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

RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

As a Councilman of Downey, I am dedicated to guaranteeing that our city's more than 110,000 citizens have all the tools they need to succeed. In the spirit of our city's longstanding record of scientific innovation and entrepreneurialism, I want to continue to offer our businesses and residents access to the best technology. And for that reason, I am writing to express my backing for the formation of New Charter.

Downey, because it is a mixture of both large and small community life, stands to benefit in various respects. We are consistently recognized for our location, top medical facilities, quality neighborhoods, and excellent schools. New Charter plans to invest at least \$2.5 billion in commercial networks and to build out one million residential line extensions. Further, its intention to roll out an extra 300,000 Wi-Fi hotspots is appealing, especially in Southern California. These initiatives are needed to not only keep our city competitive regionally, but also to keep America competitive globally.

Additionally, I could not help but be inspired by New Charter's vow to expand service to low-income households and, more broadly, previously underserved communities. In a competitive landscape, this is both a morally upstanding and economically-sensible path.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

CITY OF DOWNEY

Fernando Vasquez
Councilman

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