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October 6, 2010

The Honorable Julius Genachowski
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Genachowski:

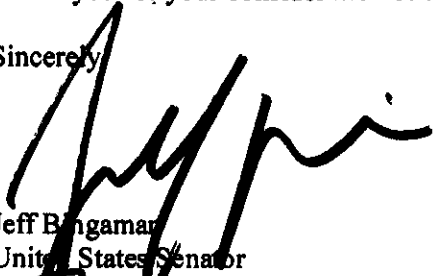
On behalf of the citizens of New Mexico, we encourage the Federal Communications Commission to conduct an expeditious review of the proposed merger between Qwest and CenturyLink.

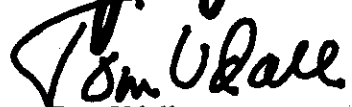
When Qwest and CenturyLink combine their companies, they will create a larger national broadband provider, delivering wider coverage, higher speeds, increased value, and more products and services than either company could offer alone. The combined company will have enhanced financial and operational resources for further network investment in New Mexico and across the country to support technology solutions that will help urban as well as rural areas.

The Department of Justice has already cleared the merger, and it has been approved by public utility commissions in ten states and the District of Columbia. With the Commission's timely review, the people of New Mexico can look forward to realizing the benefits that this combined company will provide to our state's economy.

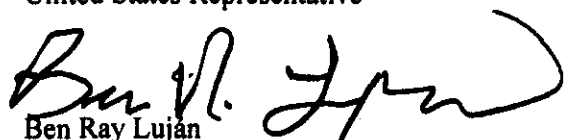
Thank you for your consideration of this request within the guidelines of your rules and regulations.

Sincerely,


Jeff Bingaman
United States Senator


Tom Udall
United States Senator


Martin Heinrich
United States Representative


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United States Representative


Harry Teague
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