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**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE APPLICATION OF )  
NEW CINGULAR WIRELESS PCS, LLC ) CASE NO. NCW-T-13-01  
(AT&T MOBILITY) FOR CONDITIONAL )  
DESIGNATION AS AN ELIGIBLE ) COMMENTS OF THE  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS CARRIER IN ) COMMISSION STAFF  
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The Staff of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission, by and through its Attorney of Record, Neil Price, Deputy Attorney General, in response to the Notice of Application and Notice of Modified Procedure, issued on May 9, 2013, Order No. 32806, submits the following comments.

**BACKGROUND**

On April 24, 2013, New Cingular Wireless PCS, LLC (“AT&T Mobility” or “Company”) filed an Application, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e)(2), for conditional designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier (“ETC”) in certain areas<sup>1</sup> of Idaho outside its existing service areas so that it may participate in the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC”) Mobility Fund Phase I (“MFI”) program. AT&T Mobility refers to this Application as its Application for MFI ETC Designation in order to distinguish it from its existing ETC designation.

<sup>1</sup> Exhibit A of AT&T Mobility’s Application includes a list of the census blocks/areas in Adams, Idaho, Lemhi and Valley counties.