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RE: Proceeding Number 15-149

To Whom It May Concern:

I am writing in support of the work that Charter Communications has done within Ionia County in Michigan. I am employed as the Director of Technology for Ionia County Intermediate School District, and have seen the benefits of the work that Charter has done in our area with local school districts, and municipalities. Their fiber optic network for internet connectivity has allowed our district to function as the head end for districts in our county. And the added capacity that has been built allows us to partner with the county and city governmental entities for sharing that internet connection.

Charter has also expanded its offerings in the county for residential services. We are primarily rural county with limited capacity for broadband connectivity. The importance of internet connectivity is growing as the students in our nations' schools are being challenged to be better prepared to fight for jobs in a competitive environment with other nations. Charter is a partner in building the access for students at school, at home and in the community we live in.

If the proposed merger of Charter, Time Warner and Brighthouse is approved, and the existing commitment that Charter has shown to communities continues and expands, then all involved will reap benefits. There is potential for reduced costs and enhanced services within new geographic areas.

The commitment to Net Neutrality by Charter must not go unmentioned, and if the merged company continues this position to go beyond the FCC Order and not impose data caps nor usage-based billing, then customers win. In economic times where our families are looking for the best value in services, a provider like Charter should be able to maintain supporting options to maximize home budgets.

Thank you for taking the time to read this letter of support for the merger.

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