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

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

Ceres, California is a growing community that supports a diverse and motivated population. We are proud of our expanding region, and we are eager to continue to develop the economy for the benefit of all residents. As Mayor of Ceres, I want to ensure growth through sustainable initiatives. I believe the addition of New Charter into the cable broadband industry would grant residents and businesses affordable services and allow for economic development.

New Charter would pull together Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable, and Bright House Networks. The company aims to improve the communities it serves by providing residents and businesses with high quality and affordable cable broadband. For example, New Charter would offer customers the fastest entry level package on the market at 60 Mbps. It would also commit to flat rate billing and no data caps. These are significant commitments that would certainly benefit customers of all needs. New Charter would even reach out to consumers that typically cannot afford broadband. Its low-income program would provide quality broadband at a reduced rate, bringing online numerous households nationwide.

New Charter's efforts to deliver quality broadband at affordable rates would bring economic development to the communities it serves across the country. I know that Ceres would benefit, and I hope the commission lends its approval.

Sincerely,

Mayor Chris Vierra Ceres, California