



**Curry County  
Board of Commissioners**

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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,

Curry County contains valuable standing timber and also offers spectacular coastal scenery, clamming and crabbing, excellent fishing, upriver scenic boat trips and hiking trails. As a Curry County Commissioner, I do my part to ensure that the citizens and businesses of Curry County have the tools they need to succeed. I am writing to encourage you to support the merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks – New Charter.

Investment is important to Curry County and the Curry Coast, and significant investment is an important part of New Charter – they will invest significantly in both in-home and out-of-home WiFi by deploying over 300,000 out-of-home WiFi access points. Additionally, they will invest at least \$2.5 billion in the build-out of networks into commercial areas beyond where they currently operate.

These network investments will bring the people and business of Curry County broadband service that is not only affordable, but also fast and reliable.

Additionally, I hear from the people of this county on a regular basis about the importance of jobs. New Charter plans to return Time Warner Cable call center jobs to U.S. soil, hiring and training thousands of new employees. Charter Communications, over the last three years, has brought back jobs from overseas call centers and hired thousands of people to improve customer care services as well. New Charter will mean new American jobs.

On behalf of the residents of Curry County, I ask that the FCC support New Charter.

Sincerely,

David Brock Smith, Commissioner  
Curry County Board of Commissioners  
District 4 Chair,  
Association of Oregon Counties  
Association of O&C Counties Board Member