

March 1, 2012

VIA ECFS

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Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-A325
Washington, DC 20554

Re: *Special Access Rates for Price Cap Local Exchange Carriers; AT&T Corp. Petition for Rulemaking to Reform Regulation of Incumbent Local Exchange Carrier Rates for Interstate Special Access Services, WC Docket No. 05-25, RM-10593*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On February 28, 2012, the undersigned discussed the status of the above-reference special access proceeding with Deena Shetler of the Wireline Competition Bureau. During the discussion, I argued that, in order to remedy unreasonably high incumbent LEC prices for TDM-based and packet-switched special access services, the Commission should consider adopting new price regulations that apply only to incumbent LEC TDM-based and packet-switched special access services sold to wholesale carrier customers.

Please do not hesitate to contact me at (202) 303-1111 if you have any questions or concerns about this submission.

Respectfully submitted,

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