

September 25, 2015

**VIA ECFS**

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

Re: ***Technology Transitions, GN Dkt. No. 13-5; AT&T Petition to Launch a Proceeding Concerning the TDM-to-IP Transition, GN Dkt. No. 12-353***

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to the procedures outlined in the *Protective Order*<sup>1</sup> and *Second Protective Order*,<sup>2</sup> I hereby submit Acknowledgments of Confidentiality executed by Heather Gale, legal assistant, and Mia Guizzetti Hayes and Stephanie Power of Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP, outside counsel to Birch Communications, Inc., Integra Telecom, Inc, Granite Telecommunications, LLC, and Level 3 Communications, LLC, for purposes of reviewing confidential and highly confidential information filed in the above-referenced proceedings.

Please contact me at (202) 303-1249 if you have any questions regarding this submission.

Respectfully submitted,

/s/ Stephanie Power

*Counsel for Birch, Integra, Granite, and  
Level 3*

Enclosures

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<sup>1</sup> *Technology Transitions, AT&T Petition to Launch a Proceeding Concerning the TDM-to-IP Transition*, Protective Order, 29 FCC Rcd. 2014 (2014) (“*Protective Order*”).

<sup>2</sup> *Technology Transitions, AT&T Petition to Launch a Proceeding Concerning the TDM-to-IP Transition*, Second Protective Order, 29 FCC Rcd. 2022 (2014) (“*Second Protective Order*”).

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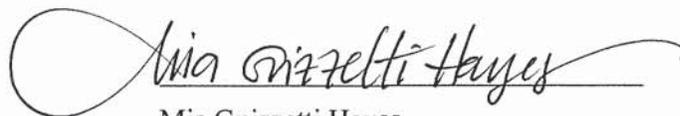
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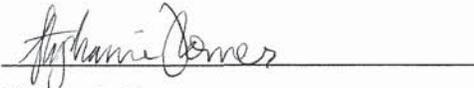
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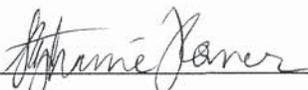
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