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Via Electronic Mail to: ConnectAmerica@fcc.gov

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

Re: Connect America Fund, WC Docket No. 10-90

Dear Ms. Dortch,

AT&T Services, Inc. on behalf of its local incumbent exchange carrier affiliates (collectively, AT&T) hereby accepts the Connect America Fund (CAF) Phase II offers of model-based support in 18 states. The states in which we accept CAF Phase II support and commit to satisfy the service obligations for CAF Phase II are: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Florida, Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Michigan, Mississippi, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and Wisconsin.¹

We anticipate meeting our CAF Phase II obligations through a mix of network technologies, including through the deployment of advanced wireless technologies on new wireless towers that will be constructed in previously unserved areas. We will diligently pursue the necessary tower siting and permitting processes so that these new towers can be completed in a timely manner.²

For states in which AT&T's model-based support is greater than its CAF Phase I Frozen support, AT&T elects to receive the lump sum payment in 2015.

Sincerely,

¹ AT&T declines the offer of model-based support in Missouri, Nevada, and Oklahoma.

² The Commission has made significant efforts to speed the deployment of wireless broadband infrastructure particularly with respect to the tower siting "shot clock" Order issued in 2009. We expect state and local authorities to comply with that Order and to act expeditiously on any CAF II-related siting or permitting request. In the event state and local authorities do not act expeditiously, we request that the Commission work with those authorities so that we may meet our CAF II deployment milestones. If the failure to obtain expeditious approval of siting and permitting requests jeopardizes AT&T's ability to meet deployment milestones, we will avail ourselves of the deployment milestone extension process that the Commission established last December in its CAF Phase II Order to address delays due to circumstances beyond the provider's control.