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Chairman Julius Genachowski,
Commissioner Meredith Attwell Baker,
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Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
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RE: Broadband industry Practices (WC Docket No 07-52)

Dear Chairman Genachowski and Commissioners:

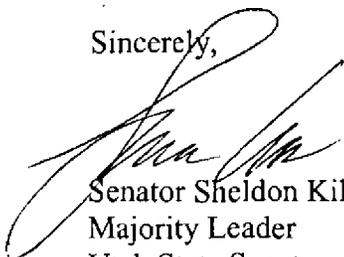
I am writing to urge you to do all you can to encourage Internet and wireless companies to continue investing and building out broadband networks – a stated goal of the Obama Administration that is supported by many Utahns. I strongly urge you not to adopt net neutrality regulations on the Internet, because we must rely on continued local investment from private industry in order to achieve broadband access for all. More federal regulation only threatens to reduce continued investment in this critical infrastructure.

We expect it will require billions more in investment to ensure that networks can handle the inevitable demand. In the past several years, Utahns have grown to appreciate and expect access to the wireless network and the latest technology to access that network. The demand on the network will only continue to rise and we must look to our partners in industry to meet the demands of that growth. Imposing burdensome regulation on an industry that all of us have come to depend on – both for technology and local investment – is counterproductive to economic growth and prosperity. There is no doubt that reduced local investment in the network would hurt our state's economy and consumers themselves.

Internet and wireless providers have invested heavily and are competing against one another to meet public demand for new services and technology. I urge you to let companies keep investing and let the consumer regulate the marketplace. That approach is working exceptionally well now and is the best approach moving forward.

I appreciate your consideration.

Sincerely,



Senator Sheldon Killpack
Majority Leader
Utah State Senate



Representative Kevin Garn
Majority Leader
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