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MAP Reacts to MDU Order

Media Access Project's Senior Vice President Harold Feld issued the following statement in response to today's FCC decision to adopt an order on the use of exclusive contracts for access to inside wiring in multiple dwelling units (MDUs).

"This action has the potential to bring the benefits of competition to millions of apartment renters, many of whom live in low-income neighborhoods. Hopefully, access to competing providers will lower costs and improve customer service for these communities. Landlords and incumbent monopolists have no right to collude to deny citizens the freedom to choose what they see, how they access the internet, and how they talk to one another."

"But as Commissioner McDowell made clear, the Commission must ensure that the freedom to choose extends to **all** communications services – video, voice and data. If the final rule permits exclusive contracts in voice or data, the Commission will have failed in its responsibility to protect all Americans from incumbent monopolists."

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