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The Honorable Lamar Smith  
Chairman  
House Judiciary Committee  
2138 Rayburn Office Building  
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Chairman Smith:

On behalf of CTIA-The Wireless Association®, I write to express our strong support for your legislation, H.R. 6429, the STEM Jobs Act of 2012. The hallmark of the wireless industry is innovation. To remain competitive in a global economy, CTIA's member companies need to attract the best and brightest graduates from U.S. universities.

American wireless consumers benefit every day from the contributions of gifted engineers, researchers, and scientists who have chosen to come here to study and innovate. Establishing a new green card program for STEM advanced degree graduates provides an opportunity for those graduates to remain in the U.S. and utilize their talents and ideas to spur domestic growth and innovation.

On behalf of CTIA's member companies, thank you for your leadership on this much needed reform. We look forward to working with you to enact H.R. 6429.

Sincerely,

*Thanks Lamar!*



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