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

Re: WT Docket No. 11-65 – *Written Ex Parte Presentation*

Dear Ms. Dortch:

AT&T has claimed that its proposed takeover of T-Mobile will increase jobs, and even has mounted a TV ad campaign asserting that the takeover will create “as many as 96,000 American jobs.” AT&T has never supported these claims, and after dragging its feet for months, has finally responded to FCC requests for specific *facts* on how the proposed transaction will affect American workers. The documents and information AT&T has finally produced undercut AT&T’s jobs claims and fail to even mention, let alone support, AT&T’s “96,000 jobs” assertion.

But one fact in particular completely dispels the job creation myths AT&T has been peddling: in its October 31, 2011 filing (p. 6), AT&T “estimates that payroll and other job-related savings account for a range of approximately **[Begin Highly Confidential Information]** [REDACTED] **[End Highly Confidential Information]** of the total synergies associated with the transaction.” It is simply not credible to say that the proposed takeover will *increase* American jobs when AT&T is relying on such payroll “savings” – *i.e.*, the elimination of jobs – to achieve its planned \$40 billion in merger synergies.

You can’t believe everything you see on TV.

Respectfully submitted,

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