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Subject: Don't let them shut down our Copper network

In rural NZ where we have no Fibre rolled out we do NOT WANT TO BE DEPRIVED OF OUR COPPER NETWORK.

THIS IS A COPPER NETWORK PAID FOR BY OUR TAXES. Chorus has NO CAPITAL IN OWNING IT AS IT DIDN'T COST THEM A CENT.

WE OWN IT!
- CHORUS JUST MAINTAIN IT.
AND CHARGE US FOR USE and MAINTENANCE.

CHORUS charge consumers for the maintenance to their gate, something that seldom gives any trouble, so this probably pays for the entire networks costs.
There is very little cost in maintaining the copper network, but we do rely on it for our Internet & Data Services.

In a recent snow fall 2006, we had no cell phone service because of backup batteries at the cell towers discharged ran out of power and went flat.
We relied solely on the COPPER NETWORK.

CHORUS is able to install Fibre and effectively by shutting down the copper cable force consumers to sign up with the SPARK MONOPOLY/OLIGOPOLY AGAIN.

WE NEED ALL THE COMPETITION WE CAN GET.

PLEASE EXTEND COPPER NETWORK REGULATIONS FOR ANOTHER TEN YEARS TO 2040.

Kind Regards

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