

Dear Mr. Wheeler, Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. I'd like to admire you for your ability to be flexible and do what is really right. Thank you.

—JayCec Mann, Pt Roberts, WA

We should be free to post whatever we like on the internet as well as have equal advantages online regarding internet speed and quality as well as price.

—Michelle Lechuga, Lakewood, CO

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Tim Pohlhaus, Nottingham, MD

Keep the net neutrality act neutral. Stop government corruption!

—Orlando Barros, Bristow, VA

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. Throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Rick Brott, Fort Lauderdale, FL

We are a global society and need a free venue for all voices! Corporate/ wealth controlled expression only is immoral and unAmerican!

—Helga Heiman, Cedarburg, WI

Please follow the Senator Al Franken (D MN) plan for protecting internet neutrality.

—Erryl Eyster, Polebridge, MT

All data is equal! Net Neutrality now!

—Donald Stone, Mountain Top, PA

I am 72, handi-capped 66 years with severe allergies since the age of 6, and have lived with brutality & torture, terminal Parkinsonism a direct result of my having less rights than a stray dog! I live for one purpose - save children from my disease. Or help those who already have it. Health Canada is killing our kids and I spent 22 years fighting for human rights and within our legal system have no options. The freedom of the Net allows me to reach an audience I can not otherwise reach. Without such freedom, Health Canada will never stop killing our children with allergies.. Children are dying in Canada & no media, political party or group has ever helped me. Without the freedom of the Net, the suffering for those who survive (I am one of those children) is a holocaust, and our lives our entirely destroyed needlessly.

—Trudi Trahan-upchan, Sudbury,

Just another example where money and corporations trump freedoms. These people could not even speak without being arrested or asked to leave. These changes would say that we as people do not matter to big government. The u.s. has hit yet another all time low.

—Dan Thompson, Dothan, AL

The internet is a public, international utility that should not be shackled by the whims of corporate greed and political ideology.

—Robert and Donna Janusko, Bethlehem, PA

Please keep big business from taking over the net.

—Judith A Hendrickson, Leesburg, FL

Doing away with net neutrality would be a horrible move in the wrong direction. What makes the internet great is that it puts everyone on a level playing field.

—Mark Roberts, Sydney,

If a law like this would be applied it would sadly be the end of internet for a lot of people. Why would anyone, ever, think of a stupid idea like this. Why should people with money only be allowed to express themselves online and get the fastest speed possible. There is no justice in that. Neutrality says itself, you just want to BE. Be able to do the regular everyday basis you always have done on the internet since you started doing it. Restrictions to such a open place like the internet would destroy a lot of peoples worlds. It might sound like a exaggeration, but honestly it's not.

—Jonas D, Enskede,

WE do not need the population to be regulated into the ground for the profit and control of billion dollar corporations. History is full of attempts to control freedom of speech and liberty, and none of those controls ever worked before people expressed their discontent. Please listen and learn from the past. 7 billion people cannot be ignored any more.

—Kathy, Barrie,

If we don't maintain Net Neutrality people who are unable to afford premium services will be regulated to second class citizens of the information society. The internet was founded on the basis of equality and free flow of information and ideas. This is only possible if everybody has an equal access.

—Justin Jackson, Philadelphia, PA

The net is the 21st century's version of the telephone or the interstate highway. We as a commonwealth must do what is necessary to provide equal access for all.

—Justin C. Maaia, Alexandria, VA

Big corporations run so many aspects of our lives, please protect the one place that is still free and open. Net Neutrality is our right as free thinking human beings don't sell our last freedom to AT&T, Comcast and Verizon.

—Dayna Jones, Monticello, GA

The internet is the main artery for most people for information. Ending net neutrality would greatly harm this country, and must be stopped!!! Don't allow money from cable companies stop you from what is doing what is right for the entire population. We the people need the internet to remain net neutral, and we need you to maintain net neutrality. Please, do the right thing for the people- not the cable companies.

—Lillian Miller, Atlanta, GA

The internet is public property. It is one of the few remaining forums where voices and access are equal. The public is opening its eyes to it's theft and the administration's complicity in allowing it to be done.

—Michelle Dunn, BALTIMORE, MD

When is enough going to be enough for these greedy corporations!!!! KEEP THE INTERNET FREE FROM THESE BASTARDS!!!! We Americans will NOT stand for this!!

—Kelly Pollard, Litchfield, IL

It is all the peoples contracts that pay for the Companies to have this ability to supply the people with this service.

—Ron, Lanark,

The proposal to create a fast lane is absurd. It will only make the big players bigger, push those unable to pay to the slow lane, reduced customer service and programming (it's already atrocious!) and put us behind the rest of the world in internet access and speed.

—Terry Angelli, Malden, MA

THE INTERNET IS THE ONLYTHING THAT CAN SAVE US FROM CORPORATE OLIGARCHY! KEEP IT FREE!

—Sarah Seaver, Dublin, NH

reclassify ISPs as common carriers, and do whatever you can to support net neutrality. our freedom is at stake.

—Sandra Eagle, Stamford, CT

Stifling the creativity the free and open Web provides will hurt the economy and put America even more behind the rest of the world when it comes to innovation. The Internet is an important public good and should be a public utility. Don't allow net neutrality to be destroyed. Instead competition among ISPs should be encouraged! We can't afford to let this happen. Our future as a nation depends on this, make no mistake.

—Sarah Dahl, Brooklyn Center, MN

We need Net Neutrality. PERIOD!

—Linda Beal, Lansing, MI

The Internet belongs to all of the peoples of the planet and should not be handed over to the few who have money.

—Donal Taaffe, Dublin 7,

Please protect innovation and the consumer and DO NOT dismantle net neutrality.

—Drew M Hite, Arlington, MA

The internet is probably the last place where we are totally free. We can say what we want without fear of reprisal. I don't want BIG corporate America to run my freedom.

—Trudy Mintun, Hinckey, MN

Net neutrality guarantees equal public access to a vital public resource; the internet. Just like television networks have the privilege of using the airwaves, ISPs have the privilege of bringing the internet to us, but they don't have the right to discriminate.

—Jeremy Bourget, Rumford, RI

I oppose the FCC plan to stop Net Neutrality. Internet BW should not be discriminated against.

—Dave Hair, Bradenton, FL

What are you trying to do?! Give these greedy companies a license to take away the right to surf a reliable and efficient and available web. Here we go again! Giving the license further to make the rich richer and the poor poorer and here is what I mean by this. AT&T, Comcast, Verizon and others would be making more money from those people who would be able to afford perhaps a faster internet (fast lanes) and put the rest of us on the dirt roads. It is expensive already for the internet. Come please stop basing your decisions on these big companies' desires to make even more money and be fair to all the citizens of the USA!

—Karen Yackel, Herkimer, NY

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers. The internet is one of the main vehicles for communication in the 21st century, and until this point, it has been a level playing field. This is as it should be in a democracy. The decision to favor wealthy corporations and discriminate against online content and applications is undemocratic, unjust, and ultimately hurtful to us as a people and a society. The free exchange of ideas is inherent in democracy. Don't undo that.

—Patricia Battaglia, Rochester, NY

Last place to get accurate information. Don't make it a corporate tool like the Mainstream Media. What is this? Iran?

—Mr. John & Susan Pucci, New Windsor, NY

This is an issue of free speech, albeit an electronic one. Don't let the corporations rule the internet. Help out the little guy...like me! thank you!  
—Beverly Katz, bushkill, PA

We want Net Neutrality. Throw out its rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers.  
—Christopher Styga, Elmhurst, NY

KEEP THE PLAYING FIELD LEVEL FOR EVERYONE. IF YOU DON'T SOMEONE WILL BE GETTING RICH AND THE GREED RIGHT NOW IS NOT FAIR. GREED THE KOCH BROTHER HAVE TO BE INVOLVED IN THIS NET NEUTRALITY SOMEWHERE. SO I SAY STOP THE GREED. AN MAKE IT FAIR FOR EVERYONE.  
—Jeff Beesley, NORTH FOND DU LAC, WI

Let's keep the paying field level. Save Net Neutrality!  
—Steven L'Heureux, North Kingstown, RI

Maintaining Net Neutrality is the only fair and logical option for keeping the Internet equal for all. The FCC must not SELL OUT to the greed and influence by powerful corporate interests.  
—Karl Pavloff, Cincinnati, OH

I would like to think that I live in a free and Democratic country where people is free to choose and say what they please with freedom. Net Neutrality is going to disappear and a piece of freedom taken away with this ruling. I am completely against it.  
—Sergio Vila, Pembroke Pines, FL

The Internet should cost the same for everyone, or else you're once again allowing the rich more and better access and discriminating against everyone else.  
—Miriam Heston, Charlottesville, VA

Don't give in to the corporate empires! Let's keep net neutrality for the benefit of the people.  
—Beth Parks, Martin, MI

The Internet needs to remain open and accessible equally to all... it should not be owned by any country or any corporation or individual and they should not be able to affect its operation or access to it. Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers.  
—Suzanne Berry, Jacksonville, FL

The internet needs to be treated as a public utility.  
—Christopher B. Harbin, Davidson, NC

My Freedom!  
—Don Steinkamp, Springfield, IL

PROTECT PEOPLE NOT PROFITEERS, THATS YOUR JOB, THE INTERNET IS A PUBLIC UTILITY!  
—Lyman Michael, COLVILLE, WA

Keep the power of the internet in the hands of the people.  
—Judy Ball, Roeland Park, KS

Economic growth requires a neutral net; dismantling net neutrality will crash our nation's economic growth to date.  
—K M, Davis, CA

This is about greed, money, power. This is not about people, freedom, or the little people (the majority) to build their dreams online through small business. Each time you allow large companies to take over like this you are destroying what this country was built upon.

—Tonya Cordero, San Antonio, TX

Internet is like gas or water. All deserve equal access. Don't change what works. Do something for the people not corporations

—Eric pallocat, Ridgewood, NJ

Please keep net neutrality. Please keep the government and 'ownership' out of the internet.

—Laura Harris, San Antonio, TX

The American dream would be mortally wounded by destroying equal access to the internet. By allowing this to occur the American government will be encouraging a monopoly. This would severely limit the abilities of starter companies while aiding those already established. Not only that but we the people, the consumers, would be the ones to ultimately foot the bill. Companies would raise prices on their own goods to pay for the premium speed internet. Anyone considering limiting net equality is spitting in the face of capitalism. American citizen living in Norway.

—Melinda Gibbons Husby, Dal,

The Net, like the airways belongs to people. Please keep it that way.

—Charles Jetty, Albuquerque, NM

Keep the Internet free and fair. Net Neutrality Now!

—Kerry McNeil, Panama City, FL

As a computer consultant I use many small company sites for software and support. There is no doubt in my mind that allowing the large wealthy companies to implement a pay to play plan will result in poor service and a real disadvantage for new and small internet companies. Don't do it!

—L. D. D., Alpharetta, GA

**NET NEUTRALITY MUST BE MAINTAINED. EQUAL TREATMENT OF ALL NETWORK TRAFFIC ENCOURAGES COMPETITION AND ENABLES START-UP COMPANIES TO COMPETE WITH ESTABLISHED CONTENT PROVIDERS.**

—Michael Donnelly, LINCOLN, AL

The internet should be an equal platform for all and not a tired system for the enrichment of a select group of corporations. A tired system will discourage or eliminate competition, encourage monopoly control. It is unamerican.

—Ms. Linda Kinsey, Akron, OH

this is very important to us, net neutrality. keep us free and give us faster speed like euope. thanks

—Ron Johnson, omaha, NE

We, as American citizens, should not be forced to spend more money for free speech: the Internet should have the same speed & the same rules for everyone - rich or poor, individuals and corporations alike.

—A Wolf, Monroe, NY

The internet is one of the greatest concepts spawned by our democracy, here in the U.S. It gives everyone a equal chance at opportunity, creativity and communication. Let's not destroy one of our country's last freedoms! Equal internet access for all!

—Kevin S O'Donnell, Chapel Hill, NC

Please throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. This is the ONLY way to protect real Net Neutrality.

—Delite Hawk, Wyomissing, PA

Many of us have been fighting since the late 90s for internet freedom and neutrality. I am a retired independent software developer. I've lost count of how many times I've added my voice against yet another assault by vested interests. The Internet was originally intended to be a computer-based common carrier: a computer emulation of "the airwaves" which belong to the general public. We need a neutral, open internet, not one that gives priority to those who pay for a prime position. The for-profit content providers have a vested interest in filtering information to put their spin on it. There has always been a conflict of interest between them and the unvarnished truth. These so-called Internet Fast Lanes want to treat the Internet like an exclusive outlet for content providers. This can be lucrative for the providers, but it cheats the general public who, need unrestricted communication and access to the whole truth. Thank you for considering this comment, Frank Albe

—Frank Albe, Houston, TX

We are heading toward a corporate version of State-run telecommunications. Soon ONE powerful corporation will control all the information "We the People" get.

—R Bush, Jeffersonville, IN

Enough with corporations ruling the world! Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Mary Anne Carlson, Cambridge, MA

As an individual I have been watching with concern over corporate America taking over and monopolizing the airwaves. Now their continued influence over our corrupt lawmakers are infiltrating the internet. We have to stand for freedom. I am tired of feeling that we are the third world country we need to help the most. Stop filling your pockets and turning your head to ignore what is happening. I matter and so do my rights. I felt the wool being pulled over my eyes, only now it feels like a plastic bag. I am sure there are many more like me who have been quietly watching but not quiet for long. Wake up you are giving away your own freedom.

—Laurie Fujimori, Chicago, IL

ISPs should be common carriers with no restrictions to the users. The people should have the freedom to decide what they want to view and have access to.

—Rudy Binder, Castleton, NY

This is the United States of America. Along with freedom of speech, we need an open internet. The corporations & government already have their hands in our personal lives. Keep out!

—Catherine Thompson, Valencia, CA

Whatever happened to the Sherman Anti-Trust Act??? Can't you see how wrong this is? You get all bent out of shape over the silliness of a 'wardrobe malfunction' and are bending over backwards to afford these companies to take away our rights!! You were supposed to be the the group that protects citizens, not add to the issue!

—Jennifer Holloway, Columbus, OH

As a means of common communication, the internet is no different than the telephone, radio or TV and should be classified as a "common carrier" that already has regulations in place to protect the consumer as well as the carrier from the greed of the market place.

—Michael L. Falk, Oakland Gardens, NY

If it ain't broke, don't fix it!!

—Peter Lee, San Francisco, CA

fuck comcast and fuck the corporations,,,i am for free internet

—Jon Black, DANVILLE, NH

Very troubling! History has shown it is always a poor practice to try things like this. Always listen to your little voice. We all have one. Hindsight will show who was part of the problem, and who had broad shoulders, and was part of the solution!

—Stephan Pyke, Kingston,

Reclassifying internet service providers to be common carriers is absolutely necessary to keep America competitive with other countries. Without it innovation is stifled and large companies actively move infrastructure and jobs overseas. Please reclassify the internet before we lose even more.

—Peter Peterson, Knoxville, TN

Seriously, you really need to regulate ISPs as utilities. Don't screw up and end net neutrality!

—Scott Briggs, Thornton, CO

For the people, not for the corporations.

—Adam Stevens, Washington, IL

Internet access must be affordable.

—Sam You, San Antonio, TX

Throw out the rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Net neutrality is vital in today's age of global commerce.

—Tatiana Hamboyan Harrison, Grasonville, MD

COMCAST TIME WARNER AND VERIZONS ATTACK ON NET NEUTRALITY IS A DIRECT ATTACK ON OUR 1ST AMENDMENT RIGHTS AND IN EFFECT A SILENCING OF THOSE WHO DO NOT KOW-TOW TO THE CORPROTOCRACY THAT OWNS THE INDUSTRIAL MIL COMPLEX, THE MAINSTREAM MEDIA AND (MOST) OF THE GOVERNMENT. TO ENTERTAIN SUCH A NOTION IS AN ANATHEMA TO THE CONCEPTS OF EQUAL PROTECTION UNDER THE LAW AND NOTHING COULD BE MORE MONOPOLISTIC - MORE HOSTILE TO THE PRINCIPAL THAT WE ARE FREE AND EQUAL.

—John Coski, Troy, MI

Any loss of access to Internet which was created with public dollars to corporations is a nail in the coffin of democracy.

—Ronald Wing, The Dalles, OR

Please do not allowed a tiered system to take over the internet neutrality.

—Misty Auton, lenoir, NC

The internet was built for the public on public funds and infrastructure and should remain as open access for the public.

—Sharon Crane, Thermopolis, WY

Please keep the internet neutral so that it is fair to all and not to big business.

—Jeffrey Mulherin, Feasterville, PA

We need equal access to information for the freedom of this country, not control by money which is the problem with our political process and the current governance of the FCC.

—Ronald Denhardt, Winchester, MA

The internet is our common property and should not be awarded to the highest bidders. Reclassify the ISP's as common carriers for the good of the country, not a few corporations.

—Julie Wissinger, Marine ON Saint Croix, MN

The two-tiered Internet proposed by Chairman (ex-industry lobbyist) Wheeler undermines democracy and gives billions of dollars to ISPs. It ensures that high speed Internet service in the US will continue to be poorly distributed and very expensive. The present absence of industry competition will only be exacerbated. ISPs must be reclassified as common carriers. Otherwise, the FCC is little more than a tool with which telecom companies can exploit consumers.

—Michael Foote, Keller, TX

We need to allow everyone access to the net on the same basis. The net is now a primary vehicle for our free speech and restricting this works against the interest of public good across the world.

—Bob Hoekstra, Woking,

My cable bill keeps going up for no reason, because there is no competition. Ditto my ISP bill. I also run a small nonprofit, which relies on people being able to access our site easily on the web. Your actions on net neutrality are only going to make all of these situations worse. These giveaways to powerful interests that already have virtual monopolies are an offense to everything great about this country, and will only further disenfranchise the average citizen. America has always been, or supposed to have been, about the little guy having a shot. You are supposed to be Americans first, and political appointees second. DO YOUR DUTY.

—Christopher Dickey, AUSTIN, TX

I want real net neutrality

—Antonio James Casci, Lake Stevens, WA

IT'S IMPORTANT !!!!

—Brian Kieman, Oakland Gardens, NY

It's madness not to push towards equality for all things!

—Dan Frost, North port, FL

Restore internet to its proper place! RECLASSIFY it to a telecommunications service, which it IS. Stop pandering to corporations and protect the people!

—Brenda Bailey, eastsound, WA

A two-tiered Internet equals one slow internet for the poor a another superfast internet for the rich.

—Sergio Villalta, DORAL, FL

Just say no to fascism. We are not living in a George Orwell novel. This is the real world. We must remain free. That included the Net!

—Michelle Hopson, New Westminster,

internet is already expensive- so don't increase the costs to those who can least afford it

—Elaine Furman, Jacksonville, FL

It is important for the progress of our civilization that everyone has equal access to the internet. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Joan Werner, Bisbee, AZ

When corporations control the message our democracy is threatened. Please allow all Americans to have an equal voice.

—Sharon Colonna, Burnsville, MN

Net Neutrality is crucial and we must support it. To allow cable companies the free reign to merge and provide even worse service while charging more for it is ridiculous. Stand up for Net Neutrality and stop cable company fuckery.

—Zach Goldenberg, Barrington, NH

blatant corruption in bed with the industry OR FREE WORLD WIDE INTERNET FOR ALL! A clear choice.

—J Iam, santa rosa, CA

Net Neutrality is of utmost importance to the future of the American economy. The Internet is a huge part of the global economy and will become even more so in the future. Without Net Neutrality how would the next youtube, Netflix, Google ever start up? Pretend your phone company owed a chain of grocery stores and did not allow calls to go through to Safeway so Safeway buys them off but of course the local corner store cannot do that.

—Mark Turner, Spokane, WA

it keeps me informed about matters i would never know about other wise and the net helps me know about womens issues.

—Nancy Warthan, Arizona City, AZ

I use the internet for most of my interactions with others and certainly don't want Big Media putting me in a slow lane.

—Chadwick Cox, Norman, OK

Outrageous for greedy cable companies to lobby for something to allow discrimination just to make more money. Utility companies have to get a vote that proves they need the money. Where else can business just do what they want without the public majorities opinion. Lets look at the hobby lobby ordeal, he wanted to not support abortion but the government wanted to force it because its a public company. ISP are public companies and they should server the masses equally. Lets let the American dream continue and lets not bend over for the top 1% who think they can have everything their way because they have lobbyist.

—David Sundmacher, arnold, MO

Any control of the internet is like trying to TAX ALL ROADS in America. If you tax ALL ROADS in America you essentially STOP ALL or MOST traffic and raise a HUGE rebel conflict against the taxers. If YOU in congress FORCE the control of the internet then you could expect a HUGE conflict against YOU, this could be as simple as being unelected or impeached or as HIGH as for citizens to STOP paying their taxes.

—Donald McCormick, Fairview, OR

Average Americans, startups companies, and entrepreneurs are being squelched. There is a reason why there are antitrust laws. Giving preference to certain corporations violates the spirit antitrust laws were enacted in the first place.

—Tom Steinmetz, Brecksville, OH

Changing Net Neutrality is one more way to discriminate against those who aren't super rich. Everyone should have the right to access the information on the internet - not just the rich!!

—Rachel Bohringer, Cassville, WI

It is imperative that we keep the internet open to all on an equal footing. We do not want a large corporations having special access to what should be treated as a public utility. Thank you.

—Lois Sugar, Scottsdale, AZ

Although I live in Australia you are setting the standard. Reclassifying the carriers as Title II would ensure that the carriers move the information instead of screwing around.

—Phillip Donald, Keilor,

Please don't tie down The USA's innovation. Any changes should be to make it even faster and open to all with low cost, like in other free country's.

—Jeffrey Osborne, Ocala, FL

Freedom of speech, of information, of equal access to information is the basis of our democracy, in a sense it defines democracy. Take that away by caving to and favoring big money corporations flies in the face of equal access. Take a stand, not a payoff.

—Mary Noll, Ossining, NY

Money and Corporate influence is dominating our democracy, consolidating the news we get, manipulating what we see and think. We need an equal platform to uphold the right our founders intended we have.

—Joel Koman, Paso Robles, CA

Save our democracy and support net neutrality. We don't need corporations filtering information. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers and discard your proposed rules!

—John Ruhl, Flemington, NJ

If the FCC permits Internet carriers to handle traffic inequitably, those carriers will use that permission to increase their profits and control web content, not to benefit their customers nor to foster innovation, creativity and competition. The first signs of this have already become evident.

—Rick Simkin, Chicago, IL

The internet should be a public utility, and everyone deserves the same type of access. It should not be another Washington big money buys it all affair. We citizens deserve the right to fair & open access to all internet facilities, not just what big money can buy. This is a democracy!!!!

—Joann, Stillwater, MN

The forerunner of the Internet - the ARPANET, was funded by the government, using taxpayer dollars. The Inventors of the communications protocol - TCP/IP, developed it while working on a government grant, again, with taxpayer dollars. No telecom wanted in until they saw a chance to PROFIT. We need a level playing field for ALL. I should be able to go to site "A" without having to worry whether my ISP has made a deal with a competitor that slows down (or denies) my access to site "A". Corporations are all about PROFIT. Their GREED will ruin the Internet!!! You have the authority to stand up to big business. USE IT!

—Thomas Franklin, Terre Haute, IN

Listen to the people's will; preserve Net Neutrality & stop corporate discrimination.

—Mohsen Shenan, whitewright, TX

Freedom of Speech and the need to turn this Plutocracy back into a real Democracy.

—Andrea Lucas, Chicago, IL

Unabridged freedom of speech. The Internet and world wide web is the only way a person of little means can be heard with the same power as multibillion dollar corporations or government. In some cases it is the only way the truth can be exposed. Please keep the internet and www open and free of government or business interference. Please protect the little guy. Corporations don't need your help.

—David Beecher, Centennial, CO

If this happens people aren't going to want internet. If we have to wait forever just to get on a page we need. Why pay for it??? This is starting to feel like the beginnings of a dictatorship. Controlling what we do and do not have access to online to THIS extent is absurd

—Chelsey Jo Deffenbaugh, Glenpool, OK

It is the common person's last hope for participatory democracy as I see it.

—Cathy Francis, Dayton, OH

Do you really need me to tell you why this is wrong??? Anyone with a half-activated brain (sadly, even half-activated brains are at a premium in this country, these days!) could see what is behind this. Do the right thing, keep it neutral!

—Kathleen Sherf, Woodbury, NJ

There is not one good reason why Net Neutrality shouldn't be GUARANTEED by the FCC. The only logical motivation for doing anything else has to have its origin in the lobbyists who stand to profit from a tiered system. A simple comparison to other nations where neutrality is the accepted norm easily demonstrates the benefits.

—Aaron Seliqini, Lawrenceville, NJ

I am a researcher and a store owner. If I had more hours in the day, I would use the library for research, but I don't, I use the internet. And I need to source material from literally dozens of sites. If Net Neutrality is voided, I will lose my ability to travel freely through all the information available online. Millions of others use the internet as a source, as I do. Act to preserve Net Neutrality. It is in the best interest of the American taxpayers who funded the research into its development.

—Bill and Bonnie Duncan, Hyde Park, VT

Your policy decisions are rapidly leading the US into the lower tier of access and service speeds among developed nations. And we get to pay a hefty premium for the privilege of being 2nd rate. Stop caving and start representing ALL the people of the US rather than an elite few with deep corporate pockets and anti-free-market interests. The long-term consequences of this trend are going to undercut the very principles that the so-called "champions of free market capitalism" pretend to support. But you already knew that.

—Mark Jepsen, Eau Claire, WI

This definitely should not be allowed. It was United States tax dollars that enabled the vast majority of all of this technology. These "networks" should never have been deregulated to the degree that they are today. Siding with these companies on this one amounts to a breach of the public trust, in my opinion. Thank you.

—Andrew Culver, Williston, VT

People are sick of one corporation after another trying to tell us how we should live our lives like they know any better. The FCC will be just another piece of trash waiting to be cleaned up once American citizens start rioting. I hope you all tear each other apart.

—Freedom Fighter, Watertown, NY

it is our right to freedom in this great country of ours.

—David Lentz, kihei, HI

Net neutrality allows all citizens, regardless of class, to participate in our democracy. When corporations are given free reign, they never side with the individual. Freedom of speech and information is a cornerstone of democracy. Let's try to hold onto the little bit of democracy that we may still have.

—Nicole Stuart, Oak Park, IL

Net Neutrality protects democracy, people's rights to communicate freely.

—Seth Sandronsky, Sacramento, CA

Net neutrality is important to me because it creates an economy of trust and is beneficial for all partners.

—Timothy Isle, White House, TN

Free speech is our right. Choice is our right. The internet should not be changed.

—Christine Cohen, Willow Grove, PA

Net neutrality needs to remain open. Please don't let them take what little we have left in America.

—Brandon Walters, Carson City, NV

Throw out your rules and reclassify ISP's as common carriers.

—Diane Sullivan, Oak Harbor, WA

The First Amendment of the US Constitution, for which hundreds of thousands, if not millions, have given their lives to protect, is not something that should be regulated by the likes of a multi billion dollar corporation with the cooperation of the US government.

—Patricia Kawczynski, Schwenksville, PA

This is the one place where there is actual equality. Don't ruin it! The net needs to stay neutral.

—Tricia Bulmer, Upland, CA

Keep the internet free/neutral. I have no money. 100% disabled veteran who uses the internet.

—Malcolm Hart, NORTH LAS VEGAS, NV

I hope you have to hire more people to read all the emails and that you wake up to what the American public is saying to you about this. We don't need internet domination controlled by cable companies, we need the Telecommunications Act revamped and applied to the internet. We don't need companies whose soul aim is PROFIT to dictate what is and isn't delivered and what speeds they are delivered at. Regardless of the claims of Wheeler that it would be policed and enforced, if this happens it will be a very bad thing for everyone and enforcement would come too slow and be challenged every step of the way by these companies and be tied up for years in court. Do what the world wants and stop this nonsense idea.

—Matt L Perkins, Mesa, AZ

We should all have equal access to the internet! Stop big corporations from profiting off of this, DO YOUR JOB protect the peoples rights!

—Rhoda Schatzel-Svensson, Petaluma, CA

Please don't rule in the interest of money. We shouldn't have to be aqt the mercy of big business on the web.

—Steve Butler, Pine Mountain Club, CA

The internet should be open for all equally!

—Ben Badger, Morgantown, WV

Net Neutrality means I have uncensored access to the Internet. Giving Comcast, AT&T, and Verizon that much control over the information available to all Americans using the Internet is frightening to say the least. Where does the loss of freedom of information stop!!! Please save Net Neutrality.

—Virginia Massie, Pierre, SD

To continue to ensure our citizens ALL have the same access to information as any human being in the world. If you want to 'create' informed, educated people you dont create bottlenecks in the line.

—Jeremy Emery, virginia, MN

More and more this country has become divided along socio-economic lines. Please maintain net neutrality so that everyone is on the same playing field with respect to the internet. If the rules with regard to this matter are changed, access to the internet will become tiered with fast lanes for those that can afford extra payments/fees while the rest will be relegated to a slow dirt road. The internet was created by the government and the government should maintain net neutrality. Thank you.

—Thomas Brocato, San Francisco, CA

We should all have equal access to the internet: not just what corporations such as Comcast and Vorizon decide to allow us to have based on how much we can afford to pay. A seriously slow lane vs the high priced fast lane will hamper many. Also, the FCC may be seriously compromised in its' ability to oversee the communications world by its' chairman and his previous occupation. It is a lot like having the fox guard the hen house. Apparently President Obama and his appointee think we are all seriously stupid. What a pity.

—Geri Goff, Livonia, MI

The internet should be affordable to ALL. It's bad enough they charge an arm and a leg already plus you have to pay hundreds of dollars for a better cell phone. Enough is enough of all this greed!

—Joe Waters, sioux falls, SD

Society is poorly-served by our existing ISP infrastructure. There are structural disincentives for any ISP to remedy traffic imbalances. This problem will only be worsened by allowing ISPs to establish arbitrary service tiers, and it will enrich them at the same time that the best qualities of the internet are stripped away: - the freedom of any person to participate in any online discussion - the opportunity for new businesses to compete with established businesses Please support rules that protect this shared public resource.

—Tom Rogers, Minneapolis, MN

This is one of the basis on which the new Internet economy is founded upon, and all the talk of innovation and competition would be entirely undercut by defending these entrenched companies.

—Andrew Hanson-Dvoracek, Chestnut Hill, MA

The internet is not a commodity to be owned by private corporations.

—Douglas MacLeod, Wilton Manors, FL

John Oliver said it best on his program last week, getting a dingo to babysit your child. Wheeler is a fox in the hen house and is only looking to line the pockets of the cable/communication companies. Net neutrality makes a level playing field for all Americans not just those with corporate money and lobbyists. Thank you for the opportunity to voice my opinion. Christine Johnson CJ

—Christine Johnson, Silver Bay, MN

The internet cannot be allowed to become another corporate controlled medium. Other countries censor the internet, restricting what people do and see. Will you allow corporations and commercial untested to do the same in this free country?

—Jon Storey, Eugene, OR

Please throw out your rules and instead reclassify ISPs as common carriers! For the people, by the people.

—Chris McCarty, Highland Beach, FL

Daniel Dunn Please don't make the Internet become prohibitively expensive. Don't we have enough of the corporations eating us alive?

—Daniel Dunn, Roseville, CA

It's a matter of freedom of speech. The internet is the only place where someone lacking massive economic resources can communicate to a large audience. I urge you to treat it as a common carrier with no paid-for fast lane.

—Stuart Soloway, somerville, MA

The people own the internet and they should be the ones to determine it's future. The proof that they are now mismanaged in the is when a comparison with service in other countries is made. We do not want more of the same on steroids. If you are going to sell the internet, please get a fair price, do not give it away. And please make decisions that will actually stimulate competition. Remember, you are bargaining for us, the people of the United States. Please do not give the farm away. We are hoping that we can trust you.

—Mark Henry, McKinleyville, CA

All modern and great nations are to be judged by how they treat their least fortunate citizens. We always need to keep in mind and close to our hearts just how we would like to be treated. It's that simple " Do Unto Others as you would have them Do Unto You.

—Robert DiClemente, Hometown, NJ

Free speech is the backbone of this country.

—Teresa Mishler, Valley Village, CA

The greed of large companies and or huge corporations will only cause the downfall of our country in the end as it will slow down nearly all communication through this country and quite likely the world if this nonsense is not stopped!

—Vivien Britton, Bandon, OR

I want to be able to load Youtube as fast as Netflix. I want to be able to go to John Doe's BBQ website and have it load just as fast as Youtube. I want to be able to host my own website and have the traffic generated from it be equally treated. I want ISP's to compete, and for ISP's to be classified as common carriers .

—Daniel Jones, Bluefield, WV

There are so many features and articles I and many others enjoy that are not in the mainstream. Please keep the internet neutral so that all words, all opinions may be expressed freely and on a level playing field.

—Royce Rodeman, cypress, CA

FCC Chairman Tom Wheeler's rules "proposal" for the Internet may very well be the stupidest thing I've heard in recent memory....and that's no small feat in a country that, quite obviously, is rushing headlong into the "future" by doing everything it possibly can to perpetuate an even greater stupidity tomorrow than the stupidity that they've managed to accomplish today. I absolutely believe Chairman Wheeler's immediate resignation would be appropriate now.

—Art McCue, Porterville, CA

Maintain net neutrality - the internet is NOT for sale.

—Barbara Barrie, Ghent, NY

It always comes down to money. Everything in this culture has become about the bottom line. Government officials and large corporations make it even more so, and as they do, the voices of the citizens of this country, even whilst shouting louder than ever, have become less and less audible. This issue is just one of many examples. The FCC has an opportunity to make things right for its average, working American citizen...it is called doing the right thing. Unfortunately, with regard to our government, we seem to see less and less of that these days.

—Pamela Thistlewaite, New Hartford, CT

I'm disappointed in Pres Obama for caving into big \$ interests. WE paid for the internet and it is being hijacked by big money cable companies. (anything new?) I was optimistic when cable started and promised no commercial ads. Boy, was I naive, but then I was just a trusting young boy. Keep the big money out of OUR internet and maintain internet neutrality for the sake of our nation. Don't let the cable companies suck us dry. I've been a lifelong Dem but this changes my perspective. Maybe it is time to leave the United States Inc, as several of my friends have done. My butt has been sore since Reagan became president, and I voted for him. Everything he has done was for the big money interests, maybe that's why he is a hero among persons of wealth? Maybe Nancy Reagan should have consulted an astrologer about this? Why should occult spiritual guidance be reserved only for national security; we should consult them about this also.

—Ray Olsowka, Orange, CA

Maintaining net neutrality is vitally important. It levels the playing field for entrepreneurial American commerce and free speech.

—Tory Johnson, Reedley, CA

I would like to see net neutrality continued. Continue to give everyone the equal and fair opportunity we have today to use the net. I know the powers that be are doing everything they can to control access to the net, but you have the power to shut them down. Don't give in. Fight for the rights of common people to control this last great bastion of freedom. Don't let it be turned into what TV and Cable have become, a voice for the power mongers and greedy. Save net neutrality today and forever. Give a voice to those who otherwise would be silenced.

—Mark J Marinucci, Brunswick, OH

The idea of allowing ISPs to charge for a second level of internet service is a terrible idea.

—Grover Syck, Hamilton, OH

Net Neutrality is important because poor people can and need to contribute to innovation and society without being priced out of the loop .

—Billy Mize, Ivanhoe, TX

The accumulation of information stirs knowledge. Information is knowledge. Knowledge is a bridge to power. Knowledge is power. Power is its own absolute. To restrict the flow of information inhibits challenge to the status quo. Reclassify ISPs as common carriers, for the sake of justice.

—Kristienne Wolfe, North Creek, NY

Faster lines at the amusement park, faster boarding at the airport, preferred tiers on the Internet - how can we ever hope to have a free society when the "haves" are continually being given the power to ensure that superior levels of everything - even services that depend on government provided access - can be bought? Make a statement that you are not the pawns of industry, as all of the nation believes, and strike a blow for real democracy. Protect net neutrality now.

—Heidi Hanson, Prospect Heights, IL

Freedom of speech is very important to me and many people who come to to the Land of the and the Home of the Brave, from countries that had censor what one gets to hear, say or see. Internet gives us the freedom to express our views and that is what freedom of speech is all about. Please make internet free for all. Thank you

—Mehdi Sabounchi, Anaheim, CA

I am against Chairman Wheeler's plan for a two-tiered Internet. Throw out these rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Thank you.

—Aurelia Holliman, Weatherford, TX

Please keep the Internet free and equal.

—James M Hughes, BLOOMINGDALE, OH

Everyone should have equal access to the internet. This ruling put profit before people. This is wrong.

—Christine Pierce, Wakefiled, RI

The internet was not created by the internet service providers. Why should they get to determine who gets access and at what cost? My father was a WWII wounded veteran that was in active combat so the USA could have our freedoms. What a slap in the face to all those who have served.

—Sharon Jonas, Valparaiso, IN

This two-tiered system would mean we all lose. These ISPs should not be allowed to act as drug cartels and mob bosses, breaking the legs of content providers, like Netflix, until they comply with their demands. This has to stop. They can't keep sneaking these things into regulations hoping hard-working American citizens won't notice. 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.

—Gretchen Green, Bellflower, CA

PLEASE! The internet must be reclassified as a utility and ISP's classified as common carriers. The internet is too important in all areas of our lives to be turned into one more vehicle to redistribute wealth upward. It's SO much more than low hanging fruit for the uber-wealthy/uber-greedy! Some things shouldn't be done just because the wealthy, powerful and unscrupulous can do them. The internet is a vast venue of expression (some good/some bad for sure) and a world-wide instrument of communication and possible understanding and evolution for us all. It must be preserved and kept free for all in its full potential. Nothing like it has ever existed before and I can't think of how it could be replaced if you destroy it. I sincerely hope you're not that puny and that corrupt.

—Janet Latham, Berlin, MA

Internet is OBVIOUSLY a telecommunication system, and must be regulated as such. All data should be treated the same. If ISPs continue to be allowed to manipulate data rates, they will make it into a cash grab. Those with more money to pay will get preferred services, which is not in the best interest of all of us, but would serve the ISPs well.

—John Dennison, Blaine, WA

The internet has become one of the few equal spaces on the planet. Keep it equally available for all.

—James Kobialka, Worcester, MA

As a college student pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science, what the FCC decides to do with Net Neutrality has a very tangible effect on my future. A two tiered internet would essentially limit my ability to be able to create and publish software. A two tiered internet creates far more barriers to entry for me to try and be an entrepreneur by forcing me to compete with some of the largest companies in the country. Regardless of whether or not my product has any overlap with what they sell, my internet traffic would always be second class, limiting competition and consumer choice. Please, don't relegate me and the thousands of other tech industry hopefuls, who have spent thousands of dollars and years of time on these college degrees, to positions of stifled creativity, innovation and monetary income. America is a country best known for its famous entrepreneurs and innovators, please don't let other countries overtake us by smothering one of the largest sectors of growth in our economy. Please keep net neutrality and the innovations it affords in my country.

—Gabe Osburn, Houston, TX

The internet needs to remain neutral so all people can access it at the same rates. It is a first amendment right. Corporations are \*not\* people, despite what the supreme court recently decided.

—Rebecca F. Smith, Eugene, OR

Please throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers.

—Joshua Futterman, Crested Butte, CO

A tiered internet destroys democratic access. The internet does not exist for the privileged few, but for equal access for all of us. Do not destroy net neutrality. That would destroy the internet as we know it.

—S Meyers, Upland, CA

Why must we sell EVERYTHING?

—Eleanor Wallace, Chicago, IL

Net neutrality is important for democracy. We all need to have equal access to the Internet, to voice our thoughts and ideas. To not maintain net neutrality is to stifle the voice of the average Americans.

—Robert Adler, Laguna Hills, CA

The government should NOT pick winners and losers. Allowing large corporate interests to control the internet is a HUGE loss for We the People. Corporations are not people and, they don't care about people. It's all about their bottom line...period, full stop.

—Donna Sharp, Union City, GA

The Internet is a utility. Reclassify Internet service providers as common carriers.

—Jon Brams, Exton, PA

Internet should remain equal for all!

—John McClary, Tempe, AZ

When electric and phone lines were set up, there was an effort to provide phone services to rural areas as well as more lucrative areas. When need to provide a fair system for all citizens.

—Charlene Vanacker, East Lansing, MI

The idea of allowing these monopolistic entities to have even more control is the most un-democratic thing I've heard of since Wheeler was appointed. We as Americans pay some of the highest rates for bandwidth in the world and receive some of the SLOWEST service. FACT! This idea is complete bullshit and serves only the corporations Wheeler formerly represented as a lobbyist.

—Mike Andrewjeski, San Francisco, CA

Internet should be common good!

—Gasper Strle, ljubljana,

If you want to insure a civil war breaking out in America, then go ahead and rule to allow corporations to dip their greedy fat hands into our wallets, YET AGAIN, and take away that which we in America have come to know about what an experience on the internet is about, unless we pay more money to keep it. People are sick and tired of being taken advantage of by a government who gets paid by corporations to allow them to rape, pillage, and plunder American citizens under some bullshit guise of majority consensus, or progress. Do your fucking jobs and make decisions based on the will of the majority of the people, OR get a job in the private sector and make your money that way. But STOP combining the two, because Americans are fucking tired of it!!!!

—Troy Brito, New York, NY

The internet was a great American discovery and it has done more to spread freedom and democracy around the world than 10 wars. Please do not put a price tag on that liberty. This is the last frontier for hard-working entrepreneurs to realize the American dream. Please leave the internet open. The proposed rules are an affront to American values. Do not give King George his taxes.

—Gregory Long, Austin, TX

Net Neutrality is vital to the success of smaller businesses.

—Juha Cantori, Wolcott, NY

If ISPs are not classified as telecommunications services they should be forced to lease access to their cables to other companies for competition.

—Phillip Cripps, Cathedral City, CA

get your dirty corporate tentacles out of isp resources and priority traffic mfckrs. your discrimination against online content and applications you bring to internet kills an equal access for information for millions of households and turns to a point of non return-to a financial dictatorship that tries to treat a free space of net by submissive and agressive policy thanks to a bunchy crowd idiots try to impose a priority system for access to freedom we demand. so wheeler you have to choose between your finish as fcc chairman or triumph of antimonopolistic order and free american justice. so don't be dull.

—Dmitry, spokane, WA

The Internet is a massive and ever-growing entity in today's society, and one should not and cannot hope to tame it. Humans now work and live by sharing information and once corporations are involved with how we see this information, the disastrous possibilities on corruption and propaganda are endless.

—Nick Vigilante, Whitehouse Station, NJ

Access to the internet and to information, shouldn't be determined by the amount of someone's discretionary income. Giving that much power to these corporations, allowing them to discriminate based on what people can afford, is a travesty. This is an atrocious debate. I can't believe it's even a debate at all.

—Kim, Philadelphia, PA

Stop the big conglomerates from taking over the internet and changing it to suit THEIR agenda. Choose a free internet over monopolistic driven profits.

—tim singler, Cleveland, OH

Reclassify ISPs as common carriers, now.

—AM Warfield, Ponte Vedra, FL

Net neutrality must be at the heart of the expanding Internet. If not then there will be an unacceptable monopoly. The larger cable Companies have already got things sewn up across the USA. If you allow this then it is not long before they buy up any competition around the World. Please stop it.

—Terence Waites, Stockton-on-Tees,

Net neutrality is essential. Enact it. Permanently. Thank you.

—Mark Dreessen, Chicago, IL

I pay the same rate as anyone else to get my internet access. It makes no sense for the FCC or someone sitting in an office at an ISP to decide that my usage is more or less important than someone else's.

—Tracy Snell, Bethesda, MD

This law is an other way for big companies and rich guys getting more money and power, they are like spoiled brats that think they own everything and leave nothing for the others. Without net-neutrality there would be considerably harder for starting companies to progress, there will be no competition on the market, no progress.

—Vasile Gabriel Gampe, Cluj-Napoca,

Because money should not make anyone more equal. This is so like animal farm where the pigs became more equal and look what happened to the rest of the animals. When they were unable to work they were carted off to the rendering plant. This is what will happen to smaller businesses. If all the Internet becomes is a place for big corporations what good is it to anyone. It will be one big ad! If we as a people expect to survive we must foster innovation. Much of that comes from small startups and they won't have a chance on this kind of playing field! Please keep the Internet free from being controlled by a few overly powerful companies that haven't learned that people do not want to be told what they should desire and where they should go. People would like to get what they are looking for and go where they want to! Stop big companies from impinging on the freedom of the people!!!!

—Patrice Hundstad, Mankato, MN

I'm certain you've heard all of the arguments for and against the use of net neutrality. I'd like to add my voice to the rising chorus of concerned citizens who must continue to pay service fees to a monopoly ISP, and to have that corporation (with no regulation on how much they can charge for mediocre service) spend a large portion of my fees on lobbying to maintain their monopoly. On top of that, I am also an engineer who has been astounded how the internet has gained substantial new capabilities without any substantive alteration to the underlying protocols, fabric, peering agreements, or quality of service. As long as every packet is treated equally, new opportunities and innovation can occur. Opponents of net neutrality, should they incur additional fees to transport information \*above\* what I am already paying for, will stifle innovation. As I understand, most ISPs already take advantage of portions of the common carrier regulations, yet are not bound by them. \*This\* is the ultimate in gall. Internet service (particularly as phone services migrate to internet) effectively \*is\* an essential service that should be regulated as a common carrier. Thank you for your attention. Please do the right thing for non-corporate voters.

—Michael Wolfson, Arlington, VA

Net neutrality is important to me, because it's crucial that multi-national business interest i.e telecoms, cable companies, ISPs, and the government don't instill a tyrannical control of the internet. Forever neutral!

—Joseph Magee, Hurst, TX

This is absolut madness. Net neutrality must be preserved

—Linda McNutt, Springville, UT

The Internet should be a free service for all - especially those already disadvantaged financially.

—Helen Woodall, Bournemouth,

Classify as Common Carriers, protect the Neutrality of the net. Be of service to the people, not your friends at the big carriers.

—Skip Thomas, Fishers, IN

The FCC has not provided evidence that these regulations are necessary!!!.....more government control is not what we need.....Keep commercial interests out!.....only the poor will suffer and continue to create class separation in the U.S.....

—Chris Baird, salinas, CA

Keep the net free. We the little people need continued access to a neutral internet.

—Cathy Tadder, Janesville, WI

More and more, every aspect of our lives requires the use of the internet. Kids in school are required to use it for class and homework. We get our news from the internet. We figure out how to get where we're going from map programs over the internet. We do our banking, investing and shopping on the internet. Irrigation systems monitor weather data over the internet to adjust irrigation to make it more efficient. We communicate with one another over the internet. The systems that run our homes are web based. Business is dependent on the internet. Government is dependent on the internet. It's clear to me that the internet is a PUBLIC utility and should be regulated as such. This country is supposed to value free speech and equal rights for all. To allow those with the most money to control the speed of the internet would be to say that people and small businesses do not have the same rights as big corporations. I fully support net neutrality and urge the FCC to ensure that equal access to the internet for all is the rule of the land.

—Delinda Robinson, Aromas, CA

We have one cable internet supplier in our town. They already charge for various speeds. We don't have options like big cities do. We rely on the Internet to stay in touch with far-flung relatives, check news stories and other interests. We already pay a lot more for cable internet than people in other countries. Why can't you re-designate Internet access as a utility and regulate costs so that the Internet remains a usable, cost-effective way to conduct business and connect the people in this country? If you make it tiered cost, you know you will alienate a lot of people, who will reject the grid and become social outlaws.

—Martha Robbins, Marietta, OH

I don't want to be a second class citizen on the internet. Keep it equal and free.

—Brent Reed, Highland, UT

We have a right for Free Speech not to be limited and I am tired of paying for things that should be entitled to us, like the internet. Cable companies already charge too much``

—Weil, Brooklyn, NY

Please preserve equal Internet access for all - rich or poor!

—Ralph Thomas, Mount Shasta, CA

We support Net Neutrality. We do not support allowing some companies and/or individuals having access to faster speeds based on their wealth.

—William Mahoney, Newmarket, NH

Ending Net Neutrality would hurt small business and we need small businesses to keep our economy growing. Please throw out your rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers to save small business.

—Rena Lee, Bozeman, MT

To me it's everyone's freedom of speech & expression being impeded by corporations that only have their bottom line in mind.

—Ms. Yvonne S. Hardgrave, New Haven, CT

I want to make the decision on information I consume!

—Duane Underwood, Corvallis, OR

This is so wrong on so many levels.

—Lori Holt, Houston, TX

Keep fighting the fight! Net Neutrality is vital!

—Alyssa Scharz, Southgate, MI

The FCC should stay the hell away from anything to do with internet !! There is enough discrimination already. Throw out FCC rules and reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Protect Net Neutrality !!!

—Joneane Loria, Moorpark, CA

The Net is a vital and often singular source of information and communication to many consumers. It is unequivocally a telecommunication utility. Treat it as such and insure equal access to all.

—Kimberly Cresic, Parkton, MD

The internet is the way that citizens get news not reported through corporate media. It is the way that citizen groups organize to protect the commons and protect our civil rights given via the bill of rights of the US Constitution. The internet cannot be made to have one speed for those who pay the most and a lesser version of internet access for the rest of us. This is counter to the American ideal of free speech for everyone. Let America be America. Don't kill our equal access to the internet.

—Anne Caruso, Cleveland, OH

It is important because we all deserve the rights to have free speech and equal rights for all not just those that can afford it. Greed rules yet again what can some rich minority get out of the poor YET again. The haves and the have nots. People are sick of being told what they can do and what they can't.

—Susan Nagaitis, Barcelona,

Net neutrality is the last bastion where information can be researched freely for the most part and if this is allowed to proceed corporate greed will privatize this avenue and restrict access. I'm asking the FCC to reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Do the right thing.

—Rex R. Reed, Bend, OR

Please reclassify ISPs as common carriers. Chairman Wheeler's proposal would create an unfair advantage to companies with the ability to pay extra for preferential treatment of their digital data. Creating a two-tiered Internet, would take bandwidth away from consumers and start-ups that do not have the means to pay for preferential treatment of their data.

—Gabriel Vavra, Oklahoma City, OK

Wealth corporations already have enough advantages and do not need the extra boost of dominating the web. Keep the net Neutral and open.

—Kenny Fields, Santa Monica, CA

The internet is not for sale. Sorry.  
—Nick Linnear, Laguna Beach, CA

Thomas Jefferson said the most important facet of a democratic society is an informed population. Allow equal access to all information. Perhaps the FCC might make access to hate / cruelty-type websites less accessible. Consider maintaining places for opinions and discourse accessible to all.  
—Linda Babcock, Haydenville, MA

Ultra fast internet for all, not just corporations. This is part of free speech, and democracy, and leveling the playing field. Keep internet neutrality.  
—Paula Grieb, Wenatchee, WA

We need information and education to be free to all. Adding restrictions to the internet restricts information and limits democracy.  
—Andrea Callaway, Galesburg, IL

Keep the internet free. Stop letting corporations destroy freedom in America?  
—Aaron, Oregon city, OR

The internet can NOT be corrupted by corporate greed. Shame on you.  
—Deborah Castellano, Lake Stevens, WA

I reject the FCC's rules. Maintain net neutrality!  
—Lili Ellison, Dover, NH

All people need access to an equal internet; the internet is crucial for all manner of business in today's world, without an even playfield, only those with the means already will be able to compete.  
—Bryan Iwen, Algoma, WI

Net Neutrality will protect the most important communications medium we have. The United States has been entrusted for many years with stewardship of the Internet--not supporting true net neutrality will damage our country's leading role.  
—Roshan Mansinghani, Dallas, TX

Protect the internet. Please do not kill net neutrality. Don't let discrimination and big corporation hold power over the internet. Get rid of pay to play internet.  
—John Swanson, Philadelphia, PA

The reasons are numerous. To eliminate net neutrality would be a slap in the face of democracy and the sacrifices our Country has made in order to have it.  
—Jason, Leesburg, VA

Net Neutrality is inextricably linked with freedom and democracy; two things that are increasingly becoming mere illusions in this country. Keep net neutrality. Being American should not be about having our freedoms regulated by the cash flow of corporations.  
—Sarah Hill, Leesburg, VA

How can you possibly conceive such an idea? The internet was made to be free and fare for all. To allow ISP's to wield so much power over who gets what speed of internet is absurd. It is morally wrong and will cripple the internet for countless. You are making this decision for the companies and NOT the people. I suppose that's what disgusts me the most. Do not go through with this. Nothing good can possibly come of this.

—Shawn Nagar, West Lafayette, IN

The internet is the only way to be vocal

—John Leen, Perth,

Please use your good offices to protect our open and unfettered communication on the internet. Corporate greed should not limit freedom of speech.

—Andrew Leavenworth, Los Angeles, CA

Don't make me end up having to pay extra for my Netflix subscription just because they have to pay extra to Comcast, CenturyLink, or whoever. Keep access equal.

—Nick Zachariasen, Vermillion, SD

The greatest force driving today's (and the future's) economy is the innovation that a free and open Internet allows and promotes. Handing control over to large private corporations would be stupid & wrong.

—Charles R Irwin, Austin, TX

Net Neutrality is the foundation of our global Internet. Removing this foundation which we have all come to rely on, will eliminate the equality of access present for all users of the Internet. You must find a way to regulate all US-based ISPs to provide equal and unfettered access to the Internet regardless of content. The lack of Net Neutrality is a threat to our freedom of speech, freedom of assembly, freedom of religion, and freedom from persecution for our beliefs.

—Brian Deyo, Washington, DC

I gave up on cable several years ago. Too expensive for a product I'm not at home to watch or paying for channels I would never watch. I purchased a digital antenna and see the local stations just fine. I pay for high speed internet connection and enjoy it just fine. But do not understand why I should pay them more to use the internet to view what I am already paying to receive. We the people have no ala carte choice for cable stations but they would have us pay ala carte for websites. I'm just a middle class American living paycheck to paycheck. Please keep the net neutral.

—Charles Hendricks, Lirhonia, GA

You are making it a pocketbook controlled net.

—Mary Jansen, Brown Deer, WI

Net neutrality is fundamental to freedom of information and thought, since the internet is such a source of information. Please do not let this information discrimination go forward.

—Elaine Strobe, Galena, MO

The humans Will have a negative development / evolution without net neutrality

—Daniel, Haninge,

A neutral internet is a major force in the advancement of democratic social networks. To sacrifice this tool to corporate profit-motivated strategy would be a travesty of the FTC mission. After long and deliberate consideration, I am now convinced that internet services should be treated as common carriers and subjected to those rules. I have written to my Senators and Congressional representative asking them to support such moves.

—Frank J Arsenault, ANNAPOLIS MD, MD

Freedom of Speech is the right of every single human being in America. I strongly suggest you actually read our Constitution!

—Catherine Adams, Seattle, WA

The internet should be equal for all. Not dictated by money.

—Jessica Sutton, Waxahachie, TX

Net neutrality is essential for all students, primary and secondary as well as college level. It is vital that the internet remains neutral so that students have the resources they need to learn and research.

—Lynette Oliver, Wilmington, DE

It is all we have in a down ridden world of self defeat and loss of income daily.

—Joshua Taylor, Fargo, ND

Net Neutrality is important to me because it is a last vestige of democracy in America, it enables everyone to have an equal voice. I'm enraged that the two-tiered system is being promoted by an FCC Chairman who used to be a voice for the telecommunication companies--or more accurately, IS STILL A VOICE FOR THEM!!!

—Ms. Lonni Ann Fredman, Albuquerque, NM

I want diverse information and the ability to choose and make my own choice without being limited to what someone else wants me to know.

—Debbie Ray, Boone, NC

All data on the Internet MUST be treated equally, or the basic premise of what made the Internet what it is today would be void. Companies such as Time Warner and Comcast would prefer that they be paid for 'priority service', but in reality there will be 'preferred' service and 'SLOW' service. This squashes the entrepreneurial spirit of the Internet, which has help create and grow companies such as Google, Netflix, Amazon, and eBay. The relationship between the FCC and cable/communications companies is already nepotistic. Please don't prove this out by favoring the monopolistic communications companies that already charge us more for Internet than almost any other country, while our speeds already lag behind most of the developed world.

—Michael Adams, Jeffersonville, IN

My family spends a lot of time on the internet ( watching movies, playing games, connecting with friends and family). I have looked up as much as I could to TRY to make an informed decision on how I feel and there isn't much out there. I am for Net Neutrality. Everyone is entitled to make use of the internet on an even playing field. No one should HAVE to pay extra to get their content out to everyone in the same time frame.

—Sue Oliver, Brainerd, MN

IT IS FOR THE PEOPLE NOT THE GREEDY CORPORATION

—Louis Drinkwater, Chelsea, MA

I want everyone to have an equal voice on the internet and have their arguments judged on their merits. I do not want corporations influencing the internet more than they do now. Internet would become about as stupid and commercialized as TV if these changes are made. The internet is the last bastion of free thought and speech for citizens.

—Kent Homesley, Greenville, SC

The Internet grew out of the governments DARPA net which allowed Colleges and University's to share information for the purpose of improving education and learning. The Internet today allows that same sharing of information and learning by all free peoples. Restricting access unequally favoring businesses goes against what our country always represented, freedom of information and access to that information. This is akin to what China and all other repressive nations are doing. The United States of Corporate America is not conducive to successful future for it's peoples.

—Bill Smith, Pittsburgh, PA

The Net IS The backbone of civilian communication in this country. It IS the modern equivalent of the phone system. It NEEDS to be protected and regulated AS a public Utility. It Needs to be protected from Corporations already bloated on insane profits.

—William Giltner, Salida, CO

You unamerican sacks of garbage should keep your greedy Nazi hands off our internet. You are ushering in an era of Censorship that makes me sick. As a veteran I'm demanding you do your god damn job and get your shit together. Americans won't forget your name when shit gets real, wheeler.

—Joe tripiciano, Oceanside, CA

"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 FCC must stop trying to control and regulate this one remaining freedom we all need. Many would never been able to start businesses, gone to school, found loved ones or just enjoyed surfing the internet if the FCC had it's way. Who is the architect in this??...AT&T, Comcast and Verizon, etc???

—Paula York, Greensboro, NC

All those bits of data on the internet need to be treated equally. Just like all the words in a phone call to my daughter. Just like all the apples on a truck going to market. Don't let some monopoly decide which ones are more important than others.

—Sid Stookey, Kenner, LA

Americans should have the right to free speech meaning it should not be censored, filtered or regulated in any way. Putting restrictions on internet accessibility Amir usage can be likened to taking certain books out of libraries or blacking out words in manuscripts. To grow is to learn and to learn is to have access to new information. This is just one more step towards a country that resembles nothing like our forfathers fought for and created.

—Caroline, Charleston, SC

If we want to promote the creation of new businesses, why would we chain start-ups with slower internet access? Don't the big corporations already have enough advantages? If we want a growing middle class, we must see that start-ups have every chance to grow.

—Henrietta Jenrette, Raleigh, NC

The common carrier rule is the only way.

—Ray Cage, Prescott, AZ

The internet needs to remain accessible to individuals, not regulated for and upon behalf of corporations.

—Monica Jackson, McLean, VA

Equal access is working, and has been working since the internet began. The system is not broken, so leave it alone please. Do not let more of our freedom be controlled by corporations.

—Deborah marsh, Lompoc, CA

I don't want to be on the slow dirt road.

—Nancy Royer, Bartlett, TN

I ALREADY HAVE TWO STRIKES AS A RURAL USER WITH LIMITED BROADBAND AVAILABILITY. DO NOT MAKE A BAD SITUATION EVEN WORSE!

—Michael Jay Herbert, Florence, OR

Net neutrality is important to me because I don't feel it is right to relegate certain content to the slow lane because the corporations want to make more money from the "most visited" or "prized" content. It's wrong.

—Brianna, Grayslake, IL

Much of my work is done on the internet. Videos are a big part of my job. Much of my entertainment is from the internet since I have no cable service and do not want cable service. I was always dissatisfied with cable companies and the bills seemed to always be higher than I was told they would be due to taxes, fees, etc. I stay connected with distant family and friends via the internet. I take on-line classes using video conferencing. I am terrified at the prospect of the internet being controlled by cable companies that are losing money due to the internet. Of course they will try to make it so slow you cannot enjoy watching a movie or video. They want you to watch your TV. I do not believe the internet should be controlled by anyone because personal interests of the governing body or bodies will inevitably get in the way. Corruption, censorship, loss of the freedom we now have there. How can my students - I am a teacher - watch the videos I post on a 'slow' connection? And what if someone starts trying to censor what I can post, going beyond restricting me and my low-income students to a 'slow' connection. The loss of Net Neutrality would, I believe become progressive and possibly eventually crippling. I see this as a possible intrusion on my right to freedom of speech, loss of the freedom to see what I want to see on the internet and very seriously usurping the internet's usefulness to U.S. citizens. I am utterly opposed to and condemn any such first step in this direction. Thanks for your time, Barry Lingerfelt

—Barry Lingerfelt, Martinsville, VA

The internet is the single greatest tool of democracy, human rights, and equality in the world. If it is broken up into a fast and slow (or expensive and more expensive,) lane, it will no longer function as such. This is something worth fighting to prevent.

—Jamie Farhi-Humphrey, Berkeley, CA

This comment is in support of genuine net neutrality. I currently work for a start-up company and can confidently say that net neutrality is essential for economic innovation in today's high-tech world.

—Brant Buchika, Flagstaff, AZ

As the years have gone by, more and more I've come to the sad conclusion that we do NOT live in a democracy, where everyone's rights are protected. But rather a plutocracy, where our society is run by the wealthy, typically in the form of corporations. Do what's right: PROTECT NET NEUTRALITY AND RECLASSIFY ISPs AS COMMON CARRIERS.

—Greg Astor, Brooklyn, NY

What about schools that can't afford to have the "fast lane" due to school funding? Some children's parents can't afford to have internet service at home and so often have them stay late at school to finish their work, or to the libraries, which, coincidentally, also depend on public funding. I myself, only make 10.08 an hour at a job I have been at for 4 years, and haven't been able to find one that I have the degrees for. Just crap luck I suppose, but why should I have to pay more because of it to keep the same internet I already have. The cable companies are already making enough money. Please, do not take away what we have already. You would be infringing on our rights to freedom of speech, by making those who can't afford it, be stuck on the shoulder, while those who can, get run of the freeways. Start thinking of the people and not the corporations lining your pockets.

—Jana Ingman, Coon Rapids, MN

I am tired of searching for unbiased news on international tv channels. this government controls too much the news.

—Victoria Hoyos, Queens Village, NY

The U.S. needs Net Neutrality to remain competitive in the world and allow equal access to the internet.

—Colleen Robson, East Troy, WI