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VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of *Ex Parte* – Applications of AT&T Inc. and Deutsche Telekom AG for  
Consent to Assign or Transfer Control of Licenses and Authorizations, WT  
Docket No. 11-65

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On November 22, 2011, James Cicconi, Senior Executive Vice President - External and Legislative Affairs for AT&T spoke by telephone with Edward Lazarus, FCC Chief of Staff, regarding the above-referenced transaction. During the call, Mr. Lazarus indicated that Chairman Genachowski intended to circulate a draft order designating the T-Mobile transaction for an administrative hearing. Mr. Cicconi expressed disappointment in this development and inquired as to why the Chairman was proceeding with a draft designation order at this time. Consistent with AT&T's public statements on this matter,<sup>1</sup> Mr. Cicconi reiterated to Mr. Lazarus that although AT&T was preparing for trial with the Department of Justice, it was also simultaneously working to seek an alternate solution that addresses the Department's concerns.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me. Pursuant to section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically with the Commission.

Sincerely,

/s/  
Jack Zinman

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<sup>1</sup> See *AT&T Wants Sprint, Cellular South Merger Lawsuits Tossed*, PC Mag (Sept. 30, 2011) (quoting AT&T General Counsel Wayne Watts: "As we have previously stated, we are working on parallel paths - seeking a solution that addresses the DOJ's concerns while simultaneously preparing for trial."). See also *AT&T and Deutsche Telekom Continue to Pursue Sale of DT's U.S. Wireless Assets*, AT&T Press Release (Nov. 24, 2011) (AT&T and Deutsche Telekom are continuing to seek antitrust clearance "either through the litigation pending before the United States District Court for the District of Columbia" or through "alternate means.").

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