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Hi. My name is John C. Dod and I work for Spirit Telecom in South Carolina at the Fort Mill branch. In the last couple of months, as an IT person, I have seen a huge increase in the amount and severity of spyware/malware/adware in our corporate environment. The companies and individuals responsible for this huge invasion of personal and corporate privacy and security are allowed to install and run processes and gather information from our computers without consent or, in some cases, knowledge. The problem is epidemic. Please, as the FCC, there is surely something your entity can do for us. No individual or company should be allowed to mine our data or transmit our information to others without our express consent to do so. Productivity is being heavily encumbered by dealing with these types of browser invasions. I understand prevention and cleanup very well but I certainly do not believe that marketers and malicious operators should be allowed to install or track anyone or anything in our computing environment. Thank you.

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