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By ECFS and Hand Delivery

Marlene H. Dortch
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Elkins, et al. v. AT&T Corp.*, Proceeding Number 17-223; File No. EB-17-002

Taylor, et al. v. AT&T Corp., Proceeding Number __-__; File No. EB-__-__

Dear Ms. Dortch:

AT&T Corp. ("AT&T") submits for filing the parties' Joint Statement in the above-referenced proceedings. AT&T has submitted this filing via ECFS in the *Elkins* matter. AT&T has also submitted this filing via hand delivery to the Secretary's Office, as a proceeding number has yet to be assigned to the *Taylor* matter for submission via ECFS.

In addition, copies of the submission are being served electronically on counsel for the Complainants in both proceedings. Electronic courtesy copies are also being provided to the Commission's Enforcement Bureau.

Please contact me if you have any questions regarding these matters.

Sincerely,


James F. Bendernagel

Enclosures

cc: Daryl Parks, Counsel for the Complainants
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**Before the
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| Rachelle Lee |) | Proceeding Number 17-223 |
| Complainants |) | File No. EB-17-002 |
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| AT&T Corp. |) | |
| Defendant |) | |
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| Edward Garner Taylor, Esq. |) | |
| Ray Taylor |) | Proceeding Number ____ - ____ |
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JOINT STATEMENT OF THE PARTIES

Complainants in the above captioned matters and AT&T Services, Inc. (“AT&T”) submit this Joint Statement requesting that the Commission issue an order holding these Complaint proceedings in abeyance pending the Parties’ efforts to resolve these matters on a consensual basis through Staff supervised mediation. *See* Letter Order dated September 28, 2017. A copy of a draft order to that effect is attached.

Dated: October 3, 2017

Respectfully submitted,

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[DRAFT] ORDER HOLDING PROCEEDINGS IN ABEYANCE

As noted in Staff's Letter dated September 28, 2017, the Parties to these Complaint proceedings "have agreed to mediate their disputes before the staff of the Market's Disputes Resolution Division ... of the Commission's Enforcement Bureau." Further, in a Joint Statement submitted by the Parties on September 29, 2017, they have jointly requested that the Complaint proceedings be held in abeyance pending the outcome of the mediation.

Having discussed this matter with the Parties and having considered their joint request, it is hereby ordered that the Complaint proceedings are held in abeyance pending the outcome of the mediation.

Rosemary McEnery
Acting Chief
Market Disputes Resolution Division