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VIA ECFS

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

Re: Implementation of Section 621(a) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as Amended by the Cable Television Protection and Competition Act of 1992, MB Docket No. 05-311
Notice of Ex Parte Presentation

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On behalf of AT&T Inc. ("AT&T"), Tom Hughes, Jim Smith, Gary Phillips, and Jim Lamoureux met with Susan Aaron, Matthew Berry, and Christopher Killion of the Office of General Counsel on May 25, 2006. At the meeting, AT&T reiterated its position that its IP-video service is not a cable service subject to Title VI of the Act. Nonetheless, in light of efforts by cable operators and municipalities to require AT&T and other new entrants to obtain Title VI cable franchises prior to even deploying facilities used to offer any competing wireline video services,¹ AT&T urged the Commission to adopt a streamlined competitive franchising process pursuant to its authority to adopt rules implementing Section 621(a) of the Act. Consistent with its previously filed comments, AT&T also discussed the characteristics that are critical to any such streamlined process adopted by the Commission, as well as the Commission's authority to require a process embodying those characteristics.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 326-8895.

Sincerely,

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Cc: Susan Aaron
Matthew Berry
Christopher Killion

¹ See Letter from Jim Lamoureux, General Attorney, AT&T Services, Inc. to Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, *IP-Enabled Services*, WC Docket No. 04-36, *et. al.* (May 24, 2006).