July 30, 2015

Via ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: In the matter of Ensuring Customer Premises Equipment Backup Power for Continuity of Communications (PS Docket No. 14-174); Technology Transitions (GN Docket No. 13-5); Policies and Rules Governing Retirement of Copper Loops by Incumbent Local Exchange Carriers (RM 11358); Special Access for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers (WC Docket No. 05-25); AT&T Corporation Petition for Rulemaking to Reform Regulation of Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Rates for Interstate Special Access Services (RM-10593)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

The Alarm Industry Communications Committee (AICC) met with Rebekah Goodheart on July 28, 2015 and on July 29, 2015, separately, with Commissioner Rosenworcel and Travis Litman; Nicholas Degani, Daniel Alvarez, Carol Mattey, Daniel Kahn and Claude Aiken; and Amy Bender to discuss the above-referenced proceeding. Louis Fiore, Chairman, and Benjamin H. Dickens, Jr.¹ and the undersigned² were participated for AICC.

In the meetings, AICC expressed support for Chairman Wheeler’s proposals released in the Fact Sheet concerning backup power, including requiring providers of substitutes to copper to ensure that a technical solution for 8 hours of standby backup power is available for consumers to purchase at the point of sale. AICC also expressed support for the comments of NTCA-The Rural Broadband Association concerning the need for and benefit of standardization in the

¹ Mr. Dickens did not attend the meetings with Commissioner Rosenworcel and Ms. Bender.
² Ms. Sisak did not attend the meeting with Ms. Goodheart.
market for backup power technology. AICC discussed the standard developed by the National Fire Protection Association to ensure communications networks, including IP networks, have the high degree of reliability necessary for fire safety services. Finally, AICC discussed the separate postage rule proposed by ADT and CSAA to ensure competitive fairness in connection with technology transitions.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, a copy of this letter is being filed via ECFS. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Mary J. Sisak

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    Travis Litman
    Daniel Alvarez
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