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Via ECFS

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

**Re: Notice of Written *Ex Parte*
Applications of Atlantic Tele-Network, Inc. and Cellco Partnership
d/b/a Verizon Wireless for Consent to Assign or Transfer Control of
Licenses and Authorizations; WT Docket No. 09-119**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Bulloch Cellular, Inc. (“Bulloch”), Pineland Cellular, Inc. (“Pineland”), Planters Rural Cellular, Inc. (“Planters”) and Plant Cellular RSA 8, Inc. (“Plant”) (collectively, “Georgia Partners”), by their attorneys, hereby respond to the “Notice of *Ex Parte*” filed by Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless (“Verizon”) on December 11, 2009 in the above-referenced proceeding. In that filing representatives of Verizon indicate that they requested FCC staff not to require Verizon to produce documents that the Georgia Partners believe are relevant to this proceeding. Based on the *ex parte* it is not clear to the Georgia Partners which documents Verizon is unwilling to produce. Rather than name the documents it is unwilling to produce, Verizon states that it does not want to include any of the documents attached to the Asset Purchase Agreement. Verizon gives no explanation as to why it does not wish to produce them.

Verizon would also like to narrow the scope of the correspondence requested by the FCC in determining the process used by Verizon to select ATN above all of the other potential bidders. Verizon does not explain why it desires to narrow the correspondence produced. The Georgia Partners believe that this correspondence could shed light on why Verizon selected ATN, a choice that the Georgia Partners are on record as stating is not in the public interest. By trying to get out from under the production of documents critical to the FCC in reviewing the selection process used by Verizon and the details of the deal ultimately struck between it and ATN, Verizon is thwarting the transparency of this proceeding and not allowing the FCC or interested parties the opportunity to examine evidence that is critical to rendering a decision.

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The FCC should not facilitate the development of an incomplete record based on undetailed and unsupported requests and should insist on full transparency and production of each of these documents.

Respectfully submitted,

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