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**VIA ECFS**

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> 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"), Bob Quinn, Tom Hughes, and Jim Lamoureux of AT&T met with Chris Robbins, Acting Legal Advisor for Commissioner Tate, on December 5, 2006. At the meeting, 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. AT&T also urged the Commission to establish that buildout requirements imposed as conditions of entry on competitive franchisees are unreasonable barriers to entry. AT&T urged the Commission to establish a specific time period in which franchising authorities must act to approve a streamlined franchise application; and the need for Commission rules granting authority to provide service if a franchising authority fails to grant a streamlined franchise application within that period. AT&T also urged the Commission to establish that any demand by a franchising authority for any item of value must count toward the 5% cap on franchise fees. The assessment of any such fees, moreover, should be limited to consumer subscription revenue collected from the provision of cable service.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 457-3052.

Sincerely,

/s/

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cc: Chris Robbins