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Ms. Susanna Kooistra ([Susanna.Kooistra@etsi.org](mailto:Susanna.Kooistra@etsi.org))  
Mr. Joern Krause ([Joern.Krause@etsi.org](mailto:Joern.Krause@etsi.org))

Dear Susanna and Joern:

It is my privilege to nominate Mr. Sharat Chander from AT&T for Vice-Chair in 3GPP TSG RAN at the March 2013 election. Mr. Chander will be representing AT&T via the ATIS partner of 3GPP.

Mr. Chander has full support of AT&T in this position and AT&T will support Mr. Chander to the full extent necessary in order that he can successfully fulfill the position of Vice-Chair.

Mr. Chander is Principal Member of Technical Staff within the AT&T Radio Standards team and has been working in Wireless Standards for over 20 years. He holds two Bachelor degrees as well as a Masters Degree in Electrical Engineering. Mr. Chander has been with AT&T and its predecessors, Cingular Wireless, AT&T Wireless and AT&T Bell Labs, since 1986 and has been responsible for working with standardization organizations worldwide in the creation of the GSM/EDGE, UMTS/HSPA, LTE and LTE-Advanced specifications. He also has a background in network operations. Previously, Mr. Chander was with Lucent Technologies where he was a Distinguished Member of the Technical Staff and led projects and chaired various committees in the development and deployment of commercial wireless networks in the USA. He was also Co-Chair of the Joint Question Group on Mobility in the ITU-T and participated in the IETF and OMA.

Within 3GPP, Mr. Chander has actively participated since 1999 in almost all the TSGs and WGs with a special focus on RAN and the RAN Working Groups contributing positively to the progress of work in 3GPP and fostering the development and adoption of the 3GPP technology family both within 3GPP and externally. He has demonstrated ability to propose solutions and reach consensus on contentious issues. As a major operator of 3GPP technologies and a world leader in LTE, AT&T well understands not only the development of specifications but also the aspects of real world deployment and Mr. Chander is able to bring this knowledge into the work of 3GPP.

AT&T is pleased to recommend Sharat for RAN TSG Vice-Chair position and Mr. Chander is looking forward to actively serving in the position.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Stephen Blust".

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