



October 18, 2006

EX PARTE

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

Re: Ex Parte, WC Docket No. 06-74

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, COMPTEL hereby gives notice that on September 17, 2006, its representative had a short conversation, via teleconference, with Scott Bergmann, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Jonathan Adelstein. Separately, COMPTEL also had a short telephone conversation with Scott Deutchman, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Michael Copps. In these meetings, COMPTEL urged the Commission to deny AT&T's pending license transfer applications in conjunction with its proposed merger with BellSouth. COMPTEL explained that the proposed merger does not enhance the public interest, it further eliminates actual and potential competition between AT&T and BellSouth, and it increases the incentive of the post-merger firm to raise input prices to competitive wireless and wireline carriers. Moreover, COMPTEL also explained that the proposed merger conditions proffered by AT&T on Friday, October 13th (as corrected by AT&T's October 16th Erratum) do nothing to eliminate the public interest harms previously identified by COMPTEL and others. For all of these reasons, COMPTEL asked the Commission to deny the pending merger application.

Representing COMPTEL was the undersigned attorney.

Sincerely,

/s/ Jonathan Lee
General Counsel