



DALLAS BLACK CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

RE: MB Docket No. 15-149

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

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

Founded in 1926, the Dallas Black Chamber is the oldest African American chamber with 89 years assisting African American businesses and the Dallas/Fort Worth community. The Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce serves as an advocate for the creation, growth, and general welfare of African American businesses in the Dallas community. The Chamber actively promotes the expansion of business opportunities on behalf of its membership through referrals, partnerships, seminars, technical assistance, and marketing.

I am writing in support of New Charter – the proposed merger of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable and Bright House Networks. Time Warner Cable is known in the industry for their commitment to diversity, particularly when it comes to supplier diversity. This is an issue that is incredibly important to our member companies. Going forward, New Charter will build on that commitment.

Additionally, New Charter will invest in commercial networks, an area of obvious importance to the members of the Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce. This commitment to commercial networks is consistent with its commitment to delivering superior broadband designed for online video and data-hungry apps. And Charter has long practiced network neutrality and consistently invested in interconnection capacity to avoid network congestion.

The Chamber is committed to leading, educating, and advocating in the Dallas business community, making the North Texas region a great place to do business. New Charter will give us the tools to do that, while continuing a commitment to diversity. On behalf of our member businesses, I strongly encourage the FCC to support this merger.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Wilton Munnings". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Wilton Munnings
President and COO
Dallas Black Chamber of Commerce