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The Honorable Fred Upton
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The Honorable Henry Waxman
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The Honorable Greg Walden
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The Honorable Anna Eshoo
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House Committee on Energy and Commerce
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Dear Chairmen Upton and Walden and Ranking Minority Members Waxman and Eshoo:

On behalf of NCTA and our member companies, I want to offer our support for the full committee's consideration of H.R. 3309, the Federal Communications Commission Process Reform Act of 2011, and H.R. 3310, the Federal Communications Commission Consolidated Reporting Act of 2011. We commend Subcommittee Chairman Walden, Ranking Member Eshoo and other members of the Subcommittee for their work in examining FCC reform ideas that will promote greater transparency and predictability in agency decision-making. We also commend FCC Chairman Genachowski for his initiative in adopting important procedural reforms and working to identify and eliminate regulations that are no longer relevant in today's competitive marketplace.

As the leading broadband provider in the U.S., the cable industry has witnessed firsthand how the Internet has rapidly transformed telecommunications and society. H.R. 3309 will help ensure that the regulatory framework better reflects this dynamic marketplace by focusing regulatory activity in areas of market failure and providing greater transparency, predictability, and procedural certainty. We also support the inclusion of the "Federal Communications Commission Collaboration Act," authored by Eshoo and Representative Shimkus. This common-sense approach allows Commissioners to meet without a quorum being present.

We also commend Representative Scalise for his leadership on HR 3310, The Federal Communications Commission Consolidated Reporting Act of 2011. This legislation would provide policymakers with a more comprehensive and timely view of the communications marketplace, helping to eliminate a siloed approach to congressional reporting.

Given today's increasingly competitive communications landscape, we appreciate efforts by the Committee to free providers from unnecessary regulatory obstacles that impede the development of new, innovative consumer offerings.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "M. Powell", with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

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