<!doctype html public "-//w3c//dtd html 4.0 transitional//en">
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<p>EEJpJh@StopCensorship.Now wrote:
<blockquote TYPE=CITE>The AOL - Time Warner merger is about to be approved
by the FCC -

BUT - the FCC WILL REQUIRE SOME CONDITIONS! That is Definite!

Will the conditions protect ONLY THE CORPORATIONS or will they

also protect YOU the END USER?
<p>At this point a very small effort on your part can well induce

the FCC to REQUIRE OPEN ACCESS - I.E. NO CENSORSHIP - for the

end user - YOU - as well as outlaw speed capping for people that

upload to USENET or IRC.
<p>PLEASE HELP PROTECT IRC and USENET! SEND ONE OF THESE LETTERS

TO THE FCC!
<p>This is NOT and EMAIL which will be ignored! This response by

you will be an OFFICIAL FILING! It will appear in the OFFICIAL

PROCEEDING as a comment read by ALL THE ATTORNEYS who are

participating in the action, as well as ALL THE FCC COMMISSIONERS!

It will remain there FOREVER as part of the OFFICIAL RECORD of

the AOL - Time Warner merger! With YOUR name on it!
<p>The FCC is on the verge of requiring the protections these letters

ask for. your letter might PUSH THEM OVER THE EDGE and make the

internet a BETTER PLACE for EVERYONE, INCLUDING YOU!
<p>MAKE A DIFFERENCE TO USENET AND IRC! This letter WILL MAKE A DIFFERENCE

if there are enough of them received by the FCC. If at least
300

letters are received, we can probably count on the FCC to take decisive

action to prohibit both censorship and speed capping.
<p>1. Copy the letter to a file. You can put it on your letterhead

with MS Word or just use a text file. You can make any change
to

the letter you want, or add any comment you have. CHANGES ARE
GOOD!

They show you READ THE LETTER and REALLY CARE! If you had a bad

experience with AOL or Time Warner PUT IT IN!
<p>2. go to:
<p><a href="https://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/cgi-
bin/websql/prod/ecfs/upload_v2.hts">https://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/cgi-
bin/websql/prod/ecfs/upload_v2.hts
<p>(This is the official FCC page where electronic filing of petitions

is accomplished)
<p>3. Fill out form
<p>Put your name, Address, Email address, and all other required

information on the form. (Remember this is an OFFICIAL FILING
so

the FCC requires this information. It is not published unless
you

put it in the letter as well as the form)
<p>Proceeding is
<p>
00-30
<p>(this is VERY IMPORTANT, it is the case number of the AOL TIME

WARNER APPLICATION for merger. If you get it wrong, your comment

WILL NOT BE FILED!)
<p>4. Send form.
<p>5. After you send the form, THEN select the filename of the

letter you are sending, and send that.
<p>6. After you send the file, you will receive an official

confirmation of the filing from the FCC.
<p>7. Comment will appear for all to read in about 4 hours

(but won't appear on the weekend.)
<p>8. If you want to see your letter, or read the other submissions,

other letters, the AOL petition, the Disney or Consumer's Union

objections, etc, here is the URL - Its long!
<p>https://gullfoss2.fcc.gov/cgi-bin/websql/prod/ecfs/comsrch_v2.hts?ws_mode=retrieve_list&id_proceeding=00-30&start=1
<p>***>Remember the FORM INFORMATION will NOT appear, only the letter.
<p>NOTE: There is NO WORD WRAPPING on the letter below, to make it

easy for you to format so it may be hard to read until you copy it,

depending on your news reader.
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<p>To the FCC Commissioners

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    To Whom It May Concern,
<p>   I agree whole heartily with the statement below.
I do feel how ever, that a few words of my own would address my own issues
of concern.

First of all, look down the road a bit. Lets say 50-100 years. Ask
your self, how will this effect people in the long run. Will this
merger benefit the corporations or the people.

Second, ask your self, what is it that "AOL and Time Warner" are not saying.
You've heard what there saying, listen to what their not saying. Reading
between the lines is not looking far enough.

Third, Look into all the businesses that "AOL and Time Warner" own or have
a vested interest in. See if they play off or against each other
in such a way that it gives them an unfair advantage as a result
of this merger. Something unforeseen unless you dig deep enough and know
exactly what your looking for!

Best of all, listen to the complaints from the people. They don't stand
to win or loss money with this merger, just another 'Freedom of Speech
Point' taken away from us, that's all.

How many "Freedom of Speech Points" are taken away from the American
people
resides in your ability to make the correct decision in this
and further matters. Dealing with corporations these days in no way looks
to the best interest of anyone but it self. If you believe that for a New
York second these or any other giant corporation wouldn't ream, manipulate
and lie to you to get what they want, your in for a big surprise. I can
sum it up in one word "MICROSOFT"!!!

Need I remind you of the Firestone Tire problem. For years they've been saying there's nothing wrong with their tires. They boldly lied to the UNITED STATES OF AMERICA. That makes me furiously mad as it does many Americans. Firestone has become so accustom to lying to the American people, that it brazenly thought it could easily lie MY government. Could the reasons why AOL and Time Warner want this censorship be the truth or just another lie? Maybe to control something they have no right to, "Freedom Of Speech".

Lets not be taken back by AOL or Time Warner and this merger. We, the American people are counting on you, if not out right depending on you to protect us from the heavy hands of these giant corporations.

Sinsecly

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Gentlemen and Ladies:
<p>The Internet is in mortal danger, and you will make the decision on whether it lives or dies as we know it today.
<p>From the time it was invented, the internet has been a medium of public exchange of information. Often this information has been useful in daily living, sometimes it has been controversial, occasionally it has been offensive to someone. But I have had the freedom to post it without fear of being excluded from the internet.
<p>I no longer have that right if I wish to have high-speed access. There is no effective high-speed access except Time Warner. Time Warner adds this clause to its acceptable use policy states:
<p>TIME WARNER COMMUNICATIONS SHALL HAVE THE SOLE AND UNREVIEWABLE RIGHT TO DETERMINE WHETHER CONTENT VIOLATES THESE STANDARDS.
<p>The "standards" are such that absolutely anything I post could be considered to violate them.
<p>Even if I do not violate these standards, if I purchase "unlimited access" as soon as I try to use it, I am either speed-capped or terminated. The acceptable use policy states:
<p>IF TIME WARNER DETERMINES THAT THE SUBSCRIBER HAS FAILED TO COMPLY WITH THE SERVICE'S STANDARDS OF CONDUCT OR LIMITS ON BANDWIDTH UTILIZATION, TIME WARNER MAY SUSPEND SUBSCRIBER'S ACCOUNT.
<p>It appears that Time Warner wants only customers who do not upload any comments and who use the service merely to purchase additional services. As I have been using the internet for quite a long time to communicate, not spend money with Time Warner, Time Warner doesn't want me.
<p>It appears that you will approve the AOL Time Warner merger in some manner. If you do not act to require the merged company to return to the basic principles of freedom of speech, there will be no hope for people like me who want to communicate, not purchase more Bugs Bunny cartoons.
The new company will totally control high-speed access. People like me will not be allowed on the internet through the new company.
<p>It seems that you will establish some protection for the large corporations.
Will you protect me too?
<p>The internet is a creation of America, and shows the world the power of freedom. It will be a sad commentary if the country which created freedom kills the most powerful voice for freedom now existing in the world.

It will be a reflection on our country if all citizens of the world have freedom of speech on the internet, except American citizens.
<p>As the internet was designed for the citizens, not the corporations, I sincerely hope you consider me when you make your decision. If you do not, I believe that the result will be the death of the internet as a powerful force for freedom in general, and freedom of speech in particular.
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