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Ms. Susanna Kooistra
3GPP Mobile Competence Centre
Sophia Antipolis, France

Dear Ms. Kooistra:

AT&T as a 3GPP individual member company from ATIS is pleased to nominate Mr. Marc Grant for Vice-Chairman of 3GPP TSG-RAN in the March 2011 election. AT&T will fully support Marc and provide the necessary resources to fulfill the obligations of this position.

Mr. Grant is Lead Principal Technical Architect for AT&T Radio Standards and has been working in wireless standards for over 15 years. Mr. Grant has been with AT&T and its predecessors, Cingular Wireless and SBC Technology Resources, since 1998 and has been responsible for working with standardization organizations worldwide on the creation of the GSM/EDGE, UMTS/HSPA, LTE and LTE-Advanced specifications. Previously, Mr. Grant was with Sprint PCS where he helped start up the first commercial CDMA2000 network in the USA and led the creation of the first open interface base station specification. He spent time at Nortel, where he worked on the CDMA2000 technology roll out. Mr. Grant also spent 10 years at Raytheon Systems (formerly E-Systems) as a Senior Systems Test Engineer.

Marc is currently Vice-Chair of the 3GPP Radio Access Network Technical Specification Group (TSG-RAN), and a member of the ETSI Board. He chairs the Radio Aspects SWG of ITU-R WP 5D, which is responsible for creating the requirements that form the baseline for the IMT-Advanced technologies. He served as Vice-Chair of 3GPP TSG-GERAN (GSM/EDGE) group from 2000-2006 and as Chair of the GSM North America Terminals Working Group from 2003-2010.

Marc looks forward to continue serving 3GPP in the role of RAN Vice-Chair and is committed to assist the RAN Chairman in continuing the efficient and effective management of 3GPP TSG-RAN.

Sincerely,

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