

Re: Question.

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- *From:* Bob <nottooslow@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
 - *Date:* Sat, 28 Jan 2006 03:01:08 GMT
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In article <00shs1ppalh9rhov42aaptvc4itaha13f2@xxxxxxx>, acarle@xxxxxxx says...

> On Sat, 14 Jan 2006 04:01:00 GMT, Bob <nottooslow@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx>
> wrote:

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>> In article <p337s152iuffst8jd2ijop3qa17snsq9vs@xxxxxxx>, acarle@xxxxxxx says...

>>> On Mon, 09 Jan 2006 22:59:22 -0800, Melinda Meahan – take out TRASH to
>>> send <mmeahan@xxxxxxxxxxxxxxxx> wrote:

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>>>> Anne Carle wrote:

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>>>>> Maybe you can help me here, and if not, anyone else...If I drop cable
>>>>> for my Internet provider and opt for DSL, can I still fax on that line
>>>>> (the new DSL line, that is)? I vaguely remember reading something
>>>>> about that not working...

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>>>>> Yes. The phone line you use for DSL can also be used for voice and fax
>>>>> communication — it's not a dedicated line; the digital service moves on
>>>>> a part of the line not used by voice/fax.

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>>>>> So, ladies...if I'm understanding this right, I can still have my
>>>>> personal phone line for fax, voice, answering machine and Net access?
>>>>> Will all that compromise the speed of Net access?

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>>>>> We have DSL at the office, and I was really surprised at how close it
>>>>> is to my cable speed here at home! From everything I've researched so
>>>>> far, it's cheaper across the board. Are there *any* drawbacks?!

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>>>>> Anne/OH

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>>>>> Anne,

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>>>>> Here, you can only get DSL with a 1 year service agreement. If you
>>>>> don't like it, it could be expensive to switch.

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>>>>> Also, you'll have to change your email address unless you use an email
>>>>> forwarding service.

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>>Here in Texas there's also the issue of supporting a company in a
>>commodity market that is trying to turn it into a monopoly.
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>>Bob/Texas
> As competitive as DSL and cable companies are now, I'd make that one
> year contract something to negotiate. I'm not unhappy with my cable
> service—it's fast and reliable. SBC/AT&T will have to sell me on a
> change with some pretty dramatic features before I switch.
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> I used to absolutely loathe both SBC and AT&T, but in all fairness I
> have to say that they are trying harder now that the competition has
> changed. The cable companies are out there offering good bundled deals
> that include phone service. They're pinching the phone people. On top
> of the pinch cell phone companies have provided, the phone companies
> have had to pay attention! We all benefit.
>
> Anne/OH
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You should still loathe them.

They refuse to believe they are in a commodity market and keep trying to make it into a monopoly market.

Both the CEO of SBC/att&t and BellSouth want to end the Internet as we know it. They are lying to Congress and anyone who will listen by saying that Google, Yahoo, MSN, etc., aren't "...paying for the use of our lines..." when they send a web page to your computer. They aren't content with charging you outrageous prices for DSL. They want to charge you outrageous prices for your DSL connection to the Internet and charge the web site a fee for sending you the page you requested. They seem to be forgetting that Google, Yahoo, etc. pay huge sums of money to THEIR ISPs to get a fast connection to the Internet.

Not only that, but they want the fee to be based on how fast they deliver it to you. They claim they want to surcharge the web site to speed up the delivery of the page to you, but you can be sure that really means the website must pay a surcharge to keep the current speed. Those that don't pay the surcharge will have their pages artificially slowed down on their journey to your PC.

Their ultimate goal is to regain their phone monopoly by putting the VOIP providers out of business. How will they do that? By charging the VOIP providers an outrageous amount to deliver their voice packets to your phone in a sufficient rate to be barely considered a useable "conversation." When that happens, the VOIP providers will have to raise their rates way above the telcos' VOIP offerings and they will lose all their customers.

There's more, but that's a good start.

Bob/Texas

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