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Via Electronic Filing
Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, DC 20554

EX PARTE LETTER

RE: *WC Docket No. 05-25, RM-10593, GN Dkt No. 13-5*

Dear Secretary Dortch:

On July 23, 2015, BT met with Rebekah Goodheart, legal advisor to Commissioner Clyburn. Sheba Chacko, Senior Counsel and Head, Americas Regulation and Global Telecoms Policy, represented BT in this discussion.

During this meeting and using the presentation attached to this letter, BT explained that the UK regulator, Ofcom, gathers access competition data similar to that gathered by the FCC in the special access data request every three years. It has analyzed this data, applied a new set of remedies including price controls every three years and observed the emergence of access competition in the UK for nearly twelve years now with good outcomes for consumers and no diminution of investment by BT in superfast broadband. Residential broadband subscribers in the UK have access to some of the cheapest superfast broadband rates amongst leading western economies. Business and public sector entities in the UK have access to some of the lowest-priced Ethernet access services in the world. Regarding technology transition issues, BT stated that it is essential that replacement access services that are equivalent to legacy services and nondiscriminatory be in place before incumbent providers are permitted to withdraw legacy services.

If you have any questions regarding any matters discussed herein please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "SChacko". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

Sheba Chacko
Head, Americas Regulation and Global Telecoms Policy, BT
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cc: Rebekah Goodheart