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Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
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**Re: *Ex Parte*: Development of Competition and Diversity in Video Programming
Distribution—Sunset of Exclusive Contract Prohibition (MB Docket No. 07-29).**

On May 2, 2007, Scott Helbing, Bob Quinn, Dan York, Tom Hughes, Jim Smith, and Christopher Heimann on behalf of ATT, Inc. (AT&T) met with Monica Desai, Chief of the Media Bureau, and the following members of her staff: Rosemary Harold, Tom Horan, Mary Beth Murphy, Brendan Murray and Holly Sauer. In the course of the meeting AT&T discussed the robust capabilities of its U-versesm IPTV platform, progress being made in entering the video market, and efforts to obtain critical programming needed to compete in this market. As AT&T has explained, continued access to such content is imperative not only to provide consumers much needed competition for video services, but also to promote continued deployment and expansion of competitive broadband networks and services because of the inextricable link that exists between broadband deployment and video entry, as the Commission itself recently acknowledged.¹ Consistent with its filings made in this proceeding, AT&T argued for retention of the Section 628(c)(2)(D) exclusivity limitation for another five years for the reasons set forth therein.

Sincerely,

/s/ Christopher M. Heimann

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¹ *Implementation of Section 621(a)(1) of the Cable Communications Policy Act of 1984 as amended by the Cable Television Consumer Protection and Consumer Act of 1992*, MB Docket No. 05-311, FCC 06-180 at para. 51 (rel. Mar. 5, 2007).