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Irene Kim Asbury, Secretary New Jersey Board of Public Utilities 44 South Clinton Avenue P.O. Box 350 Trenton, NJ 08625-0350

Dear Secretary Asbury:

## RE: NJ BPU Docket CM15111255 and TM15111256

I am writing to you on behalf of Neptune High School to express our support for the proposed acquisition of Cablevision by Altice.

Neptune HS has enjoyed a strong partnership with Cablevision for many years. Through Cablevision's Optimum Community program, Neptune High School students have been part of Charity Champions for four years, winning the grand prize in 2011. This program has fostered school spirit, inspired and supported the charitable work of our high school students and benefited many local charities including St. Mary's Place by the Sea, John R. Elliot Be a Hero Campaign, S.H.A.R.E. and the Food Bank of Monmouth and Ocean Counties.

Our students have participated in other Optimum Community educational programs. Optimum Community, in partnership with Disney Press, brought author Kevin Carroll to our school. Mr. Carroll spoke to our students about embracing the spirit of play and creativity to maximize their human potential. Optimum Community also brought a financial literacy program to our school in partnership with CNBC. This program afforded our students the opportunity to gain a better understanding of how the financial decisions that are made now will impact their future self. These types of unique opportunities support our educational efforts, inspire our students and demonstrate Cablevision's commitment to the communities it serves.

In addition to community programs, the Neptune Township School District is also a customer. Cablevision Lightpath provides the technology throughout our district that enables our students to thrive. We believe Altice will continue the investment in the broadband infrastructure, both at schools and at home, that has become essential in preparing our students for their futures.

Cablevision has shown an unwavering commitment to our students and community. We look forward to continuing our relationship with Altice, and as such we encourage the Board of Public Utilities to approve this transaction.

Yours in Education.

Richard W. Allen, Ed.S. Principal/Neptune High School