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June 17, 2014

The Honorable Amy Klobuchar
Chairman
Subcommittee on Antitrust, Competition Policy and
Consumer Rights
Committee on the Judiciary
United States Senate
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Chairman Klobuchar:

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Thank you again for providing me with your views.

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