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

EX PARTE NOTICE

RE: *In the Matter of Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers AT&T Corp. Petition for Rulemaking to Reform Regulation of Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Rates for Interstate Special Access Services*, WC Docket No. 05-25, RM-10593

Dear Ms. Dortch:

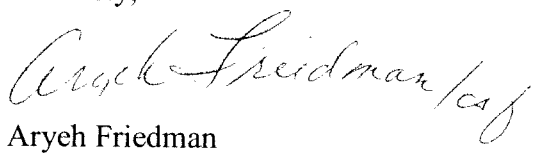
Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, BT hereby gives notice that on September 26, 2007, Aryeh Friedman and Sheba Chacko met with Commissioner Copps and Scott Deutchman, Legal Advisor to Commissioner Copps. At that meeting the following matters were discussed:

1. The evidence in the record of a persistent market failure in the U.S. wholesale special access services market; that in other jurisdictions the national regulatory agencies, in the face of similar evidence of market failure, have regulated the wholesale access market; that the focus being on promoting downstream *service* competition; and that increased service competition will drive market-driven access infrastructure innovation despite such wholesale access regulation.

2. The "equivalence of input" remedy adopted in the U.K. and its impact on innovation and service competition. This remedy is now being considered in a number of other

jurisdictions. BT also discussed the reasons why the U.K. has surpassed the U.S. in broadband penetration, with higher average broadband speed and lower average price.[1]

Sincerely,



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cc: Commissioner Copps
Scott Deutchman

[1] *See* Reply Comments of BT Americas Inc. on Behalf of Itself and other BT Entities *In the Matter of Inquiry Concerning the Deployment of Advanced Telecommunications Capability to All Americans in a Reasonable and Timely Fashion, and Possible Steps to Accelerate Such Deployment Pursuant to Section 706 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996*, GN Docket No. 07-45 (May 31, 2007) at 6-8. *See also,* Organization for Economic Co-operation and Development, *OECD Broadband Statistics* (December 2004) available at http://www.oecd.org/document/60/0,2340,3n_2469_34225_2496764_1_1_1_11,00.html.