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Chairman Kevin Martin
Commissioner Kathleen Q. Abernathy
Commissioner Michael Copps
Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., SW
Washington, DC 20554

re: MB Docket Number 05-192

Dear Chairman Martin and Commissioners Abernathy, Copps and Adelstein:

I write on behalf of the National Black Chamber of Commerce, Inc. in support of the pending joint acquisition of Adelphia cable systems by Comcast Corporation and Time Warner Inc.

Incorporated in 1993, the National Black Chamber of Commerce now represents over 100,000 Black owned businesses in the United States and abroad. We are dedicated to economically empowering and sustaining African American communities through entrepreneurship and capitalistic activity and via interaction with the Black Diaspora.

We are optimistic that the approval of the transaction will be a boon to the local economies and small businesses in and around the communities impacted by the merger. By taking the Adelphia systems out of bankruptcy, jobs will be saved and placed under the operation of two of the nation's most stable, respected, and technologically-advanced cable operators.

The transaction would create opportunities for the new entity to streamline business processes, allowing it to further invest in system upgrades. In just the last two years, Comcast has invested \$8 billion in capital investments and has made a collective pledge with Time Warner to spend hundreds of millions of dollars upgrading Adelphia's cable system. Undoubtedly, this will

lead to opportunities for small businesses to competitively bid for subcontracts.

Furthermore, by upgrading the existing infrastructure to a more state of the art network, the acquisition will help create the most advanced digital services available. This, in turn, is critical to many minority and small businesses that depend on high speed networks.

Finally, because the agreements do not involve the acquisition of any broadcast interests or local program services, the transactions will have no detrimental impact on local media diversity.

It is our judgment that this transaction is beneficial to African American and other minority owned businesses, small businesses in general and the affected communities as a whole. It is our sincere hope that the FCC supports this acquisition.

Sincerely,

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