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FCC CHAIRMAN TOM WHEELER STATEMENT ON SIGNING OF CELL PHONE UNLOCKING BILL

WASHINGTON- "Today, President Obama signed legislation that gives consumers the freedom to switch between wireless carriers without having to purchase a new cellphone, allowing them to choose the mobile service plan that fits their specific needs and budget. This new law is a positive development that addresses the issues that triggered unlocking concerns in the first place. When the wireless industry worked with the FCC on a voluntary agreement to unlock devices when consumers' contracts have been fulfilled, they took an important step forward. The President's signature today makes greater consumer choice the law of the land."

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