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INCOMPAS: California Streams Ahead on Net Neutrality. Congress Should Too

WASHINGTON, D.C. (October 1, 2018) – In response to the FCC’s elimination of bipartisan net neutrality policy, the State of California has passed strong rules that help consumers, start-ups and streamers.

In response, Chip Pickering, CEO of INCOMPAS, the trade association who is leading the court challenge to save net neutrality, released the following statement:

“By acting to save net neutrality, California is streaming ahead while the rest of the nation remains at risk of an ISP slow lane.

“While we welcome California’s leadership, and praise them for including the four corners of net neutrality – no blocking, no throttling, no paid prioritization and strong interconnection – we believe a nationwide solution is necessary and urge Congress to take immediate action to preserve these essential components of open internet freedom without delay.

“Poll after poll shows support for net neutrality around 80 percent. Conservatives in red states are outraged by the idea of giving control of the internet to cable companies, like AT&T and Comcast, who are raising prices and lobbying for slower speeds. Young conservatives were raised in an era of internet freedom and know that net neutrality makes it easier to start a business. Congressional leaders should move immediately to restore net neutrality, and pass legislation like Representative Mike Coffman’s (R-CO) bill to cement the four corners of net neutrality into law.”

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About INCOMPAS:

INCOMPAS, the internet and competitive networks association, is the leading trade group advocating for competition policy across all networks. INCOMPAS represents Internet, streaming, communications and technology companies large and small, advocating for laws and policies that promote competition, innovation and economic development. Learn more at www.incompas.org or follow us on Twitter: @INCOMPAS @ChipPickering