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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Office of the Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Ex Parte Notice In the Matter of SBC Communications Inc. and
AT&T Corp. Transfer of Control Applications – WC Docket No. 05-65

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On June 3, 2005, Thomas Hughes and Ren Provo of SBC; Robert Lipstein and Daniel Sasse of Crowell & Moring LLP; and Richard Firestone and I of Arnold & Porter LLP participated in a conference call on behalf of SBC with William Dever, Marcus Maher, and Rodger Woock of the Wireline Competition Bureau and James Bird, C. Anthony Bush, Kent Nilsson, and Karen Onyeije of the Office of the General Counsel. During the conference call, we provided clarifications regarding the responses to Specifications 8.b(1), 8.b(4), 8.b(5), 8.d, 13.b, and 13.c in the Response of SBC Communications Inc. to Information and Document Request Dated April 18, 2005.

In addition, at the request of the staff, we provide the following definition with respect to Specification 13.c. HIPCS stands for SBC PremierSERVSM Hosted IP Communication Service. HIPCS is a next-generation Voice over IP (“VoIP”) information service that combines a company’s voice and data communications on a single network. It is SBC’s Hosted VoIP solution for business customers. HIPCS is fully hosted, so businesses enjoy all of the power and performance with flexible management options and potentially lower capital expense and maintenance costs when compared to a traditional premises-based system – and potential management challenges – of a traditional premises-based voice system.

HIPCS uses “softswitch” technology to transmit calls over SBC’s private, secure IP network. HIPCS functionality can be accessed from any Internet connection, which means you can be reached at the same number whether you’re at your desk, in a conference room, or working remotely across town or around the globe. All you need is

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a web browser, and an IP telephone (or an analog telephone with an adaptor) at your location.

HIPCS enables you to send and receive calls in two ways: First, when you are at your desk, you can use an IP phone set, which looks similar to a normal analog phone. It differs from an analog phone in that it uses an ethernet cable to connect to your company's LAN, rather than using a traditional phone cord to connect to the phone network. Essentially, your phone is like a mini-computer on your network, delivering many advanced HIPCS features. Second, you can send and receive calls directly from your computer. Anywhere there is an Internet connection, you can make calls, receive calls, and customize your system preferences. You have a variety of customization options in the HIPCS web portal. Making calls from your computer requires additional software and a headset.

A description of the HIPCS product and service options may be found at http://www02.sbc.com/Products_Services/Business/ProdInfo_1/1,,1358--1-1-33,00.html. A more detailed description of HIPCS may also be found in the 24-page description at http://www.sbc.com/hipcs_tour/pages/index.html.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this letter is being filed electronically with the Office of the Secretary. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,



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