw out the rules that Tom Wheeler has proposed and reclassify the ISPs as common carriers.
—Vance Lyles, Hallandale Beach, FL, FL

Internet providers like AT&T, Comcast, and Time Warner hold monopolies based on the available service in certain states and areas. For my apartment building, we are only able to use Time Warner. With majority ownership of the NYC market, Time Warner has been allowed to provide terrible service at a premium price. Despite huge prices and horrible service, consumers are left with no choice but to stay with their internet providers. We cannot allow big companies to decide who deserves the right to access information.
—Bari, New York, NY

I use the internet to go to school, and communicate with loved ones.
—Shasta Lightfoot, Pueblo, CO

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—Michael Rothberg, Oakland, CA

Net neutrality is important to me and my family. The Internet needs to be accountable to all people not just some corporation's shareholders. The Internet must not discriminate. A free and open Internet promotes innovation and entrepreneurship, and the spread of ideas, protects freedom of speech and prevents unfair pricing. Furthermore it promotes openness, decentralization and transparency. The success of the Internet up to this point is a direct consequence of this transparency and openness. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and protect true Net Neutrality! Thank you.
—Susan York Clark, Lighthouse Point, FL

Net Neutrality is critical to my business. I have a digital advertising business and with some companies having the advantage of higher speeds or special treatment, it will make it impossible for smaller companies to compete.. Cable companies already have an unfair advantage and a monopoly in different areas of the country. Internet speeds should be a level playing ground for all businesses.
—Chris Ozanian, Astoria, NY

I depend on net neutrality for myself and my one year old daughter. I want the internet free for all. We already pay for cable network service, we WILL NOT pay more.
—Sarah Beth Cushing, Richmond, VA

There is no such thing as 2 tier faster and fastest internet. One is slower by definition and only those orgs with enough money to buy more bandwidth will get it. The rest will suffer. The public will suffer. This is not in the best interest of the people or our country.
—Jerry Schneiderman, New York City, NY

Anything else is discriminatory. Net neutrality levels the playing field and gives every one a fair chance. That is the American way. What Mr Wheeler and his pals are suggesting is just wrong.
—Munira Wells, Moorestown, NJ

The internet should be unbiased, the place where everyone is equal. By adopting the new idea your basically giving large companies the advantage over small companies.
—Thomas Shoemaker, Jacksonville, FL

Please keep the internet equal, and a fair playing ground for all. This was the reason for Net Neutrality in the first place.
—Kyle, Wichita, KS

If there is no Net Neutrality, many small businesses would not be able to stay in business because they may not have the financial resources to be part of top results of search engines. Also, if the ISP's are given this power, they will restrict websites which will also hurt small businesses as they might not be part of the website Internet package for most users. This would be similar to having HBO and Cinemax as a package as compared to just having the basic channels.
—Vince Sanchez, Miami, FL

the internet was built to be free
—Paul Puzio, nutley, NJ

Please do not break a perfectly working system. If it is not broken do not fix it. as it is we pay one of the highest rates for the internet..
—Farjad Zaghi, Great Neck, NY

This is the future of America. What media do you want your children viewing? PLEASE DO THE RIGHT THING
—Esteban Gast, Naperville, IL

Because it's not fair, it's not democratic, and it's not humane to continually divide people between the 'haves' and the 'have nots'. People are already losing their jobs, their homes, they do not need to lose a vital sense of connection with the rest of the world, to feel their voice can still inspire, can still matter. Such an aggressive act implies a total lack of faith, of trust, in the people, thus further perpetuating the growing animosity between the people and their leaders. If you continue to blatantly disregard your citizens as disobedient, less deserving children, how will you ever expect them to have faith and respect for you? This would, sadly, be another blow to the consciousness of the majority and I implore the FCC to reconsider and think seriously the long-term ramifications of such a measure. People need help now, not another carrot on a stick.
—Heather Rocco, Brooklyn, NY

My main question to you is, what is driving this? Is it because people are losing money and complaining about it? Some big rich snob is demanding they get a bigger piece of the pie because more and more people don't need them because of the internet? Sure is and it's a joke. Don't do this! YOu couldn't be more wrong in your attempts.
—Kris, North Logan, UT

Net Neutrality means an open internet where competition between large corporations and startups is possible. Our entire economic system is based on competition. Why in the world would the FCC attempt to curtail competition by creating a two tiered system in an open platform? That makes literally zero sense. Net Neutrality should be protected.
—Melanie Waddell, LYMAN, SC

Please don't put this into act, it just another way America will hold down the average citizen. This is just about making the rich richer. There's no need for fixing something that everyone is already happy with.
—Jacob Magazine, las vegas, NV

The Internet is becoming more and more important. If we do not ensure net neutrality, we will depedend on very few, yet very powerful corporations.
—Fabian Boge, Augsburg,

Deregulation and giving in to lobbying is how monopolies are encouraged and grown.
—Drema Montgomery, athens, AL

Without net neutrality, we create information deserts and deprive the people to equal access to the internet. Don't let greed become a gate keeper of knowlegde.
—May Acevedo, Rancho Cucamonga, CA

More and average people rely on the Internet for daily communications regarding all aspects of life from medical concerns to product research, from vacation planning to investment trend and the list goes on and on. A two tiered Internet will create a second class user populace. It will limit freedom of speech and communication. Please do not allow a few servers to corrupt the use of the internet.
—Terry nardiello, Lindsay, CA

We, the users, depend on internet as it was another utility. Everything is done online including paying bills and entertainment. It is wrong for companies like Comcast to charge for how much of their bandwidth we use compared. Our original deal was that we had a stated amount of internet of bandwidth to get videos we like online.
—Isaac Altamirano, Greensboro, FL

FCC is a regulatory body that is essential to a keeping a free-market possible. Regulation of the free-market punishes businesses who cheat while making innovations continue to be prosper. I urge the FCC to throw out the rules that will end net neutrality and reclassify ISPs as common carriers as they should be.
—Kevin Keeney, Cuyahoga Falls, OH

Because I am an entrepreneur. Because the internet has been a leveler of the field. Because the rest of the world doesn't seem to thinking too much about keeping the internet open. Because, if the net neutrality goes away it will be just one more example of how "We the People" have become a pesky distraction to those that run this country who seek to amass fortunes for the few and further reduce the benefits and pride of being American.
—Keith, Salinas, CA

Information is one of the most powerful concepts that has shaped and defined human history. Information has the power to change any aspect of our lives at any minute. Due to recent technology having quick and effortless access to that information has become even more of a necessity. What you are currently proposing is essentially a prioritization of information to the highest bidder. This is not only a dangerous concept, but it goes against many of the values and freedoms we believe to define us as a nation. In this country information has and should continue to be easily accessible to anyone who searches for it. It should not be up to you or the service providers to determine how that information is passed on to me.
—Christian Blythe, Winter Park, FL

This isn't about Net Neutrality or protecting a free and open internet, it's really and Anti-Trust issue. It's about preventing cable and internet providers from further becoming gatekeepers and cartels. Already, there is so little competition that ISPs shakedown their customers when comparing prices with other developed nations. Allowing them to charge companies for bandwidth will only solidify their monopolies and allow them to extort both ends of the spectrum - the users and the content providers. It will also stifle the chances of any new service to really compete with established ones. The most outrageous thing in all this is that the government and the people seem to have forgotten that tax dollars account for ~1/3 of the cost of building the Internet backbone in the US. Thus the network itself and by extension the companies that operate it should face oversight and regulations BY the people, FOR the people - because the investment was public.
—Mr. Francois Cadieux, Los Angeles, CA

The internet should be treated the same as phone lines and the speed should be the same for everything regardless of the destination.
—Seth Croft, Richmond, VA

Broadband in America today is not equally accessible: Users are predominantly middle- or upper-class and live in urban or suburban areas. Poorer communities and communities of color, as well as communities in rural areas, have been largely left off the grid. Imagine what it would mean, then, to provide a connection to disadvantaged areas without also extending to them Net Neutrality's guarantee of openness. Dominant ISPs have argued for this exception, saying Net Neutrality prevents them from connecting more people. But it's a false choice and far too high a cost to give network owners the power to shunt ideas percolating up from these communities to a digital backwater. The Internet Freedom Preservation Act guarantees equal and unbridled access to the Internet's engine of opportunity, leveling the playing field so that we all have a chance to be heard.
—Brian, Greenville, NH

Without Net Neutrality the free market system is at risk. The monopoly that already exists in this industry would just become greater. Without Net Neutrality innovation is in danger. The Internet is the backbone of the future we aspire towards. To give these huge corporations this much control over it at this time would be shooting ourselves in the foot. America will lag behind other countries when it comes to new ideas. The next Mark Zuckerberg will take his fledgling Facebook overseas. But Comcast will make even more money to spend on lobbying. Who will speak for a free Internet? The people who depend upon the Web every day. The people who aren't satisfied with things as they are and who dream of a future of progress and ingenuity. Net Neutrality is important to all of us. It's important to America. It's important to our children and their children too. Please protect Net Neutrality.
—Mr. Gary Raugust, spokane valley, WA

An oligopoly is a market form in which a market or industry is dominated by a small number of sellers (oligopolists). Oligopolies can result from various forms of collusion which reduce competition and lead to higher prices for consumers.[1] With few sellers, each oligopolist is likely to be aware of the actions of the others. The decisions of one firm therefore influence and are influenced by the decisions of other firms.[citation needed] Strategic planning by oligopolists needs to take into account the likely responses of the other market participants. Please do not allow this to happen!!!!!!
—Joel Storin, Aurora,, CO

A free and open internet is essential to the continued prosperity of the United States. It promotes the spread of ideas and should not be at the mercy of a few large corporations.
—Matthew Cohen, Yardley, PA

HELP STOP DISCRIMINATION!
—Jordana Fischer, milford, CT

because we should all have equal services and the privatization of our communication systems is a dangerous thing
—Jane Baxter, boynton beach, FL

Monopolies are illegal but abundant in today's markets this will do nothing but increase the power of these monopolies. Please keep the bandwidth free for people to chose what they want to consume. The providers should simply charge more for services if the customers are using more bandwidth.
—Matt Dawson, Minetto, NY

Please protect net neutrality by not allowing internet service providers to create a two-tiered internet. Without net neutrality (and without ISPs being classified as common carriers), ISPs are given too much power to decide what content is delivered quickly and what content will be delivered slowly. The two-tiered system opens the door for ISPs to "penalize" content providers by slowing the delivery of their content. The two tier system also creates an incentive for ISPs to demand money in order for content providers to be awarded a faster deliver system. This is not in the best interest of the public at large, and I hope the FCC will decide to protect Net Neutrality and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you for considering my comments.
—Erin Hamilton, Henderson, NV

The proposed plan by Mr Wheeler will create two internets: one for the financial elite and a lesser, hobbled internet for the rest of us. The fair and decent move is to leave it as is.
—Jill Brown, Columbus, OH

Ending net neutrality will only lead to cable companies being able to bully every other company, start up or well established cooperation, to pay them more money or risk failing. I am appalled by the fact that our government has even thought of proposing legislation allowing this to happen. We cannot as a society allow this to happen. We need to voice our opposition to a legalized monopoly and censorship. We cannot allow net neutrality to end and cable companies to essentially take control of all information allowed to be on the internet. It is a violation of our first amendment right and the cable company monopolies should not be allowed to get away with essentially buying their way into control over regulating the internet. We are not a fascist regime censoring all, and only allowing what we deem fit or by paying enough money to the cable conglomerates. Are we going to allow our government to be bought and paid for by cable companies, who as it seems to my eyes, to enslave us and only allow us to do what they desire of us? We need to stand strong and oppose net neutrality. The fact that our government is even considering allowing ending net neutrality is a slap in the face that cannot go on. Please I beg of everyone out there to voice opposition to the criminal acts being lobbied for and supported by the cable companies. Net neutrality cannot end. We cannot let cable companies bully and break the law as they see fit.
—Jon Phillips, Cincinnati, OH

Dear FCC Commissioner: I recently read that the FCC plans to allow "fast lanes" within the internet, allowing certain companies to pay to receive additional speed. This is a gateway to destroying the freedom of the internet, and it is disgusting to allow large corporate entities to control what was until now the ultimate vehicle for free market capitalism. By voting for the end of net neutrality you would be doing irrevocable harm to our nation. For a nation that claims to be all about opportunity for the poor we will be rendered hypocrites, taking away the chance for people to start up their own businesses online. The internet will load so much more slowly for any site that isn't paying cable companies that consumers will be less likely to visit any site that isn't being paid for. It is inconceivable to believe that ending net neutrality would be a positive change for anyone besides major corporations. Once net neutrality is ended by the FCC, it will be nigh impossible to revisit the issue. Your actions will have huge repercussions for decades. I doubt what I'm saying will have much impact on you, but I strongly urge you to vote for net neutrality and against corporate control of the internet. Sincerely, Jonathan Saunders
—Jonathan Saunders, Seattle, WA

Firstly, the fact that the former lobbying head of the cable companies is now the head of the Federal Communication Commission is an absolute JOKE, and President Obama should be ashamed of himself for his absolute FAIL in this regard! Conflict of interest, much? Secondly, we saw with the Great Recession what corporations will do when given free reign & no government regulation. The banking industry brought the global economy to its knees! So, does FCC Chairman Wheeler honestly believe that cable companies will do the right thing if empowered to create & charge for an Internet "fast lane"?!?! Here, Chairman Wheeler, if I turn this direction, is it easier to blow smoke up my arse? Give us all a break! Net Neutrality is ESSENTIAL to a free & open global Internet, and in NO WAY should nationally dominant, anti-competitive, cable companies be given the freedom to monetize the Internet as they see fit & line the pockets of their executives & shareholders at the expense of the US citizenry's freedom of Internet choice & access! Period. End of discussion!
—Vaughn Varley, Scottsdale, AZ

As a middle-class consumer and employed as an application developer, I rely on my internet connection to be of high quality (fast), consistent; and most importantly, affordable. Do your job and protect the Internet's openness and the free flow of all traffic, no matter it's origin or destination.
—Curtis G Hanson, Portland, OR

Imagine if Netflix had to start in a slow lane. Do not fix what is not broken.
—Chevy Hungerford, Shepherd, MI

Dear Federal Communications Commission: FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us. This proposal would kill the open Internet. I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—nope and I because its the don't have to say a damn thing about internet myself, Beverly hills, CA

These companies are robber barons, their fees are out of control for services that are less than acceptable. We should be able to afford good service without being discriminated against by the size of our wallets
—Dean Shannon, Lindenhurst, NY

We know you don't care. We know you only care about the money. That's what this is all about right? Big business has bought you off and now you are willing to strangle small businesses and entreprenuers to death for it. What will happen to America now? Well it will be totally owned by corporations. And so will we. The internet is a level playing field no matter how rich or influencial you are. A poor man can jumpstart a business with little to no money and make his way out of poverty but if you take Net Neutrality...he wil be stuck without a means to get out of his situation. Your going to strangle small biz ownership and no one will be able to make their way out.
—Vladimir Wadegreene, Bakersfield, CA

Seriously, why is this happening? :(Something this terrible should be open for a referendum instead of just being snuck by the American people without them knowing. Remember, you were put in office to serve the people who elected you. Do not forget this!!!!
—Conner Corwin, Lenoir City, TN

Net Neutrality, and not the FCC's proposed Open Internet rules, is the type of communication and information freedom that this country was built on and must move forward with. I do NOT support any sort of tiered system. I do support classifying ISP's as common carriers, and the continuation of Net Neutrality. The system isn't broken and does not need the FCC to add rules and guidelines. The Chairman's current proposal opens the door to inequality, bias, and discrimination; I don't trust Tom Wheeler, and I don't trust ISP companies like AT&T and ComCast which in my opinion have become legalized monopolies. Reclassify broadband as a telecommunication service and preserve net neutrality.
—Heidi J Maroun, Matthews, NC

Because it makes sense.
—Mark Jardim, windsor, CT

I have seen a steady erosion of full access to information over the past two decades, and I believe that net neutrality is essential to maintaining a free and democratic society.
—Kelly Stack, Monterey, CA

Net Neutrality is the only thing stopping the monopoly of the cable companies from becoming total, and it ensures competition (required for capitalism to function), and also keeps the internet as an INTERNATIONAL level playing field. It's mandatory. Getting rid of it shouldn't even be on the table, it's blatant favoritism for cable companies.
—Aimee Flec, Ridgewood, NY

A tiered internet will make America less competitive and severely hurt one of the strongest sectors in the economy. I don't give a good part of my paycheck twice a month for you to give me a lower quality of life. A tiered internet is raising the cost of living for something that isn't broken. This can only benefit an extreme minority of people while hurting the majority of people who already have limited access to services. We already pay a tiered system for internet speeds that is way behind most of the developed world including South Korea and Japan, whom we are competing against. It greatly bothers me and is very revealing that the current FCC chairman was once the head lobbyist for the cable company!
—Dennis O'Connell, Chicago, IL

A free and open internet is vital to our future. The backbone of the internet in this county and it's roots with ARPANET were researched and built with our tax dollars, we as American citizens deserve to have unhindered access to this public good. The FCC sat idly by as giant telecom corporations merged and cornered the Cable television markets and now they seek to do it again with out web traffic. The current legislation allows them to gouge their prices and doesn't allow for any new competition to rise against them. We need a competitive market for internet, we are quickly becoming one of the worst countries for internet speeds and it will affect our industries here and abroad. I urge you to not let Verizon and other large monopolies influence you and destroy the free and open internet as we know it. Classify these companies as common carriers. I hope Tom Wheeler can uphold his duty and do what is best for the vox populi and not his corporate benefactors.
—Nicholas A Seemann, Bettendorf, IA

The United States has a long history of rewarding competition and protecting against monopoly. Net neutrality is one more new impediment to free market competition and ensures additional protections for large corporations over individuals. We've already seen what protecting large corporate interests in the banking industry will do for us. Don't let the FCC create another situation that damages the rights and possibilities of individuals and small businesses. There's no place for regulations that simply inhibit competition and protect the status quo.
—Jason Cohen, Washington, DC

I support the FCC ruling ISPs are Title II Common Carriers. I support them being required to process all information equally. I support Congressional action to regulate ISPs as Title II Common Carriers. I do not support the idea of a "fast lane" in which larger companies can pay to have their website's data move faster. Smaller companies will be unable to compete, and innovation on the internet will slow and potentially come to a halt.
—Craig Herrington, Akron, OH

The FCC needs to get rid of the rules, and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Josh Reeves, Indianapolis, IN

I run a small software development company and we build apps for other businesses. My clients rely on equal footing for the content delivery of their sites. I host over 200 websites for various clients and very few have the kind of budget to pay any more for hosting costs than they already do. When I take a close look at my clients, I can honestly say that I feel that Tom Wheeler's plan would have a negative impact on almost all of them.
—W McAuley, CAMBRIDGE, MA

This is important to me because I myself have limited options for internet providers and the speeds currently are slow and expensive. Companies should not have to pay more to get special access so that I can access the services I already pay for. That cost will just end up back at the customers who are already paying to much for crapping internet access. There has already been an example of this happening with Netflix and Comcast. Quality of connection was reduced forcing Netflix to pay Comcast and magically it was fixed. Now Netflix is raising costs to paying customers. Tom Wheeler needs to go. Mr previously head of the cable lobby. I will make sure my vote goes to someone that will remove him from office.
—Terry Patrick, Tucson, AZ

Net neutrality is important to the everyday voter. It enables the common man to access the internet equally. The mere fact that this topic is up for debate is despicable.
—Michael Underwood, Baton Rouge, LA

Freedom of speech for all
—Tara Graviss, San Diego, CA

Ending Net Neutrality would allow big companies to overshadow small businesses which are having enough trouble in this economy.
—Christine Byrnes, Kissimmee, FL

Net Neutrality is the only way to ensure fair competition, for small companies and huge corporations alike, as well as to ensure the American people can continue to access the information from different sources that is necessary to understand the national and world issues. Big business has too much say in our lives as it is. Please leave our access to information and a livelihood alone. Enough is enough.
—Angela Crout-Mitchell, Erlanger, KY

A monopoly must not be created. Removing Net Neutrality will allow the worst company's in the US have even more power to make money and rip off the american people. Their Monopoly were they split the country into their own service areas in bad enough but allowing them more power may result in dire consequences. To the point in which forms of terrorism would be believable, do not allow this, some people may take this to the extreme, and any blood would be on your hands.
—Robert Harris, Rochester, NY

All of the resources for my education come from the internet. Should these rules go into effect, we will not be able to pay for those resources, and I will be unable to access such a large wealth of knowledge, nor would many others.
—Ashe Seely, Hendersonville, TN

sdfs
—Dsfs, sdfsd, CA

The internet is the last truly open form of media, and as it grows in importance in the lives and even the livelihoods of Americans it is crucial that we maintain our position as a world leader in freedom of speech and expression and protect our open internet.
—Aidan McBride, Gurnee, IL

There seems to be no apparent reason to create these rules. They will ONLY work to benefit profits for large communication companies.
—Craig Stelzenmuller, ASTORIA, NY

Do not do away with net neutrality. A tiered internet is not the way to go. It is not broken as it is. Creating this two tiered internet is just another way the internet providers are getting richer and everyone's dollar is streatched a bit more. Do not do away with net neutrality.
—Tanya Walls, denver, CO

We citizens view our government as corrupted by big business. Proof is how simple entertainment like cable TV can cost 200+ per month for a basic plan! Now that the recession/depression has made everything go up in price, people cannot afford TV set vice. We are choosing non-contract service like Netflix, Hulu,etc which is more affordable. So, because the cable providers are feeling the pain of losing thousands of customers, they want to stick their nose into the internet arena and get a piece of the pie there by making streaming content slower for those not choosing to pay for their service. Service?! That word should be removed from their vocabulary because they don't know the meaning of the word! It is government sanctioned extortion and it should not be allowed to happen. Let the financially stressed public get their entertainment, video, internet,etc wherever they want to get it and let it be equally good for all!
—Candy Smith, Kansas City, MO

It's a bold face LIE that this won't slow down traffic. There was a NOTICEABLE difference in MY house AFTER Netflix signed their deal with Comcast. It's naive (at best) to think the average American won't be adversely impacted by changing/removing the current net neutrality rules in place.
—N T. Murphy, Hayward, CA

Net Neutrality is important because the internet is a valuable asset to small businesses, NGOs, and industries-- not just the corporations. By protecting net neutrality, we protect market freedom and equality.
—Lisa Carlson, South Bend, IN

Net Neutrality is crucial to the technology industry. All businesses with an online component rely on net neutrality to create a shared benefit among all technology companies. Allowing ISPs to discriminate among sources of information eliminates the ability for technology companies to compete and succeed on merit and create additional barriers to entry for new companies. It hurts small and big business and individuals helping only the mega-cap ISPs that already face the least amount of competition of nearly any industry.
—David Sover, Snellville, GA

If you truly believe in free market how can you put restraints on it over the internet? By allowing each website the same speed as the next you allow people to choose based on content rather than frustration of accessing a site.
—Shaun Mockoski, Glendale, AZ

Net Neutrality really matters to me because without it most people I know would not be able to afford the level playing field that is the internet as we know it today.
—Emmanuel Souri, Philadelphia, PA

A two-tiered Internet would disrupt my ability as a university faculty member to conduct my research and teaching efficiently and effectively. Preserve a one-tier Internet.
—Ronald Kalil, Madison, WI

The Internet has become vital to commerce including medical and emergency communications. Without vital common-carrier protection, we will lose the promise of the Internet and have to fall back to 20th century communications for vital functions. People should not die waiting for help so that someone else can finish their movie first.
—Steve Goldhaber, Boulder, CO

The Internet should be open and available to all of America. No few companies or providers should be able to dictate content and applications. Eliminate your rules and regulations and reclassify ISP's as common carriers. This is the only way to protect Net Neutrality for our nation. Sincerely, Mary O. Magazine, Esquire 780
—Mary Magazine, Miami, FL

Net neutrality matters. I don't care if it's important to me, it should be important to YOU. How dare the government get in so deep with cable companies that we even have to write letters like this. Im disgusted. But that is another letter and another day. Net neutrality is important to me because, unlike almost all the rest of the media the internet is the last bastion anyone has left for anything like actual free will in this country and Im not going to let people that supposedly I should trust take it away from me or anyone else. Im sure you guys don't read these things anyway, but maybe, hopefully I've done at least a little something. It blows my mind, the gravity of the situation we're facing here. Please, throw out this terrible rule change and reclassify ISPs. Please listen to us.
—Alexa Pantuso, New Brunswick, NJ

They should remain neutral. Cable companies are turning to monopolies as it is
—Trisha Upton, Independence, KY

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Daniel Braedel, Marietta, GA

We need to protect our right to the Internet.
—Anne Katz, Miami, FL

I'm worried that sites with the least monetary value and most social value would see a decline in readership as a result of two-tiered service.
—Madeleine Moore, Portland, OR

As stewards, instructors and sages to the second installment of a globalized generation, we live in a society where the availability and use of the Internet is a keystone to efficient living. Given that today's times and motions are, for the most part, based on agreed upon standards to which the internet is crucial. Thus. it would only make sense to exclude market incentives from effecting such essential aspects of peoples everyday lives. Our social standards of communal development and progress will reached a functional depth with the application of such legislation, after which we will reach a corrupt and disparaging end to such a resilient tool for progress.
—Ismael Ba, Camden, NJ

Please protect Net Neutrality, it's insane and very corrupt to mess with it.
—James Huddleston, Noosa,

A two tired internet is a rediculous idea and goes against everything the founding of the internet and technology stands for. All data is equal! Please classify cable companies as common carriers. Don't do it because I said so. Do it because this is the only way to keep America in pace with the rest of the world.
—Matthew Johnston, Elmira, NY

The internet is working fine the way it is. Why in the world would you allow big companies to monopolize and take it over?? PLEASE, don't let those with more money always have the control because that's what this would do. KEEP NET NEUTRALITY!!
—Catherine Del Buono, Brooklyn, NY

I can find virtually any info that I want on the internet reasonably fast. I want to keep it that way to make informed decisions of whatever my concerns are at the moment in addition to simply being interested in many things. I also read several languages and have an M.A. in Russian. A version of my thesis (a translation) is on the internet: http://lib.misto.kiev.ua/KOLUP AEW/fatman_engl.txt . I'd like to continue to be able to access it. There are many others like me that have much to offer but limited resources with which to do it. The Middle Class is a very large portion of the American public.
—Bill Kuntz, New Egypt, NJ

How do you want to be remembered? What would you make of your legacy? When future generations read about you in the history books, do you want to be counted as one who helped do something truly good and truly important?
—Shane, Boulder, CO

Net neutrality is important to the fabric of our great country. We cannot willing give up the freedom that so many have sacrificed to the soul hungry corporations. They seek only to control all facets of our lives until they have use completely under their thumbs. Please help support our freedom for creativity and independence.
—Dan, Brentwood, TN

Corporate Greed inserted into the World Wide Web, Really? Are you Nuts???
—Mr. David Webster, Lake Zurich, IL

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Per an article by S. Derek Turner: "There’s no room for debate: Broadband is a Title II common-carrier service, and broadband providers are legally barred from 'unjust or unreasonable discrimination' and cannot 'give any undue or unreasonable preference or advantage to any particular person or classes of persons ....' ”
—David Tilton, Los Angeles, CA

The government is restricting our freedoms more and more in favor of large corporations. Already those of us who can't afford expensive services are SOL in so many ways. Please climb out of the pockets of corporate interests, and help us keep the Internet open.
—Kathleen Churay, Chicago, IL

The internet should remain open and free for all to use equally. Without net neutrality, only giant corporations will prosper.
—Ashley Goodson, metairie, LA

I believe Internet service providers like Comcast and Verizon should not be allowed to charge content providers like Netflix or Facebook more.
—Richard Patrick White, Forest Park, IL

The internet should be the same for everyone. We pay enough , we don't need to be charged extra. These providers have enough. This Greediness has to stop. Everyone should have the opportunity to have the same speed, but these companies still charge extra for higher speeds. This rampant discrimination online has to STOP!! To me it seems that this is just about one thing, more MONEY in the PROVIDERS POCKET!!!! The internet is a good thing for everyone, not just for people that can afford higher prices for a two-tiered Internet. Providers already gouge consumers for different speeds. Throw out the rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Pamela Jean Pluta, Cihcago, IL

I oppose any legislature that affects Net neutrality negatively. This includes the proposal for a two tear system.
—Connor James Fitzgerrell, Oakland, CA

The communications corporations and media corporations are already bleeding us dry with their fees. NO to their charging extra for the internet.
—Eleanor J Schwank, Matagorda, TX

As a small business owner I rely on a free open Internet. Where I promote my business all around my area, from facebook to twitter and instagram. This has improved my business a lot! Not only my business but also myself, I've learned to use the Internet and the Internet has taught me better than any teacher! Thanks
—Abraham, victoria, TX

ISPs are common carriers.
—Frances Dunham, Gulf Breeze, FL

Please keep the internet a fair and open place. Don't let wealth corporations discriminate against their customers by creating fast lanes that many could not afford.
—Christian Dawson, Greeneville, TN

It will allow me to ensure that my children are able to get any information or entertainment that they want and not have what is important determined by someone else.
—Michael Bozile, Phoenix, AZ

So many aspects of our government have simply become auctions... those with the most money, get their way. Theoretically, we are still a government by, for, and of the people But the proposed changes to rules governing the internet, make a mockery of that. Please enact rules that benefit the people of this country, not the businesses that seek to profit from them. Support Net Neutrality.
—Gregory Wood, Wilmore, KY

Internet Service Providers already charge for the bandwidth their customers use. As a customer of an ISP, is it fair that I pay twice for that same bandwidth? Is it fair then, that I have to charge my readers money or more money to pay for my double bandwidth bill? No it is not. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers so that all Americans have access to information and all businesses have access to communication with their customers. The internet is a utility. It should be regulated like one. So please keep our internet neutral, and for the people.
—Laura Allen, Wilmington, NC

Why do we think that the concept of double-charging for internet is okay when we wouldn't accept it from any other business! Net Neutrality is highly important! Don't just throw it out the window!
—Megan Saunders, Waynesboro, VA

Keep the internet open!
—Samantha Braun, Langhorne, PA

People over profit :)
—Carlos Townsend, Fountain Valley, CA

Equality for all, every business owner, every family, every entrepreneur. Lets go back to a moral lifestyle and not selfish agendas that benefit only a few.
—Michael Gallardo, Wellington, FL

When I search the Worldwide Web, I don't want an artificial advantage given to those sites among the search results whose owners have paid more for faster service.
—Susan E. Snyder, Broadview Heights, OH

Without a free and open internet, I would be unable to access information and research vital to my career, education, and overall knowledge of happenings in the world. To restrict that will not only impact my life, but it will cripple our nation. We live in a time where even the notion of such restrictions should not be entertained.
—Audrey Seningen, newark, DE

Those who can least afford to pay high internet costs to mega-billion dollar corporations, need the internet the most. Poor children use the internet to access school sites, Kahn Academy, access views, opions, articles and research that is not available in their neighborhoods and opens up the whole world to them. Senior citizens use the internet to stay in touch with the outside world. Senior citizens use the Internet to access and research resources. The unemployed use the Internet to find jobs and resources to make them more employable. Veterans use the Internet to stay in touch with former shipmates and to access resources to improve their lives. None of these demographics are exceptionally wealthy, they do not have the funds to spend on accessing Internet through expensive channels. Everyone needs access to the Internet so that they can become informed citizens, especially in their political process. The groups that can least afford to support multibillion dollar corporations need Internet access the most. Also, these mega billion-dollar corporations often support the Tea Party, the political group that is most detrimental to the least among us. Removing the voice of opposing political parties to ensure that only one party is heard, is anti-American and threatens democracy.
—Celeste Vaughn Brown, North Las Vegas, NV

I don't want the corporations to tell me what websites are for me. I demand net neutrality so I can choose for myself
—L E Payne, Epsom, NH

I want the small guy to be able to compete with the big business. This is a job killer.
—David Kalili, Newport Coast, CA

In my opinion, net neutrality is just as important as the right to free press! The internet is one of the main platforms that adults and young people alike can express themselves, and it's just plain wrong to take away that right from somebody.
—Callum McAfee, York,

this is one area where there is somewhat of a even playing field, where internet users can find information to make decisions about things that impact their and those around them's lives. other forms of media have been taken over by special interests and the american people are geting only one side of any issue. the internet, to date allows anyone access to varying voices and it should stay this way. this is why the internet should be treated as an utility; to keep information for anyone (rich or poor) free flowing.
—Jae maior, long beach, CA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's plan would let Internet service providers like AT&T, Comcast and Verizon create a two-tiered Internet, with fast lanes for those who can afford the extra fees and a slow dirt road for the rest of us.
—Deborah summa, Newark, DE

Imagine if we had allowed telecom companies to stymie the growth of companies like Google, Facebook and Amazon.com in the early days of the Internet. Imagine if Google or Facebook never became the heavyweights they are today because they were unable to pay for a "fast lane" channel to the public. Imagine how many trillions of dollars in those companies and their satellite / feeder companies and individuals would be lost... how many American jobs lost. Imagine losing America's technological edge over the world. That is exactly what we're setting ourselves up for in the future. It is an issue of freedom of speech, an issue of free markets, an issue of jobs, and an issue of technological advancement. We lose on all fronts if we allow common carriers like Verizon and Comcast to mediate the bandwidth on the Internet for profit.
—Michael Cowden, Washington, DC

We pay more for internet than other countries & our service is slower than most. Cable service providers are a complete rip off in terms of cost vs quality of service. These monopolies are garbage & this entire movement is driven by their former head lobbyist who is now head of the fcc. This is a scam for corporate wealth to take more undeserved & unearned money from hard working people so they can increase their profits. Enough is enough. Neutrality is core for free market business, start ups, competition & these corporate discgraces want to control all competition. They have no right to do so & this cannot go through.
—Kelly kugler, Venice, CA

I have a need to use the internet for my studies. If and when I need to pay more to access certain information, doesn't that impede on my ability to educate myself? And wouldn't it impede the ability of lower-income students to do the same?
—Leah Boll, Herndon, VA

Not everyone can afford the extra fees for the "fast lanes" and this will only allow the big guys to get bigger and "snuff out" the little guys who are trying to build.
—Beth Ahmad, Monrovia, IN

Except for Big Media (AT&T, Verizon, Comcast, Sprint, and Charter), everyone (that being the general public for those of you at the FCC that are not beholding to Big Media)wants the internet reclassified as a common carrier/public utility. How hard is it for you bureaucratic jackasses to understand that? William Shirey
—William Shirey, Decatur, AL

Net Neutrality ensures equality on the Internet for everyone. If you change that or allow it to be changed then the Internets' equality of access will be corrupted becoming unequal and unfair allowing a small group of people to control the internet access of millions of people who never consented to having their internet access controlled and manipulated.
—Nelson Rosa, Philadelphia, PA

Discrimination is never right -- online or off
—Jane H Beattie, Ketchum, ID

The Internet has become a primary source of news and information in our country. It has become part of the Fourth Estate. It is critical for the maintenance of our Democracy as without a free and fair press, it won't be possible for citizens to make a fair and honest decision in the ballot box.
—Dave Wiig, Morris, CT

This country was founded on freedom. The greed and corruption is slowly eroding that freedom away. But The U.S. was also founded on the very fresh blood of those who would rather die than give up that freedom. The government will never be to powerful that the people will not rise up and fight greed and tyranny again, no matter how ignorant you think us. Stop now before it's too late.
—Twila Murasaki, Miami, FL

It enables positive change
—Tony, jarrow,

Freedom of information for all at equal speed is very important to me
—Dee Maffia, Warwick NY, NY

these rules are bad for an open internet. Keep ISPs as common carriers
—Bari McDaniel, El Dorado, CA

Now the 1% get better internet too? That is ridiculous. Next we will have a firewall like China blocking us from certain websites. I thought the FCC was supposed to protect us from this type of thing. Now they work for them?
—Amy Brennan, Pittsboro, NC

The internet it the current form of free speech. Don't mess it up!
—Barbara (Barb) M. Newman, Toledo, OH

I already pay to have access....i depend on getting good severe from a variety of sites.....i don't want to have to pay more than I already do.....or have my sites blocked cause they are a small business that can't afford to pay the cable or telecommunications company for the fast lane.....i don't want the big mega companies in control of what I look at or where I do my business.....and that is exactly what will happen. It would be like making all of our highways toll roads...and that will drive up costs...stifle small business....and lock other out of the net entirely.
—Penny melson, murfreesboro, TN

You claim to support net neutrality, but by approving an Internet fast lane, you obviously speak with a forked tongue.
—Joe Landwehr, Mountain View, MO

Destroying Net Neutrality will destroy innovation and make it more difficult and needlessly costly to start a small business online. It also raises troubling implications about a company's ability to censor whatever they don't like (or anything that isn't commercial garbage) with an incredibly slow loading speed, or to shake down customers and content providers for 'fast lane' access.
—Nate, Rochester, NY

I am outraged and horrified at the notion that the majority of us would be forced to pay extra fees for our normal internet connections. More chilling is the possibility that our online content might be monitored or censured by some government authority. This would be the stuff of facism. Slippery slopes start with small infractions of our freedoms.
—Joan T. Basson, Indianapolis, IN

The internet should not be controlled by governments or commercial enterprises. Access to the internet should certainly not be charged depending on the type of traffic you are requesting. This is the easiest way to may the poor, poorer; the rich, richer and expand the disparity. bBut of course America is a giant capitalist machine and only cares about the rich and how they can become richer and more powerful. So even if we stop this now, I guess you'll just find another way to solve this "problem" hat doesn't really exist...
—Jim Hunter, Norwich,

I, and many others, can not afford to be bullied around by internet providers who wish to monopolize the internet.
—Austin, Kenner, LA

I believe Internet should be classified as a utility and not a luxury service.
—Benjamin P Swem, Bothell, WA

The internet is TOO Important to Everyone and an absolute Necessity to the now NOT "Middle Class" to get access to various news sources and resources and the ISP are already charging SO MUCH that those living on a paltry fixed income can barely afford Comcast's outrageous cost of $40 of a measly 3GB speed which will not even give them MOST videos/webinars/classes w/o "Buffering." Many people are struggling to start small businesses using the internet to have a website, OR to even a private citizen take classes via videos, or to stay in touch with the world cuz they can't even afford to have a TV with cable access so the internet IS their MAIN contact with the Outside World. Thus creating a 2 Tier cost system is PROOF that Tom Wheeler is STILL working as a Lobbyist for the Cable Companies and NOT "in the Best interest of the Public Air Waves" for which he is charged as Head of the FCC.. I hereby Officially Request that the ISP then through out it's current rules and instead reClassify the ISPs as "Common Carriers." The internet should be a flat neutral playing field that is protected for EVERYONE and not 2-tiered for those that can pay more. That's like saying ONLY the Rich can get Quality phone service or consistent electricity or water. The internet was created using the Public Air Waves and should remain for the benefit of the Public and it's providers a public utility~ NOT in charge of "delegating out various qualities of service" by those that can pay MORE. *Equal Service for the Public Internet* which should remain accessible "equally FOR ALL", ~ NOT a "pay high and higher" private out of reach luxury. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality. Thank You.
—Nelcha Cross, Sacramento, CA

because upcoming websites will never be able to take off if they're being slowed down like that
—Lilly Sandquist, Pass Christian, MS

This is ridiculous! Some rich high and mighty prick can opt to pay the extra fees in order for him to watch porn at a faster speed? The economy isn't getting better, thus making the job market as crappy as can be, therefore leading the common people to not be able to afford many of the basic things: Food, decent internet to partake in school -funny thing, really, with technology advancing and pushing everything to obsolescence, it's making it hard for people to obtain a higher education.- I mean seriously, just because the upper-serfs (formerly, middle class) can no longer afford the american dream. NOW you fucking morons want to allow a Tiered internet service that allows the rich to have yet another edge over the poor? You fucking idiots want to better america, yet you do EVERY BLOODY THING TO PREVENT THAT FROM HAPPENING. Tell me, is contacting your mistress at 100gbps that much more important to you? Is watching lesbian action on the pornotube that big of a deal?? I am not sorry for my vulgar language, you need to put your big boy pull-ups on and deal with the enraged public. A decision to allow for a tiered service, to me, denotes that you're nothing but a greedy company after nothing but power and money. Will you stop at nothing? Do you want to create a two tiered TV Service? those who can afford heroin, could now afford to have HBO without commercials? While we're at it, why don't you include a promotion with radio purchases as well: those who are dressed in raggy clothing and talk from the ghetto, deserve a crappy radio station access; Static fuzz and an annoying ringing sound, and for those who are dressed in mink scarves and what not deserve the best of the best quality radio station access: Meaning, the band is right there in front of your pathetic ritzy American fatass. Good god, bad good.. Fuck all! Good grief!! It's idiotic attempt like this that is going to be the downfall of america. Honestly, I am surprised that Germany, England, or fucking north Korea hasn't attempted a takeover plan. This country is full of incapable morons who are controlled by the rich to do the will of the rich. Why else is it so expensive to „eat healthy?" well duh! they want all the crappy ass tofu and cream of veggie shit. Why is post-secondary education so expensive? If you're smart, you can recognize what is going on and refuse to cooperate with that the government wants. This is another one of those attempts. If this goes through, I can only hope the Arabs decide to bomb the bloody infidels again (preferably those up in the washington D.C area. Making sure the FCC is taken out.. OH and those parents who are too god damn lazy to raise their kids properly and bitch and moan because TV said the F word.. oh dear god, my son said Fuck, while watching TV because I decided to have a kid that I hadn't really intended on having.) You want „Value" my opinion, then make sure this shitty attempt at segregation between the rich and poor DOES NOT go through.
—Michael, Gilbert, AZ

Once again, the interest of the common people, and the right to continue using a service created for all, is being hand delivered to the greed of corporations. Creating a new kind of social class inequality and intellectual disadvantage. Leaving the future generations the legacy of virtual discrimination, and limited access to knowledge, entertainment, and free expression.
—Sandra Santiago, San Antonio, TX

I depend on Net Neutrality and demand that the FCC protect the open Internet by reclassifying ISPs as common carriers.
—Kate, St Louis Park, MN

The one thing that anyone, who can get an internet connection, in the world has equal access to as any other person, is the access to information a free internet provides us. Please keep it this way.
—Imrosebir Singh Baga, Surrey,

Net Neutrality is important because the First Amendment is important.
—George Martz, San Jose, CA

The Internet has revolutionized the world as we know it. Small businesses have started, social change like #YesAllWomen has spread, and information is made readily available to people who otherwise would not be able to learn. Adding classism by way of a price differential goes against everything that the Internet has helped to create.
—Ashley Flakus, Naperville, IL

I also get a lot of my news from the internet. Cutting back this access for people and families would make our society more like a caste system. No longer a democracy.
—Mary Pat Larsen, Concrete, WA

Fast-lanes imply S-L-O-W-lanes...pretty sure it will penalize the "light-weights" while favoring the big-boy "heavy-weights"
—Ronald Krinock, Landenberg, PA

The internet is a tool that could change peoples lives. It can provide ducational opportunities for those who can't afford it and provides a medium for people across the world to communicate. Lets keep the internet neutral.
—Jason Neff, mason, OH

To keep the internet free.
—Oskar Edvinsson, Karlstad,

Because that would be a monopoly. Don't let us become slaves to corporations. Keep capitalism alive. Give the little guy a chance.
—Kelly Wavra, Arlington Heights, IL

the first amendment is not something that can be bought or manipulated by any entity, or something that can become an endowment to a special-interest group.
—Robert Petruskevicius, canton, CT

Telecom companies should not be allowed to exploit infrastructure that was built, in many cases, with extensive subsidies from the public, to control (if only indirectly) what Americans can access on the internet. Nobody but the big ISP's themselves would be opposed to them being declared common carriers. The internet has become an essential public utility, and must be treated as such.
—William Leight, Cambridge, MA

I could easily go on for hours about why net neutrality matters to me, but I won't. Instead let me tell you why net neutrality matters in general. First: People already pay for internet service, as stated by Chairman Wheeler, "The consumer accesses the Internet using connectivity provided by an Internet service provider. That connectivity should be open and inviolate; it is the simple purchase of a pathway. I believe it would be commercially unreasonable — and therefore not permitted — for the ISP not to deliver the contracted-for open pathway." if this is his and your belief, then realistically there would be no need to second guess the idea of net neutrality. Second: The internet is one of the safest places to speak freely, and I'm not just referring to the constitutional right. We can exchange opinions and information with one another, whether they are in California or Iowa, America or Japan we can communicate knowledge and ideas. Third: When the easiest and fastest way of getting information from the government, big companies, or even you the FCC is the internet, why slow down the speed for many users? The internet is a safety measure as well as a hub for information, if there is a storm coming that may lead to a tornado or typhoon etc. the internet would be a fast way of knowing. Now, you may say the news is faster or just as fast, BUT that actually strengthens the defense of net neutrality, let me explain. If I go with Dish or Time Warner Cable what package makes me pay extra to have access to a news station? When cable first came out people regardless of company had several channels, that always consisted of a news station. Why? To relay information quickly and effectively at NO EXTRA COST. The internet shouldn't become a infomercial, where phone companies try to sell us something we already have or don't need. We have internet now, no one is complaining, no one is asking for more. All that is being asked is to keep things how they are without extra fees that take from people who already pay money for the pathway provided. In other words, "please don't make the highway one continuous toll road." Sincerely, -Zackary Baker
—Zackary, Akron, OH

For so many, the internet is the only safe place left for true self-expression; without fear, for example, of being fired from a job at an anti-queer company. Removing net neutrality threatens this.
—Jenna Belding, Birch Hills,

Net Neutrality is important because if we continue to allow a Southern Bell formation to be created we will see poor prices and poor service. There will be no competition for cable companies if they are allowed to control their direct competitors price point through absurd toll booths on speed. My Uncle George already pays $80 a month for basic cable with Xfinty internet from Comcast at 50mbs and now Comcast wants to make up for it's loses by charging Netflix to reach their internet customers. Why doesn't Comcast get back it's customers by offering Netflix like services for Netflix like prices or team up with Netflix like they did with Verizon wireless?
—Michael Bass, Dallas, GA

A free and open internet, means everything in my daily life. It brings me unending value. The United States are already far behind other nations in the world for both internet speeds and access. (Price)
—Allen M Regal, Altamonte Springs, FL

It's important for the free use
—Michael McCoy, Woodland Hills, CA

Without it we will lose an open and free internet. We must protect it how and when we can when it is in real danger, as it is with out Net Neutrality.
—Christopher S. Reddick, Indianapolis, IN

True net neutrality is important to free speech rights and for real freedom of information. Please protect a truly open internet and do not go with what will only be good for the already powerful telecom companies. Your job should be to do what's best for the people. Thank you.
—Marion McMahon, Charlotte, NC

USA developed the internet. How dare they try to give it away at least sell it erase our National debt.
—Diane Brosius, Frackville, PA

We can only have free speech and scientific progress if Net Neutrality is preserved
—Pauline JULLIEN, Voisins-le-Bretonneux,

BECAUSE WE HAVE A RIGHT TO THIS, OUR VOICE NEEDS TO BE HEARD AND NOT STOPPED OF THAT
—Jerry Woodman, SPRINGFIELD, MI

Just because you can make up new rules, doesn't mean you should. It seems to me everything has been working just fine so far. If you must do something, protect real Net Neutrality and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.
—Pamella Blakeney, Woodville, TX

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.
—Gregory S. Shaw, Sarasota, FL

Dear Sir Mantaining net neutraility ios importtant , to maintian the democratization of the internet keep from those the power concentrate powerinto the hands of few power. It is does not serve the countryp to have such concentration in the hands of few, it is totally contrary to waht the internet has been and should reamain to be. A place of idea's unfettered by those who want to create winners and losers in the realm of cyberspace, by giving the few and powerful, advantage over the many..
—Jerald Hayes, Houston, TX

The open internet has and continues to be a source of ingenuity and new technology.
—Benjamin Paul Lascelle, Manchester, NH

I do not support a "toll road" for the internet. Internet service providers (ISPs) should not be allowed to use their monopolistic power to make more money off the public by support of elitist two-tiered speeds on the internet. Everyone on the internet should have access to the same speeds without having to pay more. I support "net neutrality" as an egaliterian right for the American People.
—Brandt Mannchen, Houston, TX

I am a librarian assistant-the idea of libraries is that information is for everyone in order to be informed citizens. Much information is on the web and this needs to be free to everyone so we can have reasoned debate among us. Internet freedom helps the country be stronger -we are as strong as our citizens' ideas.
—Jean Foy Doelger, st. louis, MO

I can research the drugs my doctor prescribes. I can receive real and complete news service. I can help educate my children. I can shop where I choose. I can try to make a living with my own web-site. I can exercise my ability to think and learn and shop and be entertained as I choose.
—Beverly Jaeger, Santa Fe, NM

We shouldn't have to pay for what we are already getting now. Stop trying to control the internet. We need more competitors not less. You've already taken enough from us people.
—Zachary Tyler Brown-Garcia, Paramount, CA

of by and for the people, not the corporations
—Robert Swiatek, Buffalo, NY

This is truly and No-Brainer!
—Paul Webster, Ojai, CA

FCC takes away our Freedom by creating debt with ignorant fees. It's the worst form of discrimination!
—Andria May, Fairview Heights, IL

Not right, fair, reasonable. Net neutrality is the only way to support smaller businesses into their growth. Otherwise, you are just creating a monopoly for the large corps to take over and that is not what this country is supposed to be about. How are small businesses ever going to grow large if they are discounted and dismissed those companies with larger wallets? It is unethical.
—Stacie Turk, Santa Monica, CA

Please keep the internet neutral!
—Mr. Craig Matthews, Austin, TX

Net neutrality is one of the truly democratic principles that we have left. Surrendering to the corporate profiteers would be a monumental step backwards.
—Simon Mueller, Henrico, VA

As an scientist participating in a worldwide research community that depends upon access to large volumes of data accessed from archives via the Internet, I strongly urge the FCC to reclassify broadband Internet access as a telecommunications service, and preserve Net Neutrality. In addition, the FCC should reject the proposed rules that would allow Internet service providers to divide the Internet into fast lanes for wealthy corporations and slow lanes for the rest of us. Universities and research facilities do not have the funds to pay for preferred 'fast lane' access to the Internet and being relegated to 'slow lanes' would have a huge negative impact on all types of groundbreaking scientific research worldwide.
—Reba B., Gainesville, FL

end the corporate take over of government
—Dan Sabatinelli, mendon, MA

We can only be free if information is free.
—Pol Rodriguez Rodriguez, san Francisco, CA

This is so urgent because Net Neutrality is the basis of our freedom, our freedom of speech. We should be moving towards a free wireless high speed internet with out ANY restrictions.
—Bob Wolfe, San Diego, CA

So goes the Internet goes this Country!
—Rich Bornfreund, Cape Coral, FL

The net has become a commodity not to be ruled by telecommunications corporation. You work for us, not them. Earn your salary and keep the net neutral. skg
—Sharon Gannon, Sioux Falls, SD

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