

CITY OF SAGINAW

Office of the City Manager
1315 S. Washington Avenue
Saginaw, MI 48601



October 7, 2015

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

Re: Proceeding No. 15-149

Dear Mr. Wheeler:

On behalf of the City of Saginaw administration, I write to you in support of Charter's proposed merger with Time Warner Cable (TWC) and acquisition of Bright House Networks (BHN). The merger will result in the creation of New Charter — an advanced, growth-oriented broadband cable company that will combine the best of the three companies for the benefit of consumers. As proof of its intention to continue pro-consumer strategies, New Charter is making legally enforceable commitments that put consumers first.

Saginaw is a growing community that is currently reinventing itself, fostering education and emerging as a healthcare services provider. It is made up of a diverse population of mid to low income residents. As the City Manager, I am committed to providing top-notch innovation and commodities for our residents and improving the quality of life in Saginaw. New Charter is working to close the digital divide and make broadband affordable for low-income residents, something that sets it apart from other companies. New Charter will broaden access to broadband by building upon BHN's broadband program for low-income consumers. New Charter will also enrich BHN's program by raising speeds and expanding eligibility while still offering a discounted price, and expand the program across the New Charter footprint. This level of service will set New Charter apart as a leader in the industry and is what Saginaw residents and businesses deserve.

New Charter will recognize the vital importance of promoting diversity and inclusion strongly rooted in the communities it serves. Additionally, New Charter will expand TWC's commitment to diversity and inclusion in governance, employment practices, procurement, and community partnerships.

I support the Charter and Time Warner Cable transaction because it has the potential to greatly benefit a community like Saginaw. The transaction with Time Warner will enable Charter to become a better company and extend its outreach to many others.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Timothy Morales". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Timothy Morales
City Manager