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The Honorable Fred Upton  
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U.S. House of Representatives  
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The Honorable Greg Walden  
Chairman  
Subcommittee on Communications and Technology  
Committee on Energy and Commerce  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, D.C. 201515

Dear Chairman Upton and Chairman Walden:

We write to request that the Subcommittee on Communications and Technology hold a hearing on the current state of the video marketplace given the recent announcement of the proposed AT&T-Time Warner merger.


Video content continues to be a driving force in the future of communications. We have seen new and exciting innovations with over-the-top video offerings. As more consumers go mobile, the demand for content will continue. All of this activity generally means good things for consumers—more programs, more choices, and more options on prices.

Given the current environment, it is not surprising that traditional communications companies are seeking to diversify and expand holdings of content. Our role in the Energy and Commerce Committee is to provide oversight of these markets and to gain better insight on the impact on consumers. Now is the time to take the opportunity to explore these issues, and we look forward to your response.

Sincerely,



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