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RE: Broadband Industry Practices (WC Docket No. 07-52)

Dear Commissioners:

As the Attorney General for the State of Oklahoma, my office is responsible for representing the interests of Oklahoma consumers. Thus, I have been watching with great interest the recent discussions regarding Net Neutrality, and the FCC's apparent course of action to codify its existing open Internet principles. I am sure that we would all agree that open access to legal content on the Internet without unreasonable discrimination is not only a must for consumers, but is key to the continued investment and innovation that we have seen driven by the growth of the Internet and Web based services. The issue is to insure that any activity to protect consumers' open access does not negatively impact the investment, innovation, job creation and economic growth that we have seen under the current environment.

The Internet and wireless marketplace are among the few industries to flourish in spite of these dark economic times. In Oklahoma, we have seen significant investment from both wireline and wireless communications providers despite the current economic difficulties. This investment is driving economic growth, creating jobs, and expanding the availability and affordability of new products and services for our citizens. The wireless revolution and breath-taking growth of the Internet have been made possible by innovation and investment, which has flourished freely in Oklahoma without burdensome government interference.

It is important that as you move forward with your proposed rulemaking, that you avoid imposing any undue regulation that would curtail crucial economic investment which is driving innovation, creating jobs, expanding availability of new technology and bettering the lives of our citizens.

I appreciate the FCC's decision to investigate this important topic, and for the opportunity to share my views on this matter.

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