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MEMORANDUM FOR: David J. Redl

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SUBJECT: Audit of the Management of Fee Payments from AT&T (#2019-342)

We are initiating an audit of the management of fee payments from AT&T to the First Responder Network Authority (FirstNet). Our objective is to determine whether FirstNet's processes for setting, collecting, and managing fees, and the National Telecommunications and Information Administration's (NTIA's) processes for reviewing and approving the fees are consistent with legislative and contractual requirements.

We are working with your offices to schedule an entrance conference, at which time we can discuss our audit objective and scope in further detail. Should you have any questions about this audit, please contact me at (202) 482-6020 or Chris Rose, Supervisory Auditor, at (202) 482-5558.

Thank you in advance for your cooperation.

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