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Hon. James M. Allison, Chairman Tennessee Regulatory Authority 502 Deaderick Street Nashville, TN 37238

Petition of Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for Arbitration under the

Telecommunications Act; etc.

Docket No. 03-00585

Dear Chairman Allison:

Re:

Pursuant to the Authority's *Order Granting Motion for Clarification*, please find enclosed an original and four copies of *AT&T Mobility's Reply Brief on Reconsideration*. A copy of the same has been served on all parties of record.

Very truly yours,

Robert Culpepper

Enclosure

cc: Parties of Record (w/enclosure)

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY Nashville, Tennessee

In Re:

Petition of Cellco Partnership d/b/a Verizon Wireless for Arbitration under the Telecommunications Act; Petition for Arbitration of BellSouth Mobility, LLC, BellSouth Personal Communications, LLC and Chattanooga MSA Limited Partnership, collectively dba Cingular Wireless; Petition for Arbitration of AT&T Wireless PCS, LLC dba AT&T Wireless; Petition for Arbitration of T-Mobile, USA, Inc., Petition for Arbitration of Sprint Spectrum LP d/b/a Sprint PCS

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AT&T MOBILITY'S REPLY BRIEF ON RECONSIDERATION

As the Authority correctly stated in its March 21, 2014, Order Granting Motion for Clarification (at 2-3), AT&T Mobility's Motion for Clarification asked the Commission to clarify that (i) the parties are required to prepare and submit for Authority review an interconnection agreement ("ICA") conforming with the 2006 and 2014 Arbitration Awards, and (ii) the reciprocal compensation rates established in the 2014 Award do not apply to traffic exchanged after June 30, 2012. The RLECs do not disagree with either proposition. On the contrary, they agree that "an interconnection agreement must be filed with the TRA for approval, since federal law expressly and unambiguously requires it to be so filed." Brief of the Tennessee Rural Coalition Re: AT&T Mobility Motion for Clarification ("RLEC Brief") at 2. And they agree that bill-and-keep, rather than the reciprocal compensation rates established in the 2014 Award, applies to traffic exchanged after June 30, 2012. *Id.* at 1. Accordingly, the Authority should enter the Proposed Order Granting Motion for Reconsideration that AT&T Mobility filed with its Brief on Reconsideration.

The RLECs contend that the Motion for Reconsideration was unnecessary (*id.*), but the Authority effectively rejected that contention when it granted the Motion, which the RLECs opposed on the same ground. Furthermore, as AT&T Mobility previously explained, the Motion

was not filed for purposes of delay, as the RLECs also contend (*id.* at 3). Rather, AT&T Mobility needs the Authority's explicit recognition that the 2014 Award is not immediately appealable, but instead must be implemented by means of a conforming ICA. *See* Reply Brief in Support of Motion for Clarification (filed March 10, 2014), at 3. The RLECs agree that is the case (*see* RLEC Brief at 2), but their agreement would be of little value if the Authority did not concur.

Simply put, there is good reason for the Authority to provide the clarification AT&T Mobility has requested, and the RLECs have provided no reason for the Authority not to do so.

Finally, the RLECs' suggestion that there was a directive that AT&T Mobility "propose specific language for a finalized interconnection in its Brief" (RLEC Brief at 3) is mistaken. The Order Granting Motion for Clarification included no such directive. Rather, it directed AT&T Mobility to "suggest specific language it proposes should be included in the Authority's Order"—not in the ICA—to address the issues AT&T Mobility has raised," *i.e.*, the clarifications AT&T Mobility requested. AT&T Mobility complied with that directive by submitting a Proposed Order on Reconsideration with its initial brief. As AT&T Mobility informed the RLECs before they filed their brief, however, AT&T Mobility will provide the RLECs on April 28, 2014, with comments on the proposed ICA language the RLECs sent AT&T Mobility, so that the parties will be in a position to file not long after the Authority issues its Order on reconsideration either agreed ICA language for the Authority to review or competing language if the parties are unable to agree. *See* Exhibit 1 hereto (March 31, 2014, e-mail from Paul Walters to Norman Kennard).

¹ The Order Granting Motion for Reconsideration accurately reflects Chairman Allison's motion as recorded in the Transcript of Proceedings. Chairman Allison made no mention of AT&T Mobility providing language for the ICA.

Respectfully submitted,

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