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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,

Attached and submitted for your consideration is a copy of a letter I sent to U.S. Senator Amy Klobuchar regarding the merger between T-Mobile and Sprint Corporation prior to the hearing held before the Senate Subcommittee on Antitrust Competition Policy and Consumer Rights.

I believed then as I believe now that this merger will be good for consumers. I urged Sen. Klobuchar to support the merger for the reason articulated in the attached letter, which include investment in a 5G wireless network, increased competition, and the potential for increased coverage in underserved markets.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Robert Leighton
Bloomington, Minnesota

Attachment

cc: (via email)

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Via Fax:
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Dear Senator Klobuchar:

**RE: T-Mobile-Sprint Merger and Upcoming Senate Subcommittee on Antitrust
Competition Policy and Consumer Rights Hearing**

Dear Senator Klobuchar:

Recently, T-Mobile and Sprint announced their intentions to merge the two companies. The merger is currently working its way through the regulatory approval process. On June 27th the Senate Subcommittee on Antitrust Competition Policy and Consumer Rights will have an opportunity to examine the merger.

For many reasons, I write today to urge your support for the merger. I submit to you the following reasons for your approval:

- More competition in the industry. 5G is coming and letting two large companies control it puts consumers in a vulnerable spot.
- A new company that has the capacity to invest more resources in 5G, increasing data speed.
- Increased competition in 5G market will force the other super carriers to speed up their part of the 5G network.
- And finally, the potential for increased coverage in underserved markets. Strong cell phone coverage is becoming a necessary service in modern America, and many parts of the country don't have it.

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Once you do your due diligence, I'm sure you will quickly conclude that the merger of T-Mobile and Sprint should be approved.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

NOLAN, THOMPSON & LEIGHTON, PLC

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rob Leighton". The signature is fluid and cursive, with the first name "Rob" and the last name "Leighton" clearly distinguishable.

Robert J. Leighton, Jr.

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