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**By ECFS**

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

**Re: Notice of Ex Parte Presentation, GN Docket No. 14-28, *Protecting and Promoting the Open Internet***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday, February 19, Gina Woodworth, Vice President, Public Policy and Government Affairs, the Internet Association; Abigail Slater, Vice President, Legal and Regulatory Policy, the Internet Association; and the undersigned met with Ambassador Philip Verveer, Senior Counselor to the Chairman; Gigi Sohn, the Chairman's Special Counsel for External Affairs; Eric Feigenbaum, Office of Media Relations; Matthew DelNero, Deputy Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau; and Stephanie Weiner, Associate General Counsel. In the meeting, the Internet Association ("IA") made several points.

The IA has consistently held that the Commission possesses the authority to adopt strong open Internet rules. It has focused its advocacy on being outcome-oriented. Consumers do not care as much how their Internet experience is preserved and protected, but rather that they continue to enjoy the unfettered ability to access the lawful content of their choice.

The IA was encouraged by the description of the rules as articulated in the Fact Sheet made available by the Commission on February 4, 2015.<sup>1</sup> The description of the rules is consistent with the principles advocated by the association. Namely:

- The Commission should adopt light-touch rules that protect the open Internet.

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<sup>1</sup> See FCC, Fact Sheet: Chairman Wheeler Proposes New Rules for Protecting the Open Internet (Feb. 4, 2015), *available at* [http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily\\_Releases/Daily\\_Business/2015/db0204/DOC-331869A1.pdf](http://transition.fcc.gov/Daily_Releases/Daily_Business/2015/db0204/DOC-331869A1.pdf).

