

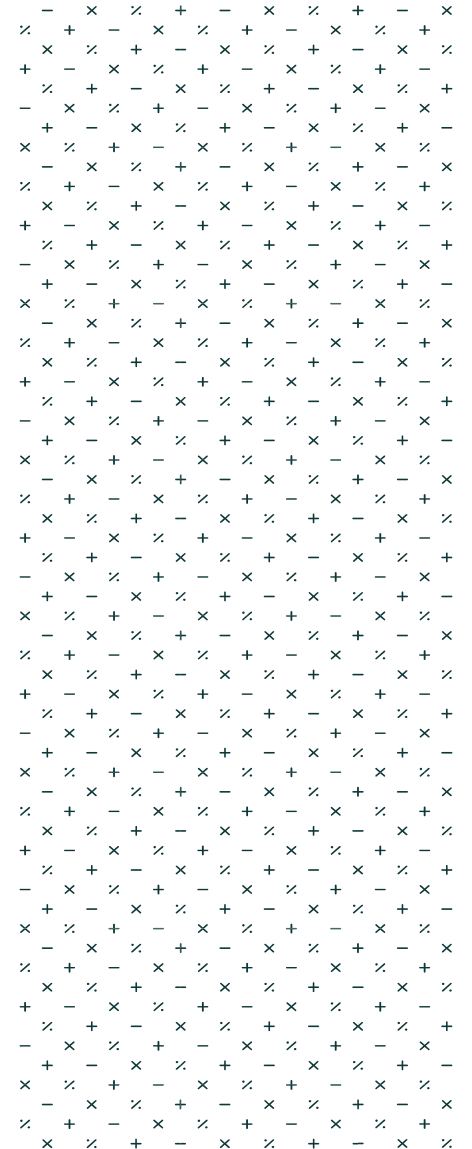


# Regulatory “Heavyweights”

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# The Political & Regulatory Landscape in DC

- President Nominates FCC Commissioners
  - President selects chairperson
  - 3/2 majority for President's political party
- Commissioners are confirmed by the Senate
- FCC is directly responsible to Congress
  - Overseen by Senate Committee on Commerce, Science, & Transportation
- FCC is independent of the Executive Branch



# Differences Between ILECs & ISPs

- ILEC
  - Voice & Broadband
  - Highly Regulated
- ISPs
  - Primarily Broadband
  - Lightly Regulated
- Same network & customers



# Advantages of Strategic Partnerships

- Tribal Partnerships
  - Assessment & feasibility
  - Financing
  - Network deployment
  - Operation & Maintenance
  - Growth/Expansion



# Collaboration Among the Associations

- Varying memberships
- Different roots
- Distinct specialties/resources
- Diverse contacts/relationships
- Common goal – Broadband for All



# Benefits of Trade Associations

- Unified voice before regulators and legislators
- Collaboration among peers
- Access to greater resources and training
- Cost savings
- Etc.



# Questions & Answers?

- What other topics would you like us to discuss in the last few minutes that we have (if any)?
- This is your opportunity to gain insight from a couple of the industry's foremost regulatory "heavyweights"...and Chad!





**THANK YOU!**

If you are interested in a deeper dive on the regulatory and legislative process, we are happy to work with NTTA to set up a webinar or presentation at future conference.

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