

October 31, 2011

*Via ECFS*

Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *In the Matter of Applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for Consent to Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations Held by T-Mobile USA, Inc. and Its Subsidiaries (WT Dkt. No. 11-65)*

**REDACTED FOR PUBLIC INSPECTION**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of AT&T Inc., and pursuant to the Protective Order and the Second Protective Order adopted in the above-referenced proceeding,<sup>1</sup> the instructions set forth in the Information and Discovery Request dated May 27, 2011 (“Request”), and the Supplemental Request for Information dated June 27, 2011 (“Supplemental Request”), enclosed please find two public copies of the Eighth Supplemental Response providing further information sought by the Commission.

Included in the Eighth Supplemental Response, as requested in the October 13, 2011, letter of Rick Kaplan to Richard L. Rosen, is further information regarding the impact that AT&T’s acquisition of T-Mobile will have on jobs in the U.S. and, in particular, jobs at AT&T wireless call centers. As discussed in the Eighth Supplemental Response, consistent with its prior guidance, AT&T intends to achieve personnel-related merger synergies primarily through attrition and reductions in the use of internationally outsourced staffing resources. In fact, as a result of its previously announced job-related commitments, AT&T expects that there will be a net gain in U.S. wireless call center workers because of the merger. More broadly, AT&T’s commitment to deploy 4G LTE mobile broadband service to over 97 percent of Americans will

<sup>1</sup> In re Applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG Inc. for Consent to Transfer Control of the Licenses and Authorizations, WT Dkt. No. 11-65, Protective Order, DA 11-674 (WTB rel. Apr. 14, 2011) (“Protective Order”); In re Applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for Consent to Assign or Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations, WT Dkt. No. 11-65, Second Protective Order, DA 11-753 (WTB rel. Apr. 27, 2011), as revised June 9, 2011 and July 19, 2011 (“Second Protective Order”).

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have substantial spillover effects for the economy as a whole, spurring investment, innovation, and the creation of thousands of new jobs. Indeed, the substantial job-creating effects of mobile broadband deployment have been repeatedly recognized by the President, the Chairman and the Commission. Even some merger opponents have touted these very same job-creating effects from mobile broadband deployment in their filings with the Commission. Thus, the record amply demonstrates that the merger will provide a significant boost to the U.S. economy and should be promptly approved.

We are providing under separate cover the Highly Confidential version of this Eighth Supplemental Response and Highly Confidential Exhibits to the Eighth Supplemental Response.

Copies of the enclosed are being hand delivered to Kathy Harris of the Wireless Telecommunications Bureau.

Please contact me if you have any questions. Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,



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Enclosures

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