

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) should not finalize this proposed rule.

Despite the admirable name, this rule neither protects nor promotes an open internet. Rather, the rule grants internet service providers additional undue advantage in a system already crippled by monopoly power.

The implications are clear. When internet service providers do not have any meaningful competition for broadband cable internet access, they can charge consumers rates that are disconnected from reality and offer service that fluctuates in quality at a whim. This does not have to be the case.

In certain respects, an internet where Internet Service Providers can discriminate between certain types of data leaves us Americans with a service that can gain monopolistic control of free information. I for one, want to exercise my 1st amendment rights and move for a free, open, and neutral ruling regarding the internet.