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EX PARTE

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals
445 12th St. SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: Notice of ex parte communication, In re AT&T Inc. and BellSouth Corporation Application for Consent to Transfer of Control, WC Docket No. 06-74

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Monday, October 2, 2006, Duane Ackerman, Chairman and CEO, Margaret Greene, President – External & Regulatory Affairs and Herschel Abbott, Vice President – Government Affairs, met via conference call with Commissioner Michael Copps and Bruce Gottlieb, Legal Advisor, to discuss issues related to the aforementioned proceeding. During that meeting, we explained the consumer benefits that the merger of AT&T and BellSouth will produce. Our discussion was consistent with all of the filings made by AT&T and BellSouth in this proceeding.

Pursuant to Commission rules Section 1.1206, please include this notice in the record of the above-referenced proceeding.

Sincerely,



Glenn T. Reynolds

Cc: Bruce Gottlieb
Scott Deutchman