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The Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

I appreciate this opportunity to share with you some thoughts from the Maryland Chamber of Commerce regarding the proposed merger between Comcast and Time Warner Cable. The Chamber is Maryland's leading statewide business advocacy organization with over 740 member companies employing more than 400,000 residents. We are committed to helping our members grow and prosper, as well as to advancing the state of Maryland as a national and global competitive leader in economic growth and job creation.

Many of our members rely on Comcast Business to meet their broadband needs, and the proposed transaction should strengthen the company's ability to provide critical broadband services. Further, those with wide-ranging operations throughout the region and in other states may be able to take advantage of more seamless connectivity resulting from Comcast's larger footprint.

Additionally, the proposed transaction will extend to new markets Comcast's community involvement and ongoing efforts to support local businesses. Comcast Spotlight, for example, offers a proven platform to allow local businesses to highlight their services and reach a larger audience. The current Time Warner Cable territories will benefit from Comcast's presence there.

Thank you for taking these views into account as you review the proposed Comcast-Time Warner Cable transaction.

Sincerely,

Brien Poffenberger, President/CEO