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MAYOR NUTTER, FIFTY-ONE U.S. MAYORS WRITE IN SUPPORT OF COMCAST – TIME WARNER CABLE
MERGER

Philadelphia, August 21, 2014 – Mayor Michael A. Nutter and fifty-one other mayors from across the United States sent a letter to the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) supporting the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable. In the letter, the mayors detailed potential benefits of the transaction, including increased network investment, faster internet speeds, improved video options and more jobs.

“As Mayor of the city in which Comcast is headquartered, I proudly and enthusiastically support this business transaction because Comcast has always been a great corporate citizen in Philadelphia, and I thank my fellow mayors for joining me in supporting this crucial transaction,” said Mayor Nutter. “The merger of Time Warner Cable and Comcast will lead to improved services and increased investment in existing Comcast markets. Cities joining the Comcast service area will benefit from the expertise the company brings in delivering high-quality, reliable products and from its commitment to increased digital literacy.”

Comcast's Internet Essentials program is an industry-leading model designed to address this challenge and has already increased residential internet access by 1.4 million homes. Expanded broadband adoption and increased digital literacy in the workforce will ultimately benefit the regional economies of the cities served by Comcast and more broadly, the entire U.S. economy.

The mayors' letter to the FCC is attached.

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August 21, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Every American, rich or poor, urban or rural, deserves economic opportunity. It is my duty as the State Senator for five rural counties here in South Carolina to empower my constituents to take on the future challenges and opportunities that face our community. We are currently covered by Time Warner, but will be covered by Comcast if the transaction is approved. The proposed Comcast-Time Warner Cable transaction presents a perfect chance to positively position my district and our country for whatever lies ahead.

It is no secret - knowledge is power. And in the 21st century, state-of-the-art Internet technology gives people access to knowledge of the entire world. That sort of access is often costly and unreachable for the rural areas I represent. The Comcast Internet Essentials program offers unparalleled Internet to low-income families, in addition to discounted computers and free training programs. If the transaction is approved, this program would broaden the horizons of my constituents to take into the whole world. Families and young people would get access to the technology link they need to thrive in our economy, no matter where they live or how much they make. Approval of the transaction will make this proposed link a daily reality.

Comcast employs 388 full-time workers in our state, which translates into \$24 million in pay, benefits, tuition reimbursements and employee training. In 2013, it contributed more than \$500,000 in donations and volunteering. South Carolina benefits from Comcast's presence.

I respectfully ask for your support and approval of this transaction. This transaction will provide substantial opportunities that will help to bring many Americans forward in communities across South Carolina and our country to face a more prosperous and equitable future, together.

Sincerely,

/s/ Kent Williams
Kent Williams
SC Senate District 30
Serving Marion, Dillon, Florence,
Marlboro and Horry Counties

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

In my decades of experience in public service, beginning as a Ward Leader in my hometown of Philadelphia now serving as a Representative in the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, I have had the opportunity to partner with dozens of companies and organizations in efforts to improve my community. No partnership has been more fruitful than our connection with the people of Comcast. Based on my years of experience working with this faithful, generous company, I pledge my full support for the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction.

As a representative of Pennsylvania's 180th District, I serve a minority community with limited resources. As one of just two Hispanic legislators in the state, I feel it is my duty to promote the needs of our state's more than 780,000 Latinos. This has led me to become an active member of the National Hispanic Caucus of State Legislators (NHCSL). The NHCSL provides technical assistance and resources that will help legislators propose legislation and administrative actions to achieve a better quality of life. Our efforts focus on advancements in education, healthcare, housing, economic development, criminal justice, and employment and job training for the Hispanic community. Since Comcast became Chair of our Business Board of Advisors, we have been able to bring a fresh approach to building public/private partnerships with business and labor.

Between cable, broadband and digital voice service, Comcasts capital investments in my state since 1996 total more than \$8 billion - \$2.4 billion of that came in 2013 alone. It provides jobs for almost 12,000 Pennsylvania residents. Comcast and NBCUniversal contributions also come in the form of considerable donations, volunteer work, scholarships, public service messages and programming for our students and other groups.

Comcast is also one of the preeminent companies to uniquely understand the value of my community and constituents, and to provide them critical opportunities. Through Comcast's Internet Essentials program, many of the most in-need students and their families can access essential computer and internet training. Free programming at community centers focused on digital literacy is also a benefit of Internet Essentials, which allows Spanish-speaking residents of our City to obtain the tools necessary to learn English, acquire job training skills, and help their children keep up with their studies. Without the support of Comcast's technicians and patient instructors, the youth and adults in my district would face a future of disadvantage.

Comcast is a company that understands the needs of its customers and constantly works to promote diversity in its corporate structure. I am proud to work with the group through NHCSL and on other legislative priorities that continue to have a major impact on the Hispanic community. Without Comcast, many of our neediest residents would continue to lack the basic resources to compete with their peers in the race towards a greater economic future. It is time to grant many more Americans the chance to access what this civic-minded company has to offer by approving the Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction.

Sincerely,

/s/ Angel Cruz
Representative Angel Cruz
District 180 - Philadelphia County
Commonwealth of Pennsylvania

AC/cc

August 18, 2014

Dear Chairman Wheeler:
Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

I am writing to the Commission today to speak to the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction. As a state senator in the Tennessee General Assembly, I come from a family with a long history of holding office in the community of Knoxville and beyond. And as the executive director for a Knoxville nonprofit, I serve mentally challenged and disabled individuals.

In both of these roles, I have become acquainted with and impressed by Comcast's company activities. The way that the company operates as a business and the manner in which it gives back to community are both exemplary. I would like to urge you to approve the proposed transaction.

Comcast has been a leader in developing products for Persons With Disabilities, such as the ground-breaking talking TV cable interface it debuted last year, its Smart Home products, and its customer service for those with disabilities.

Disability advocacy agencies have noted Comcast's trend-setting hiring practices that are inclusive of the disabled. The company made "Careers & the disABLED Magazine's" Top 50 Employers List in 2014 for the fourth straight year.

As someone who is married to a software developer, I am cognizant of the impact that Comcast's digital innovations have. It offers the industry's fastest expandable business Ethernet network. It brings creativity and accommodation to cable and video users. Its newest Xi platform allows entertainment content to be accessed instantly. Comcast programming runs the gamut and incorporates many independent minority-owned networks, Spanish language channels and endless On Demand options.

Tennessee is very involved in job recruitment efforts and developing a skilled workforce. Here again, Comcast has been a willing and able partner by offering free technology training, serving as a digital liaison between individuals and community groups, and awarding annual academic scholarships to local high school graduates. It also offers broadband service to the economically disadvantaged at a discount so that schoolchildren are able to access the Internet and develop the digital skills they will need for college and careers. The combined power of these programs, Digital Connectors and Internet Essentials, reaches millions nationwide. Already, more than 1.4 million individuals have connected to the power of home internet via the Essentials program. Many more could become eligible.

The many benefits Knoxville and Tennessee have enjoyed through an association with Comcast should be extended to other cities and states. Comcast is the kind of corporate partner that many more communities would welcome.

Respectfully,

/s/ Becky D. Massey
Senator Becky Duncan Massey
State Senator, 6th Senatorial District

August 20, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
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Dear Chairman Wheeler and Commissioners:

As the Majority Leader for the Georgia House of Representatives and more importantly the representative for the 146th House District, I take the business of our state extremely seriously and enjoy hearing good news about good companies that operate in it. Thus, when I heard of the growth opportunities for Comcast and its local employees and our state, I was thrilled.

While the people of my district do not have access to the services of Comcast, I am aware of what the company offers, both in programming and community investment, in other parts of the state, including its capital city of Atlanta where I have a temporary residence during the legislative session. It is my privilege to support the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable.

I understand that in the last 20 years, Comcast has made broad investments in our state's infrastructure, totaling \$4 billion. The company is also a great employer in our state for some 4,000 Georgians and is always looking at ways to support the economic engine with high paying technology salaries. The company has also made significant efforts to narrow the digital divide in Georgia by providing low-cost, high-speed Internet to underserved children and families through the Internet Essentials program. This program has been operational since 2011 and is already achieving results for many Georgians. If the proposed transaction is approved, Comcast will extend this program to many more.

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Georgia needs more programs like this that are focused on the success and advancement of our young people and I believe, like other state leaders, that education is the great equalizer. In addition to digital adoption, Comcast is a community partner, rooted in many regions of the state, and performing works of charity and volunteer service. In fact, thousands of Comcast employees and volunteers participate every year in what they call Comcast Cares Day at multiple sites where they can roll up their sleeves and give back in a big way to Georgia. While Comcast Cares Day is one of the largest days of volunteerism in the country, the philanthropic arm of the company is active year-round.

Finally, Comcast not only employs thousands of Georgians, it ensures that they have access to health benefits and tuition reimbursements so they can better themselves and this increases the economic prosperity of the state. The company is a leader in the corporate arena, and more businesses should follow its example. I support the proposed transaction to unite Comcast and Time Warner Cable and urge you to do the same.

Sincerely,

/s/ Larry O'Neal

Larry O'Neal

House Majority Leader

Georgia House of Representatives

August 19, 2014

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

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

My name is Brenda Gilmore. Since 2007 I've represented Tennessee's 54th district in the Tennessee General Assembly. I am the former president of C.A.B.L.E - Tennessee's largest and most established network of diverse professionals connecting women and opportunity - and proudly hold membership of the executive board, National Caucus of Environmental Legislators (NCEL), chair elect of the Women's network of National Conference of State Legislators (NCSL), member of the executive National Black Caucus of State Legislators (NBCSL) and member of National Organization of Black Elected Legislative Women (NOBEL Women).

I write you today to express my support and enthusiasm for the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable. In my time as a state legislator and member of the above organizations, I can personally attest to Comcast's commitment to good jobs and economic growth, promotion of diversity and inclusion in the workplace and our communities, and efforts to bridge the digital divide in Tennessee.

Comcast has been a vital source of employment in the state of Tennessee. The company accounts for approximately 3,000 full-time jobs here, providing solid health care benefits and on-the-job training to our residents. Comcast has also been a vital investor in our state's economy as well; since 1996, Comcast has invested over \$2 billion in technology and infrastructure to benefit our state, its businesses and consumers. It owns and operates 131 properties here; including three call centers, and in 2013 generated around \$128 million in annual state and local tax revenues. The way I see it, if the proposed transaction with Time Warner is approved, Comcast's new scale will allow it to generate new economic opportunity on top of what it has already made possible.

One of the main issues that I've concerned myself with in my career has been the advancement of women, low-income families, and people of color on the national, state, and local level. Comcast has proven its commitment to such advancement. By year's end in 2013, people of color accounted for 40% of Comcast's full-time employees. Diversity exists at all levels of the company; 25% of management is people of color.

Leveraging technology is another key issue for the advancement of people of color. In 2010 the Comcast Foundation made a \$50,000 grant to the NBCSL to form the NBCSL/Comcast Broadband Legislative Fellowship, in order to increase efforts to conduct research and develop solutions regarding broadband adoption among African Americans, a worthy cause in my estimation.

After joining with NBC Universal in 2011, Comcast made several commitments to increasing minority participation in the media and communications landscape. To date, I understand that they have created four new minority owned cable networks; DreamIT, a venture capital fund focused on minorities and women; and- perhaps most importantly - Internet Essentials, a program for low-income families and communities that have had limited access to broadband. Though Internet Essentials was only intended to run for three years, Comcast recently decided to extend the program indefinitely.

Comcast's track record of investment, of honoring commitments, and of bettering communities leads me to believe that only more good things can come from its continued success as an American business and community leader. I therefore support the transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable, and hope your Commission does the same.

Sincerely,

/s/ Brenda Gilmore
Rep. Brenda Gilmore
Tennessee General Assembly, 54th District

August 18, 2014

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

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

I am writing in support of the proposed Comcast/ Time Warner Cable (TWC) transaction. As Representative of the 23rd District in Kansas City, Missouri, I see the digital divide between the privileged and the underprivileged has steadily increased over the last few years. Our more affluent neighborhoods have modern technology in school classrooms and nearly 100% broadband access in homes. The less fortunate continue to lag behind with schools that struggle for basic resources and families that cannot afford a computer or internet subscription. Given the opportunities that broadband access offers to students and families, the digital divide is unacceptable as a matter of public policy to all our residents.

Tackling such an important goal like the digital divide will require the creativity and generosity of the private sector combined with the leadership and resources of the public sector. Comcast came to the same conclusion in 2011, when it began to develop a program in conjunction with major U.S. cities to make a significant impact in low-income schools and communities. The Internet Essentials Program provides low-cost broadband service, full-service computers for under \$150 and options for free digital literacy training in local community centers and schools. The program is currently offered to families in Comcast service areas with children who qualify for free or reduced-price school lunches. Thousands of families in my community qualify if Comcast were to serve the 23rd District of Kansas City, Missouri.

Comcast is committed to improving the lives in the communities they serve. It is in the best interest of the community for the FCC to vote in favor of the proposed Comcast/TWC transaction as soon as possible.

Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call my office at (573) 751-0538.

Respectfully,

/s/ Randy D. Dunn
Representative Randy D. Dunn
District 23

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August 19, 2014

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

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

I am writing to highlight some of Comcast's investments in Maryland. Comcast has invested aggressively in infrastructure throughout our state. In addition to employing almost 4,000 Marylanders, the company invests in Maryland community partnerships, charitable organizations, and scholarships for our youth. More than 2,500 individuals participate in our state's Comcast Cares Day, the corporation's banner day of community service.

I wanted to draw particular attention to the strides the company has made in serving our neediest citizens through the Internet Essentials program. This program provides premier broadband access for only about \$10 a month to families whose children qualify for the National School Lunch Program. In Maryland, almost 7,500 households have taken advantage of this program.

I appreciate your willingness to consider the work Comcast has done in Maryland to enrich the lives of citizens in our State.

Sincerely,

/s/ Martin O'Malley
Governor

August 12, 2014

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

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

As a long serving legislator in both the House and Senate, and as a current member of the Florida Senate Communications, Energy and Public Utilities Committee, I have seen the technology shift in our great state. Our citizens are benefitting, but more work needs to be done which is why I am writing today, to strongly encourage your approval of Comcast's proposed merger with Time Warner Cable.

Comcast has demonstrated clear understanding of the needs and issues facing our communities including in my home district of Jacksonville. Last year in Florida, I understand that Comcast spent over \$2.6 billion investing in its infrastructure, employees and our communities. This considerable investment is in addition to the other benefits to the community that the company undertakes, such as Comcast Cares Day where over 5,000 Comcasters in Florida give their time to rebuild schools, clean up parks, and beautify the community. An event in which I have had the opportunity participate.

For years, I have been a proponent of economic and workforce development championing the rebuilding of our communities hit hard by foreclosures, transportation, especially for seniors and the disabled, and the continuum of education particularly pre-K through 12. All of these issues which I continue to fight for, can benefit and be directly tied to affordable access to some type of technology. With access to low-cost internet through Comcast's Internet Essentials program which provides home internet service at an affordable rate to those who qualify, looking for employment or avenues to increase skill set will be as easy as turning on the television, students of all ages and parents will have better access to teachers and lesson plans, and transportation can be arranged with a click instead of a long waiting call.

In Jacksonville, nearly 22,000 households are eligible for Internet Essentials. I can only imagine how many families there are across the country who would be eligible for this program. If the proposed transaction were to be approved, countless more families could have the opportunity to enroll in the Internet Essentials program, thus opening doors to knowledge, education and opportunity.

Chairman Wheeler, I speak not only for my constituents, but the many others who will benefit from a Comcast and Time Warner Cable union. I ask you and your fellow Commissioners to favorably approve this transaction.

Sincerely,

/s/ Audrey Gibson

Audrey Gibson, State Senator District 9

August 18, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Michael O'Reilly
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

I currently serve as Mayor in the City of Loves Park, Illinois, located about 80 miles northwest of Chicago with a population of around 24,000 people. I write you today because I have heard that the Federal Communications Commission is reviewing comments on the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable. I would like to take this opportunity to voice my full support for this transaction. As a longtime resident and public servant in Loves Park, which is a Comcast-served market, I can personally speak to Comcast's commitment to our communities and positive economic impact.

Comcast is a strong supporter of good jobs in Illinois, and it has been a consistent partner in supporting and positively impacting economic growth on both the state and local level. I have read that the company employs nearly 7,000 full-time workers in Illinois. The company owns and operates over 160 properties in the state, including a service center that is in close proximity to Loves Park and employs many of our residents.

Comcast has proven itself to be a committed partner in our local community, with several service programs that get our residents involved in positive activities that really make a difference. On April 26 of this year, for instance, Loves Park hosted our very own Comcast Cares Day, which is the nation's largest single-day corporate volunteer effort.

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The event was a terrific success, as volunteers from Comcast and from our community joined together at various local sites, beautifying our neighborhoods and benefitting the Northern Illinois Food Pantry.

One of the most important reasons that I support the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable is because I know that Comcast follows through on its commitments. I could point to several examples, but I'll focus on one: Comcast's Internet Essentials Program. Comcast has been at the forefront of bridging the digital divide and devoting resources to ensure broadband adoption for low-income families who can't afford Internet access at home. Internet Essentials - launched in 2011 as a three-year experiment to promote digital literacy- provides affordable broadband Internet access to low-income families with children that qualify for free or price-reduced lunches under the National School Lunch Program. Comcast was under no obligation to extend this program after its initial three years, but it recently volunteered to do so indefinitely. I hear that Comcast has connected over 1.4 million Americans to the Internet. In the Rockford area, which includes Loves Park, Comcast has seen the number of connected low-income households jump from 171 in the first year to over 1,000 this past year.

I am very excited by the opportunities and commitments that Comcast has brought to Loves Park. But other areas of the country not currently within Comcast's footprint do not have the same access and opportunities provided by Comcast's economic investments, community involvement and digital literacy programs. If you approve the proposed transaction, Comcast will be able to bring the Internet to millions of new families.

I hope you will approve this transaction. Thank you for your consideration.

/s/ Darryl F. Lindberg
Darryl F. Lindberg
Mayor of Loves Park, Illinois

August 20, 2014

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

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

In my time as Mayor of Nashua, NH. I have sought new ways to motivate and engage my fellow residents in our shared civic life, be it through volunteerism, serving on official boards and commissions or simply taking on active role in community development. As a corporate "resident," Comcast has been a leader in finding new ways to assist. I'd like to take a moment to share some of that experience as you consider approval of the company's merger with Time Warner Cable.

Comcast organizes one of the largest single-day volunteer events in Nashua each April - Comcast Cares Day - in which nearly every employee ventures out into the community to put in a day of service. This year, we collaborated on projects at The Nashua Boys and Girls Club, the Humane Society of Greater Nashua and Girls Incorporated. Comcast Cares Day engages not just Comcast employees but many of our major institutions — schools, libraries, parks — and their staff. It's a true community-wide event and sets a great tone for the spring and summer months.

Year-round, Comcast engages in meaningful projects centered around youth engagement, working with groups like the Boys & Girls Club, Big Brothers Big Sisters and Girls, Inc. These projects range from mentorship opportunities to training programs for technical and computer skills. This commitment to helping Nashua's next generation is incredibly valuable to us and speaks volumes about Comcast's corporate values.

As you weigh the costs and benefits of this proposed merger, please know that the cities and towns that stand to benefit from Comcast's entry into their communities will have the opportunity to work with a company that takes its civic responsibilities seriously and puts the full weight of the company behind reaching their goals.

Sincerely,

/s/ Donnalee Lozeau
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Tom Wheeler, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

I am the Chairman of the Board of Supervisors in Northampton Township, Bucks County, Pennsylvania. I am writing to express my support for the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction, and to ask you to please approve the proposal.

Comcast has been a very important corporate member of our Commonwealth through the economically unstable times of recent years. The company supplies jobs along with supporting community activities. Many of our local citizens work for Comcast and enjoy its excellent service.

Comcast has invested billions of dollars here in Pennsylvania and around the United States in networks and technology that are world-class. The services the company offers puts it at the top of the industry. It is always a step ahead with efforts like its switch to all digital video services, and apps that allow customers to live stream video content anytime, anywhere. Comcast keeps up with changing audiences, too. As our country has become more diverse, Comcast has added new, independent and minority programming to its line-up, such as Spanish language networks like mun2 and El Rey.

We admire the standards Comcast has set for hiring employees from all backgrounds, including those with disabilities. In fact, a very tangible example of Comcast's commitment to those with disabilities can be found right in Northampton Township. One of our parks is home to the area's only baseball field and soccer field that can accommodate children and teens with physical and mental challenges. Kids from all over Bucks County, where we are located, come to the fields built by The Miracle League with help from Comcast and other businesses. Their wheelchairs and walkers are no impediment as they hit the ball and round the bases on a special rubberized surface. Last year, our Miracle League was chosen for a prestigious Service Group Award from the Pennsylvania Recreation and Park Society Inc., as a result of the fields it built here. These fields could not have been built without the financial and volunteer assistance to create this wonderful addition to our township.

Many nonprofits in the Northampton Township community are better for Comcast's involvement. We see Comcast workers out every spring during their Comcast Cares Day, where they go around to various nonprofit groups, churches, food pantries, day care centers and so forth. They paint, clean, stock pantries and complete whatever needs to be done.

We didn't see these charitable commitments or our Comcast service suffer with the acquisition of NBC Universal a few years ago. In fact, we have seen more opportunities come along as a result. A great new service, for example, is designed for those who haven't been able to afford to pay for Internet. Families who qualify can get Internet service for only \$10 a month. With the inclusion of the Internet in our school curriculum, this service enables all of our students to have access to the Internet.

I firmly believe that the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction will follow the same pattern, bringing more good things, economic and humanitarian, to communities. Please support this transaction.

Thank you for your attention to this important matter.

Very truly yours,

Eileen Silver
Chairman, Board of Supervisor

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly

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

August 21, 2014

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Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

As a Fremont City Councilmember, I represent a growing community of over 220,000 Californians. I also serve as President of the Asian Pacific American Municipal Officials Constituency Group of the National League of Cities (NLC) and Co-Chair of the Asian Pacific Caucus of the League of California Cities.

I am writing to urge you to approve the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable.

Comcast has been an ally for families in Fremont and around California, most specifically with the Internet Essentials program. The innovative effort to close the "digital divide" boosts online literacy among families who need it most - those with children eligible for the National School Lunch Program. Those families receive internet access for less than \$10 per month, a savings of hundreds over the course of a year. Over 12,000 of families across the San Francisco-Oakland-Fremont metropolitan area have already enrolled.

Many of my NLC colleagues who represent areas served by Comcast have similar experiences with Internet Essentials. The proposed transaction will allow the program to take root in even more cities and towns - particularly in southern California, where many households are served by Time Warner Cable.

I have also been impressed by Comcast's commitment to diversity. The company is a national leader in engaging with the Asian/Pacific Islander community - not just through membership in organizations and chambers of commerce - but by hiring API employees and contracting with API vendors. Comcast truly works on diversity within the company; I understand that the number of people of color in VP positions or higher has grown by more than 30% since Comcast acquired NBCUniversal.

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

Re: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

Please accept my testimony in support of the cable television transfer application which has been filed by Time Warner Cable and Comcast Corporation in the State of Hawai'i.

Oceanic Time Warner Cable (OTWC) has been a responsible partner in providing reliable, affordable and accessible cable television access for residents of Kaua'i. OTWC is also a generous supporter of numerous community events and charitable causes.

Recently, I had the opportunity to meet with representatives from Comcast Corporation and I feel confident that, should the transfer be approved, they will continue to serve our community in a consistent and responsible manner.

Mahalo nui loa for your consideration.

Best regards,

/s/ Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr.
Bernard P. Carvalho, Jr.
Mayor, County of Kaua'i

August 20, 2014

Mr. Tom Wheeler, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., SW
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Dear Chairman Wheeler:

Throughout my tenure as an elected official in Pennsylvania - two terms as Mayor of Steelton and now in my third term as Dauphin County Commissioner - I've been privileged to partner with Comcast on many fronts to make Central Pennsylvania a better place to live. As lead commissioner for our county's Human Service agencies, Comcast has been a tremendous partner in our work to level the playing field for the economically disadvantaged. Hundreds of Dauphin County families most in need now have affordable home-based access to the riches of the web through the Internet Essentials program.

In Harrisburg, I was pleased to take part in the recent opening ceremonies of a new Comcast customer support center which created more than 600 new jobs. Harrisburg is an ethnically diverse city and it is gratifying to know that Comcast practices inclusive hiring policies that make it an employer of choice for minorities and persons with disabilities, as well as for veterans and women. These workers are provided with health care benefits - so crucial in today's economic environment - and tuition assistance, which is enhancing the education of our county residents.

And I give Comcast highest marks for engendering a spirit of community involvement among their employees - not only on Comcast Cares Day, but every day of the year as individuals who are encouraged to get involved and make their home communities better places to live.

Counties rely on good corporate citizens like Comcast. Should the Comcast-Time Warner transaction receive the necessary approvals, my counterparts throughout the United States will soon learn what my Pennsylvania colleagues already know - that Comcast is more than an excellent telecommunications provider, but also a company that knows the importance of partnership to make our communities more vibrant and better positioned for excellence.

Please consider my unqualified support for the proposal before you.

Sincerely,

/s/ George P. Hartwick, III
George P. Hartwick, III
Dauphin County Commissioner
Harrisburg, PA

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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler and Commissioners:

The City of Texas City has been served by Comcast cable services for many years. We feel, technology wise, they are leaders in this area . We see no downside to their merger with Time Warner since they cannot compete in the same markets anyway. Strengthening cable services through this merger may in fact increase competition for video services as well as data and telecommunications since cable systems are a smaller part of that arena than they were 10 years ago.

Cable systems are the only video service systems that provide a direct local P.E.G. channel. The City of Texas City relies on this channel for providing useful and critical information to its residents. We know this technology is possible for satellite and other systems to provide the same P.E.G. channels. If the other video and data service providers do not have to provide P.E.G. channels, then we need to keep the cable channels strong enough to compete. The merger would aid in this. Please look favorably on the merger.

Sincerely,

/s/ Matthew T. Doyle
Matthew T. Doyle
Mayor

August 20, 2014

Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

Comcast's presence in Boston, Massachusetts has been most advantageous for the city. I believe New York would similarly benefit from the variety of good Comcast brings to the communities it serves. I encourage the Federal Communications Commission to consider these comments as it reviews the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction.

One of my tasks as a Boston City Councilor is to oversee the city's public education program and bring fresh, innovative ideas to the table to counteract a lack of public financing options. One of the best options available to us is Comcast's Internet Essentials program. Having affordable broadband access and computers in the home is so important for many low-income families who would otherwise lag behind. This program, which offers low-cost internet, computers, and free digital training services at local community centers, has helped to level the playing field across our education system. Bridging "gaps" via partnership is a Comcast trademark, and I look forward to doing what I can to ensure the continued success and growth of Internet Essentials in Boston.

As a lifelong resident of Boston I have witnessed the positive impact that Comcast's Community Investment Programs have had on our neighborhoods. Through events such as Comcast Cares Day, local Comcast employees help to brighten our local community centers and schools.

Through long-term partnerships with the United Way and Big Brothers Big Sisters, Comcast has reinvigorated local youth centers and fostered new relationships throughout Boston's non-profit world. One contribution that is especially unique and appreciated in our city is Comcast's participation in local St. Patrick's Day festivities. Each year, Comcast has provided media, family-friendly activities, and, for the last few years, has broadcast the St. Patrick's Day Parade across the world via NECN. Their efforts to recognize the importance of Boston's culture and traditions have not gone unnoticed or unappreciated.

New York residents deserve better choices in their cable and broadband providers, and I can vouch for Comcast as a top tier choice.

I hope the FCC takes note of Boston's experience and approves the proposed TWC/Comcast transaction.

Sincerely,

/s/ Michael F. Flaherty
Michael F. Flaherty
Boston City Councilor At-Large

August 19, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

I serve as Chairman of the Board of Aldermen in Manchester, New Hampshire, which routinely appears on lists of best cities in which to live and operate a business. The Equality of Opportunity Project last year ranked Manchester as the seventh best metropolitan area in the nation in terms of upward income mobility. That status is the result of fruitful partnerships with businesses and organizations in the city. A major partner here is Comcast. It is one of the largest employers in Manchester and an able and willing collaborator on city projects.

Comcast contributes significantly to the city and state economy, having spent many millions on its operations and community donations in New Hampshire last year. Comcast operations resulted in an injection of more than \$26 million in taxes and fees to local and state treasuries. Comcast is a national leader in digital technology with its broadband and video services. The company also makes a powerful impact in the social services arena, improving lives of the less fortunate in our city of just over 110,000 residents. With these considerations in mind, I respectfully request that the Commission approve the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction. I believe there would be measurable benefits for many.

Among other appointments, I serve as an alderman on the Community Improvement Committee for the city and the Special Committee on Alcohol & Other Drugs. I interact with innumerable businesses and their representatives as a result, and I see how Comcast is committed to and involved in such life-changing projects here as "City Year." Each year since 2000, AmeriCorps volunteers come to Manchester through City Year and work in classrooms in our poorest schools, coaching children and leading activities. I understand that Comcast has donated millions to City Year programs in the U.S., through cash and free airtime to promote the program. Students' performance has certainly increased, with 97 percent of third-through-fifth grade students in six Manchester elementary schools improving their raw literacy score through the program.

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That's an impact Comcast has made through just one program here. It also is a significant donor to New Hampshire Families in Transition (FIT), which has, for 22 years, supplied safe and affordable housing as well as extensive social services to the homeless and those at risk of becoming homeless.

Comcast has consistently supplied us with fast Internet and a myriad of improving technology. It has stepped up when city projects were in need of assistance. We've come to expect community engagement from Comcast and I know that it would operate the same in any city in which it operated.

Please extend this potential for strong corporate-community partnership to new regions by approving the proposed transaction.

Sincerely.

/s/ Daniel O'Neil
Daniel O'Neil
At-Large Alderman

Comcast is a longtime and supportive business partner in the Allegheny County, the Township of South Park, where I serve as Chairman of the Board of Supervisors. I would like to express support for the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction.

Over the years, I have interacted routinely with officials in the company and witnessed Comcast employees' efforts to contribute to and beautify our community. There are many examples of how Comcast adds to our community.

South Park is nearby Pittsburgh and I've seen the broad and positive impact that Comcast has had in improving technology-training opportunities for disadvantaged youth and in getting more low-income families connected to the Internet. Specifically, Comcast's Internet Essentials program, now in its fourth year, has made important strides in bringing Internet service to children whose families previously couldn't afford it. Times have changed in terms of how our children access information and complete school assignments. Having a home Internet connection is crucial. Comcast supplies this for about \$10 a month along with free computer training so parents can be as technologically adept as their children.

Through my work as Chairman of the Friends of South Park, the Allegheny County Park, a citizen's advocacy group, I have seen the huge efforts made by Comcast employees on Comcast Cares Days. This past April, workers and their families led a volunteer, Great Spring Clean-Up of the Park event. They raked, cleaned and hauled brush and trash to prepare the park for our Girl Scouts' camp season. They made an enormous difference and the project couldn't have been achieved without their generous help.

Comcast is a perpetual sponsor of community activities and it funds many programs that help area nonprofits. I remember that when the company acquired NBC Universal, it promised that these community contributions would continue and that cable and Internet service would be enhanced. Well, I can say that has indeed been the case. I am convinced the same will be true with the current proposed transaction. I hope the Commission will approve the proposal.

August 20, 2014

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

Re: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

As mayor of Bellwood, Illinois and a former retired educator, I understand the true impact and importance of education. Education equality is vital for creating informed citizens, fostering ideas and creating growth in our communities. In our increasingly digital lives, computer technology is necessary to educational success. With the help of Comcast, Bellwood has been able to provide safe learning spaces to our children to ensure that they have the tools they need to succeed. I personally support the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner cable because I am grateful for the opportunities it has provided our community and would like to see those opportunities expand to more communities.

Since becoming mayor of Bellwood, I have worked to facilitate new and brighter ways of learning and engaging students. Comcast was a major partner for our Teen Zone, which is a state-of-the-art, first-of-its-kind lab equipped with desktop computers, Internet and TV services. Here teenagers can work, study or socialize with friends. The Teen Zone has been hugely successful, providing teenagers a productive and safe space to escape. Sometimes students need a place where they can be engaged outside of their home or the classroom - and that is exactly what Comcast has helped to provide.

Students from low income families are truly able to benefit from living in a Comcast area of service as well, through the Internet Essentials program. In this program, students who qualify for free or reduced lunch can gain access to the Internet in their homes for under ten dollars a month. We can't expect our students to excel if we don't give them the proper tools they need to succeed. This program delivers the resources of the Internet affordably, along with free digital literacy training, as well. I just read recently the program has now connected close to 40,000 households in Illinois to the power of the Internet at home.

I am a Mayor who has been known to keep my promises, and I have seen Comcast keep its promises as well. Comcast is a true partner that empowers communities through technology and education, and has helped me to provide the best to my constituents. I hope you will approve the pending transaction so that they have the opportunity to empower many other communities across the United States.

/s/ Dr. Frank A. Pasquale
Dr. Frank A. Pasquale, Mayor
Village of Bellwood

As mayor of Baldwin Borough, Pennsylvania, I write today to testify to the ability of Comcast to serve the communities in which it operates. More importantly, I write to urge your approval of the proposed Comcast - Time Warner Cable transaction.

I know that Comcast has deep and strong roots in Pennsylvania and here in Baldwin Borough. Baldwin is the lucky home of a Comcast tech operations office and customer services center that employ over 70 people.

The company and its employees also engage in community service programs that help all of our residents. Comcast's annual service event, Comcast Cares Day, was held in our Borough with nearly 100 Comcast volunteers and made needed repairs to one of our community parks. Our area's children will benefit for years due to the painting, landscaping, and repair work completed by Comcast employees.

Moreover, Comcast's Internet Essentials program is helping to build that productive future for our neediest citizens. The program connects low-income families to Internet service and computer hardware technology. Our Baldwin-Whitehall School District students have been some of the lucky first beneficiaries of the program. Already, 86 students' households have been connected to the promise of the Information Age via the program.

Your approval of this transaction makes services like Internet Essentials possible. These programs will be pivotal in closing the Digital Divide to get all American children, rich or poor, the tools they need to succeed. I urge your approval of this transaction so that New York State can partner with Comcast to make these opportunities possible.

Sincerely,

David Depretis

August 14, 2014

Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

My name is Crajg Johnson. I currently serve as Mayor of Elk Grove Village, Illinois. Elk Grove is a northwestern suburb of Chicago, home to 33,000 residents. As the Mayor of a community that benefits from Comcast's excellent service, I am wnting to express my sincere support of the proposed merger between Time Warner Cable and Comcast.

I've served as Mayor of Elk Grove Village since 1997 and I am also a lifelong resident. Elk Grove is in a shared market between Comcast and AT&T, and Comcast truly stands apart. The company's commitment to our community and its efforts to continually invest in technology here has gone a long way in improving our business climate and quality of life. If, by combining with Time Warner Cable, Comcast can broaden its reach and do for other communities what it has done for Elk Grove Village, then I wholeheartedly encourage this transaction to move ahead.

Comcast is invested in Elk Grove Village, and has shown time and time again that it is committed to offering quality and reliable service. I recall a period a few years ago, for instance, when an accident damaged one of Comcast's main cable lines and knocked out service for three days. The Village contacted Comcast and voiced our concern, whereupon Comcast agreed to provide a three day credit on the entire bill of all customers who experienced the outage. This is only one example, but shows how Comcast — a large national company — takes care of its customers.

Elk Grove is also home to the largest industrial park in North America. Comcast Business provides the Business Park with a modern and scalable data infrastructure that allows it to function with high levels of efficiency and flexibility. The park creates jobs and spurs economic development in our area and Comcast has been a vital part of making that growth possible.

Comcast has notably broadcast our Tour of Elk Grove international bike race every year. For the past several years, Comcast SportsNet has broadcast the event globally, bringing Elk Grove to viewers across the world, and helping establish our community as a tourism destination, which has a positive impact on our local economy.

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Moreover, when Elk Grove lost four of its young people to the war on terror, Comcast stepped up to establish our Fallen Soldier Memorial Fund. This fund has assisted countless injured soldiers and their families, and it likewise provided college scholarship to assist community minded residents.

Comcast has been a committed partner to Elk Grove, and I hope that you will approve its proposed transaction with Time Warner Cable. It would not only help our small businesses and residents and, more importantly, spread to new communities the unique and exemplary service and commitment Comcast has shown to us for years.

Sincerely,

/s/ Craig B. Johnson
Craig B. Johnson
Mayor

c: Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Roscnworcel
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Michael O'Reilly
Marlene H. Dortch, FCC Secretary

August 15, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioners Mignon Clyburn, Jessica Rosenworcel, Ajit Pai, and Michael O'Rielly
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

SUBJECT: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler and Commissioners Clyburn, Rosenworcel, Pai, and O'Rielly,

As a Philadelphia City Councilman, I urge your commission to approve Comcast's extension of service within New York State. Our City sees the benefits of Comcast's corporate citizenship every day through excellent service, jobs, infrastructure, and social programs. Upon approval of the proposed Comcast-Time Warner Cable transaction, New York State will benefit as well.

Comcast's investments in Philadelphia don't represent a one-off, isolated partnership with our city. The company has invested \$8 billion in Pennsylvania's infrastructure since 1996. This investment has enabled Comcast to increase broadband speeds and expand public access via the Xfinity hotspots. Comcast's Internet Essentials initiative demonstrates a commitment to the poor by connecting low-income students to low-cost internet, hardware, and training services across the country. The program has already connected 350,000 families to Comcast service. Comcast also has a commitment to hiring veterans—of which I am one. I am proud that Comcast is a part of our City's efforts to support our growing veteran population.

Comcast is a corporation interested in more than its bottom line—it is interested in the common good. As an elected official, I work every day to advance the common good. We've seen so much opportunity due to Comcast here in Philadelphia and in Pennsylvania. The Federal Communications Commission would advance the common good by extending Comcast service to New Yorkers.

Sincerely,

/s/ David Oh
David Oh

Re: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

As a Philadelphia City Councilman since 2012 and lifelong resident of South Philadelphia, I have been fully committed to making a positive difference in my city in any and every way possible. I have made the success of Philadelphia communities my priority, and I believe that Comcast shares these values. I write today to urge the FCC to move in favor of Comcast's transaction with Time Warner Cable.

I currently represent Philadelphia's First District, a diverse and growing area along the Delaware River, from South Philly across Center City, Chinatown, Northern Liberties, Fishtown, Kensington and Port Richmond. One of the projects I have personally undertaken is the ongoing improvement of the East Passyunk Business District, which is becoming one of the East Coast's most prominent emerging destinations for culture, dining, and nightlife. Like any up-and-coming urban neighborhood, its success depends on the availability of reliable services from companies such as Comcast. Comcast's broadband Internet, Wi-Fi hotspots, and advanced cable technologies are the types of services that this neighborhood and many other parts of our great city need to thrive.

Like many other urban cores, Philadelphia has families and schools struggling to find the resources needed to provide a quality education. Comcast has made the effort to fill that need. Its Internet Essentials program allows low-income families the opportunity to afford internet services for their home, so that children are able to continue learning outside of the classroom. It's a critical program addressing a critical need. I am proud that Comcast, a hometown company in Philadelphia, is responsible for such groundbreaking and important efforts to bridge the digital divide here and elsewhere.

I could go on and on about Comcast and its contributions to Philadelphia. It is a job-creator — it operates the Wells Fargo Center and Xfinity Live neither of which is in my council district but does employ many of my constituents. It is a do-gooder — I love to attend and participate in Comcast Cares Day. And it is an industry leader that is putting Philadelphia on the map as an East Coast hub for technology.

I fully support the transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable. We benefit each other and I only see better things on the horizon for our community and many others if Comcast can grow through this transaction.

Sincerely,

/s/ Mark F. Squilla
Mark F. Squilla
Councilman-First District

MFS/skm

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

I am a lifelong resident of Philadelphia, and have served on City Council At-Large since 1992. In my decades of service, I have worked with hundreds of companies and organizations on workforce development and community empowerment programs, and Comcast is far and beyond the company making the greatest impact on these issues in my community. I support all efforts to boost Comcast's impact and extend its footprint to other communities, thus I support the proposed Time Warner Cable/Comcast transaction.

One of the greatest outcomes of the Comcast and NBCUniversal Joint venture for Philadelphia residents was the creation of the Internet Essentials program. This program provides low-cost broadband service for \$9.95 a month, full-service computers for under \$150 and options for digital literacy training in local community centers and schools. The program is currently offered to families in Comcast service areas with children who are eligible for free or reduced-price school lunches.

In Philadelphia, over 9,000 families have taken advantage of this service, and Comcast recently completed a two-week push to increase sign-ups so the digital divide could continue to shrink. As a long-time city leader, I have been perennially frustrated that, as more information for jobs, resources and education goes digital, it has become increasingly challenging to break the cycle of poverty in Philadelphia. Fortunately, Comcast has proven itself to be a true partner in our city's battle to bring more of our community up-to-date with the tools of the 21st century.

Speaking of community commitments, I do not think I have missed a Comcast Cares Day since 2001. This incredible undertaking leaves no stone unturned in our city, and is probably the largest day of corporate volunteerism seen in Philadelphia every year.

I have also been impressed with Comcast's all-inclusive hiring practices and its long-term strategy for company-wide success. The last few years have been challenging for the typical American, yet Comcast continues to hire employees from every sector of our communities at all levels of the company, from technicians to sales reps to roles in the corporate division. With excellent benefits, it's truly a great place to work. Through every challenge, Comcast has thrived due to its long-term policy of investing heavily in its employees and its continual efforts to modernize.

Comcast is 100% an American company, leading the world stage for broadband services and improving the lives of their customers at home. They are a true ambassador for corporate responsibility, and as a civic leader, I am proud to voice my support for the proposed transaction with Time Warner Cable. I hope the FCC will take my points into consideration and vote quickly in favor of the transaction.

Sincerely yours,

/s/ James Kenney

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August 21, 2014

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

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

I am writing to ask for your support for the transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable. Comcast has been a rock solid partner in our community for years. This plan will help ensure the company remains in that role in the future.

Beaver County, Pennsylvania has a strong business community and the next few years offer the promise of tremendous growth. We hope that investments in natural gas along with a manufacturing renewal will launch our next chapter. But the groundwork for any new development is an advanced, reliable telecommunications network. Comcast has demonstrated its commitment to quality service in our area for years.

Even beyond providing quality Internet access to Beaver County, Comcast has invested in our community. I serve as President of the Beaver County Chamber of Commerce. The Chamber named Comcast its Business of the Year in 2013 as a reflection of the company's commitment here - where many of their employees live and work. Comcast's work with the Chamber - as well as nonprofits and charities - has been impressive. As part of Comcast Cares Day, they bring hundreds of helping hands to community organizations throughout Beaver County on a yearly basis, on top of ongoing support for numerous organizations in the county.

They have invested in our schools as well. Comcast's Leaders and Achievers Scholarship Program connects the company with schools throughout Beaver County to honor high achieving students who are also excelling outside the classroom. Comcast has provided scholarships to County students over the past five years. Comcast has been an excellent corporate citizen in Beaver County. The proposed transaction would put the company in position to continue its excellent service and philanthropic support in Beaver County and in many other communities. I hope you will join me in supporting this plan.

Sincerely,

/s/ Erica Loftus
President, Beaver County Chamber of Commerce

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August 13, 2014

The Honorable Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler

The Chicago Chinatown Chamber of Commerce has been honored to partner with Comcast to serve the community of Chinatown for the last 10 years. We are big fans of the work of Comcast in the City of Chicago and support the Comcast Time Warner Cable merger.

The Chicago Chinatown Chamber of Commerce's mission is to expand business opportunities and foster education on the history, culture and diversity of the Chinese American community. Thousands of people visit our community every year to learn and experience the cultural richness.

As an organization, we have had the pleasure of partnering with Comcast on a number of initiatives to support the businesses of Chicago's Chinatown.

Since 2004, Comcast and the Chicago Chinatown Chamber of Commerce have partnered together on several important community initiatives that have benefited the people and businesses of Chinatown. They have hosted the annual Chicago Dragon Boat Race for Literacy, where over 25 teams compete in a dragon boat race along the Chicago River to promote literacy in our schools and libraries.

Comcast and the Chicago Chinatown Chamber of Commerce have also hosted the Chinatown Summer Fair, bringing over 50,000 people every summer to the streets of Chinatown. The Summer Fair has been a tremendously successful annual event to promote Chinatown's restaurants and stores to tourists who come from all over Chicagoland.

Over the past 10 years, Comcast and the Chicago Chinatown Chamber of Commerce have heavily invested in the infrastructure of the Chinatown community. Comcast has partnered with the Chamber of Commerce and other community-based organizations to develop capacity for our organizations and small businesses, provided new technology infrastructure to foster educational opportunities for our children, and shared innovative ways to continue to advocate and promote our community to a greater audience.

We are so thankful for the ongoing and continued support and partnership of Comcast. They have invested both financial and human capital into our community which has enabled our community to grow. We look forward to a continued partnership in the coming years.

Sincerely,

/s/ Darryl Tom
Darryl Tom

President

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

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the proposed merger between Time Warner Cable and Comcast. At Maine & Company, we believe that the proposed merger should be allowed to go forward and that state will benefit from the merger.

Currently, a small part of Maine is on the Comcast network while the majority of Maine is on the Time Warner Cable network. Combining those networks will allow businesses and consumers to have access to all the benefits of the larger network. Such benefits as login authentication and consistent access provide a tremendous benefit and reduce personal and professional hassles. The combined company offers a streamlined solution.

It is also clear that the proposed combined company has significant investment plans for Maine. Comcast has been a leader in delivering broadband on a wide scale. The combined company will have the capability to deploy broadband at a dramatically faster pace than Time Warner could as a stand-alone company.

For these reasons and others, we support the proposed merger and are excited for the impact that proposed company could have on Maine.

Best Regards,

/s/ Peter DelGreco
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The voice of Maine business

August 22, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
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Re: Comcast/Time Warner Cable Merger

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

The Maine State Chamber of Commerce is the voice of the Maine's business community representing a network of over 5,000 businesses across the state of Maine. Investment in advanced communications networks and services are important to the economic vitality of Maine businesses and citizens. I would like to share with you, our experience here in Maine with Comcast and why we believe the merger with Time Warner will help grow our economy and our communities.

Comcast's record of investment in Maine highlights its commitment to investing in the communities it serves to provide industry leading products and services. During the late 2000's Comcast purchased SusCom (Susquehanna Communications) which served 11 communities in the Bath-Brunswick and Freeport area which is approx. 85 miles from any other communities Comcast served. Comcast purchased a network which did not offer phone as a product, limiting the ability to offer the triple play. The network offered very limited Hi-Def video options, limited Hi-Def video channels and no ability to stream content inside or outside the house. Critically, the broadband offering for citizens and businesses was limited.

Over a three year period Comcast brought voice and the triple-play to customers in the area, broadband services were upgraded to the latest technology giving customers access to speeds of greater than 100Mbps. More recently Comcast has invested in wi-fi technology which enables businesses to offer encrypted secure networks as well as publically available wi-fi for the public. Wi-fi is becoming an ancillary service which customers expect and Comcast's investments in wi-fi is offering businesses a simple turn-key service which greatly improves our customer's experience.

Comcast's multi-year investments to upgrade and improve services in even the relatively far flung portions of its service territory is evidence of their commitment to providing the communities they have served in Maine advanced services and shows their commitment to invest in Time Warner's communities after the transaction closes. The combination of Comcast's service area with Time Warner Cable's in Maine will offer businesses in particular major efficiencies and benefits.

In addition to the investment Comcast has made in Maine, the merger will also give them the ability to offer services state wide that will benefit business with multiple locations throughout the state. Being a rural state, this is major benefit for a state like Maine. Previously, businesses with locations in Kittery, Freeport and Lewiston could not rely on either Comcast or Time Warner to connect their businesses. This ability to provide a common platform offers obvious operational efficiencies but it also offers increased security and added redundancy which is increasingly important to all types of businesses.

Even for business which only have a single or handful of locations the merger of Comcast and Time Warner companies in Maine has great benefits because having a common interconnected network with greater redundancy improves redundancy and dependability for Maine's business community. One example of this in the Bath-Brunswick-Freeport area which has been served by Comcast have long been connected by a single fiber loop which carries all traffic into and out of those communities because those communities are so far from the rest of the Comcast network. After the merger is approved Comcast will be able to connect directly to neighboring Time Warner communities significantly improving redundancy.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this important matter that has statewide impacts for the State of Maine. The Maine State Chamber of Commerce urges the commission to approve the merger and help in moving Maine's economy forward.

Best regards,

/s/ Dana Connors
Dana Connors
President

As the president and CEO of The North Little Rock Chamber of Commerce, I would like to express our support for the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable.

Our mission is to implement programs and services that stimulate economic, community and workforce development. As former mayor of North Little Rock, I don't take this mission lightly, and I expect our member companies to take it just as seriously. That's why I support companies like Comcast that double down on their commitment to improving the places in which they do business such as North Little Rock.

For example, consider Comcast's efforts to close the digital divide among low-income households. This is an issue that affects our current economic stability but also our future outlook. Families, especially children, are having more of their daily lives involve being online in one capacity or another. Whether it is researching a school project or signing up for little league, children are learning the digital literacy necessary to compete in the real world. When families don't have Internet access at home it sets them further back with each passing year. Comcast's Internet Essentials program has been a huge success to date, and we are proud to say they have connected over 1,000 families in Arkansas.

Comcast has been a friend and advocate for the families in our community and together we have worked to ensure the entire community prospers economically. The Chamber supports the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable, so that more communities might stand to benefit as ours has.

/s/ Terry Hartwick
Terry Hartwick
President & CEO

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Chairman Tom Wheeler
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Commissioner Michael O'Rielly

August 9, 2014

Re: Applications of Comcast Corp. and Time Warner Cable, Inc. For Consent to Assign or Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations. MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler and Commissioners:

My name is Brian Terkelsen and I am the CEO of MediaVest, a division of Starcom Media Vest Group (SMO). In my role, I am responsible for overseeing the media planning and buying for global brands across numerous industries.

SMO has a strong history with Comcast. They have been, and continue to be, a true partner that innovates and collaborates with us to reach consumers in improved ways. SMG plans and buys media on behalf of our clients from Comcast. In addition, SMG is the media planning and buying agency of record for Comcast's Xfinity brand. We are excited about the possibility of deepening that relationship with the combined company after Comcast acquires Time Warner Cable.

We face increasing challenges in efficiently reaching consumers as they move across devices and consume content in a myriad of ways. Efficiency in media planning and buying is of utmost importance to us. Comcast/Time Warner will occupy a larger geographic footprint including the important designated market areas of New York, Los Angeles and Dallas. The combined company will provide new opportunities for advertisers to reach these audiences efficiently including the ability to reach consumers with localized, better targeted messages that are more relevant to those consumers.

As SMG seeks more efficient methods to reach consumers across channels, we are intrigued by new ad products that can be deployed at scale as a result of the transaction. Comcast has experimented with new ad technologies such as dynamic ad insertion; however, such a technology/innovation requires not only significant investment, but the requisite scale for it to become a viable option for advertisers. We believe that the combined company will have the necessary subscriber base to invest in and deploy the ad technology such that it becomes a more plausible and attractive advertising vehicle for our clients. The real benefit for SMG, our clients, and consumers is

the flexibility that dynamic ad insertion provides to target and deliver more relevant media messages to segments of consumers that are increasingly engaging in time-shifted viewing and/or viewing on devices other than TV. The advertising industry as a whole will benefit from improved channels to reach consumers who demand content wherever and whenever.

In summary, I believe that the efficiency and effectiveness of media buys and targeted messaging will increase through the combined company, and that improved ad innovations will create new opportunities for advertisers to deploy spend in an engaging medium. As such, I fully support the merger of Comcast and Time Warner Cable.

Best,

/s/ Brian Terkelsen
Brian Terkelsen

August 20, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

I'm writing in order to take advantage of the opportunity to comment on the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction. My hope is for Commission approval of the transaction, so that cities currently without Comcast service can benefit from a dynamic and community-dedicated company.

I am the President and CEO of Choose DuPage, an economic development engine for the region. Our mission is to recruit and retain the best businesses for DuPage County, Illinois, so that DuPage can continue its role as a positive economic force in our state and nation. We have been very successful in spite of challenges including the economic downturn of recent years. Companies want to locate here for reasons including that DuPage County has the lowest unemployment rates in our region and ranks first in the state for educational attainment.

We are truly fortunate to have such a strong business climate, and among the most robust businesses we have is Comcast. It serves as a substantial business in its own right, but also as a stable and accomplished partner to our agency members. Jeff Cobb, a Comcast Director for the Chicago Region, is a member of our board of directors. He and other company officials are generous with their considerable enterprise expertise.

Comcast has supported our mission by hosting events such as business networking receptions and a contest for companies that could demonstrate the best use of technology to enhance the experiences of their customers and employees. I have been a guest on the Comcast Newsmakers show, providing Choose DuPage with a unique opportunity to convey the organization's mission and discuss our initiatives to a large viewing audience. Comcast has participated in our job fairs and has provided mentoring and technology skills training within the community. No less meaningful to Illinois are the economic benefits of having close to 7,000 workers employed in Comcast's more than 150 facilities in the state.

Choose DuPage particularly relishes hosting a company that has put our region on the cutting edge of digital technology. Comcast Internet speeds get faster each year and its network accommodates all the connecting and interacting our businesses need to thrive. Apps and other technology products are always evolving at Comcast and our businesses rely on innovations that are unique as well as reliable, such as Wi-Fi, HDTV, the fastest broadband, and more. Comcast's innovations in this space spur stronger broadband competition and that is a good thing for all of us.

Comcast has the kind of corporate energy and commitment that makes cities and states want to host them. My understanding is that the transaction will afford more cities and states this opportunity. Please give this transaction your approval.

Sincerely,

/s/ Greg Bedalov
Greg Bedalov
President and CEO

August 20, 2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

Associated Industries of Massachusetts, (AIM) is the largest statewide employer association in Massachusetts. Our mission is to improve the competitiveness of Massachusetts and to improve the economic well-being of our members. Thousands of AIM member employers employ approximately 650,000 Massachusetts citizens.

I am pleased to voice the organization's support of the proposed merger between Comcast and Time Warner Cable.

Comcast is a vibrant and consistent supporter of good jobs and economic growth in Massachusetts. The company employs more than 4,000 full-time employees who enjoy excellent benefits. The company is committed to education, job training, and leadership, as demonstrated by its investment of more than \$2 million in on-job training and nearly \$200,000 on tuition reimbursement for its employees in 2013 alone. Comcast invests in Massachusetts, its local economy, and its people, and is committed to business growth in the area.

I believe that by combining with Time Warner Cable, A Comcast combination with Time Warner Cable will ramp up competition among communication companies for customers among small and medium businesses and consumers. The result will mean innovation and cutting edge products and services for our consumers and businesses.

AIM hopes that you see potential benefit in the transaction between Comcast and Time Warner. The association remains optimistic that this deal will bring even more opportunity to the business community across the entire Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Sincerely,

/s/ Richard C. Lord
Richard C. Lord
President and CEO

August 19, 2014

Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 121h Street, SW
Washington. DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

I have been President and CEO of the Greater Reading Economic Partnership (GREP) in Pennsylvania since 2004, but before that, I spent 15 years working for Time Warner Cable, first as President in its Eastern Pennsylvania division, and then as President of its Binghamton division. I believe that I truly have a unique perspective on the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable.

My current role has afforded me the opportunity to work with Comcast as a community partner. Comcast has been an investor in GREP since its inception in 2002. GREP's mission is to attract, retain and grow business by vigorously promoting, fostering and coordinating economic development in Greater Reading. It is focused on retaining businesses, stimulating local entrepreneurship and attracting new businesses in the area. Our partnership with Comcast has grown from within our mission. This relationship with Comcast has allowed us to promote Comcast Business Services to all businesses considering locating in Berks County, PA. It is my understanding that through a transaction with Time Warner Cable, the small- and mid-sized businesses in the Greater Reading area will have enhanced access to innovative and new services that a combination of the two organizations could provide. This will make Reading more competitive - a notion I welcome.

Over the last several years, I have had the opportunity to sit down with Jill Horner on Comcast Newsmakers and discuss our "Ride to Prosperity" initiative. This initiative links eight organizations together to work towards a common goal of identifying specific work areas that will have a positive impact on economic growth and development. Infrastructure is one of the identified areas that can have a direct influence on Reading's prosperity. Comcast has already invested significantly in technology and infrastructure here in Reading and across Pennsylvania. I hope that allowing the transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable to happen will make an even more enhanced broadband network available to current businesses and assist in solidifying our ability to attract new businesses.

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During my time at GREP, I have also had the pleasure of working with Elizabeth Sterner of Comcast. Liz serves on our Board of Directors and is Chairman of our Governance Committee. We have benefitted in many ways from her involvement with our organization, and she is an example of how Comcast hires quality people and encourages them to take active roles in the communities they serve.

As previously stated, my professional experience has given me a unique perspective as it pertains to this potential transaction. Having worked for Time Warner Cable in leadership positions and now alongside Comcast to provide economic growth and opportunity in Reading, I believe this union of two quality companies will benefit current and new markets in countless ways. I urge you to approve this transaction without delay.

Best regards,

/s/ Jon C. Scott
Jon C. Scott
President and CEO

August 19, 2014

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

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

I am President and CEO of PRWT Services, Inc., and an executive committee member of The Urban League of Philadelphia and the Greater Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce. As such, I have been deeply involved with numerous organizations seeking to increase diversification in workforces and business opportunities. I strongly believe the promotion of diversity through civic engagement is critical to strengthening our economy and the bonds within our communities. As I have witnessed over the past several years in working with Comcast's internal Diversity Council, I fully believe Comcast shares my commitment to promoting diversity. I write today in support of the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable because this acquisition will enable Comcast to increase the scale and scope of its best-in-class diversity practices.

Several years ago, I began serving as co-chair of the Comcast National African-American Advisory Council to offer my experience on diversity issues and to work with Comcast in formalizing the institutionalization of diversity in its business practices. Those of us on the external Joint Diversity Council had high hopes for the company and we have not been disappointed. Brian Roberts, David Cohen and the rest of Comcast's executive leadership have made the transformation of their diversity and inclusion practices a top priority and the measureable results have reflected the company's commitment.

Exhibit 9 of Comcast and Time Warner Cable's Public Interest Statement submitted in the above referenced Docket clearly delineates how Comcast has gone above and beyond their initial diversity commitments with respect to their workforce, procurement practices, programming, venture capital, and investments in community-based philanthropic organizations. Comcast's efforts to increase diversity amongst their suppliers have been particularly notable. In addition to making a full-fledged drive to establish relationships with diverse suppliers by attending every possible kind of diversity supplier event across the country, the company increased the amount of contracting activity with diverse suppliers by 44% over three years. This increase was fueled by new contracts with minority-owned vendors, which produced an astonishing 85% increase in spending with this group. Moreover, Comcast deepened its commitment in 2012 by launching

a diversity subcontracting (Tier II) initiative and increased the amount spent on diverse Tier II suppliers by almost 33% in only its first year.

While these results are profound, Comcast's internal Diversity Council and its leadership team would be the first to say the company can do more. My impression is that to Comcast, an idea such as supplier diversity is not just a catchphrase; it's something the company truly believes in as a way to strengthen the company and the communities which it serves. This is reflected in Comcast's constant measurement and evolving management of its diversity practices. To this company, it's not just about the input of how much it spent on diverse suppliers. It's about measuring and linking all of the inputs and outputs from these broad initiatives together to drive the company towards better products and a better community in which to work and live. Without a doubt, as Comcast continues to evolve as a company, it will implement the lessons learned from the detailed management of its diversity initiatives and expand upon them to the fullest of its ability.

Although I understand this proposed transaction is complex and that there are many things to consider, I strongly urge the Federal Communications Commission to give strong weight to the significant positive impact this merger would have on diverse suppliers as well as the accrual of other public interest benefits to more regions of the country.

Regards,

/s/ Harold T. Epps
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August 18, 2014

Tom Wheeler
Chairman
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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

The Delaware County Chamber of Commerce, located in eastern Pennsylvania near Philadelphia, was founded in 1887 and represents more than 1,100 members who operate businesses in and around Delaware County. Our Chamber members have the good fortune to be associated with Comcast, which offers innovative broadband and video services in our area and is a very active Chamber member.

Comcast makes a significant contribution to our area economy and works vigorously to improve life for members of our community. Comcast has shown itself to be a dependable Chamber partner in projects small and large. We support the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction because of the benefits that a combined Comcast/Time Warner Cable would bring to our area and to areas which currently lack access to Comcast's services. Let me provide some specifics.

Our young people have benefited from Comcast's involvement in our Youth Leadership Academy (YLA). Comcast routinely involves the YLA in their Comcast Cares Day volunteer service events. Comcast managers have helped by leading roundtable discussions with youth panels on issues affecting Delaware County. These ongoing partnerships demonstrate Comcast's commitment to philanthropy beyond just sponsorship. Comcast engages deeply with communities to invest in their human capital.

And Comcast has stepped in to assist in very concrete ways during times of community crisis. Last year, when fires were set at Penn Wood High School, 140 Comcast employees turned out on a Saturday morning to paint the school bleachers at the school's Kerr Field, as well as the announcer's booth, a concession stand and some fencing. Students expressed their immense appreciation for the effort to help restore their school.

In June, Comcast hosted a Chamber member luncheon in which we honored State Representative Nicholas Micozzie with a Lifetime Achievement Award. And last year, Comcast helped fund a 1,270-

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square-foot conference room here that can be rented by Chamber members and those in the Delaware County community who need a modern space with high speed Internet, projection, and audiovisual capabilities.

Comcast is the sort of company that communities want operating in their midst. It brings value to business and strengthens nonprofit and education initiatives. Our members are pleased to have its first-class technology products available and they are just as glad to have a company that is invested in the success of every member of the community.

I encourage the Commission to approve the proposed transaction without delay.

Sincerely,

/s/ Alex Charlton
Alex Charlton
President

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

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly

August 12, 2014

Re: Applications of Comcast Corp. and Time Warner Cable, Inc. For Consent to Assign or Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations, MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler and Commissioners:

My name is Bill Koenigsberg and I am the founder of Horizon Media, an independent full service media agency that provides brand clients with complete communications planning and activation across all traditional and emerging channels.

Audience targeting is critical for Horizon Media to deliver programs for our clients in a meaningful way. Our clients seek to reach consumers on national, regional and/or local scale. Comcast and Time Warner Cable, through the merger, will have the necessary scale as a combined company to invest in new advertising products and deploy those products across their subscriber footprint. These advertising product innovations will allow my clients to more effectively and strategically reach their target consumer.

Horizon Media, Inc. 75 Varick Street New York, NY 10013

Addressable advertising is one such advertising product innovation that will enable our clients to reach their audience with greater accuracy than currently available targeting options (for example, demographic targeting versus geographic zone targeting). Addressable advertising has largely been difficult to achieve because of lack of reach. Through the merger, the combined entity would deliver the kind of scale required to make such hyper-targeting a viable advertising option.

Additionally, the proposed merger will also unlock the potential of dynamic ad insertion. As consumers continue to view content at their leisure (versus at the scheduled air time), it has become even more important to advertisers that their placements are guarded against time shifting. The merger of Comcast and Time Warner will provide the scale necessary for the combined company to invest in dynamic ad insertion, thereby giving advertisers additional efficient advertising opportunities, and ultimately for consumers to have more programming options.

I therefore strongly support the merger between Comcast and Time Warner Cable, as I believe such a transaction would accelerate the deployment of new advertising technologies and make cable a more efficient and attractive platform for our clients.

Respectfully,

/s/ Bill Koenigsberg
Bill Koenigsberg

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August 15,2014

Chairman Tom Wheeler
Commissioner Mignon Clyburn
Commissioner Jessica Rosenworcel
Commissioner Ajit Pai
Commissioner Michael O'Rielly
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

Thank you for this opportunity to register my support for the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction.

I am President and CEO for the Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce. The 110-year-old, nonprofit Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce serves members in six Northeastern Illinois counties and parts of Indiana, Ohio and Wisconsin. Our mission is to make our area the most business-friendly region in the nation through public policy and economic growth initiatives. I interact with members in every business sector, in educational, nonprofit and charitable institutions and in government. I myself am a former, longtime public servant having worked in offices at the city, state and federal level.

Comcast is a Chicagoland Chamber member, and it provides impressive support to local businesses in a number of important ways. Comcast offers its video, broadband and business services in many of our neighborhoods and supports our Small Business Development Center and International Trade Center. Matthew Summy, a senior Comcast vice president, sits on our Board of Directors. As a result, Comcast has more than a brushing familiarity with issues which influence our communities, and is always at the ready to work with us to grow the regional economy.

We see Comcast adjust and expand its Business Class broadband and video offerings to accommodate business. Its ever expanding data network reach is beneficial to our member businesses that operate in multiple locations. Its advertising zones have been aligned so that our members can target the entire Chicagoland region with one ad, or by zone to reach their target audience.

The Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce is seeing progress on its comprehensive efforts to enhance the profile of the region as a hub for international business, and we know that Comcast's high-speed broadband and innovative digital services have been and will

continue to be critical to maintaining these developing, global commerce partnerships. Those same services also are the foundation to successful communications with and among the increasing number of Millennials who are choosing to call this region home.

I have worked throughout my career to improve the business climate and help create jobs, and much of my focus over more than the last decade has been in encouraging and supporting innovations, including in digital technology. Through the Illinois Innovation Index, we recently shared with our members new data that revealed the number of Illinois graduates with degrees in the fields of Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM). We follow these numbers closely (Illinois numbers are slightly below the national average) because STEM jobs are so important in fostering job growth.

In this area, Comcast plays an important role. Earlier this year, they staged the Innovations for Entrepreneurs competition, and two Chicago area organizations were winners. This program provides a valuable path to connect the dots between entrepreneurial ideas and the potential for business with a company like that Comcast - the kind of business that propels a young company to rapid growth.

Comcast is an established community leader, with respect to being a solid and invested business partner and in areas of caring for community. Please grant the transaction your approval so that this leader can continue and expand its beneficial programs to many more.

Regards,

/s/ Theresa E. Mintle
Theresa E. Mintle
President & CEO

The Honorable Tom Wheeler, Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington D.C. 20554

FCC Docket 14-57

August 14, 2014

Dear Chairman Wheeler and Commissioners,

I write to express our support for the proposed acquisition of Time-Warner Cable by Comcast. As the Former Chief Technology Officer (CTO) for British Telecom and prior to that the Williams Companies, my understanding of the challenges and impacts a merger of this size brings is quite substantial.

Network communications and innovation in our country has led the world over the last several decades with incredible advancements in technology and business practices that have created great value for users and the companies which deliver and support the networks which deliver services. We have seen several successful mega-mergers and acquisitions over the last decade which have provided enhanced coverage and capabilities that were extended locally, nationally and globally and ultimately were not detrimental to the customers.

It is our opinion that the proposed Comcast acquisition of Time Warner Cable will provide a stronger platform for the advancement of a combined multimedia technology and operations framework (ecosystem) which will give the merged company greater leverage to fund and provide expanded delivery reach along with enhanced capacity and content options to its customers.

From a technology and business delivery standpoint the newly merged companies will have the ability to consolidate networks and operations, thus reducing their energy and carbon footprint while simultaneously stimulating new investments, funding new innovations and focus to align their processes and technology to provide a uniform high quality of service platform that is very competitive against offerings from other operators. In my professional experience, customers ultimately do benefit from this scale of combined operational focus and technology reach therefore I respectfully ask that the FCC committee supports this proposed acquisition.

Sincerely,

/s/ Matthew W. Bross
Matthew W. Bross
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698 Tasman Drive, Milpitas, CA 95035

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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57
John Stinebaugh
Strategic Enterprise, Account Executive
Comcast Business Services

August, 6th, 2014

Dear John,

Per our discussion our goal is to work closely with you and Comcast Business Services to convert our entire MileOne infrastructure and have you be our primary vendor is their ownership of the last mile to all of our facilities in Maryland.

The Time Warner Cable merger with Comcast would be beneficial to MileOne in two apparent ways:

- Larger footprint of last mile ownership that would be offered by Time Warner/Comcast and
- Single vendor point of contact for expansion of our data service needs.

In closing should you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me at 410.427.5590 or via email: hlederer@mileone.com.

Sincerely,

/s/ Henry Lederer
Henry Lederer
Chief Information Officer

August 16, 2014

To Whom It May Concern:

I write today in support of the proposed Time Warner Cable/Comcast merger. Comcast has dedicated its energies toward advancing communications, technology, and service to the benefit of our community and to hundreds of communities throughout Illinois. The proposed merger will enhance telecommunications to more cities throughout America.

My community of Niles, Illinois recently achieved our long term goal of operating a municipal government access channel in order to keep our residents up to date on local government actions. We were fortunate to consult with our local Comcast representative to help us build the channel infrastructure, and we owe a great deal of its success to their help. Residents in our Village have two options to watch local Village Board meetings and other events on their home televisions, one of which is hosted by a local Comcast community channel.

The process of building our government access channel began in 2009 when we put together a committee to research the idea of government access programming. It was not an easy task; we needed to come up with the most cost-saving solution without a dedicated staff member to operate the system.

Thanks to tremendous assistance from Comcast, we were able to build our entire system around a Broadcast Pix Mica 2000 Video Production Center. Comcast helped us secure a high-speed fiber optic connection for distribution of our signal and worked with our local equipment vendors to assure a superior quality of system operation. Besides the government access TV channel, our residents can now additionally stream meetings through video-on-demand services on our website.

The Village of Niles government access channel would not have been possible in our community if we were not fortunate enough to be in a Comcast service area. Since 2009, our Village has received a substantial amount of franchise fees and access programming capital support from Comcast service. These fees and support funds paid for upfront costs and continued maintenance of the government access channel, much to the relief of our hard-working taxpayers.

Our community has benefitted immeasurably from our relationship with Comcast, and I support the proposed Time Warner Cable/Comcast merger so that these benefits can be extended for many others.

Sincerely,

/s/ Steven C. Vinezeano
Steven C. Vinezeano
Village Manager

April 7, 2014

Mr. Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

I am writing to express my support of the planned purchase of Time Warner Cable by Comcast. I personally feel this merger will benefit the consumer and competition. I have experience as a programmer on the Comcast system and have firsthand knowledge of Comcast's commitment to the communities it serves and its focus on local content.

JTV is a leased access programmer in Jackson, Michigan. Since 2000, we have served the community with 100% local and positive content utilizing the Comcast system. When JTV began, we approached Comcast with a request to access its viewers via the Leased Commercial Access provision of the Communications Act. The management of Comcast was completely cooperative and forthcoming in providing us with information, requirements, necessary equipment and other means we needed to establish our local station. While leasing a channel is a financial burden, Comcast has always been extremely cooperative and compassionate in negotiating our agreements. Comcast has indicated many times they feel local programming and content is important to their company and value JTV's service in the communities it serves. During the economic downturn following the banking and automotive crises, Comcast was creative and supportive in working with JTV to allow our programming to continue.

In discussions with other leased access programmers in other markets, I have discovered that other cable MSOs have not been easy to work with. Comcast has demonstrated their commitment to local content and independent programmers where others have not. Allowing Comcast to purchase Time Warner Cable would ensure these positive attitudes would provide these benefits to TWC communities. JTV is the ONLY 100% local leased access programmer in the country. And Comcast is the only MSO that ensures we exist.

Additionally, Comcast has been a very generous and involved corporate citizen in our community. Comcast has donated tens of thousands of dollars to our community's Martin Luther King Center, a recreation and education resource serving our community's minority population. The donations have been used to establish a media department and expand Internet access to the community. Comcast has been a sponsor for many years of our community's "Make A Difference" and anti-bullying programs in our middle schools. The company has also underwritten the cost of presentations and productions to allow these programs to reach a greater audience.

Most recently, Comcast has expanded their Internet access program "Internet Essentials" in our community, providing access to low income families. They have donated computers, iPads and other technology to our schools. The people of Comcast donate their time to volunteer in our community and serve on various non-profit and educational boards.

Comcast is the cable franchisee in several of our communities and have provided equipment and support to allow these communities to continue their Public, Educational and Government programming. Competitors of Comcast providing television service in our market do not provide either the same level of PEG access and nothing in the way of Leased Commercial Access.

JTV is a valued and highly regarded service in the greater Jackson community. We have donated immeasurable amounts of airtime, coverage and promotion to benefit our community. We provide jobs for more than a dozen residents and fill a void in an underserved media market. We would not be able to do any of this without the cooperation and help of Comcast.

When Comcast purchased NBC Universal, there were several requirements Comcast honor in the way of local programming and community service. It has been my observation that Comcast has always taken this seriously.

This planned business transaction has great benefit to our community and to our nation. We are living proof that Comcast is a company that values independent programmers, local content and the communities it serves.

I urge you to support Comcast as they grow to provide their great service to an even larger population. Having better access, and allowing this company to purchase Time Warner Cable, is a benefit to the entire nation.

Thank you.

Cordially,

/s/ Bart Hawley
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August 18, 2014

Federal Communications Commission
FCC
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Re: MB Docket No. 14-57
Submitting Party: EdgeConneX, Inc.
Comments on Comcast-TWC Joint Application for Merger
FCC Public Notice dated July 10, 2014

Dear Representative of the FCC,

As the CEO of EdgeConneX, Inc. (EdgeConneX) I am writing to express our full support for the Comcast-Time Warner Cable merger. As you are aware, Comcast Corporation (Comcast) has the intention to merge with Time Warner Cable, Inc. (TWC) by acquiring 100% of TWCs equity and exchange certain markets with Charter Communications, Inc. It is our belief that the Comcast-TWC merger will be of great benefit at various different levels. Great synergies will flow from this transaction that will improve all digital systems.

EdgeConneX provides edge infrastructure solutions to providers and distributors of Internet content. We seek to optimize data delivery by deploying infrastructure as close as possible to an end users point of access, permitting a range of entities including broadband network operators, wireless carriers, and other service providers to deliver digital content with higher performance and lower latency and costs, to the ultimate benefit of end users everywhere.

Comcast has shown its commitment to fostering innovation and helping start-ups like EdgeConneX grow into successful businesses. EdgeConneX supports this transaction because it will only improve Comcasts ability to serve that important function. Comcast has been an invaluable partner in our success. Indeed, as a leading innovator itself, Comcast shares our vision of using cutting-edge technologies to improve the communications experience. In addition, as a Comcast Ventures portfolio company, EdgeConneX has benefitted not only from its minority equity investment, but also from its strategic insights, extensive network of entrepreneurs, and valued introductions to other innovative companies. This combination of tangible and intangible support has enabled EdgeConneX to provide services that in turn allow other providers to improve their own broadband offerings. In other words, by standing behind start-ups such as EdgeConneX, Comcast is driving a cycle of innovation throughout the communications marketplace. And through the increased scale that will result from the merger, Comcast will be in an even stronger position to invest in and support these emerging companies.

An additional reason for supporting this merger is that it will allow Comcast to be a more effective competitor in providing business services. Business services are important to us because we purchase high-bandwidth business broadband connections to deploy infrastructure closer to end users. It is critical that authorities look at both the residential and business broadband marketplaces when looking at this merger.

The impact of the Comcast-TWC merger is particularly important as it will create significant public interest benefits by enabling greater innovation in network infrastructure, as explained before.

Based on the foregoing, the FCC should not hesitate to approve the Comcast-TWC merger.

Sincerely,

Randy Brouckman
CEO

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EdgeConneX, Inc.

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August 21, 2014

Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
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Re: Applications of Comcast Corp. and Time Warner Cable, Inc., MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Ms. Dortch,

On May 8, 2014, I testified about the Comcast-TWC transaction in an oversight hearing held by the Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law of the House Judiciary Committee. My written testimony is enclosed.

The testimony focused on several headline antitrust issues that have been discussed in connection with this acquisition. For purposes of this testimony, I did not attempt an exhaustive analysis, which would include an assessment of additional issues, such as video advertising, the limited programming assets contributed by TWC, and the efficiencies that the parties expect from the merger. I also recognize that the FCC's evaluation is governed by a different standard than that found in the Clayton Act, but offer this testimony in the thought that it might assist your analysis, to the extent antitrust principles are informative.

Sincerely,

/s/ C. Scott Hemphill
C. Scott Hemphill

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Testimony of C. Scott Hemphill
Professor of Law
Columbia Law School

House Judiciary Committee
Subcommittee on Regulatory Reform, Commercial and Antitrust Law

Oversight Hearing on Competition in the Video and Broadband Markets: The Proposed Merger of Comcast and Time Warner Cable

May 8, 2014

Chairman Bachus, Ranking Member Johnson, and Members of the Subcommittee, I am Scott Hemphill, a Professor of Law at Columbia Law School. I write and teach about antitrust law, innovation, and competition. My research has considered the application of antitrust law to Internet service providers (ISPs) and video distributors.¹ I recently served the New York Attorney General as Chief of the Antitrust Bureau, which strives to protect competitive markets on behalf of New York consumers and businesses.²

I welcome the opportunity to testify today about the antitrust implications of the proposed merger of Comcast and Time Warner Cable (TWC). Antitrust law has a critical role to play in preserving competition. Competition benefits the economy through low prices, efficient production, and innovative new products and services. Antitrust law accomplishes this, in relevant part, by prohibiting mergers that may “substantially . . . lessen competition” or “tend to create monopoly.”³

¹ See, e.g., C. Scott Hemphill & Tim Wu, Parallel Exclusion, 122 Yale Law Journal 1182 (2013); C. Scott Hemphill, Network Neutrality and the False Promise of Zero-Price Regulation, 25 Yale Journal on Regulation 135 (2008).

² See, e.g., Proposed Final Judgment, United States and New York v. Verizon Communications Inc., No. 12-cv-1354 (D.D.C. Aug. 16, 2012).

³ Section 7 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 18, provides: “[N]o person . . . shall acquire . . . the whole or any part of the stock or other share capital . . . [or the] assets of any other person . . . where in any line of commerce or in any activity affecting commerce in any section of the country, the effect of such acquisition may be substantially to lessen competition, or to tend to create monopoly.”

Some of the concerns raised about this merger are best framed as antitrust objections. Critics have charged that the deal will have anticompetitive effects by raising cable or broadband prices to consumers; by harming video programmers; or by foreclosing competition from online video distributors such as Netflix. A closer evaluation of competition in these markets, however, demonstrates that the merger is unlikely to have such anticompetitive effects.⁴ Let me take these points in turn.

Distribution

Most mergers that receive antitrust scrutiny are combinations of rivals. Such mergers are troubling because they eliminate head-to-head competition between the firms or lessen competition among the remaining market participants. Usually, the primary focus is products and services sold by the parties, so-called “output markets,” though mergers can also have an effect on the market for products and services purchased by the parties.

To evaluate output markets, antitrust analysis ordinarily adopts the perspective of a particular purchaser of the goods or services in question—for example, a purchaser of wireless service in New York City. Such buyers can choose among AT&T, T-Mobile, and other providers. A merger’s removal of a significant competitive choice, for a particular set of buyers, can harm competition through higher price and lower quantity, among other effects.

Or consider an individual who wishes to fly from Washington, DC, to Chicago. Such buyers can choose among US Airways, United, and other airlines. Here, once again, the removal of a competitive option for those local consumers threatens substantial harm. This reduction in competition, considered from a particular purchaser’s standpoint, was the central premise of the Justice Department’s antitrust lawsuits challenging the AT&T/T-Mobile and US Airways/American mergers.

The Comcast/TWC merger is nothing like that. A consumer in a particular New York City apartment seeking traditional “multichannel” video service chooses among TWC and other providers. Comcast is not an option unless she moves to another city. Similarly, consumers in Philadelphia can pick among Comcast and other options, but TWC is out. Before and after this merger, consumers would have the exact same number of options to choose from. This is true not only of video service, but also Internet access, telephone service, and bundles of all three.

⁴ For purposes of my testimony, I have not attempted an exhaustive analysis of the transaction, which would include an assessment of additional issues, such as video advertising, the limited programming assets contributed by TWC, and the efficiencies that the parties expect from the merger.

Nor are Comcast and TWC plausibly potential competitors. Comcast has evinced no interest in building facilities to compete with TWC in TWC's present territory, or vice versa.

The lack of overlap means that the usual concern of antitrust enforcement is completely absent. This is not to say that cable prices won't rise anyway if the merger is approved. They might. ESPN, among other programmers, has achieved remarkable price rises in recent years in its negotiations with distributors, increases that distributors pass along to consumers. Comcast has a powerful incentive to bargain for lower prices, but programmers have considerable bargaining power. The key point is that the proposed merger has no tendency to affect consumer prices through any reduction in competition between the merging parties.

Video Programming

As noted above, mergers can have an effect not only in output markets, but also in markets for products and services purchased by the parties. For example, suppose the only two employers in a small, isolated town compete for labor. If they merge, the merged firm may thereby acquire increased "monopsony" power. A monopsonist may have an incentive to inefficiently reduce its hiring in order to drive down wages. Monopsony is thought to be a significant issue in labor and agricultural markets, because a cutback in the purchase of labor or agricultural commodities might plausibly reduce the price of those inputs.

Once again, the Comcast/TWC merger is nothing like that. Video programming is different from labor or grain. When a farmer sells grain to a buyer, that sale reduces the amount of grain left over for other buyers. By contrast, when ESPN sells programming to Comcast, nothing has been used up. ESPN remains free to make a similar deal with TWC or Cablevision. Comcast and TWC are not competing for the rights to a scarce resource. As a consequence, the merger provides no similar opportunity to economize on this input as a way to reduce its price.

A related concern is that a post-merger Comcast might have greater bargaining power with programmers, thanks to its enlarged subscriber base. Enhanced bargaining power, to the extent that it simply shifts profits among firms, is not an anticompetitive harm. But in any event, it is hardly clear that Comcast would be able to strike a better bargain. On the one hand,

the stakes would be higher for ESPN, compared to today, because ESPN could lose more revenue from lost viewers if its contract negotiations with an enlarged Comcast broke down. On the other hand, Comcast would have more to lose too, as more customers could plausibly complain or cancel their service in the event of a breakdown. To conclude that Comcast gains bargaining power on a per-subscriber basis, it is necessary to establish that there is some special, disproportionate consequence to the programmer in the case of bargaining failure.

One such disproportionate consequence might arise if the post-merger Comcast were so large that, without its business, a programmer would be unable to effectively function. But post-merger Comcast lacks the requisite scale. If we take as a starting point the Federal Communication Commission's previously expressed view on this subject, a video distributor must have more than 30 percent of traditional video subscribers to pose such a risk.⁵ But the FCC's view was likely too cautious when it was reached in 2007; indeed, it was rejected by the D.C. Circuit for understating the degree of competition in video markets.⁶ It is surely too conservative today. Among other developments, the rise of online video provides opportunities for programmers to reach viewers without selling their content to a traditional distributor. This transaction, which results in a share of traditional video distribution slightly less than 30 percent, is therefore unlikely to be of a sufficient size to make a meaningful difference in this respect.

Foreclosure of Online Video

A final possibility, raised by some mergers, is that a transaction might lessen competition by enabling foreclosure—that is, by undermining rivals' ability to compete, resulting in consumer harm. The exclusion of competitors is potentially even more worrying than the distortion from changed prices, because it can slow new entry and thereby harm innovation. Under certain circumstances, a merger can increase the risk of foreclosure, by strengthening the resulting firm's incentive and ability to exclude. A full antitrust analysis of the Comcast/TWC transaction therefore requires an evaluation of the prospects for foreclosure.

⁵ FCC Fourth Report and Order, 23 F.C.C.R. 2134 (adopted Dec. 18, 2007; released Feb. 11, 2008).

⁶ Comcast Corp. v. FCC, 579 F.3d 1 (2009).

In any complex business environment, it is possible to raise a speculative concern about an enormous number of theoretical foreclosure effects. Discussing them all is beyond the scope of my testimony, but let me focus on one prominently stated foreclosure concern, that a traditional video distributor such as Comcast might have an incentive to inhibit the competitive prospects of online video distributors. Netflix is the best-known example, but there has been enormous growth in this sector in recent years. Such firms threaten the traditional model of multichannel video distribution by enabling “cord-cutting.”

Cord-cutting is a misnomer, because consumers still rely on a broadband Internet connection to access online programming. The broadband connection is often supplied by traditional video distributors, using the same physical plant. That combination of businesses provides a potential opportunity to undermine online video, by choking off the Internet access on which it relies.

But it also furnishes a powerful reason not to do so. Online video is an important and increasing part of the value provided by broadband Internet. Harming a growing business to preserve a declining one is a costly and doubtful business strategy. That fact reduces the incentive to engage in foreclosure.

If Comcast nevertheless wished to foreclose competition, how would it do so? The most obvious routes are cut off by Comcast’s existing regulatory commitments, made as a condition of its NBC-Universal acquisition. These commitments include acceptance of the FCC’s Open Internet rule. Critics have focused on an interaction between online video distributors and Comcast not subject to the existing restrictions. ISPs are increasingly receiving payment for direct interconnection to the ISP network. This practice of “paid peering” has raised concerns that such payments might harm online video, resulting in a form of foreclosure.

Paid peering is an ineffective tool of foreclosure. Online video distributors are under no obligation to pay directly for interconnection. They are typically free to contract with middlemen, such as backbone providers and content delivery networks, that in turn deliver the content to the ISP. Those alternatives mean that an ISP is unable to degrade online video delivered in this fashion without also degrading other traffic delivered by the middleman. Such protection is particularly potent for smaller distributors that are more easily pooled with other traffic.

To be clear, the fact of payment is not in itself problematic. Online video distributors and other content providers have long paid for interconnection, and Comcast has long received payment for interconnection. Payment for interconnection has always been made using some mix of cash and reciprocal carriage of the other firm's traffic. If a content provider or its agent takes on no reciprocal carriage, then cash is a natural alternative. In this respect, paid peering is a new variant of an old business practice.

Paid peering is best seen not as an instrument of exclusion, but as a means to put a price on the additional capacity demands resulting from the increased popularity of online video. It is efficient for the distributor and its end-users, considered collectively, to pay for that capacity, rather than spreading the expense among all ISP customers. Doing so better aligns use with cost and incentivizes both investment and economical use. Paid peering is not the only possible solution to that problem, of course. Surcharging heavy users, provided that the surcharge is not itself an instrument of foreclosure, is a viable alternative.

Comcast's recent interconnection agreement with Netflix, far from suggesting an antitrust concern, is a sign that the market is working well. The proposed merger does not change that. In considering whether to impose a prophylactic restriction on Comcast's ability to engage in paid peering, the current moment of experimentation seems a particularly inapt time. We should be particularly cautious about intervening in the absence of a demonstrated problem.

A thriving online video distributor requires, in addition to a broadband connection to users, access to programming. That fact suggests a second potential strategy for foreclosure, which is to inhibit access to programming. In particular, the traditional distributor, as part of its contract with a programmer, might insist upon restrictions in the programmer's dealings with online video distributors. For example, Comcast might insist that Disney not make certain types of online content deals, or insert contractual clauses that have a similar but more indirect effect.

The Justice Department has reportedly investigated these contracts.⁷ I am unaware of public information about the prevalence of such contracts or their practical effect. A contract that disadvantaged online video might well be resisted by the programmer, who would prefer

⁷ Shalini Ramachandran, "Favored Nations" Fight for Online Digital Rights, Wall St. J., June 14, 2012, at B3.

to make profitable sales to such firms, and therefore such a contract would be more costly to the distributor to secure. Overall, whether this is a profitable or likely foreclosure strategy is currently unclear.

The key question for present purposes, in any event, is whether the proposed merger worsens whatever foreclosure problem might exist. Comcast is prohibited from enforcing any such anticompetitive contracts by its NBC-Universal conditions.⁸ That prohibition would be extended to TWC if the merger is approved. That extension has the effect of strengthening existing protections against this potential form of foreclosure.

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In conclusion, a merger between Comcast and TWC is unlikely to have several effects posited by critics. It is unlikely to affect prices for consumers; to have anticompetitive effects on programmers; or to incrementally foreclose competition from online video by impeding connectivity or access to programming. Thank you for the opportunity to discuss these issues with the Subcommittee.

⁸ Modified Final Judgment § V.C, United States v. Comcast Corp., No. 11-cv-106 (D.D.C. Aug. 21, 2013), available at <http://www.justice.gov/atr/cases/f300100/300146.pdf>.

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VIA ELECTRONIC COMMENT FILING SYSTEM

Re: Comcast - Time Warner Cable, MB Docket 14-57

Aug. 21, 2014

Dear Commission Members:

On behalf of the R Street Institute, a Washington-based free-market think tank with offices in Sacramento, Calif., Austin, Texas, Columbus, Ohio, and Tallahassee, Fla., I write in support of approving the proposed merger between Comcast and Time Warner Cable (TWC). Our analysis of this merger is that it is a natural response to changing market conditions, offers significant potential benefits for consumers in both the residential and business markets and that potential harms are either minimal or mitigated by other existing regulations or market dynamics.

The proposed \$45 billion merger takes place in an environment characterized by two trends that have hit cable television providers particularly hard in recent years – a shrinking subscriber base for pay-television services and the rising cost of content acquisition.

Comcast has been losing video customers, on net, for at least five consecutive years, down nearly 10 percent from 24.8 million at year-end 2007 to 22.5 million at the end of the second quarter of 2014. TWC has also lost net video subscribers in each of the past five years, falling more than 17 percent from 13.3 million at year-end 2007 to 11.0 million at mid-year 2014.

Cable companies also have seen rapidly escalating costs to acquire content, driven in part by competition from a profusion of video on-demand services like Netflix, Amazon Prime and Hulu, of which Comcast is a part-owner. Intense negotiations for content – including a 2013 dispute between TWC and CBS – also have led to a number of service blackouts, which unquestionably harm consumers. Reflecting trends across the industry, TWC has seen its per-subscriber content costs rise 24 percent since 2010, while Comcast has seen a 20 percent jump over the past two years.

Currently, nine companies – AMC, CBS, Discovery, Disney, Fox, Scripps, Time Warner Inc., Viacom and Comcast itself – control about 90 percent of the \$45 billion market for television content. While the content creation market is not itself a monopoly, growing demand has contributed to higher prices. The market for sports content – provided by the likes of Comcast's own NBC Sports, as well as CBS Sports, Fox Sports, Time Warner's TNT and TBS and, especially, Disney's ESPN – has proven particularly thorny for cable companies. The trend toward "cord cutting," in which consumers eschew any pay-television service in favor of streaming video on-demand, has raised the stakes for cable companies to retain consumers of live broadcasts, tilting leverage further toward providers of sports content.

According to SNL Kagan, fees paid by distributors to carry cable channels are expected to grow from \$31.7 billion in 2013 to \$40.8 billion in 2016. The market is led by ESPN, which takes in about \$5.54 per month per subscriber, compared to about \$1 per month per subscriber paid to broadcast network affiliates for retransmission consent, another rapidly growing cost driver. SNL Kagan projects the broadcast networks – including Comcast's NBC and Telemundo – will pull in about \$3 billion in retransmission consent fees in 2015, with the networks themselves taking roughly a \$1.3 billion cut and network-owned affiliates getting the remaining \$1.7 billion.

The additional negotiating power wielded by a combined Comcast-TWC could potentially serve as a check on rising content acquisition costs, both in carriage fees and retransmission consent agreements. It should be noted that the extent to which this would reverse the prevailing trend is uncertain and may depend partially on whether the combination spurs further media consolidation in response. To the extent that the combined company can negotiate across any of these markets to reduce fixed costs, it could translate into consumer benefits in the form of lower service bills.

Consumers also should benefit from operating efficiencies that reduce costs without reducing output, and from network upgrades, in particular to TWC's relatively older and slower service. Comcast has said it expects the combination initially to yield about \$400 million in capital expenditure efficiencies and to save about \$1.5 billion in operating expenses within three years. The company also has announced it will accelerate TWC's planned migration of at least 75 percent of its service footprint to all-digital service.

One under-appreciated consumer benefit of a combined Comcast-TWC is the role the larger company could play in the business services sector. While both Comcast and TWC have a modest presence in the market to provide broadband and voice service to small business, the firms are only marginal players in the market to serve large commercial enterprises. Because of the need for a large national service footprint, the business services market traditionally has been dominated by telecoms like Verizon and AT&T. A combined Comcast -TWC, with at least some footprint in all of the 50 largest markets, could for the first time become competitive, with benefits redounding to business services consumers.

Some have raised concerns that a combined company would have undue market power to discriminate in both the video and broadband markets, for instance by privileging its own content over that of competitors. Some of these concerns are relevant to the commission's own separate industry-wide deliberations on regulation on net neutrality, a subject on which R Street has not taken any formal position. However, it is incumbent on those who raise such concerns to demonstrate why a combined Comcast-TWC presents any new issues or heightens any existing issues that did not already exist with the companies operating separately.

Comcast is already bound by the FCC's program carriage rules not to privilege its own content. The company also has already pledged that the seven-year net neutrality agreement it consented to when it purchased NBCUniversal in 2011 would also apply to TWC. What's more, any incentive a combined Comcast-TWC would have to discriminate against particular content providers operating on its platform would, by necessity, be balanced against consumer demand for that same content. This is a lesson already learned the hard way by TWC, which lost 300,000 customers during its blackout dispute with CBS.

Were it the case that a combined company would leave consumers with fewer choices, concerns about discriminatory treatment of content would have more force. But Comcast and TWC already do not compete with one another for customers in any market in the country. Moreover, Comcast also has stipulated as part of the terms of the agreement that it will divest 3.9 million residential video subscribers to Charter Communications. The combined Comcast-TWC would remain the largest provider of pay-television services, but it would control less than 30 percent of the market, with DirecTV and Dish Network – both of which do compete directly with Comcast and TWC -- having 20 percent and 14 percent, respectively. Other services, including the telephone providers that also compete directly with cable and satellite, comprise with the remaining 36 percent.

As believers in pragmatic, free-market solutions, we believe antitrust action should be limited in scope and focus on demonstrable harm to consumers. We do not believe the issues raised by the proposed Comcast-Time Warner Cable merger meet that threshold. We ask that you allow it to go forward without undue delay.

Respectfully submitted,

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August 16, 2014

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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

I am the Executive Director of the Mattapan/ Greater Boston Technology Learning Center, Inc. in Boston, Massachusetts, an adult IT training center. We offer leadership skills and training in personal computer repair, web design and database management, along with a number of other technology courses. Except for minimal registration and lab fees, our services are free. Our students are mostly Boston residents who come from very diverse ethnic backgrounds.

Comcast has been a dependable partner to our school. Its support helps us operate our classes that provide our participants with opportunities for job growth. Our partnership is invaluable and is one of the reasons I believe that the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction deserves to be approved.

Comcast makes a significant, positive impact on our state’s economy. It employs more than 4,000 in Massachusetts. In fact, as an Internet Essentials training partner we currently work with Comcast to provide our beginning skills and core tech classes. So far, we have graduated 72 students. We also recently celebrated Comcast as our “Partner of the Year” at our annual graduation.

I know that many of the children in our city wouldn’t have Internet access or a computer in their homes without help from Comcast. Thousands of low-income families in the Boston area have taken advantage of Internet Essentials. It lets them pay only \$9.95 a month for Internet. They can also buy a computer through Internet Essentials for about \$150. Children who have Internet Essentials get their homework finished, research assignments and do so much more online that other children have taken for granted for

years. My understanding is that this program started as a short-term project but that now it is being offered indefinitely.

Anywhere Comcast operates, you will hear these same stories about community partnerships and efforts to keep children and adults exposed to, and trained on, the latest digital technology. I can only guess at the benefits awaiting cities and towns that would be new hosts to Comcast under the proposed transaction. Please give this your approval and permit those communities to benefit as we have in Massachusetts.

Thank you for taking the time to consider my position on this issue.

Sincerely,

/s/ Karrie Ann Jean
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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

Education doesn't begin when the late bell rings for any of Independence School District's 14,000 students. Educating our children doesn't end when a school bus drops our last child off to their home. Education is a 24-7, 365-day-a-year project that lives in schools, homes, and our communities. In the 21st century, high-speed internet access is the best way to connect to the world beyond one's own community. As the Public Relations and Communication Director of the Independence School District, I urge you to approve the Comcast-Time Warner transaction to help make top-caliber, Digital Age education available to all of our children, at school and in the home.

In Independence, Missouri, we benefit from Comcast coverage and infrastructure. We also benefit from Comcast's Internet Essentials program, an initiative that provides low-cost Internet connection and computers to families that qualify for the National School Lunch Program. Our round-the-clock effort to educate children is often stalled by a very real Digital Divide - the disparity in Net access between rich and poor. The Internet Essentials program provides affordable, convenient, and speedy service to those who need it most.

Approval of the proposed union between Comcast and Time Warner will enable the expansion of this program. We have already seen the benefits in our school district. We know that other communities, like Kansas City right next door, stand to benefit as well.

Comcast also empowers our students through considerate and committed corporate citizenship. The company consistently sponsors events like our district's annual Hispanic Community Connection Night, which connects our Hispanic students to the Web. That presence isn't unique to Independence.

Last year, Comcast gave over \$170,000 in community investments throughout Missouri. Our children have been connected to a wealth of opportunity throughout Comcast's service to the Independence area. Children throughout the United States deserve the same access. Please help educators build stronger communities and further close the Digital Divide by approving this transaction.

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Tom Wheeler, Chairman
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Dear Chairman Wheeler:

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

My name is Paul Dakin and I am the superintendent of Revere Public Schools in Revere, Mass., a historic community named for the Revolutionary War patriot. A diverse and hard-working population sends their children to our schools, where approximately 7,020 children receive education and enrichment in grades EC-12.

We are proud to acknowledge our exemplary partners, such as Comcast, which enhance our schools and communities in a genuine way. In my estimation, New York would be wise to embrace the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable.

To provide the best opportunities for all students, Revere Public Schools are focused on the future, and that cannot be discussed without mentioning technology and innovation. Our district is very focused on staying connected to students when they leave the classroom and at home. We do this by posting report cards, attendance records, homework and other important news and information on our website. Of course, in order to benefit from this resource a family or student needs to be able to access the Internet readily.

As a corporate citizen whose focus on equipping low-income students and their families with affordable broadband merits attention, we feel Comcast is working toward the closure of the Digital Divide, in Massachusetts and across the country.

In fact, nearly 9 percent of all eligible households in the Commonwealth are now enrolled in Internet Essentials, Comcast's landmark digital adoption program. This is a noteworthy achievement, considering that the initiative has been operational for only three years. In fact, Revere was among the first School Districts to offer support for the Internet Essentials program when it was launched in 2011 because, as stated above, we are not only taking advantage of online technology to communicate to students and parents, but because we know the learning opportunities it can afford them. I am proud to say Revere has one of the strongest rates of connection to the Internet Essentials program in Massachusetts.

For these and other reasons, I feel confident that New York would benefit greatly from a transaction of Comcast and Time Warner Cable. It is an encouraging thought to know that millions of additional families would be eligible for Internet Essentials throughout the state as a result of the transaction.

Sincerely,

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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners:

I am writing this letter to voice my sincere appreciation and gratitude for Comcast as a community partner for Aurora Public Schools (APS) and the Aurora Public Schools Foundation. Over the years, Comcast has proven to be a true long-term partner for our school district through their consistent engagement and support of programs that have had a positive impact on our more than 38,000 students, 4,200 teachers and staff, and 59 schools. We are grateful for Comcast's high levels of employee engagement seen in volunteer efforts across many years and their dedicated team members who serve as thought partners, helping us to strategically guide our work and assist in leveraging other community investment.

We are thrilled that Comcast partners annually with APS on projects for their Comcast Cares Day in the spring. This is Comcast's signature day of service, and Comcast teams have completed many different projects over the last several years benefitting our schools and our students. This year, the Comcast Cares Day activities were undertaken at Jewell Elementary School and Gateway High School. At Jewell Elementary Comcast employees worked on a wide variety of projects, helping to create a beautiful area for Jewell students to learn, play and grow. And at Gateway High School Comcast employees worked on such projects as painting classrooms, organizing the school's drama props & costume room, revamping the teacher lounges and workrooms, cleaning and bringing more school spirit to the varsity boys & girls locker rooms. These projects and projects like them in past years have had amazing impact.

We are equally inspired by Comcast's continued support of the "Fifth Block" summer school program, which helps thousands of students strengthen their skills and prepare for the new school year, and by the company's direct support of and investment in our APS Foundation efforts. This support has included helping us produce videos telling the Foundation's story as well as producing and donating air time to run a 30-second TV spot encouraging the Aurora community to engage in supporting Foundation programs. We have also benefited from having a Comcast leader volunteer as a member of our board of directors for several years, who was recently elected to serve as chair of the board.

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We also are grateful that Comcast offers the Internet Essentials program, which helps low-income families afford home Internet service. This program is a great benefit to many APS families; more than 70% of our students qualify for free and reduced price school lunches, and this program makes it possible for students to have Internet and a computer in their homes to use as they complete their school work. The district increasingly utilizes e-mail, social media, and website tools to share important information with parents and students, so we have partnered with district leaders and Comcast staff on many occasions to help make families aware of the opportunities and benefits available to them through Internet Essentials. The program has gone a long way toward empowering APS students and families, and it is compelling to note that if allowed to merge with Time Warner Cable, Comcast would expand Internet Essentials to benefit more and more communities.

Comcast has set a strong example in our community of what deep and lasting partnership looks like. As we build and deepen private, public, non-profit and philanthropic partnerships in order to drive innovative programming and accelerate learning for every APS student every day, we are grateful for the inspirational path forged by Comcast and its employees.

In closing, I couldn't be more pleased to express my support for Comcast as a stalwart community partner. I urge the FCC to approve the proposed Time Warner Cable/Comcast transaction so other communities can benefit from Comcast's presence as we have.

Sincerely,

/s/ Paul Lhevine
Paul Lhevine
Executive Director

August 18, 2014

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RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

As Head of School at 'Iolani School in Honolulu, the largest Episcopal school in the US, I am pleased to have learned about the proposed merger of Comcast Corporation and Time Warner Cable. Three years ago, I joined 'Iolani after serving as Head of the Harley School in Rochester, New York and prior to Harley I was a senior administrator at the Lawrenceville School in Lawrenceville, New Jersey where I witnessed first-hand the positive impact Comcast Corporation had on education and youth development in the greater Philadelphia area. I believe the addition of Comcast to the Hawai'i community will add similar support that will benefit many young people in our state.

Science, technology, engineering and mathematics (STEM) education is widely recognized as a key component for 21st century learning. More than ever, with expanding global competition and collaboration, our students need to be equipped with the skills and technology that will make them valued in the workplace of the future. The introduction of STEM curricula and associated professional development for our teachers needs strong corporate partners who are willing to support these emerging programs. Among peer companies, Comcast has an unparalleled record of supporting schools' technology needs and moving beyond this to many efforts that enhance students' digital literacy. They are highly commendable and this will be a great partnership for our school systems, public and private.

One of the main technical challenges facing schools is the integration of cloud-based systems, mobile devices and high bandwidth learning materials. Our students need real time access to video, file sharing and collaboration tools that are in many ways directly analogous to what high level professionals are using around the world. At 'Iolani this past year, we rolled out a 1:1 iPad initiative that added approximately 2,500 concurrent

connections to our WiFi network. The use of productivity Apps and paperless workflow are becoming a common part of the student experience. Fortunately, the school has the resources and knowhow to implement such a major academic technology project.

We are, however, in the minority in our state and it will take a dedicated corporate partner such as Comcast to make this level of academic technology the norm, and it is crucial for future generations and our economy that it does so. Comcast's planned investment in Time Warner Cable's network will allow it to offer Hawaii's schools high-performance broadband solutions with speeds ranging from 1 Mbps to 10 Gbps. Such technology will support the use of electronic records by enabling district-wide communication, allowing teachers to integrate data-intensive content like e-textbooks, video, and distance learning into their classrooms.

Comcast's record in this regard is well established. Its Digital Connectors program has equipped hundreds of community computer labs and trained thousands of high school students on basic digital literacy skills. Programs like these reach beyond the first circle of students and into the community at large. Distributed implementation models are powerful because the students themselves become the community leaders who can promote the importance of digital literacy to those around them.

Another initiative for which I have a great deal of optimism is Comcast's Internet Essentials program. Within this program, families with children are eligible for the National School Lunch Program home Internet service for only \$9.95 per month, free digital skills training and the option to purchase a heavily-subsidized computer. At 'Iolani and our peer school, Punahou, we run summer learning programs for this precise demographic that have proven effective in closing the achievement gap and increasing high school graduation and college matriculation. One common challenge is the lack of technology in the home. The Internet Essentials program will directly address this technology gap and benefit this group of learners, which is in excess of 100,000 children in our state.

As I noted above, I have witnessed directly how Comcast Corporation's commitment to community and education positively impact the lives of many young people. From the perspective of the business sector in which I work - education - the children of the State of Hawai'i will benefit from our leaders choosing to support companies such as Comcast whose mission includes supporting education. I encourage you to take this point into strong consideration when considering approval of this transaction.

Sincerely,

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August 18, 2014

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Re: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

My name is David Gaudi, and I am writing to you today as the head-of Saint Mark Lutheran School in Kāne'ohe, Hawai'i as well as a member of the board of directors for the Hawai'i Association of Independent Schools. It is my pleasure to take a few moments to share my support for Comcast Corporation as their proposed merger with Time Warner Cable is being considered.

It is clear to me that the Comcast Corporation has a special commitment to the community and has enhanced the lives of many children throughout the United States. I am convinced that their entrance into the Hawai'i market place will not only increase internet access and technology accessibility for Hawai'i's keiki but will also provide the opportunity for the formation community partnerships that will potentially benefit both public and independent schools in Hawai'i.

Among the many programs and services that Comcast offers, I am particularly impressed with their Internet Essentials and Digital Connectors programs as well as their commitment to increasing and improving the broadband performance for Hawai'i schools. These programs and services would be a welcomed addition to current offerings.

As the head of a small independent school, it is my hope and belief that Comcast will bring fair pricing to Hawai'i schools and will prove to be more than merely another conglomerate looking to capitalize in a new locale. It is my contention that Comcast will be a civically responsible, community partner who will continually work with educational leaders to explore meaningful and economically reasonable ways to serve Hawai'i's keiki while advancing Hawai'i's technological position as a bridge between the US mainland and Asia.

Comcast's dedicaton to expanding academic and professional opportunities for young people coupled with their collaborative nature, willingness to invest in the latest technologies, and promotion of civic responsibility, makes their entry into Hawai'i a very attractive proposition.

I hope you will consider these factors when weighing approval of this transaction.

Sincerely,

/s/ R. David Gaudi Jr., Ed.D.
R. David Gaudi Jr., Ed.D.
Head of School

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman and Commissioners,

I submit this letter, in support of the Comcast-Time Warner Cable transaction. My support is based on the following observations.

For many years, Comcast has been a leader in cyber-technology and cyber-security. For the past few years, the University of Connecticut (UConn) and Comcast have collaborated on multiple projects and initiatives on hardware security, and developing holistic approaches to address evolving cybersecurity challenges. Comcast has been a strong partner to UConn and shares its commitment to utilizing leading-edge tools, strategies, and protocols for preventing, detecting, deterring, and responding to cybersecurity threats.

As part of this collaboration, Comcast is a founding member the Center for Hardware Assurance, Security and Engineering (CHASE) at UConn. Other sponsors include the U.S. Department of Defense, National Science Foundation, and industry leaders such as Honeywell, Samsung, and CISCO as sponsors. In addition, in partnership with Comcast, UConn has initiated several research projects aimed at reducing costly operations and offshore manufacturing risks.

Significantly, in April of this year, UConn expanded its longstanding relationship with Comcast to form the Comcast Center of Excellence for Security Innovation (CSI). CSI unites the expertise of renowned scholars and researchers from UCONN and Comcast's leadership in Internet systems security to develop robust detection systems and analytical tools to ensure that the computer chips and other hardware components vital to Internet broadband systems are shielded from malicious attacks, unauthorized access, and faulty or counterfeit products. CSI's primary functions include: conducting leading-edge security related R&D based on a holistic approach to the cybersecurity framework as defined by the National Institute for Standards and Technology (NIST) and industry best practices; delivering unprecedented security that grows the standard framework for industry and government; advancing continuous monitoring of attacks and vulnerabilities through a national database; and developing the next generation of cyber risk management professionals.

The Comcast Center of Excellence for Security Innovation is the first of its kind, with the best in class from both industry and academic institutions, when it comes to developing cutting edge security technologies, practices, and processes. To date, CSI is the only a dedicated security innovation lab at a university sponsored by a company. We are very proud of our joint effort, and are especially pleased to have had the opportunity to share it with your office firsthand when Mrs. Erika Olsen attended CSI's launch event this past Spring.

UConn's academic-industry partnership with Comcast is an important example of how to proactively advance science and create a new generation of highly-skilled workers prepared to resolve current and future technological challenges. Already, our PhD students have taken advantage of internship opportunities at Comcast. Earlier this month, our University awarded one of Comcast's leading experts a Professor of Practice which uniquely positions us to offer course work and certification based on NIST's cyber security framework. In October, we will be jointly hosting a security awareness/ challenge week at UConn called CyberSeed. Our goal is to have over 50 Universities competing in multiple challenges. Comcast is once again leading efforts to bring experts to UConn and broaden our academic-industry engagements during that week.

Our mission in advancement of knowledge needed to secure the cyber-space has taken a new momentum with Comcast's collaboration. Our current CSI research projects will have a transformative impact beyond the cable industry, and can translate to security solutions nationally and internationally. Comcast's size and scale has enabled it to invest and to differentiate itself from other broadband providers in rolling out the best technological advances to keep consumers safe. The national scale created by its proposed merger with Time Warner Cable will enable Comcast to continue to invest in research and development, and ultimately enhance network security for millions more residential and business customers.

Given all this, I firmly support the TWC transaction and look forward to supporting the growth and opportunities that this transaction will bring to our shared commitment to cybersecurity.

Respectfully,

/s/ Kazem Kazerounian

Kazem Kazerounian
Dean & Professor

August 21, 2014

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

As the executive director of the Boys & Girls Club of Westminster in Westminster, Md., I am proud to offer my support for Comcast's proposed transaction with Time Warner Cable.

For three consecutive years, Comcast has partnered with us on "Comcast Cares Day," the single largest day of corporate volunteerism in the country that occurs every April. We have been delighted to be on the receiving end of the hard work and determination of hundreds of Comcast volunteers, whose impact on and effort to improve Carroll County cannot be overstated.

Comcast has also supported our "Club Tech" program, a national digital literacy and technology skills initiative that is building our young members' computer skills and seamlessly integrating technology across our program areas.

Further, in March 2013, the Boys & Girls Club of Westminster was featured on "Comcast Newsmakers," a vehicle for news and information that spread the word about our mission, and in particular our summer camps, to a wider audience. This type of publicity raises our profile and ultimately helps us connect with the members, volunteers and supporters who make our work possible.

Finally, Comcast is working to support low-income students and families across Maryland, and many other states, by offering a comprehensive digital adoption program called Internet Essentials. This program is working to narrow the digital divide - wiring schools and libraries with broadband and offering affordable at-home Internet service to underserved children and families. Families with a child who qualifies for the National School Lunch Program are eligible, and the sign-up is quick and easy. In fact, I understand that more than 350,000 households across the nation are already enrolled.

According to recent data from the Census Bureau, 25 percent of American households do not have at-home Internet access. For those without it, one of the primary barriers to access is cost. Internet Essentials promises to circumvent this barrier and make the vast resources and opportunities of the Internet available to those who need it most.

I am confident that the proposed transaction between Comcast and Time Warner Cable would build on these good efforts and enable more communities to experience the benefits that good corporate citizenship provides.

/s/ Bonnae Meshulam
Bonnae Meshulam
Executive Director
Boys & Girls Club of Westminster, Inc.

August 21, 2014

Tom Wheeler
Chairman, Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

The Education Partnership is dedicated to addressing educational inequities by providing and enabling access to the tools and resources necessary to support teachers and enhance a student's ability to learn and succeed. Comcast has been a longtime supporter of our organization, and I thought it would be helpful to the Commission as it considers the company's proposed merger with Time Warner Cable to describe the nature of our partnership and how Comcast has worked to aid the public interest wherever it does business.

Our organization provides supplies to school and classrooms free of charge where at least 70% of the student body qualifies for the National School Lunch Program (NSLP). So you can imagine how perfectly our program goals fit with Comcast's efforts like Internet Essentials that focus on students in similar economic situations. We were pleased that in 2012 the company enhanced its Internet Essential program by providing an instant approval process for students attending "Provision 2" schools and other schools validated by the National Center for Education Statistics to have at least 75% participation in the NSLP. This showed us that Comcast's community engagement is driven by results and outcomes, not by positive press or kudos from local politicians. Comcast employees have also dedicated their time to this end as well, using their annual "Comcast Cares Day" events in recent years to help us gather and sort school supplies that our students so desperately need.

We are pleased to have Comcast as our partner in addressing the critical needs of at-risk youth in our communities, and we are certain that public interest groups in other cities across the country would have a similarly beneficial experience.

Sincerely,

/s/ Justin Brown
Justin Brown
Executive Director

August 21, 2014

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

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler:

The Boys & Girls Club of South Valley would like to discuss some of the ways that Comcast has benefitted the children throughout the Salt Lake City community and to express our support for the proposed transaction with Time Warner Cable.

The mission of our organization is to provide a year round, positive, safe, healthy, fun and educational environment that prepares children in our community to become responsible, caring individuals through a series of different programs aimed at helping our Club Members pass their high school exit exams and continue on to college. Since 1967 we have strived to help nurture our Club Members to realize their talents and help broaden their horizons through partnerships with local organizations and companies.

As Executive Director for the Boys & Girls Clubs of South Valley, and lead organization in the Utah Alliance of Boys & Girls Clubs we are proud of the accomplishments we have achieved to benefit youth in Utah through our collaboration efforts with Comcast. Comcast has gone out of their way to work with us to create programs that help our Club Members, for example, we developed NetSmartz, a digital literacy program that helps children to gain a better understanding of computers and how to stay safe on the Internet, in a partnership with Comcast.

Comcast is an expert at helping organizations like ours develop programs that help young people succeed and earn an education. Because we are confident that Comcast will bring the same level of support to their new markets, we appreciate your consideration of our views.

Sincerely,

/s/ Bob Dunn
Bob Dunn
Executive Director

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August 22, 2014

Tom Wheeler
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, DC 20554

RE: MB Docket No. 14-57

Dear Chairman Wheeler,

I am writing today to share my experience working with Comcast Corporation in the hope that it informs your analysis of its proposed acquisition of Time Warner Cable.

As the CEO of Big Brothers Big Sisters of America - the nation's largest volunteer mentoring program - I am concerned about our nation's youth. Giving young people who are facing adversity the guidance and tools they need to be on equal economic and social footing requires investments of time, resources and presence. In the cities and towns where we serve alongside Comcast, I can say that they have shared our passion for investing in the future of individuals and their communities.

Together with Comcast, we have developed the Beyond School Walls program, which is currently the nation's largest workplace mentoring program for young people. Last school year, some 300 "Littles" participated in the mentoring program in 13 Comcast offices nationwide, each paired with a Comcast "Big" whose time and guidance has led program participants to earn higher grades, post lower truancy rates, and increase graduation rates. I am impressed with Comcast's commitment to this program and their desire to see a meaningful outcome for each child.

One aspect that is perhaps the most integral to securing our future economic growth is diversity. In today's - and tomorrow's - workplace, the advantages that diversity brings are essential to driving innovation and creativity, promoting global competition, and advancing economic opportunity. Comcast is a leader in integrating diversity into the workplace. Time and time again Comcast has demonstrated their commitment to diversity by appointing women and people of color to the Board of Directors and by increasing minority hiring in both senior leadership positions and throughout all departments in the company.

The Commission has the responsibility of determining whether or not the proposed Comcast and Time Warner Cable transaction moves forward. I hope the Commission considers Comcast's efforts to invest in the futures of the communities it serves and urge the agency to support this transaction.

Best regards,

/s/ Pam Iorio
Pam Iorio
President and CEO
Big Brothers Big Sisters of America