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RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

The telecommunications industry is critically important to both our personal and professional lives. As a member of the Alabama State Senate, I am dedicated to promoting positive change in cable broadband, and today I am pleased to extend my support to the proposed company New Charter.

The combination of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable, and Bright House Networks into New Charter would engage with consumers through a pro-broadband model. The company's public interest statement outlines its intent to offer reliable services at reasonable rates, and its commitment to investments in innovation and network neutrality would be a major contribution to its industry.

Specifically, New Charter would invest in both commercial and residential networks, provide cloud-based guides to all customers, and deploy hundreds of thousands of out-of-home WiFi hotspots across its national footprint. In addition, New Charter's commitment to network neutrality would ensure that all customers gain from an open Internet, including the benefits of unlimited data and flat-rate billing.

I believe it is critical for our government to review carefully any changes in the cable broadband industry, and I am confident New Charter would be a positive addition.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Cam Ward".

Senator Cam Ward