



Congress of the United States
House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515-0529

The Honorable Ajit Pai
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

June 27, 2018


Dear Chairman Pai,


We write to inquire into the status of the Petition for Reconsideration filed by Liberman Broadcasting, Inc. on September 26, 2016, in Docket No. MB 16-121.

As you know, on April 8, 2016, LBI filed a complaint alleging that Comcast discriminated against LBI's Estrella TV Network to benefit Comcast-owned competing networks, Telemundo and NBC Universo, in reference to the FCC's program carriage rules and the merger conditions arising from Comcast's 2011 purchase of NBCUniversal. On August 26, 2016, the Media Bureau dismissed the complaint without prejudice on the grounds that LBI lacked standing to pursue this complaint against Comcast. On September 26, 2016, LBI submitted a Petition For Reconsideration, which we understand remains pending more than 18 months later.

While we take no position on the merits of the Petition, we are very concerned it has been pending at the Federal Communications Commission for more than 18 months. The companies involved in this matter deserve certainty, so please respond to us by July 12 regarding the current status of the Petition as well as by when you expect it to be decided by the agency.

Sincerely,


TONY CARDENAS
Member of Congress


RAUL RUIZ
Member of Congress