



State of Rhode Island

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Rhode Island Division of Public Utilities and Carriers

Attn: Linda D. George, Administrator
89 Jefferson Boulevard
Warwick, RI 02888

Re: Support for the Application for Transfer of Control – Cox Communications and Charter Communications Docket D-25-18

Administrator George,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on Docket D-25-18. As members of the Rhode Island Senate, we write to express our support for the proposed transfer of control between Cox Communications and Charter Communications.

Cox Communications has long been an important partner in our state's economic and civic life. Beyond providing essential broadband and cable services, Cox has consistently invested in Rhode Island communities—supporting local nonprofits, expanding digital access, and maintaining a responsive approach to both customers and public institutions. These efforts have earned Cox a strong reputation for reliability, quality, and community engagement.

We are encouraged that Charter Communications has recognized this legacy and is committed to building on it, and we appreciate their proactive outreach to the Senate to understand the priorities of our constituents and to seek feedback on what matters most to the people we represent. In early discussions with legislative leaders, Charter representatives conveyed that Rhode Island customers will benefit from more competitive pricing, a 100% U.S.-based customer service operation, continued investment in service quality and reliability, and operational efficiencies that will directly benefit the consumer. Additionally, we are heartened to hear that the company has committed \$50 million to a new charitable foundation to continue Cox's longstanding record of community investment.

We view this merger as an opportunity to preserve and strengthen the standards of access, affordability, and community partnership that Rhode Islanders have come to expect. With continued transparency and collaboration, we are confident this transition can deliver meaningful benefits for customers across our state.

Sincerely,

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