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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street SW
Washington DC 20554

Re: NOTICE OF EX-PARTE COMMUNICATION

In the Matter of Facilitating the Deployment of Text-to-911 and Other Next Generation 911 Applications, PS Docket No. 11-153; and In the Matter of Framework for Next Generation 911 Deployment, PS Docket No. 10-255

Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday January 2, 2014, Mike Tan and I from AT&T Services, Inc. (AT&T)—spoke on the phone with Daniel Alvarez, Legal Advisor for Chairman Tom Wheeler, to discuss our progress on Text to 911 and next steps for this service. Consistent with our Quarterly Update on Text to 911, we provided status on-going trial in Vermont, the additional planned trial in Tennessee and the vendor selection process for our Text Control Gateway.

In terms of the next steps for Text to 911, if the Commission releases an order covering the provision of Text to 911 Service, they should consider the effects of the IP Transition and the rapid transition from SMS based text messaging to over the top IP based text messaging. Accordingly, the Commission should consider adopting rules consistent with the carrier voluntary agreement for texting to 911 to over the top based IP text messaging services.

In accordance with the Commission's rules, this letter is being filed in the above referenced dockets via the FCC's Electronic Comments Filing System.

Sincerely,

/s/ Joseph P. Marx
Assistant Vice President, AT&T Services Inc

Cc (via e-mail):

Mr. Daniel Alvarez