



**Robert W. Quinn, Jr.**  
Senior Vice President  
Federal Regulatory

AT&T Services, Inc.  
1120 20<sup>th</sup> St., NW, Suite 1000  
Washington, DC 20036  
T: 202 457.3851  
F: 202 457.2020

**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

January 22, 2010

Marlene H. Dortch  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**Re: Ex Parte Letter  
Preserving the Open Internet, GN Docket No. 09-191; Broadband Industry Practices, WC Docket No. 07-52; A National Broadband Plan for Our Future, GN Docket No. 09-51; International Comparison and Consumer Survey Requirements in the Broadband Data Improvement Act, GN Docket No. 09-47; Inquiry Concerning the Deployment of Advanced Telecommunications Capability to All Americans in a Reasonable and Timely Fashion, GN Docket No. 09-137; High-Cost Universal Service Support, WC Docket No. 05-337; Lifeline and Link-Up, WC Docket No. 03-109**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On January 21, 2010, Bob Quinn and Cathy Carpino, of AT&T, and Colin Stretch, representing AT&T, met with Christi Shewman of Commissioner Baker's office to discuss the Commission's authority to expand its high-cost and low-income universal service programs to support broadband infrastructure and services. In particular, AT&T discussed how the Commission could support broadband Internet access service, an interstate information service, using its existing authority in section 254 and Title I of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. AT&T also discussed our filing in the aforementioned Open Internet proceeding and the recent oral argument of the Comcast/BitTorrent appeal.

Please contact me with any questions.

Sincerely,

Robert W. Quinn, Jr.

CC: Christi Shewman