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VIA ELECTRONIC SUBMISSION

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

EX PARTE NOTICE

Re: *WC Docket No. 07-21 Petition of AT&T Inc. for Forbearance Under 47 U.S.C. §160 (c) from Enforcement of Certain of the Commission's Cost Assignment Rules¹*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 21, 2007, Frank Simone, Theodore Marcus and the undersigned on behalf of AT&T Inc. met with Don Stockdale, Al Lewis, Deena Shetler, Jay Atkinson, Randy Clarke, Lynne Engledow and Bill Kehoe of the Wireline Competition Bureau and Sherry Herauf of the Office of Managing Director regarding the above-referenced proceeding. AT&T explained that its January 25, 2007 petition and the BellSouth petition originally filed in WC Docket No. 05-342 request forbearance from the same cost assignment rules. AT&T believes that the FCC should forbear from these rules because they were developed to support a rate of return regulatory regime which no longer exists for AT&T in either the federal or state jurisdictions. AT&T also explained that even though the rules are no longer necessary in the current price cap or other incentive regulation environment, we continue to bear the cost and burden of compliance.

In accordance with section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed electronically with your office. Please feel free to contact me if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

Linda Vandeloop

cc: Jay Atkinson
Randy Clarke
Lynne Engledow
Sherry Herauf
Bill Kehoe
Al Lewis
Deena Shetler
Don Stockdale

¹ The Commission has ordered the incorporation of the record from WC Docket No. 05-342 Petition of AT&T Inc. for Forbearance Under 47 U.S.C. §160 (c) from Enforcement of Certain of the Commission's Cost Assignment Rules into WC Docket No. 07-21.