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**Subject: Candidacy of Matthew Baker as Chairman of 3GPP RAN1**

Dear Adrian,

I am pleased to inform you that Alcatel-Lucent, through its ETSI 3GPP affiliation, is nominating Matthew Baker as a candidate for the RAN1 Chairman role in the upcoming RAN1 chairmanship election. Alcatel-Lucent will fully support Matthew in his chairmanship role if elected.

Having participated in 3GPP RAN1 since 1999, Matthew has a deep understanding of the technology of the RAN groups, including in particular a rare combination of experience of both HSPA and LTE in considerable depth.

Matthew's strength in both these technologies is derived from his longstanding active participation in the standardisation of them both. He also has a deep understanding of the systems aspects from a mobile and network perspective. His consensus building spirit is also well-known in 3GPP. As well as having chaired some informal ad-hoc sessions related to HSPA, he has experience of working in groups beyond RAN1 (namely RAN plenary, RAN2, RAN4 and T1 (now RAN5)), which will help to ensure a consistent approach and productive relationships with the other groups in the TSG, to aid consensus building and constructive progress.

In proposing Matthew for the position of Chairman of RAN1, Alcatel-Lucent is committed to the stability and continuity of the progress in 3GPP, in particular towards the ITU milestones and in the evolution of both HSPA and LTE. As a major infrastructure vendor, Alcatel-Lucent wishes to continue to play its part in the leadership of 3GPP TSG RAN following the retirement of its previous chairman, François Courau, and continuing in the tradition of impartial and constructive chairmanship demonstrated by François.

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

Sincerely Yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'E. Darmois', written over a light yellow rectangular background.

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