From: <u>Vicki Champignon</u>
To: <u>Secretary, Board</u>

 Subject:
 [EXTERNAL] Docket # CM20030211

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Dear Board Secretary,

Please hear us out regarding docket # CM20030211. Do not approve the Altice/Service Electric acquisition without requiring that Altice supplies broadband for all of Knowlton, Columbia, Blairstown, Hardwick, Hope and Frelinghuysen Townships in Warren County, New Jersey. Being only 65 miles from NYC, it is nearly impossible to work from home, teach virtual learning to our children, video-conference, etc., as the service we have available in these rural areas is equivalent to that of a third-world country.

Please do not allow this shortfall to continue. The education of children in the area and the capacity for higher wages in the area completely depend on you taking a hard stance on infrastructure improvements. We currently pay \$40/per month for CenturyLink DSL with the guarantee of 8 gb but we cannot even get 2 gb. This is unacceptable.

Property values in our towns are absolutely undermined by not having a real internet solution available. How and why will people continue to want to live in our beautiful, rural areas, without something as simple as a more up-to-date broadband? We demand a better solution and will continue to fight for it.

Sincerely,

Vicki & Craig Champignon 862.354.3458 Property owners in Hardwick, NJ