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

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

As a member of the Tennessee General Assembly, I am dedicated to promoting policies that encourage free enterprise and economic growth. Businesses in my district and across the country increasingly rely on technology and a connection to the Web to get work done. They need a cable broadband company that is pro-business and pro-broadband, and is focused on future innovation. I believe New Charter would fulfill these requirements and would compel its competitors to make product and customer care improvements.

New Charter would be the combination of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks. It would introduce a basement broadband speed of 60 Mbps, enough to allow several people to stream on multiple devices at the same time. With the ultra-fast ceiling speed of 300 Mbps, customers of all variety would find the right bandwidth for their needs.

New Charter would also promise no modem fees, data caps or usage-based billing for any customer on any plan. This is a significant commitment that upholds the very important but increasingly fragile policy of network neutrality. Despite some powerful detractors, network neutrality is coveted by the masses because it ensures the Internet remains free and open to all. It benefits individuals and businesses, and is a vital component to success for many small businesses that rely on online traction.

I am impressed with New Charter's range of broadband products and commitment to network neutrality. I hope that you will consider the impact of these benefits and approve the merger.

Sincerely,

Ken Yager
Senator

cc: Joe May; Nick Pavlis