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Dear officer,

I am responding to a public feedback request on your official website
<https://www.ntia.gov/blog/2024/choosing-right-mix-technologies-achieve-internet-all>

You state that "the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law requires Internet service providers to deliver speeds of 100/20 Mbps and latency of less than or equal to 100 milliseconds."

Furthermore, "NTIA is seeking comment on how to best enable alternative technologies while maintaining consumer affordability, key consumer protections and program integrity safeguards."

I can share that I have been using Starlink. I find it solves all goals of speed, latency, affordability, customer protection and integrity.

Price is affordable despite a lack of competition.

To ensure affordability in the future, competition should be encouraged.

However, it will be hard for competitors to meet the performance/cost target that Starlink has set thanks to a mastery of the entire manufacturing chain from rockets and rocket engines to satellites and user terminals.

I would provide grants to any company providing LEO service to remote areas including Starlink, as long as their plan can work in the long term and is not only relying on government subsidies in the long term.

Best regards,
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