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July 6, 2015

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

Re: *In the Matter of Special Access for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers* (WC Docket No. 05-25); *AT&T Corporation Petition for Rulemaking to Reform Regulation of Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Rates for Interstate Special Access Services* (RM-10593)

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 1, 2015, Eric Pulvermacher and the undersigned of TDS Telecommunications Corporation (“TDS”) met with Eric Ralph, William Layton, Deena Shetler, David Zesiger, Tracy Walden, Chris Koves, Jack Erb, Ben Childers, Virginia Metallo, and Aleks Yankelevich of the Wireline Competition Bureau and David Waterman, Chief Economist of the FCC. During the meeting, TDS shared the preliminary results of a review of changes over time in the costs incurred by its incumbent LECs for Ethernet electronics dedicated to individual customers (“Dedicated Ethernet Equipment”) and Ethernet electronics used to serve multiple customers (“Shared Ethernet Equipment”). TDS found that its average costs of Dedicated Ethernet Equipment between 2012-2014 were approximately 45 percent lower than between 2006-2009 and that its average costs for Shared Ethernet Equipment were approximately 60 percent lower between 2012-2014 than between 2006-2009.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission’s rules, a copy of this notice is being electronically filed in the above-captioned dockets. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding this matter.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Steve Pitterle _____

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cc: meeting participants