



February 9, 2016

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 15-149 and 14-90, Submitting Party – Herring Networks, Inc., dba One America News Network and AWE.

Ex Parte Filing regarding the Application of Charter Communications, Inc. (“Charter”), Time Warner Cable Inc. and Advance / Newhouse Partnership for Consent to Transfer Control of Licenses (15-149) and Authorizations (The Charter - TWC Merger) and Proposed Transfer of Control of DirecTV to AT&T Inc., (14-90).

Dear Chairman Dortch:

On February 9, 2016, Charles Herring, President of Herring Networks, Inc., DBA One America News Network and AWE (fka WealthTV), met with Holly Saurer, Chief of Staff for Commissioner Clyburn and Karl Gerner, Law Clerk for Commissioner Clyburn.

A presentation deck entitled “Anti-Competitive Practices Hindering Independent Programmers & Diversity” was provided to Ms. Saurer and Mr. Gerner. The presentation deck does contain information associated with MB Docket No. 15-149 and 14-90. Note that the presentation deck was not reviewed during the meeting.

Mr. Herring spoke to Ms. Saurer and Mr. Gerner about the numerous challenges faced by independent networks in seeking carriage. Mr. Herring stated that his company experienced retaliation for filing a Carriage Access Complaint and that the process was expensive, lengthy, and hasn’t been successful in providing the relief sought by independents seeking justice.

Mr. Herring stated that independent networks generally offer their services at lower market rates without bundling, as most independent only operate one or a few channels. Mr. Herring stated that he would like to see the Commission thoroughly

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review the challenges experienced by independent networks in seeking carriage and encourages the Commission to consider ways to provide for a more open marketplace.

Respectfully submitted,

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