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**COMPTTEL Comments on Legislation to Ensure Consumers’
Freedom to Access Internet Content**

WASHINGTON, D.C. – COMPTTEL, the leading trade association for the competitive communications industry, commented on the Open Internet Preservation Act, which was introduced by Rep. Henry Waxman (D-CA), Rep. Anna Eshoo (D-CA) and Sen. Ed Markey (D-MA) to preserve consumers’ ability to freely access content on the Internet.

The following statement can be attributed to Angie Kronenberg, COMPTTEL’s chief advocate and general counsel:

“American consumers have come to rely upon their freedom to access the Internet and all the applications and services it offers. As a result, we have witnessed a significant expansion of the Internet economy in the last decade as many consumers use the Internet each day to conduct their business and communicate.

COMPTTEL commends Ranking Members Waxman and Eshoo and Senator Markey for their commitment to preserve consumer freedom to access the content, services and applications of their choice on the Internet. We also would like to thank FCC Chairman Wheeler for his leadership on this issue and we look forward to working with the Commission and Congress as they address this issue.”

About COMPTTEL

Based in Washington, D.C., COMPTTEL is the leading industry association representing competitive communications service providers and their supplier partners. COMPTTEL members are entrepreneurial companies driving technological innovation and creating economic growth through competitive voice, video, and data offerings and the development and deployment of next-generation, IP-based networks and services. COMPTTEL advances its members’ interests through trade shows, networking, education, and policy advocacy before Congress, the Federal Communications Commission and the courts. COMPTTEL works to ensure that competitive communications providers can continue to offer lower prices, better service, and greater innovation to consumers. For more information, visit www.comptel.org.