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

Re: MB Docket Number 05-192

Dear Chairman Martin and Commissioners Abernathy, Copps, and Adelstein:

On behalf of the Westwood Development Corporation, I am writing to express my strong support for the joint acquisition of Adelphia cable systems by Comcast Corp. and Time Warner Inc.

The Westwood Community Development Corporation is an experienced non-profit minority business enterprise dedicated to community development. Our mission is to build the community through three avenues: “brick and mortar” economic development in low income neighborhoods, education development of the mind and spiritual development of the soul. Our organization has built and rehabbed homes for affordable housing programs, created after school programs for children, opened a technology center to assist individuals that are victim to the digital divide and connected churches throughout the communities.

Comcast is the local cable company in the Chicago area and has done numerous things to assist people and children in many of Chicago’s low-income communities. Through its participation in the Cable in the Classroom program, Comcast has provided free cable and internet access to thousands of schools as well as libraries and community centers around the country. This along with its commitment to providing cable access to all areas of Chicago, not just the affluent, shows that Comcast is dedicated to

eliminating the digital divide by offering advanced communication services to those areas which otherwise might be overlooked.

In addition, Comcast is committed to spending millions of dollars to upgrade the outdated Adelphia cable system, providing their customers with a much better service. Here in Chicago, Comcast offers a wide selection of programming choices geared to African Americans and Hispanics, as well as a bevy of educational and local programming options. In fact, the company recently came to Chicago to film a concert by gospel singer Yolanda Adams to be shown on their "On Demand" line up later this year. These sorts of program offerings are a welcome attraction to many low to middle-income people who otherwise could not afford to attend live events.

For these and other reasons I strongly encourage the FCC to approve this acquisition in a timely manner.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "W. H. Samuels". The signature is written in black ink on a white background.

Reverend Dr. William H. Samuels  
President