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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,

The Greater Binghamton Chamber of Commerce is submitting this letter to the record regarding the pending merger of T-Mobile and Sprint Corporation. We support the merger for the following reasons, all of which will either directly or indirectly impact our membership of 825 companies and organizations, which employ 43,000 New Yorkers.

- T-Mobile has stated that the merger will allow the combined company—the new T-Mobile—to quickly deploy a nationwide, 5G wireless network. A high-speed network will benefit anyone who uses the web, particularly wireless devices, including businesses.
- New T-Mobile's nearly \$40 billion of network investment will translate into thousands of additional American jobs building the new 5G network; expanding T-Mobile's "team of experts" customer care model to former Sprint customers; and bringing much-needed competition to business segments such as in-home video and in-home broadband. As T-Mobile deploys 5G to more and more communities, the upgraded technology will create the conditions for new, innovative companies to form, creating even more jobs.
- 5G will allow schools from elementary, vocational, and university levels to incorporate high-tech into the classroom, including VR and AR. This will open up opportunities for hands-on learning experiences that enrich student experiences and provide training potential for future employers.
- The merger means that traditionally underserved populations, which cannot afford the high costs of fixed, in-home broadband, will have greater access to the internet at better rates.
- Rural areas in New York State that still experience dropped calls and slow speeds will experience better service.

We believe that these benefits will improve not only the quality of life of the residents in the Binghamton area, but the business dynamics as well. Virtually every company uses the internet in some fashion to do business, whether it's as basic as using email or virtual meetings, webinars, online ordering, or collaborating with colleagues across the state or across the country.

Thank you for the opportunity to submit this comment. We hope you will consider our reasons for supporting the merger during your deliberation process.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kyle Davis".

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