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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU ANNOUNCES DEADLINE FOR EXISTING PROVIDERS TO NOTIFY AT&T THAT THEY SERVE CENSUS BLOCKS THAT AT&T PROPOSES TO SERVE WITH CONNECT AMERICA PHASE I INCREMENTAL SUPPORT

WC Docket No. 10-90

Notifications Due: March 16, 2015

On January 16, 2015, AT&T Inc. (AT&T) notified the Commission that it intends to modify its Connect America Phase I Round 2 (Phase I) incremental broadband deployment plans.[1] AT&T submitted with its notification a list of 7,931 census blocks that it had not previously identified with its initial election where it now intends to serve locations using Phase I incremental support.[2] Under the requirements for Phase I incremental support, other providers now have 45 days to indicate that they already serve those blocks, and AT&T must certify that to the best of its knowledge the locations it plans to serve are in fact unserved before it may commence construction. Existing providers therefore have **until March 16, 2015** to notify AT&T that they currently offer Internet service at speeds of 3 Mbps downstream and 768 kbps upstream or higher in the newly identified census blocks.[3] A machine readable list of these census blocks is available at https://apps.fcc.gov/edocs_public/attachmatch/DA-15-118A2.xlsx.

This proceeding continues to be treated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules.[4] Persons making *ex parte* presentations must file a copy of any written presentation or a memorandum summarizing any oral presentation within two business days after the presentation (unless a different deadline applicable to the Sunshine period applies). Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentation must (1) list all

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[1] Letter from Mary L. Henze, Assistant Vice President Federal Regulatory, AT&T Services, Inc., to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket No. 10-90 (filed Jan. 16, 2015).

[2] *Id.* at Attach. AT&T accepted Phase I support on August 20, 2013. Letter from Robert W. Quinn, Jr., Senior Vice President, Federal Regulatory and Chief Privacy Officer, AT&T Services, Inc., to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, FCC, WC Docket No. 10-90 (filed Aug. 20, 2013).

[3] *Connect America Fund*, WC Docket No. 10-90, Order on Reconsideration, 28 FCC Rcd 10488, 10490-91, paras. 6-7 (2013). While we encourage existing providers to notify AT&T directly, AT&T will be deemed to have received an existing provider's notification if the existing provider submits its notification via the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) in WC Docket No. 10-90. *Id.* at 10491, para. 7 n.21.

[4] 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq.*

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[5] Documents will generally be available electronically in ASCII, Microsoft Word, and/or Adobe Acrobat.