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FCC Chairman Ajit Pai  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Pai:

I represent the 16 counties of Senate District One in Northeast Texas. As a lifelong Texan, I am supportive of companies that bring productive services and employment opportunities to our state, and I believe our economy is strongest when all of these companies are allowed to operate and compete under the same rules.

Charter has provided access to cable TV, broadband internet, and phone services to more than 3.1 million people in Texas. These are critical services, especially as so many now rely on the internet to connect us through these social and economic changes.

There are more than 12,300 Charter employees in Texas, with the largest employment centers in San Antonio, Austin, and Irving. Charter employs more than 600 people in McAllen, where the joblessness rate is higher than average in Texas. I applaud companies committed to bringing back and creating employment opportunities in local communities across our state. I want Texas to remain a fair and open market for all companies to develop and maintain our robust, competitive workforce. Fair competition ultimately benefits all Texans.

I am confident that Charter is a good corporate citizen and that in order to continue to grow, to provide its necessary services to more Texans, and to invest in our communities, they need to be on a level playing field with their fellow providers. That is why I request the FCC end the DC/UBP and Interconnection Conditions on May 18, 2021.

Sincerely,

Bryan Hughes

Proverbs 3:5-6  
DBH /mb

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