

**STATEMENT OF
COMMISSIONER OLIVIA TRUSTY**

Re: *Empowering Broadband Consumers Through Transparency; Delete, Delete, Delete*, Second Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in CG Docket No. 22-2 and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking in GN Docket No. 25-133 (October 28, 2025).

Ensuring that consumers can make informed purchasing decisions is an area of common ground in broadband policy debates, and it's also the law. In 2021, Congress directed the Commission to adopt "nutrition-style" labels for broadband services. As a result, broadband labels play a vital role in empowering consumers to make informed choices about the services they purchase.

At the same time, agencies have an ongoing responsibility to assess whether their rules are working as intended. The Commission's *Delete, Delete, Delete* proceeding is a key example of that responsibility in action.

I appreciate the thoughtful input from stakeholders in this proceeding who have identified where our broadband label requirements may be overly burdensome or unnecessary. These are important issues to examine to ensure that our rules do not impose unwarranted costs that could hinder broadband deployment or innovation.

I also value the perspectives of stakeholders who emphasize the continued benefits of certain requirements. This process gives the Commission an opportunity to weigh those competing viewpoints carefully, and I look forward to reviewing the full record.

As this proceeding moves forward, I will be particularly attentive to whether any of our current requirements inadvertently undermine the goal of informing consumers. It is always valuable when the FCC can eliminate rules whose burdens outweigh their benefits, but it is essential that we act where rules frustrate their own purpose. If label requirements confuse or mislead consumers, or otherwise diminish the usefulness of broadband labels, the Commission should take steps to fix them.

I thank the Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau for its thoughtful work on this item.