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Dear Fellow Industry Standards Developers and Implementors,

The Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS) Cloud Services Forum (CSF, formerly called the SON Forum) has recently completed a technical report that may be relevant to your work and to members of your organizations. It is the 3rd Party Service Provider Interfaces Technical Report, ATIS-0200002, that provides our (ATIS) perspective on network – to – 3rd Party Service Provider (3PSP) interfaces.

We produced this report to emphasize the business potential we see in opening up network-based capabilities and information to 3rd party application providers over standard interfaces, and to provide our view on the most relevant approaches for doing so.

The report especially recognizes the desirability of the relatively new use of the RESTful interface approach and the excellent specification work that is ongoing in OMA. Among other things, it also recognizes that multiple approaches, including especially Parlay X and some subset of the IMS Application Server family of interfaces, may be appealing in different developer or service contexts. The report also affirms the strategy of defining an Identity Management framework, including authentication and authorization, that can be utilized by network APIs in general, as opposed to treating that on a per API basis.

We look forward to continued interaction and cooperation with your organizations.

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