

# MANSFIELD AREA

C H A M B E R O F C O M M E R C E

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

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

At the Mansfield Chamber of Commerce, we are honored to represent more than 700 members in our vibrant Texas community. Our members bring a variety of interests, needs, and experiences to the organization, and we are dedicated to advocating for issues that are of great importance to them. Telecommunications is an area that impacts businesses of all sizes and industries, and we are pleased to discuss the many benefits of the pending cable broadband company New Charter.

We believe New Charter would offer Mansfield businesses superior services. Combining the best of Charter Communications, Time Warner Cable, and Bright House Networks, New Charter would have the capacity to engage with companies of all needs, including sole proprietors that may operate out of their homes to large corporations. For instance, New Charter's broadband speeds would range from 60 Mbps to 300 Mbps for individual households and go up to 10 Gbps for enterprise businesses. The company would support its speeds through continued upgrades to both commercial and residential networks, including an initial output of a \$2.5 billion investment in the commercial space and a build out of one million residential line extensions. These are significant investments, and illustrate a clear understanding of breadth of consumer demands.

New Charter would supplement its focus on broadband speeds and reliability with investments in the latest innovations. The company would extend full digitization to all customers, including offering Charter's cloud-based guide. It would also invest in in-home and out-of-home WiFi access, deploying 300,000 out-of-home hotspots across its national footprint. In addition, New Charter would support equal access online by committing to network neutrality.

We are focused on the development and growth of our members and community. New Charter would be a great tool in our efforts to propel Mansfield forward, and we urge the commission to approve its merger.

Sincerely,

Lori Williams

President and CEO, Mansfield Chamber of Commerce