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Nomination of Tetsushi Abe for TSG RAN WG1 vice chairman

Dear Ms. Kooistra and Mr. Merias

It is my honor to send you this statement of recommendation of Dr. Tetsushi Abe from NTT DOCOMO/ARIB on the nomination for the vice chairman of 3GPP TSG RAN WG1.

First of all, I would like to express our company-wide full support for his nomination and every possible activity on behalf of the elected 3GPP TSG RAN WG1 vice chairman. NTT DOCOMO is also willing to ensure with great confidence that he has the commitment and necessary workload to be considered relevant as the vice chairman.

Tetsushi Abe joined NTT DOCOMO in 2000, and has been involved in research and development activities for HSDPA, LTE and LTE-Advanced. He was elected as the RAN1 Vice Chairman in August 2009. He has been chairing several LTE-Advanced sessions, such as DL RS, eICIC, CoMP and relay. He also lead discussions on UE category and capability, where he chaired ad hoc sessions, coordinated offline discussions, and drafted liaison statements for coordination with other working groups. He has gained deep technical knowledge and understanding on 3GPP radio systems and working procedures.

Tetsushi Abe holds a master's degree in electrical and electronic engineering, and a doctor's degree in communications and integrated systems from Tokyo Institute of Technology. He worked at DOCOMO Euro-labs in Germany during 2005-2009, and lead various joint projects between DOCOMO headquarters and Euro-labs.

With his technical background and leadership skills, I'm proud of recommending Dr. Abe as a candidate for vice chairman of TSG WG1. I would respectfully appreciate your support for him.

Sincerely Yours,

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