

September 30, 2015

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

Re: Promoting Innovation and Competition in the Provision of Multichannel Video Programming
Distribution Services (DN 14-261)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

I am writing on behalf of Montgomery Community Media, (MCM.) This is an important community access center that provides training for and the use of video equipment for the making of television and internet programs by and for members of the Montgomery County Maryland community. Our community consists of people from all around the world speaking over 100 languages. This center has helped the community connect to one another through video and the internet. We are concerned about the impact the proposed rulemaking (DN 14-261) will have on our organization and our ability to provide Public, Educational and Government (PEG) Access services to our community. We strongly support the comments and reply comments of the City of San Antonio and of Anne Arundel County *et al.* in this proceeding.

We are particularly concerned about the rulemaking's proposal to classify over-the-top (OTT) video services provided by cable franchise holders as something other than a "cable service." Such a designation would allow cable franchise holders to undercut their public interest obligations.

There are little words that can describe the positive impact MCM has had on our community. **To lose such an important community asset would be devastating to our local immigrant, religious and business communities as well as our local non-profits that have come to rely on this local center.**

We ask the Commission not to diminish these vital PEG public interest requirements as it considers this proposed rulemaking.

Respectfully submitted.

Marian Merewitz

Montgomery Community Media, Volunteer

Cc: Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly