



09 February 2009

The Honorable Henry A. Waxman  
Chairman, Committee on Energy and Commerce  
2204 Rayburn House Office Building  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-0530

Dear Representative Waxman:

On behalf of more than 215,000 engineers, scientists and allied professionals represented by the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers-United States of America (IEEE-USA), I would like to thank you for your strong support for broadband deployment in the U.S.

Your commitment to fund the investments in our nation's broadband infrastructure as contained in the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, Broadband Technology Opportunities Program, are greatly appreciated. We believe this legislation is an essential step in establishing a new foundation for our nation's broadband infrastructure that will provide a lasting stimulus focused on generating a healthy, innovation-driven economy and assuring a vibrant high-technology workforce for the future. We believe that these investments should be applied broadly, stimulating education, innovation, and economic development across the entire country.

As we have noted in our position statement, "*Nationwide High-Speed Broadband Data Services*, at <http://www.ieeeusa.org/policy/positions/broadband.pdf>, "Universal access to high-speed broadband data services is as imperative to our nation's economic prosperity in the 21st century as universal access to electric power and telephone services was in the 20th century. Broadband services enable telecommuting, distance learning, improved medical care, gateways to vast sources of information, and a host of other economic and quality-of-life opportunities."

We strongly endorse your plan to make investments that will save and create jobs now, while building a stronger America for the future. A recent report from the Information Technology and Innovation Foundation estimates that a \$20 billion investment in America's research infrastructure will create or retain 402,000 U.S. jobs for one year. Access to universal and affordable broadband communications will permit workers to perform many jobs from almost anywhere while providing enhanced educational opportunities and contributing to a more efficient medical care system.

Again, our thanks and appreciation and we look forward to the advances from this important legislation.

Sincerely,

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The Honorable Joe L. Barton  
Ranking Member, Committee on Energy and Commerce  
2109 Rayburn House Office Building  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515-4306

Dear Representative Barton:

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The Honorable Nancy Pelosi  
Speaker  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable John Boehner  
House Republican Leader  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable David Obey  
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Jerry Lewis  
Ranking Member, Committee on Appropriations  
U.S. House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Speaker Pelosi, and Representatives Boehner, Obey, and Lewis:

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The Honorable John D. Rockefeller IV  
Chairman, Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation  
531 Hart Office Building  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510-4802

Dear Senator Rockefeller:

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The Honorable Kay Bailey Hutchison  
Ranking Member, Committee on Commerce, Science and Transportation  
284 Russell Senate Office Building  
U.S. Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senator Hutchison:

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The Honorable Harry Reid  
Majority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Mitch McConnell  
Minority Leader  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Daniel K. Inouye  
Chairman, Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

The Honorable Thad Cochran  
Ranking Member, Committee on Appropriations  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510

Dear Senators Reid, McConnell, Inouye, and Cochran:

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