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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Applications of T-Mobile US, Inc. and Sprint Corporation, WT Docket No. 18-197

Dear Ms. Dortch,

This letter is in support of the proposed T-Mobile/Sprint merger; I believe this will benefit many of my constituents in my home state of Connecticut and across the U.S.

Here in Connecticut, many of my constituents call for increased access to high-speed wireless and broadband services at more affordable prices, and the T-Mobile-Sprint merger can make that a reality. The New T-Mobile will use the increased capacity and cost savings from the merger to accommodate increased customer data usage at the same or lower prices. The math is simple: As New T-Mobile expands its capacity; the cost of delivering each gigabit of data will go down. For consumers in Connecticut and elsewhere, the benefits of this are substantial—the New T-Mobile's 5G network will provoke competitive responses from Verizon and AT&T, resulting in as much as a 55 percent reduction in cost per GB and a 120 percent increase in wireless data supply.

When considering the consumer benefits of nationwide 5G, it is critical to look at the technology's impact beyond the traditional telecommunications market. The New T-Mobile's robust, nationwide 5G network will provide the speed and capacity needed to make the combined company a competitive in-home broadband option for millions of households, allowing consumers to "cut the cord" and pocket savings from eliminating their unnecessary and costly wired broadband.

I support this merger because it will improve connectivity, increase competition, and lower prices for Connecticut consumers; and because customers across the country stand to benefit, I encourage you to support this merger, too.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'CR', with a stylized flourish at the end.

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Attachment

cc: (via email)

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