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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON

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The Honorable Evan Bayh
United States Senate
131 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Bayh:

Thank you for your letter urging prompt consideration of the proposed merger of AT&T Mobility, Inc., and Centennial Communications Corporation. The proposed transaction raised a number of competition issues and the Commission evaluated the pleadings carefully to determine whether the proposed transfer of control of Centennial's licenses, spectrum leasing arrangements, and authorizations to AT&T Mobility would serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity. This evaluation included a thorough review of the considerations raised in your letter.

On November 5, 2009, approximately three weeks after the U.S. Department of Justice completed its review of this matter, the Commission acted expeditiously and adopted a *Memorandum Opinion and Order* approving the transaction with conditions, including divestiture of Centennial's wireless operations in seven local areas in Louisiana and Mississippi. The Commission also accepted several voluntary commitments made by AT&T, and imposed those commitments as conditions of the approval.

I appreciate your interest in this important matter. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any further questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Julius Genachowski", written over a horizontal line.

Julius Genachowski