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Via ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: *Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers,*
WC Docket No. 05-25

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On July 19, 2010, Professor Dennis Carlton met with Jonathan Baker, Chief Economist; Donald Stockdale, Deputy Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau; and Nicholas Alexander, Associate Bureau Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau. During the meeting Professor Carlton discussed the analytical framework for assessing competition and regulation of special access services, and he referred to the attached article concerning market definition, which he authored. The views expressed were consistent with Professor Carlton's written submissions in this proceeding.¹

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's Rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206, this letter is being filed electronically with the Commission.

If you have any questions concerning the foregoing, please give me a call.

¹ See Declaration of Dennis W. Carlton and Hal S. Sider, WC Docket No. 05-25 (Jan. 19, 2010) (attached to the Comments of AT&T Inc.); Reply Declaration of Dennis W. Carlton, Allan L. Shampine, and Hal S. Sider, WC Docket No. 05-25 (Feb. 24, 2010) (attached to the Reply Comments of AT&T Inc.).

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Very truly yours,



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