

AT&T INC.
Form 8-K
December 20, 2010

UNITED STATES
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, DC 20549

FORM 8-K

CURRENT REPORT

Pursuant to Section 13 or 15(d) of
the Securities Exchange Act of 1934

Date of report (Date of earliest event reported) December 17, 2010

AT&T INC.

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Charter)

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| Delaware (State or Other Jurisdiction of Incorporation) | 1-8610 (Commission File Number) | 43-1301883 (IRS Employer Identification No.) |
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| 208 S. Akard St., Dallas, Texas (Address of Principal Executive Offices) | 75202 (Zip Code) |
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Registrant's telephone number, including area code (210) 821-4105

(Former Name or Former Address, if Changed Since Last Report)

Check the appropriate box below if the Form 8-K filing is intended to simultaneously satisfy the filing obligation of the registrant under any of the following provisions (see General Instruction A.2. below):

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- Pre-commencement communications pursuant to Rule 13e-4(c) under the Exchange Act (17 CFR 240.13e-4(c))

Item 8.01 Other Events.

On December 20, 2010, AT&T announced an agreement to purchase spectrum licenses in the Lower 700 MHz frequency band from Qualcomm Incorporated. The spectrum covers more than 300 million people total nationwide, including 12 MHz of Lower 700 MHz D and E block spectrum covering more than 70 million people in five of the top 15 metropolitan areas and 6 MHz of Lower 700 MHz D block spectrum covering more than 230 million people across the rest of the U.S. AT&T plans to deploy this spectrum as supplemental downlink capacity, using carrier aggregation technology. This technology is expected to be enabled with the completion of 3GPP Release 10. AT&T expects to begin deploying this spectrum once compatible handsets and network equipment are developed. AT&T will pay approximately \$1.925 billion in cash for these licenses. The transaction is subject to regulatory approvals and other customary closing conditions, and AT&T and Qualcomm anticipate closing the purchase in the second half of 2011.

CAUTIONARY LANGUAGE CONCERNING FORWARD-LOOKING STATEMENTS

Information set forth in this filing contains financial estimates and other forward-looking statements that are subject to risks and uncertainties, and actual results may differ materially. A discussion of factors that may affect future results is contained in AT&T's filings with the Securities and Exchange Commission. AT&T disclaims any obligation to update or revise statements contained in this filing based on new information or otherwise.

Signature

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the Registrant has duly caused this report to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned hereunto duly authorized.

AT&T INC.

Date: December 20, 2010 By: /s/ John J. Stephens
John J. Stephens
Senior Vice President and Controller