

October 25, 2002

*By Electronic Delivery*

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

*Ex Parte Notice*

**Re: Applications for Consent to the Transfer of Control of Licenses from Comcast Corporation and AT&T Corp., Transferors, to AT&T Comcast Corporation, Transferee, MB Docket No. 02-70**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On October 24, 2002, Betsy Brady, Federal Government Affairs Vice President, AT&T Corp. ("AT&T"), Douglas Garrett, Vice President Law, AT&T Broadband, and the undersigned, outside counsel for AT&T, had a telephone conversation with Royce Sherlock and Roger Holberg, of the Commission's Media Bureau, and Jim Bird and Karen Onyeije, of the Commission's Office of General Counsel. During the conversation, the AT&T representatives discussed AT&T 3, which is a local origination service provided in AT&T Broadband's Boston area cable cluster (which includes systems in Massachusetts and Connecticut). AT&T 3 is delivered terrestrially 24 hours per day, seven days per week to approximately 1.7 million customers. It provides a mix of local sports, news and entertainment programming, infomercials, and syndicated programming. AT&T 3 also provides the Boston area cable cluster an opportunity to strengthen its brand identity and to market other services to its customers. All of the programming on AT&T 3 is selected and packaged by AT&T's Boston area cable cluster and is under the exclusive editorial control of AT&T's Boston area cable cluster. No other distributor has made a request to distribute the service, thus AT&T 3 is not sold to any other distributor.

The AT&T representatives also stated that AT&T Broadband has a few other local origination services which are associated with a particular channel and have an identifying title. These local origination channels are found in the following areas: Atlanta, GA, Chicago, IL, Minneapolis, MN, Portland/Eugene, OR, Tacoma/Bellingham, WA, San Francisco, CA, and Lansing, MI. All of these services are programmed and packaged by the local AT&T Broadband cable cluster and are under the exclusive editorial control of their respective cable cluster. They are all delivered terrestrially and provide programming of local interest, such as commentary by local officials, coverage of local government meetings, and local sports (*e.g.*, minor league baseball games, ad hoc high school sporting events). These services are much less robust than AT&T 3. None of these services are provided on a 24 hour-a-day basis (indeed only one of them provides local programming more than 12 hours per day). They are all provided on channels shared with leased access programming, PEG programming, and community bulletin boards

(which provide textual information about local events). None of the services provides any syndicated programming.

Pursuant to section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically with the Office of the Secretary. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Respectfully submitted,

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