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Deployment, Adoption and Competition

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How can the federal government best promote coordination and use of federally-funded broadband assets?

- 1. APRAnet, the Godfather of the Internet was built by DoD and funded by the US Taxpayer; however the incumbent TelCo's have effectively lobbied and taken control over this country asset, so limit, regulate and penalize these corporations from abusive and extortionate behavior: bait and switch bandwidth lying, contract lock ins, and halt the legal leverage they use within the states to run monopolistic and/or collusive practises claiming they need a 'level playing field'.
- 2. Push for legislation to unbundle the local loop and open up competition.
- 3. Push for support for price affordability, linking this to free speech and social justice. I've lived around the world, the broadband fiasco in the USA is a ridiculous sham and despicable fleecing like so much about the USA. Americans get 1/4 the bandwidth for 2x twice the price.

What regulatory barriers exist within the agencies of the Executive Branch to the deployment of broadband infrastructure?

I'm sure big TelCo thinks so, but try maybe the US Attorney General hasn't yet been actioned by the Executive Branch and POTUS to investigate the TelCo's? I would certainly qualify that as a barrier.

Are there specific regulations within the agencies of the Executive Branch that impede or restrict competition for broadband service?

Any the FCC afford in its overzealous TelCo industry friendly way, which gives the TelCo's the ability to continue their price/service gouging. Take your pick!

How can communities and regions incentivize service providers to offer broadband services, either wired or wireless, in rural and remote areas?

Remove the hidden subsidies and legal framework supports to the ensconced TelCo's which allow them to kill competition.

What can the federal government do to make it easier for state,

local, and tribal governments or organizations to access funding for broadband?

Once the federal government reforms the legal and economic frameworks which skew the current eco system to incumbent TelCos , the federal government can set up specific funding mechanisms and capital programs (as its done for other industries throughout its history) as broadband is a national economic and security interest of the USA.

Kind regards, Kevin P. Russell