



RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

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

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

At STEM Forward, we support technological literacy education so that Wisconsin youth will be prepared for the 21st Century workforce. We know that the latest innovations all rely on one baseline product: broadband. The telecommunications industry therefore plays an enormous role in STEM education, and we rely on their support to further our goals.

Our organization is pleased to announce our support for the merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks into New Charter. We believe the combined company will provide high-quality broadband to businesses, schools and households. Its range of products would facilitate success at any level and give consumers the ability to choose the products they want.

Beyond its impressive array of products, New Charter would espouse an impressive commitment to community interests. We have appreciated Time Warner Cable's significant sponsorship of several of our annual events, and we are confident that under New Charter our partnership will grow. New Charter would be able to provide additional resources and expertise to community relationships, and would broaden the scope of the cable industry's impact on regional efforts.

We are pleased to lend our support to New Charter, and we ask that the merger be approved.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads 'Rich Merkel'.

Rich Merkel  
Executive Director, STEM Forward