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North Dakota Public Service Commission
Ms. Illona Jeffcoat-Sacco, Executive Secretary
600 E. Boulevard Avenue – State Capitol
Bismarck, ND 58505-0480

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

RE: Confidentiality Request for New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC Application for Eligible Telecommunications Carrier Designation

Dear Ms. Jeffcoat-Sacco:

New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (“AT&T Mobility” or the “Company”) requests confidential treatment of the information contained in Exhibit E of its Application for Designation as an Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (“ETC”) in North Dakota. This document is being filed as confidential pursuant to North Dakota Century Code (“N.D. Cent. Code”) §47-25.1 and NDAC §69-02-09-01.

AT&T Mobility states the legal basis under which the information is claimed to be confidential as follows. Pursuant to NDAC §69-02-09-01 an applicant may request protection of trade secrets in an administrative proceeding. N.D. Cent. Code §47-25.1-01(4) defines trade secrets as:

- ... information, including a formula, pattern, compilation, program, device, method, technique, or process, that:
- (a) Derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not being readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use; and
 - (b) Is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy.

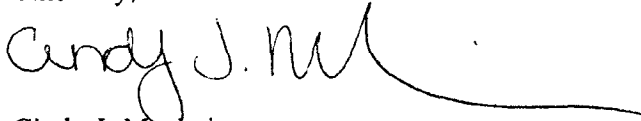
The document that AT&T Mobility claims is confidential is Exhibit E of its Application for Designation as an ETC. This exhibit provides granular detailed information about the network improvements that AT&T Mobility plans to make in the last half of 2011 and the first half of 2012 as well as expenses associated with specifically identified existing facilities for the same timeframe. Public disclosure of this document would cause competitive harm to the Company. Disclosure of these materials would reveal confidential details pertaining to AT&T Mobility’s network infrastructure and the Company’s competitive position in the North Dakota marketplace. Because this information goes to the heart of the Company’s business planning and competitive

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strategy, its public disclosure would be both economically damaging to AT&T Mobility and economically advantageous to its competitors, other wireless carriers offering service in North Dakota. The Company does not generally disclose publicly this type of information; and takes reasonable steps to maintain its secrecy.

AT&T Mobility requests that the Commission grant its request for confidential treatment.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Cindy J. Manheim", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

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