

December 5, 2015

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

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

In New York's Capital Region, we're fortunate to have great access to the Adirondack Park - one of the nation's greatest parks, world-class universities, leading medical professionals, and a growing technology sector. Access is something we are accustomed to up hear.

There is one thing the Capital Region doesn't have access to and that's a competitive "special-access" broadband market. This lack of access to an open and competitive special-access broadband market leads to unnecessary costs and means we pay more for services that are now the backbone of most businesses and communities.

These "special access" lines are critical components connecting consumers to the Internet, so the control of the majority of these special access lines in the hands of just a couple of companies does not support an open and competitive market. The lack of competition in special access circuits, combined with the critical nature of these lines means that the companies that control them can—and do—charge high fees to the businesses and industries that need them.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has been studying the dynamics of the special access market for the better part of the last decade. It's now time to act. Please do what you can to ensure New York and our nation truly have an open and competitive broadband market.

Sincerely,



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