



RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

October 16, 2015

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

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

At the Greenpoint Chamber of Commerce, we advocate for businesses in the neighborhoods of Greenpoint, Williamsburg and Bushwick, located in North Brooklyn, New York City. Our focus is on improving the community's commercial landscape and stimulating the local economy. We offer various educational panels, networking events, and feature well known speakers who have a solid business background. We continuously encourage collaborations among area businesses and not-for-profit organizations, and we depend on accessible and speedy communications. Our membership ranges from sole proprietors and entrepreneurs to high level staff in large corporations. Some of our members also operate community-based service organizations. As an inclusive advocacy organization, we understand that each of our members has a unique role in improving our economy and quality of life.

Through this letter we want to comment on a development in the cable broadband industry that we believe can have a positive impact on our region, namely the proposed merger that would establish New Charter.

The merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks into New Charter promises to prioritize American jobs and help ensure a free and open Internet. While most mergers result in redundancies and layoffs, New Charter's managers have assured us that they will maintain the jobs inherited from Charter, Time Warner and Bright House. This is very important to our organization because one of Time Warner's facilities is located in the Greenpoint area, bringing jobs and the purchase of goods and services directly to our community. Additionally, one of Time Warner's managers is a member of our Board of Directors, participating fully in the work we do.

Our support for the merger is conditioned on the perceived benefits, primarily regarding jobs. We have been assured that New Charter will increase American jobs by returning to the United States all of Time Warner's overseas customer call centers.

Jobs are one of the many important commitments New Charter has made in the merger proposal. However, another commitment for New Charter's customers is its stated policy on network neutrality: New Charter promises never to impose data caps or usage-based billing, allowing customers to freely use the Internet without extra charges. All of our members can benefit significantly by having this policy in effect, and small businesses with limited finances would especially benefit.

Greenpoint Chamber has a strong relationship with Time Warner. We requested a significant amount of background information and reviewed many documents before reaching the decision to voice our support for the merger. Our Board of Directors pointed out the importance of holding costs down and making service delivery more efficient in a wide ranging discussion about the merger. Finally, because of its stated commitments about the improvements New Charter plans to bring to local businesses, we ask you to consider our comments as part of your review of New Charter's filing.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Elaine Brodsky". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "E" and a long, sweeping tail on the "y".

Elaine Brodsky, Chair
Board of Directors
Greenpoint Chamber of Commerce