

Congress of the United States
Washington, DC 20515

July 20, 2011

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The Honorable Eric Holder
Attorney General
Department of Justice
950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530

The Honorable Julius Genachowski
Chairman
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington, DC 20554

Dear Attorney General Holder and Chairman Genachowski:

We are writing to express our view that AT&T's proposed takeover of T-Mobile raises serious questions regarding the future competitiveness of the wireless industry. We urge the Federal Communications Commission and the Department of Justice to conduct a careful, comprehensive and expeditious review of this transaction and its potential effects on the mobile wireless broadband market, innovation and consumers across the country.

We urge the Commission and the Department to analyze the potential effects of the proposed transaction on market structure and performance, consumer welfare, and American jobs. We also encourage you to scrutinize the transaction's supposed coverage and capacity benefits, with an eye towards determining whether the claimed benefits will actually materialize and could be achieved only as a result of this transaction.

We believe that AT&T's acquisition of T-Mobile would be a troubling backward step in federal public policy – a retrenchment from nearly two decades of promoting competition and open markets to acceptance of a duopoly in the wireless marketplace. Such industry consolidation could reduce competition and increase consumer costs at a time our country can least afford it. Further, it could also discourage investment and restrict innovation in both the wireless and wireline infrastructure market as well as in the associated applications and device markets.

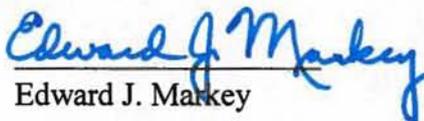
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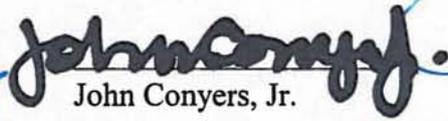
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For these reasons, it is critically important that the Commission and the Department comprehensively assess the consequences of the proposed transaction. We appreciate the careful review that the Commission and the Department are undertaking and look forward to the results of your analysis.

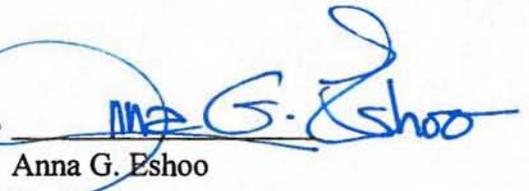
Sincerely,



Edward J. Markey
Member
Energy and Commerce Committee



John Conyers, Jr.
Ranking Member
Judiciary Committee



Anna G. Eshoo
Ranking Member
Energy and Commerce
Subcommittee on
Communications and
Technology



FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

August 3, 2011

JULIUS GENACHOWSKI
CHAIRMAN

The Honorable John Conyers, Jr.
Ranking Member
Committee on the Judiciary
U.S. House of Representatives
B-351 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Conyers:

Thank you for your letter opposing the proposed merger of AT&T and T-Mobile. Your views are very important and will be included in the record of the proceeding and considered as part of the Commission's review.

I can assure you that the Commission is undertaking a thorough, rigorous, and fact-based review of the proposed transaction, consistent with our statutory obligations under the Communications Act.

Please do not hesitate to contact me if I can be of further assistance with this or any other matter.

Sincerely,

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Julius Genachowski



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August 3, 2011

JULIUS GENACHOWSKI
CHAIRMAN

The Honorable Edward J. Markey
U.S. House of Representatives
2108 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Markey:

Thank you for your letter opposing the proposed merger of AT&T and T-Mobile. Your views are very important and will be included in the record of the proceeding and considered as part of the Commission's review.

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Sincerely,

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Julius Genachowski



FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

August 11, 2011

JULIUS GENACHOWSKI
CHAIRMAN

The Honorable Anna G. Eshoo
Ranking Member
Subcommittee on Communications and Technology
Committee on Energy and Commerce
U.S. House of Representatives
2322 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congresswoman Eshoo:

Thank you for your letter expressing your concerns regarding the proposed merger of AT&T and T-Mobile. Your views are very important and will be included in the record of the proceeding and considered as part of the Commission's review.

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