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Subject: Candidacy of Matthew Baker as Vice-Chairman of 3GPP TSG RAN WG1

Dear Patrick and Susanna,

I am pleased to inform you that Alcatel-Lucent, through its ETSI 3GPP affiliation, is nominating Mr Matthew Baker as a candidate for the TSG RAN WG1 Vice-Chairman role in the upcoming TSG RAN WG1 vice-chairmanship election. Alcatel-Lucent is committed to the 3GPP standards eco-system and will fully support Matthew in his vice-chairmanship role if re-elected, and he will be trained to comply with all applicable antitrust/competition laws and regulations while acting in his capacity as WG Vice-Chairman.

Matthew has participated regularly in RAN1 since 1999, covering WCDMA, HSPA, LTE and LTE-Advanced. He was elected as Chairman of RAN1 in August 2009, and he successfully steered RAN1 through the completion of Releases 9, 10 and 11, for both HSPA and LTE, as well as the ITU Evaluation process for LTE-Advanced. As RAN1 Vice-Chair since October 2013, he has continued to work hard to maximise the efficiency and clarity of the sessions he has chaired, successfully steering work items on eMBMS and D2D to completion in Rel-12 and Rel-13 within tight time schedules, as well as chairing sessions on a wide variety of other topics.

He understands the work of TSG RAN across the WGs, having had experience of participation in RAN2, RAN4 and RAN5 (formerly T1). His consensus-building spirit is well known and has facilitated the successful conclusion of many complex discussions; he also has a reputation for being approachable, open and dependable.

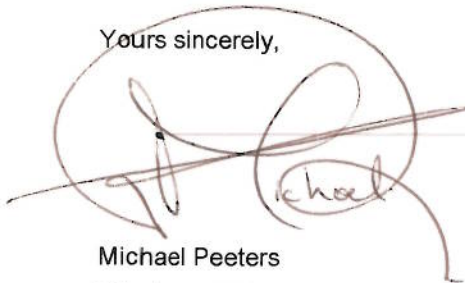
Matthew has solid technical skills in both HSPA and LTE, and a deep understanding of the overall systems aspects from the perspectives of both the mobile and the network sides. He is also well-known outside 3GPP, which is valuable in the maintenance of healthy relationships with other relevant bodies.

A brief CV for Matthew is attached.

We believe that Matthew's experience and technical and leadership skills make him highly suitable to continue to fulfil the vice-chairman role in TSG RAN WG1 through the challenges of the coming years, and that his effective consensus-achieving skills will continue to be of significant benefit to all companies in RAN1.

The signatory below has the approval and authority to make this commitment on behalf of Alcatel-Lucent.

Yours sincerely,



Michael Peeters
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Matthew Baker: Short CV

Matthew Baker holds First and Masters degrees in Engineering and Electrical & Information Sciences from the University of Cambridge, from where he graduated with first class honours in 1996.

He then worked at Philips for 12 years before joining Alcatel-Lucent.

He has been actively participating in the standardization of both WCDMA/HSPA and LTE in 3GPP since 1999. He was Chairman of 3GPP TSG RAN WG1 from 2009 to 2013, and has been Vice-Chairman of 3GPP TSG RAN WG1 since being elected to the post in October 2013.

He is a Chartered Engineer and a Member of the Institution of Engineering and Technology.