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

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

Having carefully reviewed the proposed merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks, I ask that you approve this merger so that Coloradans may experience the benefits of the newly merged company, New Charter.

New Charter has demonstrated a real commitment to customers and workers. The company will move overseas call centers back home to the United States. Having these call centers in the United States should provide a better experience for the customer, while simultaneously giving more Americans access to good, technically-skilled jobs.

I am also glad to know that New Charter is going to invest in rural communities. The company is planning to build out one million line extensions into residential areas that will help provide better service to rural regions of the country. Internet technology is an indispensable tool, and rural Americans deserve access for our homes, businesses and schools.

The creation of New Charter would help ameliorate the technology gap that frequently exists between urban and rural America. This merger deserves your support.

Sincerely,

Millie Hamner
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