

RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

The Polson Chamber of Commerce works with businesses from the rural areas of Northwest Montana on the south end of Flathead Lake. The Chamber's mission is to serve, support and strengthen our members by enhancing the business climate, promoting our area, and fostering a sense of community. In order for businesses in our rural region to compete in the national and international markets, we need to have the best technology at our disposal. We support the merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable, and Bright House Networks because they would commit to substantial infrastructure projects that could benefit our community.

We find that more urban areas often receive more infrastructure upgrades than their rural counterparts because of cost. We all need better access. Increased cable broadband is a tool that would enable our entrepreneurs to continue to compete and succeed. People love living in Polson because of its thriving natural beauty, and with the finalized merger of New Charter, our community can continue to do so while benefiting from technological amenities that would allow them to also thrive in an increasingly digital market.

New Charter would make investments in infrastructure. It would set aside at least \$2.5 billion for upgrading commercial networks. It would also build out one million residential line extensions, which provides access to normally underserved areas. These efforts would lead to more competition in the market and hopefully continue to bring in more investments. New Charter would have a positive impact on rural communities like Polson, where greater investment leads to more personal and professional opportunities.

We here in Polson are very excited about the possibilities that come with this proposed transaction. We ask for you to support the merger because new infrastructure projects would help communities like ours across the country.

Sincerely,

Polson Chamber of Commerce