

Congress of the United States

Washington, DC 20515

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The Honorable Ajit Pai
Chairman
Federal Communication Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Chairman Pai:

We write in support of Mr. Michael H. Hain to serve on the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) Broadband Deployment Advisory Committee (BDAC).

Mr. Hain has a vast understanding of the cable industry, particularly relating to broadband deployment and accessibility. Currently, Mr. Hain is the Chief Technology Officer and General Manager of Nittany Media, a locally-owned and operated cable company serving Central Pennsylvania for more than 55 years. Because of Mr. Hain's efforts and passion for his hometown communities, he has successfully deployed state of the art broadband technologies in four surrounding counties bringing Pennsylvania closer to bridging the digital divide.

As a telecommunications professional with more than 40 years of experience, Mr. Hain successfully spearheaded the first county-wide educational Wide Area Network in Central Pennsylvania, linking the schools of Juniata County School District using broadband technology. He also led a partnership between Nittany Media and the New York City Firm, USTVNow, to develop TV Everywhere technology, a revolutionary service that provides TV channels to mobile and other streaming capable devices anytime, anywhere.

In addition to his work experience, Mr. Hain was named Independent Tech Executive of the Year in 2016 by Cablefax Magazine, a highly respected publication in the cable industry. Furthermore, Mr. Hain is a member of a number of organizations that relate to his work on issues pertaining to broadband including: the South Central Workforce Investment Board, the Mifflin County Internet Advisory Committee, the Broadband Cable Association of Pennsylvania, as well as representing Pennsylvania as a delegate to Australia on Wireless Deployment.

Given Mr. Hain's knowledge and credentials, we believe he will serve an invaluable role within the BDAC. It is our hope that he will receive your full and fair consideration and make ourselves available to provide any further information. We greatly appreciate your consideration and look forward to your timely reply.

Sincerely,



Glenn "GT" Thompson (PA-15)
Member of Congress



Tom Marino (PA-12)
Member of Congress