



## **AT&T Invests Nearly \$1.2 Billion Over 3-Year Period to Enhance Local Networks in Alabama**

BIRMINGHAM, Ala., May 20, 2016— At AT&T<sup>1</sup>, we've invested nearly \$1.2 billion in our Alabama wireless and wired networks during 2013-2015. These investments drive a wide range of upgrades to reliability, coverage, speed and overall performance for residents and businesses. They also enhance critical services that support public safety and first responders.

In 2015, AT&T made more than 370 network improvements- including seven new wireless network cell site builds and over 360 cell site upgrades and additions. Further, AT&T added LTE to 40 UMTS sites and expanded LTE bandwidth at 137 sites across the state.

"We're committed to providing our customers fast, reliable, highly secure connectivity. We want them to be able access the content they want from anywhere and on any device," said AT&T Alabama President Fred McCallum. "Our continued investment in Alabama allows our over 6,300 Alabama AT&T employees to expand our fiber network and bring a host of new, innovative opportunities to our residents and businesses."

Last year, the company also announced it plans to expand the availability of ultra-fast speeds through [AT&T GigaPower<sup>SM</sup>](#) to homes, apartments and small businesses in the Huntsville, Birmingham, Montgomery and Mobile areas. AT&T GigaPower offers our fastest Internet speeds, up to 1Gbps<sup>2</sup> over a 100% fiber network to more than 1.6 million locations across 22 major metro areas.

"In order for Alabama to continue to thrive and serve its residents, it's imperative we have companies that lead through investment and innovation," said Alabama Secretary of Commerce Greg Canfield. "AT&T's on-going investment in our state and its fast, reliable network brings cutting-edge opportunities that offer Alabama residents and businesses the tools to compete and grow."

In 2016, for the second year in a row, FORTUNE magazine recognized AT&T as the Most Admired Telecommunications Company in the world. We also placed #48 among the Top 50 World's Most Admired companies. This is our third year in a row on the Top 50 list – AT&T is the only communications company on the list. We ranked #1 in all 9 attributes. This included innovation, financial soundness and quality of products/services. FORTUNE's Most Admired Companies lists are among the most highly respected indicators of corporate performance and reputation.



We offer Internet customers a great combination of speed and price. Additionally, AT&T high-speed Internet<sup>3</sup> customers have access to our entire national AT&T Wi-Fi Hot Spot Network at no additional charge<sup>4</sup>. We also offer our award-winning DIRECTV<sup>®</sup> service to eligible locations. Customers may be eligible for AT&T U-verse TV service, a 100% digital service available over our advanced network. In 2015, Woman’s Choice Awards<sup>®</sup> named AT&T U-verse TV “America’s Most Recommended Brand among women for Broadband, Television and Phone Service.”

We plan to continue to roll out our fastest Internet services over a 100% fiber network to reach more than 14 million additional residential and commercial locations.

We have big plans for 2016. We’ll be giving you the ability to access and stream [DIRECTV](#) video services over a wired or wireless Internet connection from any provider and from virtually any device – smartphone, tablet, Smart TV, streaming media hardware or PC. We plan for each service to come with a set number of simultaneous sessions. These services will not require annual contracts, satellite dishes or set-top boxes.

We have an extensive Wi-Fi network with more than 40,000 AT&T Wi-Fi Hot Spots at popular restaurants, hotels, bookstores and retailers. We provide access to Wi-Fi at more than 1 million Hot Spots around the world. Most AT&T smartphone and home Internet customers get access to our entire national Wi-Fi network at no additional cost. Wi-Fi usage doesn’t count towards customers’ monthly wireless data plans.<sup>5</sup>

To learn more about our coverage in Alabama or anywhere in the U.S., visit the [AT&T Coverage Viewer](#). For updates on the AT&T wireless network, please visit the [AT&T network news page](#).

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<sup>3</sup> Geographic and service restrictions apply to AT&T U-verse services. Call or go to [www.att.com/u-verse](http://www.att.com/u-verse) to see if you qualify.

<sup>4</sup> Access includes AT&T Wi-Fi Basic. Wi-Fi enabled device required. Other restrictions apply. See [www.attwifi.com](http://www.attwifi.com) for details and locations.

<sup>5</sup> A Wi-Fi enabled device required. Other restrictions apply. See [attwifi.com](http://attwifi.com) for details and locations.

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