## Before the

## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

## Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of	)	
Section 63.71 Application of	)	
AT&T Services, Inc., on behalf of its affiliates	)	
BellSouth Telecommunications, LLC, d/b/a	)	WC Docket No. 23-400
AT&T Florida, AT&T Kentucky, AT&T	)	
Louisiana, AT&T South Carolina, and AT&T	)	Comp. Pol. File No. 1881
Tennessee; Illinois Bell Telephone, LLC, d/b/a	)	
AT&T Illinois; Indiana Bell Telephone Company,	)	
Inc., d/b/a AT&T Indiana; Michigan Bell	)	
Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Michigan; The	)	
Ohio Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T	)	
Ohio; Southwestern Bell Telephone Company,	)	
d/b/a AT&T Missouri, AT&T Oklahoma, and	)	
AT&T Texas; and Wisconsin Bell, Inc., d/b/a	)	
AT&T Wisconsin.	)	
Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of	)	
The Communications Act of 1934, As Amended,	)	
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## $\frac{\text{MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION}}{\text{REQUEST TO WITHDRAW OBJECTION}}$

On January 12, 2024, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC or Commission) released a Public Notice<sup>1</sup> in the above captioned proceeding. The Notice invited comments on the application of AT&T Services, Inc., filed on behalf of several of its affiliated incumbent local exchange carriers that serve throughout its service territory, to grandfathered AT&T Residential Local Service and AT&T Business Local Exchange Access Service (aka POTS legacy voice service) to 60 wire centers located within 13 states. The application included seven wire centers in the Michigan Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Michigan service territory. Per the Public Notice, AT&T's application will be deemed automatically granted on February 6, 2024, unless the Commission notifies any applicant(s) that their grant is not automatically effective. Comments on this application were due January 22, 2024.

The Michigan Public Service Commission (MPSC) filed comments on January 22, 2024. While the MPSC's comments raised a concern on a separate issue regarding the interpretation of CFR 63.71(g), the MPSC requested that the FCC deny AT&T's Section 214 application to grandfather landline services (POTS) in the Bergland, Chassel, Michigamme, Powers, Bay Port and Sebewaing wire centers since it did not provide demonstrated evidence that there are reasonable and reliable service substitutes for customers in these wire centers. The MPSC believed

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> FCC Public Notice. <u>DA-24-43A1.pdf</u> (fcc.gov)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> MPSC January 22, 2024 Comments: FCC 23-

<sup>400</sup> MPSC comments 012224 final.pdf

further review was necessary before the FCC grant its automatic approval of

AT&T's application.

After the MPSC filed its comments with the FCC in this docket, AT&T

Michigan began discussions with the MPSC to inquire about the concerns raised by

the comments. AT&T Michigan has now provided the MPSC with additional

information which addressed those concerns. At this time, the MPSC would request

that its objection regarding AT&T's application to grandfather AT&T Residential

Local Service and AT&T Business Local Exchange Access Service for the Bergland,

Chassel, Michigamme, Powers, Bay Port and Sebewaing wire centers be withdrawn.

The MPSC thanks the Commission for this opportunity to provide a follow-up

to our comments on this important issue.

Respectfully submitted,

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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