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*EX PARTE*

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

Re: In the Matter of AT&T Petition to Launch a Proceeding Concerning the TDM-to-IP Transition; Petition of the National Telecommunications Cooperative Association for a Rulemaking to Promote and Sustain the Ongoing TDM-to-IP Evolution, GN Docket No. 12-353 Technology Transition Policy Task Force, GN Docket 13-5; In the Matter of Suspension and Investigation of AT&T Special Access Tariffs, WC Docket No. 13-299

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Dear Ms. Dortch:

On December 19, 2013, Robert Quinn, Christopher Heimann, Henry Hultquist, and the undersigned of AT&T met with Jon Sallet, Stephanie Weiner, Jon Chambers, Henning Schulzrinne and Tim Stelzig of the FCC's Technology Transition Policy Task Force in connection with the above-captioned matters.

AT&T discussed its efforts to prepare a detailed plan for the service-based experiments discussed at the FCC's December 2013 Open Meeting. AT&T indicated the plan will identify the steps it will take in a geographically-limited location to transition from TDM to IP-based facilities and services and a timeline for these changes. As depicted in the attached simplified version of its planning efforts, AT&T intends to select locations for the service-based experiments that represent the challenges it will face with the transition and conduct an extensive review of the services to be impacted as part of this experiment. AT&T also discussed its preliminary views on the areas of focus for any reporting capabilities it intends to include in its plan as a means for keeping the FCC informed about any experiments in progress.

In addition, AT&T discussed the concepts it raised at the December 16, 2013 meeting with FCC staff for resolving promptly the tariff investigation at issue in WC Docket No. 13-299, concepts that would address the customer concerns that have been raised and facilitate a viable path to the TDM-to-IP transition.

Pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, a copy of this notice is being electronically filed in the above-referenced docket. Please do not hesitate to contact me with any questions regarding this matter.

Sincerely,

ATTACHMENT

cc: J. Chambers, J. Sallet, H. Schulzrinne, S. Weiner, T. Stelzig

# Trial Wire Center Preparation

## Wire Centers

Select from 4,700+ wire centers in footprint

Choose not because they are easy to convert to IP, but because they represent the challenges we will face with the transition

Represent a mix of Consumer and Business services and geographies

## Data Gathering

Research down to individual customer level

Service mapping

Gap analysis

Critical service analysis

Special service analysis

Wire center realities

## Plan

Trial Serving Wire Centers

- Description
- Consumer
- Business

Service Mapping / Timing

- Customer Notification

Regulatory Considerations

Special Considerations

Reporting

