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and technical perspectives, Net Neutrality and the Struggle for the Open Internet offers a humanities-based critical theoretical approach to net neutrality, telling the story of how activists and millions of everyday

people, online and in the streets, were able to challenge the power of the phone and cable corporations that historically dominated communications policy-making to advance equality and justice in media and technology.