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AT&T REACHES MAJOR MICHIGAN INVESTMENT MILESTONE; ANNOUNCES PLAN TO ADD MORE THAN 40 NEW CELL SITES IN 2009

AT&T Continues to Expand Nation's Fastest 3G Wireless Network Across Michigan

DETROIT, April 1, 2009 — AT&T* today announced its total capital investment exceeded \$2 billion from the time the current Michigan Telecommunications Act went into effect and video franchise reform legislation was passed and signed into law in 2006, through 2008. As it continues to work to keep Michigianians connected, AT&T also unveiled its wireless network expansion plans, including investment in wireless broadband and the addition of more than 40 new cell sites throughout Michigan in 2009.

"By expanding critical wireless access, providing consumers faster and better options for everything from reaching emergency services to conducting business to sharing information with family and friends, AT&T is creating economic opportunity across Michigan," said Gov. Jennifer M. Granholm. "Expanding wireless infrastructure is a valuable service to Michigan that will help grow the economy and improve the quality of life."

The investment in its 3G wireless broadband network – the nation's fastest, according to recent data compiled by leading independent wireless research firms – is part of AT&T's ongoing effort to build the broadband networks that will create jobs and fuel economic growth, and enable AT&T's customers to access the content, applications and services that matter most to them.

As part of its Michigan 2009 investment, AT&T plans to add more than 40 new cell sites throughout the state in areas including: Metro Detroit, Cheboygan, East Jordan, East Lansing, Elk Rapids, Fenton, Flint, Howell, Mount Pleasant, Muskegon, Port Huron, Rogers City and Saginaw. In addition, AT&T plans to introduce 3G service in Bay City, Holland, Midland,

Mount Pleasant, Muskegon, Port Huron, Saginaw and Traverse City, which will expand its 3G footprint into Bay, Grand Traverse, Isabella, Midland, Muskegon, Saginaw and St. Clair counties.

“Over the last few years, the state legislature has worked to create an environment in Michigan which invited investment and expansion in the telecommunications market,” said Gail Torreano, president, AT&T Michigan. “We continue to make significant investments to deliver dependable, high speed wireless access in more places across Michigan for consumers and business customers who need to stay connected to work, family and friends and our ongoing investments in Michigan will help us ensure that our state has access to the advanced wireless broadband services that help drive economic growth.”

From 2006 to 2008, AT&T’s total capital investment in Michigan was more than \$2 billion. During that time, more than 60 new cell sites were activated and more than 500 sites were upgraded with technology that improves in-building coverage and enhances voice quality and data speeds. In addition, AT&T seamlessly transitioned over the former Dobson network in the Upper Peninsula and completed 3G network builds in Detroit, Flint, Grand Rapids and Lansing.

AT&T also expanded facilities to bring high-speed Internet access to every central office it operates in Michigan and deployed its AT&T U-verseSM services, including U-verse TV, U-verse High Speed Internet and U-verse Voice, in parts of several communities including Detroit, Flint, Grand Rapids, Jackson, Kalamazoo, Lansing and Saginaw areas.

“A top priority in 2009 is to continue to enhance the wireless network so our customers have a top-notch experience every time they make a call, check an e-mail or surf the Internet on their AT&T device,” said Brian Ducharme, vice president and general manager for AT&T Mobility and Consumer Markets in Michigan. “We continue to make significant investments to deliver dependable, high speed wireless access in more places across Michigan for consumers and business customers who need to stay connected to work, family and friends.”

AT&T's wireless network is based on GSM (Global System for Mobile Communications) technologies, the most open and widely used wireless network platform in the world. As a result, only AT&T can offer 3G data roaming in more than 70 countries, as well as voice calling in more than 200 countries, in addition to AT&T's continuous 3G expansion in the U.S. AT&T's 3G network is now available in nearly 350 U.S. major metropolitan areas.

AT&T operates more than 60 AT&T-owned retail locations in Michigan. AT&T's products and services are also available at a number of other authorized dealers and national retail locations.

For more information about AT&T's wireless coverage in Michigan or anywhere in the United States, consumers can go to <http://www.wireless.att.com/coverageviewer/>. The online tool can measure the quality of coverage based on a street address, intersection, ZIP code or even a landmark.

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