



Chairman Tom Wheeler

October 22, 2015

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

**RE: FCC MB Docket No. 15-149
Charter Communications/Time Warner Cable/Bright House Networks**

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

I serve as an Elected Member of the Riverside City Council, the largest city in Riverside County and greater Inland Empire region, with over 315,000 residents. Charter Communications serves as the cable provider for the City of Riverside and I have seen firsthand how Charter has been dedicated to our City. These past several years have been economically challenging for our region and Charter has worked to help our community recover from the economic downturn. During the height of the economic crisis, I recall Charter working with the United Way of the Inland Valleys to sponsor extended televised telethons to raise money for social service organizations in our region.

I have also appreciated that Charter Communications has offered a platform for Elected Officials to speak directly to constituents. Through its public affairs program *Charter Local Edition* hosted by Brad Pomerance, Charter has demonstrated its commitment to Riverside by regularly welcoming public officials onto the program. This resource has been particularly invaluable because while the Inland Empire includes over four million residents, the region is included in the Los Angeles media market. Unfortunately, the greater Riverside-San Bernardino-Ontario area receives scant coverage from the Los Angeles media outlets, but Charter has given our leaders a televised forum to discuss critical issues facing our community. I look forward to continuing to participate on *Charter Local Edition*.

I am also informed that New Charter plans to fully digitize its broadband network and offer faster Internet speeds. New Charter plans to offer qualified, low-income customers fast broadband speeds at a reduced rate. New Charter plans to build out its WiFi hot spots. Given this demonstrated commitment to innovation, I am convinced that New Charter will continue to be an important and valued player in the City of Riverside and the State of California.

For these reasons, I am looking forward to New Charter's impact on the City of Riverside and I respectfully ask that you approve the combination of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks.

Sincerely,

Paul Davis
Council Member - Ward 4
City of Riverside