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RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

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

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

I am the elected representative to the Alabama House with a district comprised of Madison County. I support the proposed merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks because it will benefit the people of my county and state. The merger would create increased broadband speed and uniform pricing, while maintaining Charter's current position to keep the Internet free and open.

The New Charter merger would result in significant investments in their broadband network. This means that Time Warner and Bright House would transition to all-digital networks which would help Alabamians get access to faster Internet. New Charter would offer a base package of 60 Mbps broadband speed and continue Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks' advanced 300 Mbps service. This service would be offered at a less expensive rate than the comparable packages currently offered to TWC and BHN customers.

Charter Communications is currently committed to network neutrality. After the merger, New Charter's policy on network neutrality would have an enormously positive impact on the way we use the Internet. Network neutrality ensures the internet is free and open for everyone. This ensures that small businesses do not have to pay for access to customers. New Charter would enable our local businesses to compete against larger corporations on an even playing field on the Internet. This is particularly important in today's global economy, which relies heavily on the Internet.

New Charter would have many positive impacts for Madison County and Alabama. With increased broadband speed and a strong commitment to network neutrality, New Charter would change the way businesses and families use the Internet. Please consider and approve the merger.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Howard Sanderford".

Representative Howard Sanderford
Alabama House of Representatives