## Public News Service Story Log for 02/01/2012 - present Issue: Media Reform Date Title-Banner Media Outlet Website/Online Version Pickup Audience Size\* 2012-07-30 West Virginia News Service **Detailed Report** Phone Company Fights FBI to Protect Customers' Records 9-0 57.860 Charleston, WV – An American telephone company is fighting an FBI request for information about its customers, saying it's an overreach of surveillance powers under the Patriot Act. But gag orders that accompany a controversial law-enforcement tool known as national security letters make it difficult to report anything about the case. Comments from Matt Zimmerman, attorney for the Electronic Frontier Foundation, who is representing the telecom company. Additional comments from Brenda Green, executive director of the ACLU of West Virginia. 2012-07-26 New York News Connection 128 **Detailed Report** New Yorkers Signing on to Internet Freedom 60-5 506,478 New York, NY – A proposed Declaration of Internet Freedom is gaining momentum as New York groups and individuals are joining people around the world in endorsing the document. And its backers - calling this "the Summer of Internet Freedom" - are encouraging barbecues as a way to spread the word. Comments from Josh Levy (LEE-vee), internet campaign director, Free Press; Andrew Rasiej (rih-ZHAY), chairman, NY Tech Meetup. 2012-07-23 Arizona News Connection **Detailed Report** Phone Company Fights FBI to Protect Customers' Records 12-4 5,400 Phoenix, AZ – An American telephone company is fighting an FBI request for information about its customers, saying it's an overreach of surveillance powers under the Patriot Act. But gag orders that accompany a controversial law-enforcement tool known as national security letters (NSL) make it difficult to report anything about the case. Comments from Matt Zimmerman, attorney for the Electronic Freedom Foundation, who is representing the telecom company. 2012-07-23 Colorado News Connection **Detailed Report** Phone Company Fights FBI to Protect Customers' Records 28-0 61,100 Denver, CO – An American telephone company is fighting an FBI request for information about its customers, saying it's an overreach of surveillance powers under the Patriot Act. But gag orders that accompany a controversial law-enforcement tool known as national security letters make it difficult to report anything about the case. Comments from Matt Zimmerman, attorney for the Electronic Freedom Foundation, who is representing the telecom company. 2012-07-23 New York News Connection **Detailed Report** Phone Company Fights FBI to Protect Customers' Records 59-7 511,970 New York, NY – An American telephone company is fighting an FBI request for information about its customers, saying it's an overreach of surveillance powers under the Patriot Act. But gag orders that accompany a controversial law-enforcement tool known as national security letters make it difficult to report anything about the case. Comments from Matt Zimmerman, attorney for the Electronic Frontier Foundation, who is representing the telecom company.

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2012-07-20	California News Service	Detailed Report	12
	Phone Company Fights FBI to Protect Customers' Records San Francisco, CA – An American telephone company is fighting an FBI request for information about its customers, saying it's an overreach of surveillance powers under the Patriot Act. But gag orders that accompany a controversial law-enforcement tool known as national security letters make it difficult to report anything about the case. Comments from Matt Zimmerman, attorney for the San-Francisco-based Electronic Frontier Foundation, who is representing the telecom company.	14-3	58,865
2012-06-11	Commonwealth News Service	Detailed Report	1
	Disney Junk Food Ban – A Dream Come True?  Boston, MA – The Walt Disney Company is going to ban junk food advertising on its children's programming, an announcement that won the praise of First Lady Michelle Obama who's an advocate of healthy food initiatives. Some are suggesting much more needs to be done. Comments from Makani (muh-KAHN-ee) Themba, director, Communities Creating Healthy Environments.	26-0	
2012-06-11	Connecticut News Service	Detailed Report	2
	Disney Junk Food Ban – A Dream Come True?  Hartford, CT – The Walt Disney Company is going to ban junk food advertising on its children's programming, an announcement that won the praise of First Lady Michelle Obama who's an advocate of healthy food initiatives. Some are suggesting much more needs to be done. Comments from Makani (muh-KAHN-ee) Themba, director, Communities Creating Healthy Environments.	2-0	
2012-06-11	Kentucky News Connection	Detailed Report	1
	Disney Junk Food Ban – A Dream Come True?  Frankfort, KY – Madison Avenue got a wake-up call when the Walt Disney Company announced it will ban junk food advertising on its children's programming. Along with First Lady Michelle Obama's healthy food initiatives, the Disney move is being praised, but some are suggesting much more needs to be done. Comments from Makani (muh-KAHN-ee) Themba, director, Communities Creating Healthy Environments.	12-2	22,467
2012-06-11	Maryland News Connection	Detailed Report	
	Disney Bans Junk Food Ads – A Parent's Dream Come True?  Washington, D.C. – Madison Avenue got a wake-up call when the Walt Disney Company announced it will ban junk food advertising on its children's programming on TV, radio and websites. Along with First Lady Michelle Obama's healthy food initiatives, the Disney move is being praised. Comments from Makani (muh-KAHN-ee) Themba, director, Communities Creating Healthy Environments.	15-11	112,066

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2012-06-11	New Hampshire News Connection  Disney Junk Food Ban – A Dream Come True?  Concord, NH – The Walt Disney Company is going to ban junk food advertising on its children's programming, an announcement that won the praise of First Lady Michelle Obama who's an advocate of healthy food initiatives. Some are suggesting much more needs to be done. Comments from Makani (muh-KAHN-ee) Themba, director, Communities Creating Healthy Environments.	Detailed Report 4-4	4
2012-06-11	Nevada News Service <u>Disney Junk Food Ban – A Dream Come True?</u> Las Vegas, NV – The Walt Disney Company is going to ban junk food advertising on its children's programming, an announcement that won the praise of First Lady Michelle Obama who's an advocate of healthy food initiatives. Some are suggesting much more needs to be done. Comments from Makani (muh-KAHN-ee) Themba, director, Communities Creating Healthy Environments.	<u>Detailed Report</u> 9-4	1 143,009
2012-06-11	New York News Connection  Disney Junk Food Ban – A Dream Come True?  New York, NY – Madison Avenue got a wake-up call when the Walt Disney Company announced it will ban junk food advertising on its children's programming. Along with New York mayor Michael Bloomberg's proposal to ban the sale of large, sugary soft drinks and First Lady Michelle Obama's healthy food initiatives, the Disney move is being praised, but some are suggesting much more needs to be done. Comments from Makani (muh-KAHN-ee) Themba, director, Communities Creating Healthy Environments.  Other Usage  Clear Channel (460 stations) NY Statewide 42	Detailed Report 93-2	16 3,947,033
2012-06-11	Washington News Service  Will Disney's Junk-Food Ad Ban Help Curb Child Obesity?  Seattle, WA – The Walt Disney Company is going to ban junk food advertising on its children's programming, an announcement that won the praise of First Lady Michelle Obama who's an advocate of healthy food initiatives. Some are suggesting much more needs to be done. Comments from Makani (muh-KAHN-ee) Themba, director, Communities Creating Healthy Environments.	Detailed Report 27-14	119,600
2012-05-15	New Mexico News Connection Internet Freedom Worries Pivot to Privacy Concerns Albuquerque, NM – Legislation aimed at fighting cyber-terrorism may have the unintended effect of violating the privacy of millions of Americans online, according to the Albuquerque-based Media Literacy Project and the San Francisco-based Electronic Frontier Foundation. A bill called CISPA (SIS-pah) is a successor to SOPA and PIPA – anti-piracy legislation defeated in January following an outcry over censorship concerns. CISPA will be considered in the U. S. Senate later this month. Comments from Hakim (ha-KEEM) Bellamy, strategic communications director, Media Literacy Project; and Rainey Reitman (RIGHT-man), activism director, Electronic Frontier Foundation.	Detailed Report 10-0	9

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2012-05-15	Ohio News Connection	Detailed Report	2
	Internet Freedom Worries Pivot to Privacy Concerns	26-12	166,492
	Columbus, OH – Legislation aimed at fighting cyber-terrorism may		
	have the unintended effect of violating the privacy of millions of		
	Americans online, according to the San Francisco-based Electronic		
	Frontier Foundation. A bill called CISPA (SIS-pah) is a successor to		
	SOPA and PIPA – anti-piracy legislation that was defeated in		
	January after an outcry over censorship concerns. CISPA will be		
	considered in the U.S. Senate later this month. Comments from		
	Rainey Reitman (RIGHT-man), activism director, EFF.		
2012-05-11	Oregon News Service	Detailed Report	3
	In OR Prisons, a Mother's Day "Hangup"	30-10	97,404
	Portland, OR – People making their Mother's Day calls from behind		
	bars this weekend will be paying unfairly high prices, according to		
	groups behind a nationwide protest over price-gouging and		
	kickbacks in most states' prison telephone systems, including		
	Oregon's. Comments from attorney Lee Petro (PEET-ro), Drinker,		
	Biddle & Reath, LLP; and Steven Renderos (ren-DARE-ose),		
	national organizer, Center for Media Justice.		
2012-05-11	Washington News Service	Detailed Report	12
	In WA Prisons, a Mother's Day "Disconnect"	25-4	121,200
	Olympia, WA – People making their Mother's Day calls from behind		
	bars this weekend will be paying unfairly high prices, according to		
	groups behind a nationwide protest over price-gouging and		
	kickbacks in most states' prison phone systems. Washington's prison		
	phone rates are among the nation's highest. Comments from		
	attorney Lee Petro (PEET-ro), Drinker, Biddle & Reath, LLP; and		
	Steven Renderos (ren-DARE-ose), national organizer, Center for		
	Media Justice.		
2012-05-10	Commonwealth News Service	Detailed Report	183
	A Mother's Day "Hangup" For Prisoners	143-116	10,977
	Boston, MA – Inmates calling their mothers from Massachusetts		
	prisons on Mother's Day (this Sunday) will be paying unfairly high		
	prices, according to groups behind a nationwide protest over		
	price-gouging and kickbacks in the prison telephone systems of most		
	states. Comments from Lee Petro (PEET-ro), attorney, Drinker		
	Biddle & Reath, LLP; Bonnie Tenneriello (ten-er-RILL-oh), staff		
	attorney, Prisoners Legal Services of Massachusetts; Steven		
	Renderos (ren-DARE-ohs), national organizer, Center for Media		
	Justice.		

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2012-05-10	Connecticut News Service	Detailed Report 2-1	2	
	A Mother's Day "Hangup" For Prisoners  Hartford, CT – Inmates calling their mothers from Connecticut's	2-1		
	prisons on Mother's Day (this Sunday) will be paying unfairly high			
	prices, according to groups behind a nationwide protest over what			
	they say is price-gouging and kickbacks in the prison telephone			
	systems of most states. Comments from Lee Petro (PEET-ro),			
	attorney, Drinker Biddle & Reath, LLP; Bonnie Tenneriello			
	(ten-er-RILL-oh), staff attorney, Prisoners Legal Services of			
	Massachusetts; Steven Renderos (ren-DARE-ohs), national			
	organizer, Center for Media Justice.			
2012-05-10	Nevada News Service	Detailed Report	1	
	A Mother's Day "Hangup" For Prisoners	7-4	77,971	
	Reno, NV – Inmates calling their mothers from Nevada's prisons on			
	Mother's Day (this Sunday) will be paying unfairly high prices,			
	according to groups behind a nationwide protest over what they say			
	is price-gouging and kickbacks in the prison telephone systems of			
	most states. Comments from Lee Petro (PEET-ro), attorney, Drinker			
	Biddle & Reath, LLP; Bonnie Tenneriello (ten-er-RILL-oh), staff			
	attorney, Prisoners Legal Services of Massachusetts; Steven			
	Renderos (ren-DARE-ohs), national organizer, Center for Media Justice.			
2012-05-08	Arizona News Connection	Detailed Report	3	
2012 00 00	Internet Freedom Worries Pivot to Privacy Concerns	17-5	18,900	
	Phoenix, AZ – Legislation aimed at fighting cyber-terrorism may have	17 0	10,000	
	the unintended effect of violating the privacy of millions of Americans			
	online, according to the San Francisco-based Electronic Frontier			
	Foundation. A bill called CISPA (SIS-pah) is a successor to SOPA			
	(SO-pah) and PIPA (PIP-uh) – anti-piracy legislation that was			
	defeated in January following an outcry over censorship concerns.			
	CISPA will be considered in the US Senate later this month.			
	Comments from Rainey Reitman (RIGHT-man), activism director,			
	EFF.			
2012-05-07	Colorado News Connection	Detailed Report	2	
	Internet Freedom Worries Pivot to Privacy Concerns	25-0	3,700	
	Denver, CO – Legislation aimed at fighting cyber-terrorism may have			
	the unintended effect of violating the privacy of millions of Americans			
	online, according to the Electronic Frontier Foundation. A bill called			
	CISPA (SIS-pah) is a successor to SOPA and PIPA – anti-piracy			
	legislation that was defeated in January following an outcry over			
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2012-04-16	New Mexico News Connection	Detailed Report	Audience Size*		
2012-04-10	Verizon's Proposed Plan Could Threaten Digital Access in New	8-0	14		
	Mexico	0-0			
	Albuquerque, NM – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed				
	partnership deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies				
	under the umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this				
	planned consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition,				
	higher prices, and a growing digital divide for rural and other				
	under-served areas. Comments from Andrea Quijada(ohn-DRAY-uh				
	kee-HAH-dah), executive director of the Media Literacy Project; and				
	Parul Desai (pah-ROOL deh-SIGH), communications policy counsel,				
	Consumers Union.				
2012-04-09	Arizona News Connection	Detailed Report	43		
	Threat to AZ High-Speed Internet Access?	15-10	14,500		
	Phoenix, AZ – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed partnership				
	deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies under the				
	umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this planned				
	consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition, higher prices, and a growing digital divide for rural and other under-served				
	areas. Comments from Parul Desai (pah-ROOL deh-SIGH),				
	communications policy counsel, Consumers Union; and Edyael				
	Casaperalta (ed'-yah-EL casa-per-ALL-ta), research associate,				
	Center for Rural Strategies.				
2012-04-09	Commonwealth News Service	Detailed Report	12		
	The Threat to Massachusetts' High-Speed Internet Access	31-4	25,000		
	Boston, MA – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed partnership				
	deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies under the				
	umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this planned				
	consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition, higher				
	prices, and a growing digital divide for rural and other under-served				
	areas. Comments from Parul Desai (pah-ROOL deh-SIGH), communications policy counsel, Consumers Union; and Edyael				
	Casaperalta (ed'-yah-EL cass'-uh-per-ALL-ta), research associate,				
	Center for Rural Strategies.				
2012-04-09	Connecticut News Service	Detailed Report	7		
	The Threat to Connecticut's High-Speed Internet Access	8-6	144,732		
	Hartford, CT – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed partnership				
	deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies under the				
	umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this planned				
	consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition, higher				
	prices, and a growing digital divide for rural and other under-served				
	areas. Comments from Parul Desai (pah-ROOL deh-SIGH),				
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2012-04-09	Keystone State News Connection	Detailed Report	12
	A Threat to PA High-Speed Internet Access?	32-22	35,115
	Harrisburg, PA – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed		
	partnership deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies		
	under the umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this		
	planned consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition,		
	higher prices, and a growing digital divide for rural and other		
	under-served areas. Comments from Parul Desai (pah-ROOL		
	deh-SIGH), communications policy counsel, Consumers Union; and		
	Edyael Casaperalta (ed'-yah-EL cass'-uh-per-ALL-ta), research		
	associate, Center for Rural Strategies.		
2012-04-09	New Hampshire News Connection	Detailed Report	12
	Groups: High Speed Access in Jeopardy with Verizon Monopoly	7-7	4,496
	Proposal (1.1.)		
	Concord, NH – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed		
	partnership deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies		
	under the umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this		
	planned consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition,		
	higher prices, and a growing digital divide for rural and other		
	under-served areas. Comments from Parul Desai (pah-ROOL		
	deh-SIGH), communications policy counsel, Consumers Union; and		
	Edyael Casaperalta (ed'-yah-EL cass'-ah-per-ALL-ta), research associate, Center for Rural Strategies.		
2012-04-09	Nevada News Service	Detailed Report	15
2012-04-03	The Threat to Nevada's High-Speed Internet Access	11-4	77,971
	Reno, NV – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed partnership	11.4	77,571
	deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies under the		
	umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this planned		
	consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition, higher		
	prices, and a growing digital divide for rural and other under-served		
	areas. Comments from Parul Desai (pah-ROOL deh-SIGH),		
	communications policy counsel, Consumers Union; and Edyael		
	Casaperalta (ed'-yah-EL cass'-uh-per-ALL-ta), research associate,		
	Center for Rural Strategies.		
2012-04-09	Northern Rockies News Service	Detailed Report	25
	Proposed Wireless Network Partnership Raises Consumer	45-39	399,039
	Watchdog Hackles		
	Boise, ID – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed partnership		
	deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies under the		
	umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this planned		
	consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition, higher		
	prices, and a growing digital divide for rural areas - a big concern for		
	Idaho. Comments from Parul Desai (pah-ROOL deh-SIGH),		
	communications policy counsel, Consumers Union; and Edyael		
	Casaperalta (ed'-yah-EL cass'-ah-per-ALL-ta), research associate,		
	Center for Rural Strategies.		

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2012-04-09	New York News Connection	Detailed Report	307	
	The Threat to NY High-Speed Internet Access	67-11	522,116	
	New York, NY – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed			
	partnership deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies			
	under the umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this			
	planned consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition,			
	higher prices, and a growing digital divide for rural and other			
	under-served areas. Comments from Parul Desai (pah-ROOL			
	deh-SIGH), communications policy counsel, Consumers Union; and			
	Edyael Casaperalta (ed'-yah-EL cass'-ah-per-ALL-ta), research			
	associate, Center for Rural Strategies.			
2012-04-09	Virginia News Connection	Detailed Report	18	
	Threat to High Speed Internet Access in VA	22-15	173,638	
	Richmond, VA – Consumer groups are fighting a proposed			
	partnership deal between Verizon and a group of cable companies			
	under the umbrella of SpectrumCo. They say the result of this			
	planned consolidation of wireless spectrum will be less competition,			
	higher prices, and a growing digital divide for rural and other			
	under-served areas. Comments from Parul Desai (pah-ROOL			
	deh-SIGH), communications policy counsel, Consumers Union; and			
	Edyael Casaperalta (ed'-yah-EL cass'-ah-per-ALL-ta), research			
	associate, Center for Rural Strategies.			
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			7,931,122	

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