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Re: Nomination of Susan Miller, ATIS President and CEO, to  
CSRIC VIII

To Whom it May Concern:

On behalf of the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS), I would like to nominate Susan Miller, ATIS' President and CEO, to represent ATIS on the Eighth Communications Security, Reliability and Interoperability Council (CSRIC VIII).

ATIS is a not-for-profit technical planning and standards development organization that creates and promotes technical and operational standards for communications and related information technologies worldwide. Professionals 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. The solutions developed via ATIS' consensus-based processes are essential to the reliable, secure and effective operation of communications networks, including next generation wireless systems.

ATIS is also the North American Organizational Partner in the Third Generation Partnership Project (3GPP), which develops key international wireless specifications including 5G specifications. ATIS has also recently launched the Next G Alliance, which is advancing North American wireless technology leadership for the evolution of 5G, 6G and beyond. This new initiative will encompass the full lifecycle of research and development, manufacturing, standardization and market readiness.

ATIS is well-suited to provide insight and expertise into the work of CSRIC VIII as it has done in previous CSRICs. ATIS is uniquely situated to support the Council's objectives because of ATIS' broad and diverse membership and the wide subject matter expertise available from ATIS members and staff. Moreover, ATIS' broad base of 5G work and its status as the North American Operating Partner of 3GPP is likely to be central to this CSRIC's mission. ATIS looks forward to making significant contributions to CSRIC VIII.

Ms. Miller works with ATIS' Board of Directors to direct ATIS' strategic initiatives and oversee the development of standards that drive the industry forward. The ATIS Board, comprised of chief technology officers and senior executives from the ICT industry, provides strategic direction on industry priorities. The Board, through its Technology and Operations (TOPS) Council and Innovation Agenda, identifies strategic, technical and operational priorities, and coordinates standardization efforts across the industry to produce interoperable, implementable, end-to-end solutions.

Ms. Miller also oversees and manages ATIS' industry forums, many of which focus on issues directly related to the mission of CSRIC VIII. These forums address issues associated with the security, reliability and interoperability of communications networks, including 5G networks. Among the many ATIS forums addressing these important issues are:

- *5G Supply Chain Working Group*, which is working to establish a common assurance framework for trusted 5G networks, develop or identify standards to be applied to 5G systems and evaluate audit/certification options for ICT solution providers, infrastructure and endpoint device original equipment manufacturers.
- *DNS Privacy, Security and Services Initiative*, which studied scenarios to produce a technical report on approaches to improving the security, privacy and performance of carrier DNS.
- *Future 5G Operational and Regulatory Requirements Focus Group*, which is reviewing U.S. regulatory requirements and related operational needs that impact mobile standards to ensure that standards roadmaps in 3GPP and ATIS allow operators to fulfill these requirements.
- *5G North American Needs Focus Group*, which ensures 5G is positioned to deliver the promised convergence of all services into a common framework with corresponding enhancements to efficiency, security and service velocity. This Focus Group identifies and addresses the vision and needs of 5G for the North American marketplace for inclusion into 3GPP.
- *Network Reliability Steering Committee (NRSC)*, which focuses on reliability issues facing communications providers and works closely with the Commission to address these issues. The NRSC examines reliability and robustness of networks and develops industry best practices to foster greater network reliability. The NRSC also has worked closely with previous CSRICs, providing input on new and existing best practices, and creating a tutorial on the development of effective best practices by CSRIC working groups.
- *Packet Technologies and Systems Committee (PTSC)*, which develops and recommends standards related to services, architectures, and signaling, as well as for the performance, reliability, and associated security aspects of communications networks.
- *Wireless Technologies and Systems Committee (WTSC)*, which develops standards related to existing and next generation wireless services (LTE, LTE-Advanced, and 5G) as well as for wireless alerting, text to 911 and early earthquake warning systems.

Ms. Miller is not a registered Federal lobbyist. Ms. Miller's contact information is:

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ATIS appreciates your consideration of its nomination of Ms. Miller to serve on CSRIC VIII. If you have any questions or require additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,



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