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Via Email
Christi Shewman  
Designated Federal Officer of the North American Numbering Council  
Federal Communications Commission  
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Re: Nomination of Jim McEachern, ATIS Principal Technologist, for Membership on the NANC CATA Working Group

Dear Ms. Shewman:


ATIS is a not-for-profit technical planning and standards development organization that develops and promotes technical and operational standards for communications and related information technologies worldwide. Experts from all segments of the information and communications technologies’ (ICT) industry, including wireline, wireless, cable and equipment providers, as well as public safety agencies, actively participate in ATIS’ open industry forums.

Mr. McEachern has led and/or participated in a number of call authentication initiatives at ATIS and currently serves as an ATIS’ representative to the NANC CATA Working Group. Mr. McEachern was a principal architect of the Secure Telephone Identity (STI) ecosystem in the U.S. and helped develop and launch ATIS’ efforts on non-IP call authentication. Mr. McEachern is also a key contributor to the Joint ATIS and SIP Forum IP Network-to-Network (IP-NNI) Task Force, which develops and maintains the Signature-based Handling of Asserted information using toKENs (SHAKEN) series of standards for managing the deployment of STI technologies.

Prior to ATIS, Mr. McEachern worked at GENBAND as its North American Standards Director. Mr. McEachern also worked for Nortel Networks,
developing the organization’s overall standards strategy, and for Bell Northern Research, where he led an architecture and standards team of 70 engineers, responsible for standards and planning support for Europe and Asia.

ATIS is committed to the success of the NANC and supports having Mr. McEachern serve on this NANC Working Group for a two-year term or until the Working Group is disbanded.

Mr. McEachern is not a registered Federal lobbyist. Neither ATIS nor Mr. McEachern will receive reimbursement of travel expenses or honoraria from the NANC. Moreover, Mr. McEachern does not represent clients other than ATIS before the FCC or in matters that would come before the NANC or its Working Groups.

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If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

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