The Honorable Jason Chaffetz Chairman, Committee on Oversight and Government Reform U.S. House of Representatives

## Dear Chairman Chaffetz:

On behalf of Sears Holdings and as the leader of our integrated retail business, I write to commend you for your diligence in pursuing a workable and realistic solution to one of the most vexing ongoing problems faced by retailers across the country.

The Remote Transaction Parity Act of 2015, if enacted, will restore balance and fairness to the system by enabling states, if they so choose, to enforce the collection of taxes that are already owed by every customer making a purchase, whether the purchase is online or in a retail store. Your legislation will correct a system that has given a significant and unfair competitive advantage to a handful of online-only retailers, while hurting those that create jobs and invest in local communities. It will also, importantly, provide states and localities with the authority to capture the millions in lost revenues they are owed; allowing each to invest in critical public services, from education to emergency response.

We are grateful to those members of Congress who have sponsored and cosponsored similar legislation that would create parity at point of sale and we are hopeful that your colleagues, who represent our associates and members, will join you in expediting consideration of this legislation.

On behalf of our almost 200,000 employees in the United States and over 1200 in Utah, I thank you for your commitment to this issue and stand ready to assist in your dedicated efforts to making this the law of the land.

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