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Federal Communications Commission
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MOTION: Seeking Sanctions On AT&T For T-Mobile Merger Lies To FCC

To The Federal Communications Commission,

In the Federal Communications Commission's damning staff report published late last year of the AT&T T-Mobile merger the agency which had conducted an extensive review of the deal noted that not only was AT&T misrepresenting the deal's supposed benefits to win approval for the merger but lied to regulators and the public. The FCC came out and blasted AT&T for lying about the merger. The last time I checked lying to a government regulator was against the law. Yet AT&T has not faced any serious repercussions for its actions. They ultimately got a consolation prize in the form of 700 MHZ unused AWS wireless spectrum from Qualcomm which the FCC allowed them to buy. Why hasn't AT&T been punished for breaking the law?

I am writing to the FCC to request some penalties imposed on AT&T for lying to the public and the FCC about the merger. Lying to the government is a serious crime. If someone lied to the IRS on a tax filing of how much they've paid in taxes they could go to jail. AT&T should face some form of criminal or civil penalties. Federal Communications Commission licensees are expected to tell the

truth in their filings. For the FCC to have accused AT&T of lying about its T-Mobile merger is a serious allegation. Any time a serious allegation is made against someone an investigation is done and evidence submitted to prove or disprove said allegations. Having conducted a thorough investigation into AT&T's proposed merger and found in your review that the deal was not in the public interest I ask that you sanction AT&T Inc for its lies. A redacted version of the FCC Staff Report was released for the public record and an unredacted one sent to the Department of Justice. So some of the information disproving AT&T's merger claims is in the public record. That's evidence against AT&T's merger claims that can and should be used to prove they broke the law by lying to a regulator and deserve to be punished for it.

Sincerely,

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