

# [Raven] Should Tin Cans and String Comply With CALEA?

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The Internet can be used for lots of things. Among them are forms of telephony. In the US, CALEA applies to the activities of "telecommunications carriers." Some providers of telephony-over-the-Internet may meet that requirement; others may not.

Does it make sense for standards-setters (here, IETF) to worry about CALEA compliance merely because the thing they are setting the standard for *could be* used for telephony and because *some of* the folks who use it for that purpose have CALEA obligations? Wondering about that leads to the "re:" line above.

Any thoughts would be much appreciated.

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