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**Preliminary Prospectus Supplement Dated July 27, 2017**

**Prospectus Supplement                   , 2017**  
**(To Prospectus dated February 25, 2016)**

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**AT&T Inc.**

**U.S.\$                   % Global Notes due 2023**

**U.S.\$                   % Global Notes due 2024**

**U.S.\$                   % Global Notes due 2027**

**U.S.\$                   % Global Notes due 2037**

**U.S.\$                   % Global Notes due 2050**

**U.S.\$                   % Global Notes due 2058**

**U.S.\$                   Floating Rate Global Notes due 2023**

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We will pay interest on the % global notes due 2023 (the 2023 Notes ), the % global notes due 2024 (the 2024 Notes ), the % global notes due 2027 (the 2027 Notes ), the % global notes due 2037 (the 2037 Notes ), the % global notes due 2050 (the 2050 Notes ) and the % global notes due 2058 (the 2058 Notes and, together with the 2023 Notes, the 2024 Notes, the 2027 Notes, the 2037 Notes and the 2050 Notes, the Fixed Rate Notes ) on and of each year, commencing on , 2018. We will pay interest on the floating rate global notes due 2023 (the Floating Rate Notes and, together with the Fixed Rate Notes, the Notes ) at a rate equal to the Applicable LIBOR Rate (as defined herein, based on the three-month LIBOR), reset quarterly, plus basis points, on , and of each year. The first such payment will be made on , 2017. The 2023 Notes will mature on , 2023, the 2024 Notes will mature on , 2024, the 2027 Notes will mature on , 2027, the 2037 Notes will mature on , 2037, the 2050 Notes will mature on , 2050, the 2058 Notes will mature on , 2058 and the Floating Rate Notes will mature on , 2023.

We may redeem some or all of the Fixed Rate Notes at any time and from time to time at the prices and at the times indicated for each series under the heading Description of the Notes The Fixed Rate Notes Optional Redemption beginning on page S-9 of this prospectus supplement. The Notes will be issued in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 thereafter.

On October 22, 2016, we entered into an Agreement and Plan of Merger (the Merger Agreement ) with Time Warner Inc. ( Time Warner ). Time Warner will become our wholly-owned subsidiary subject to the satisfaction or waiver of the conditions to closing contained in the Merger Agreement. We intend to use the net proceeds of this offering for general corporate purposes, including funding the cash consideration for the Time Warner acquisition. This offering is not contingent on the consummation of the acquisition of Time Warner. However, if such acquisition is not consummated on or prior to April 22, 2018 or, if prior to such date, the Merger Agreement for such acquisition is terminated, then in either case we will be required to redeem all of the Notes at a special mandatory redemption price equal to 101% of the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued but unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date, as described under Description of the Notes Special Mandatory Redemption.

*See Risk Factors beginning on page 34 of our 2016 Annual Report to Stockholders, portions of which are filed as Exhibit 13 to our Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2016, which are incorporated by reference herein, to read about factors you should consider before investing in the Notes.*

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

|                         | Per<br>2023<br>Note | Total | Per<br>2024<br>Note | Total | Per<br>2027<br>Note | Total | Per<br>2037<br>Note | Total | Per<br>2050<br>Note | Total | Per<br>2058<br>Note | Total | Per<br>Floating<br>Rate<br>Note | Total |
|-------------------------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|---------------------|-------|---------------------------------|-------|
| Initial public offering | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                               | \$    |
| Underwriting            | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                               | \$    |
| counts                  | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                   | \$    | %                               | \$    |

| proceeds,<br>before<br>expenses, to<br>AT&T(1) | % | \$ | % | \$ | % | \$ | % | \$ | % | \$ | % | \$ |
|--|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|---|----|
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(1) The underwriters have agreed to reimburse us for certain of our expenses. See Underwriting. The initial public offering prices set forth above do not include accrued interest, if any. Interest on the Notes will accrue from \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

The underwriters expect to deliver the Notes in book-entry form only through the facilities of The Depository Trust Company for the accounts of its participants, including Clearstream Banking, Société Anonyme and Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., against payment in New York, New York on \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

*Joint Book-Running Managers*

**BofA Merrill Lynch      Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC      J.P. Morgan      Mizuho Securities      MUFG**

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We have not, and the underwriters have not, authorized any other person to provide you with different information. If anyone provides you with different or inconsistent information, we take no responsibility for, nor can we provide any assurance as to the reliability of, any other information that others may give you. We are not, and the underwriters are not, making an offer to sell these securities in any jurisdiction where the offer or sale is not permitted. You should assume that the information appearing in this prospectus supplement and the accompanying prospectus, as well as information we previously filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission and incorporated by reference, is accurate as of their respective dates. Our business, financial condition, results of operations and prospects may have changed since those dates.

The Notes are offered globally for sale in those jurisdictions in the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and elsewhere where it is lawful to make such offers.

To the extent there is a conflict between the information contained in this prospectus supplement, on the one hand, and the information contained in the accompanying prospectus, on the other hand, the information contained in this prospectus supplement shall control. If any statement in this prospectus supplement conflicts with any statement in a document which we have incorporated by reference, then you should consider only the statement in the more recent document.

In this prospectus supplement, we, our, us and AT&T refer to AT&T Inc. and its consolidated subsidiaries.

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**SUMMARY OF THE FIXED RATE NOTES OFFERING**

|                    |  |
|--------------------|--|
| Issuer             | AT&T Inc.  |
| Securities Offered | U.S.\$ aggregate principal amount of % global notes due 2023 (the 2023 Notes ).  |
|                    | U.S.\$ aggregate principal amount of % global notes due 2024 (the 2024 Notes ).  |
|                    | U.S.\$ aggregate principal amount of % global notes due 2027 (the 2027 Notes ).  |
|                    | U.S.\$ aggregate principal amount of % global notes due 2037 (the 2037 Notes ).  |
|                    | U.S.\$ aggregate principal amount of % global notes due 2050 (the 2050 Notes ).  |
|                    | U.S.\$ aggregate principal amount of % global notes due 2058 (the 2058 Notes and, together with the 2023 Notes, the 2024 Notes, the 2027 Notes, the 2037 Notes and the 2050 Notes, the Fixed Rate Notes ). |
| Maturity Date      | , 2023, at par, for the 2023 Notes.  |
|                    | , 2024, at par, for the 2024 Notes.  |
|                    | , 2027, at par, for the 2027 Notes.  |
|                    | , 2037, at par, for the 2037 Notes.  |
|                    | , 2050, at par, for the 2050 Notes.  |
|                    | , 2058, at par, for the 2058 Notes.  |

Interest Rate

The 2023 Notes will bear interest from \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum, the 2024 Notes will bear interest from \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum, the 2027 Notes will bear interest from \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum, the 2037 Notes will bear interest from \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum, the 2050 Notes will bear interest from \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum and 2058 Notes will bear interest from \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum. Interest on each series of the Fixed Rate Notes will be payable semi-annually in arrears in two equal payments.

Interest Payment Dates

\_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of each year, commencing on \_\_\_\_\_, 2018.

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## Special Mandatory Redemption

If the Time Warner acquisition is not consummated on or prior to April 22, 2018 or, if prior to such date, the Merger Agreement for such acquisition is terminated, then in either case we will be required to redeem all of the Fixed Rate Notes at a special mandatory redemption price equal to 101% of the principal amount of the Fixed Rate Notes, plus accrued but unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date. See Description of the Notes Special Mandatory Redemption.

## Optional Redemption

Each series of the Fixed Rate Notes may be redeemed at any time prior to the applicable Par Call Date (as set forth in the table below), as a whole or in part, at our option, at any time and from time to time on at least 30 days , but not more than 60 days prior notice, at a make-whole call equal to the greater of (i) 100% of the principal amount of the Fixed Rate Notes of such series to be redeemed or (ii) the sum of the present values of the remaining scheduled payments of principal and interest discounted to the redemption date, on a semiannual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months), at a rate equal to the sum of the Treasury Rate plus a number of basis points equal to the applicable Make-Whole Spread (as set forth in the table below). Each series of Fixed Rate Notes may be redeemed at any time on or after the applicable Par Call Date, as a whole or in part, at our option, at any time and from time to time on at least 30 days , but not more than 60 days prior notice, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of such series of Fixed Rate Notes to be redeemed. Accrued interest will be payable to the redemption date.

| <b>Series</b> | <b>Par Call Date</b> | <b>Make-Whole Spread</b> |
|---------------|----------------------|--------------------------|
| 2023 Notes    |                      | bps                      |
| 2024 Notes    |                      | bps                      |
| 2027 Notes    |                      | bps                      |
| 2037 Notes    |                      | bps                      |
| 2050 Notes    |                      | bps                      |
| 2058 Notes    |                      | bps                      |

See Description of the Notes The Fixed Rate Notes Optional Redemption.

The Fixed Rate Notes of each series are also redeemable at our option in connection with certain tax events. See Description of the Notes Redemption Upon a Tax Event.

## Markets

The Fixed Rate Notes are offered for sale in those jurisdictions in the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and elsewhere where it is legal to



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make such offers. See Underwriting.

No Listing

The Fixed Rate Notes are not being listed on any organized exchange or market.

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Form and Settlement

The Fixed Rate Notes will be issued in the form of one or more fully registered global notes which will be deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company known as DTC as the depository, and registered in the name of Cede & Co., DTC's nominee. Beneficial interests in the global notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Investors may elect to hold interests in the global notes through either DTC (in the United States), Clearstream Banking, Société Anonyme or Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System (outside of the United States), if they are participants in these systems, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in these systems. Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC participants, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Clearstream or Euroclear participants, on the other hand, will be effected in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the relevant international clearing system by its U.S. depository.

Governing Law

The Fixed Rate Notes will be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

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|                              |   |
|------------------------------|---|
| Issuer                       | AT&T Inc.   |
| Securities Offered           | U.S.\$      aggregate principal amount of floating rate global notes due 2023 (the Floating Rate Notes ).   |
| Maturity Date                | , 2023, at par.   |
| Interest Rate                | The Floating Rate Notes will bear interest from      , 2017 at a floating rate equal to the Applicable LIBOR Rate (as defined herein, based on the three-month LIBOR), reset quarterly, plus      basis points, payable quarterly in arrears.   |
| Interest Payment Dates       | Quarterly on each      ,      ,      and      of each year, commencing on      , 2017; provided however, that if any such interest payment date would fall on a day that is not a LIBOR business day (as defined herein), other than the interest payment date that is also the date of maturity, that interest payment date will be postponed to the next succeeding LIBOR business day, unless the next succeeding LIBOR business day is in the next succeeding calendar month, in which case such interest payment date shall be the immediately preceding LIBOR business day; and provided further, that if the date of maturity is not a LIBOR business day, payment of principal and interest will be made on the next succeeding business day and no interest will accrue for the period from and after such date of maturity. |
| Special Mandatory Redemption | If the Time Warner acquisition is not consummated on or prior to April 22, 2018 or, if prior to such date, the Merger Agreement for such acquisition is terminated, then in either case we will be required to redeem the Floating Rate Notes at a special mandatory redemption price equal to 101% of the principal amount of the Floating Rate Notes, plus accrued but unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date. See Description of the Notes Special Mandatory Redemption.   |
| Optional Redemption          | Except in connection with certain tax events, the Floating Rate Notes are not redeemable at our option. See Description of the Notes Redemption Upon a Tax Event.   |

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|---------------------|---|
| Markets             | The Floating Rate Notes are offered for sale in those jurisdictions in the United States, Canada, Europe, Asia and elsewhere where it is legal to make such offers. See Underwriting. |
| No Listing          | The Floating Rate Notes are not being listed on any organized exchange or market.   |
| Form and Settlement | The Floating Rate Notes will be issued in the form of one or more fully registered global notes which will be deposited with, or on   |

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behalf of, The Depository Trust Company known as DTC as the depository, and registered in the name of Cede & Co., DTC's nominee. Beneficial interests in the global notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Investors may elect to hold interests in the global notes through either DTC (in the United States), Clearstream Banking, Société Anonyme or Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System (outside of the United States), if they are participants in these systems, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in these systems. Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC participants, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Clearstream or Euroclear participants, on the other hand, will be effected in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the relevant international clearing system by its U.S. depository.

Governing Law

The Floating Rate Notes will be governed by the laws of the State of New York.

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**USE OF PROCEEDS**

The net proceeds to AT&T from the Notes offering will be approximately \$ \_\_\_\_\_ after deducting the underwriting discount and our estimated offering expenses, net of reimbursement from the underwriters. These proceeds will be used for general corporate purposes, including funding the cash consideration for the Time Warner acquisition.

The completion of this offering is not contingent on the Time Warner acquisition. However, if for any reason the Time Warner acquisition is not consummated on or prior to April 22, 2018 or, if prior to such date, the Merger Agreement for such acquisition is terminated, then in either case we will be required to redeem all of the Notes at a special mandatory redemption price equal to 101% of the principal amount of the Notes, plus accrued but unpaid interest to, but excluding, the redemption date, as described under Description of the Notes Special Mandatory Redemption.

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The following table sets forth the capitalization of AT&T as of June 30, 2017 and as adjusted solely to reflect the issuance of \$ of the Notes and the application of the net proceeds as described under Use of Proceeds above assuming that all of the net proceeds from the sale of the Notes would be used for general corporate purposes, including funding the cash consideration for the Time Warner acquisition. The table reflects certain unaudited consolidated financial information as of June 30, 2017 that was included in our Current Report on Form 8-K filed on July 25, 2017. AT&T's total capital consists of debt (long-term debt and debt maturing within one year) and stockholders' equity.

|  | <b>As of June 30, 2017</b> |                    |
|--|----------------------------|--------------------|
|  | <b>Actual</b>              | <b>As Adjusted</b> |
|  | <b>(Unaudited)</b>         |                    |
|  | <b>(In millions)</b>       |                    |
| Long-term debt   | \$ 132,824                 | \$                 |
| Debt maturing within one year (1)                        | 10,831                     |                    |
| Stockholders' equity:                                    |                            |                    |
| Common shares (\$1 par value, 14,000,000,000 authorized) | 6,495                      |                    |
| Capital in excess of par value                           | 89,471                     |                    |
| Retained earnings  | 36,067                     |                    |
| Treasury shares  | (12,697)                   |                    |
| Other adjustments  | 6,522                      |                    |
| Stockholders' equity                                     | \$ 125,858                 | \$                 |
| <br>Total Capitalization (2)                             | <br>\$ 269,513             | <br>\$             |

- (1) Debt maturing within one year consists of the current portion of long-term debt and commercial paper and other short-term borrowings.
- (2) In addition to our other credit agreements, we have engaged certain banks to provide lines of credit for the purpose of providing financing in connection with our contemplated acquisition of Time Warner, which includes a \$10 billion term loan credit agreement with JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as agent, and a \$30 billion bridge loan facility, with certain investment and commercial banks and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A., as agent. As of the date of this prospectus supplement, we had no borrowings under the term loan credit agreement or bridge loan facility; however, we have reduced the bridge loan facility commitment by \$9 billion as a result of net proceeds received from our debt offerings in June 2017. We will reduce the commitments under the bridge loan facility in an amount equal to a significant amount of the proceeds.

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The following description of the general terms of the Notes should be read in conjunction with the statements under Description of Debt Securities We May Offer in the accompanying prospectus. If this summary differs in any way from the Summary Description of the Securities We May Issue in the accompanying prospectus, you should rely on this summary.

**General**

The Notes will be issued under our indenture, dated as of May 15, 2013, with The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., acting as trustee, as described under Description of Debt Securities We May Offer in the accompanying prospectus. The Notes will be our unsecured and unsubordinated obligations and will rank *pari passu* with all other indebtedness issued under our indenture. The Notes will constitute seven separate series under the indenture. We will issue the Notes in fully registered form only and in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 thereafter.

We may issue definitive Notes in the limited circumstances set forth in Form and Title below. If we issue definitive Notes, principal of and interest on our Notes will be payable in the manner described below, the transfer of our Notes will be registrable, and our Notes will be exchangeable for Notes bearing identical terms and provisions, at the office of The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., the paying agent and registrar for our Notes, currently located at 601 Travis Street, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor, Houston, Texas 77002. However, payment of interest, other than interest at maturity, or upon redemption, may be made by check mailed to the address of the person entitled to the interest as it appears on the security register at the close of business on the regular record date corresponding to the relevant interest payment date. Notwithstanding this, (1) the depository, as holder of our Notes, or (2) a holder of more than \$5 million in aggregate principal amount of Notes in definitive form can require the paying agent to make payments of interest, other than interest due at maturity, or upon redemption, by wire transfer of immediately available funds into an account maintained by the holder in the United States, by sending appropriate wire transfer instructions as long as the paying agent receives the instructions not less than ten days prior to the applicable interest payment date. The principal and interest payable in U.S. dollars on a Note at maturity, or upon redemption, will be paid by wire transfer of immediately available funds against presentation of a Note at the office of the paying agent.

**Special Mandatory Redemption**

We expect to use the net proceeds from this offering for general corporate purposes, including funding the cash consideration of the Time Warner acquisition, as described under the heading Use of Proceeds. If the Time Warner acquisition is not consummated on or prior to April 22, 2018, or, if prior to such date, the Merger Agreement for such acquisition is terminated (each, a Special Mandatory Redemption Event), the provisions set forth below will be applicable.

Upon the occurrence of a Special Mandatory Redemption Event, each series of the Notes will be redeemed in whole at a special mandatory redemption price (the Special Mandatory Redemption Price) equal to 101% of the aggregate principal amount of the applicable series of Notes, plus accrued but unpaid interest on the principal amount of such series of the Notes to, but not including, the Special Mandatory Redemption Date (as defined below).

Upon the occurrence of a Special Mandatory Redemption Event, we will promptly (but in no event later than 5 business days following such Special Mandatory Redemption Event) notify the trustee in writing of such event, and will, no later than 5 business days following such notice to the trustee, mail a notice of redemption to the registered address of each holder of the applicable series of Notes (such date of notification to the holders, the Redemption



Notice Date ), that the Notes will be redeemed on the 30th day following the Redemption Notice Date (such date, the Special Mandatory Redemption Date ), in each case in accordance with the applicable provisions of the indenture. We will notify each holder in accordance with the applicable provisions of the

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indenture that all of the outstanding Notes of the applicable series shall be redeemed at the Special Mandatory Redemption Price on the Special Mandatory Redemption Date automatically and without any further action by the holders of any series of the Notes to be redeemed. At or prior to 12:00 p.m. (New York City time) on the business day immediately preceding the Special Mandatory Redemption Date, the Company shall deposit with the trustee funds sufficient to pay the Special Mandatory Redemption Price for each series of Notes to be redeemed. If such deposit is made as provided above, all of the Notes to be redeemed will cease to bear interest on and after the Special Mandatory Redemption Date.

For purposes of the Notes, a business day means a business day in The City of New York.

**The Fixed Rate Notes**

The 2023 Notes offered by this prospectus supplement will initially be limited to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount and will bear interest at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum, the 2024 Notes offered by this prospectus supplement will initially be limited to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount and will bear interest at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum, the 2027 Notes offered by this prospectus supplement will initially be limited to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount and will bear interest at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum, the 2037 Notes offered by this prospectus supplement will initially be limited to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount and will bear interest at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum, the 2050 Notes offered by this prospectus supplement will initially be limited to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount and will bear interest at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum and the 2058 Notes offered by this prospectus supplement will initially be limited to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount and will bear interest at the rate of \_\_\_\_\_ % per annum. We will pay interest on our Fixed Rate Notes in arrears on each \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_, commencing on \_\_\_\_\_, 2018 to the persons in whose names the Fixed Rate Notes are registered at the close of business on the fifteenth day preceding the respective interest payment date. The 2023 Notes will mature on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023, the 2024 Notes will mature on \_\_\_\_\_, 2024, the 2027 Notes will mature on \_\_\_\_\_, 2027, the 2037 Notes will mature on \_\_\_\_\_, 2037, the 2050 Notes will mature on \_\_\_\_\_, 2050 and the 2058 Notes will mature on \_\_\_\_\_, 2058.

*Optional Redemption*

Each series of Fixed Rate Notes may be redeemed at any time prior to the applicable Par Call Date (as set forth in the table below), as a whole or in part, at our option, at any time and from time to time on at least 30 days \_\_\_\_\_, but not more than 60 days \_\_\_\_\_, prior notice mailed (or otherwise transmitted in accordance with DTC procedures) to the registered address of each holder of the Fixed Rate Notes of such series to be redeemed. The redemption price will be calculated by us and will be equal to the greater of (1) 100% of the principal amount of the Fixed Rate Notes of such series to be redeemed or (2) the sum of the present values of the Remaining Scheduled Payments (as defined below) discounted to the redemption date, on a semiannual basis (assuming a 360-day year consisting of twelve 30-day months), at a rate equal to the sum of the Treasury Rate (as defined below) plus a number of basis points equal to the applicable Make-Whole Spread (as set forth in the table below). In the case of each of clauses (1) and (2), accrued interest will be payable to the redemption date. Each series of Fixed Rate Notes may be redeemed at any time on or after the applicable Par Call Date, as a whole or in part, at our option, at any time and from time to time on at least 30 days \_\_\_\_\_, but not more than 60 days \_\_\_\_\_, prior notice mailed (or otherwise transmitted in accordance with DTC procedures) to the registered address of each holder of the Fixed Rate Notes of such series, at a redemption price equal to 100% of the principal amount of such series of Fixed Rate Notes to be redeemed. Accrued interest will be payable to the redemption date.

**Series****Par Call Date****Make-Whole Spread**

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|------------|-----|
| 2023 Notes | bps |
| 2024 Notes | bps |
| 2027 Notes | bps |
| 2037 Notes | bps |
| 2050 Notes | bps |
| 2058 Notes | bps |

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*Treasury Rate* means, with respect to any redemption date for the Fixed Rate Notes, the rate per annum equal to the semiannual equivalent yield to maturity or interpolation (on a day count basis) of the interpolated Comparable Treasury Issue, assuming a price for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed as a percentage of its principal amount) equal to the Comparable Treasury Price for such redemption date, as determined by AT&T or an Independent Investment Banker appointed by AT&T.

*Comparable Treasury Issue* means the United States Treasury security or securities selected by an Independent Investment Banker as having an actual or interpolated maturity comparable to the remaining term of the Fixed Rate Notes of that series to be redeemed that would be utilized, at the time of selection and in accordance with customary financial practice, in pricing new issues of corporate debt securities of a comparable maturity to the remaining term of such Fixed Rate Notes.

*Independent Investment Banker* means one of the Reference Treasury Dealers, appointed by AT&T.

*Comparable Treasury Price* means, with respect to any redemption date for a series of the Fixed Rate Notes, (1) the average of the Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations for such redemption date after excluding the highest and lowest of such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, or (2) if AT&T obtains fewer than three such Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations, the average of all such quotations.

*Reference Treasury Dealer Quotations* means, with respect to each Reference Treasury Dealer and any redemption date for a series of the Fixed Rate Notes, the average, as determined by AT&T, of the bid and asked prices for the Comparable Treasury Issue (expressed in each case as a percentage of its principal amount) quoted in writing to AT&T by such Reference Treasury Dealer at 3:30 p.m., New York City time, on the third business day preceding such redemption date.

*Reference Treasury Dealer* means each of Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Mizuho Securities USA LLC, and their respective affiliates and, at the option of AT&T, one other nationally recognized investment banking firm that is a primary U.S. Government Securities dealer in the United States (a Primary Treasury Dealer); provided, however, that if any of the foregoing shall cease to be a Primary Treasury Dealer, AT&T will substitute therefor another Primary Treasury Dealer.

*Remaining Scheduled Payments* means, with respect to each Fixed Rate Note of a series to be redeemed, the remaining scheduled payments of principal of and interest on such Fixed Rate Notes that would be due after the related redemption date but for the redemption. If that redemption date is not an interest payment date with respect to the applicable series of Fixed Rate Notes, the amount of the next succeeding scheduled interest payment on the Fixed Rate Notes will be reduced by the amount of interest accrued on the Fixed Rate Notes to the redemption date.

On and after the redemption date, interest will cease to accrue on the Fixed Rate Notes or any portion of the Fixed Rate Notes called for redemption, unless we default in the payment of the redemption price and accrued interest. On or before the redemption date, we will deposit with our paying agent or the trustee money sufficient to pay the redemption price of and accrued interest on the Fixed Rate Notes to be redeemed on that date.

In the case of any partial redemption, selection of the Fixed Rate Notes of a series to be redeemed will be made in accordance with applicable procedures of DTC.

**The Floating Rate Notes**

The Floating Rate Notes offered by this prospectus supplement will initially be limited to \$ \_\_\_\_\_ aggregate principal amount and will mature on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023 (the Floating Rate Maturity Date). If the Floating Rate Maturity Date falls on a day that is not a LIBOR business day, the payment of interest and principal will be made on the next succeeding LIBOR business day, and no interest will accrue for the period from and after the Floating Rate Maturity Date.

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The Floating Rate Notes offered by this prospectus supplement will bear interest from \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 at a floating rate determined in the manner provided below, payable on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of each year (each such day, a Floating Rate Interest Payment Date), commencing on \_\_\_\_\_, 2017, to the persons in whose names the Floating Rate Notes were registered at the close of business on the 15th day preceding the respective Floating Rate Interest Payment Date, subject to certain exceptions.

The per annum interest rate on the Floating Rate Notes (the Floating Interest Rate) in effect for each day of an Floating Rate Interest Period (as defined below) will be equal to the Applicable LIBOR Rate plus \_\_\_\_\_ basis points (\_\_\_\_\_%). The Floating Interest Rate for each Floating Rate Interest Period will be reset on \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ and \_\_\_\_\_ of each year, and will be set for the initial Floating Rate Interest Period on \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 (each such date, a Floating Interest Reset Date) until the principal on the Floating Rate Notes is paid or made available for payment (the Floating Rate Principal Payment Date). If any Floating Interest Reset Date (other than the initial Floating Interest Reset Date occurring on \_\_\_\_\_, 2017) and Floating Rate Interest Payment Date would otherwise be a day that is not a LIBOR business day, such Floating Interest Reset Date and Floating Rate Interest Payment Date shall be the next succeeding LIBOR business day, unless the next succeeding LIBOR business day is in the next succeeding calendar month, in which case such Floating Interest Reset Date and Floating Rate Interest Payment Date shall be the immediately preceding LIBOR business day.

LIBOR business day means any day that is not a Saturday or Sunday and that, in The City of New York or the City of London, is not a day on which banking institutions are generally authorized or obligated by law to close.

Floating Rate Interest Period shall mean the period from and including a Floating Interest Reset Date to but excluding the next succeeding Floating Interest Reset Date and, in the case of the last such period, from and including the Floating Interest Reset Date immediately preceding the Floating Rate Maturity Date or Floating Rate Principal Payment Date, as the case may be, to but not including such Floating Rate Maturity Date or Floating Rate Principal Payment Date, as the case may be. If the Floating Rate Principal Payment Date or Floating Rate Maturity Date is not a LIBOR business day, then the principal amount of the Floating Rate Notes plus accrued and unpaid interest thereon shall be paid on the next succeeding LIBOR business day and no interest shall accrue for the Floating Rate Maturity Date, Floating Rate Principal Payment Date or any day thereafter.

The Applicable LIBOR Rate shall mean the rate determined in accordance with the following provisions:

(1) On the second day on which dealings in deposits in U.S. dollars are transacted in the London interbank market preceding each Floating Interest Reset Date (each such date, an Interest Determination Date), The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. (the Calculation Agent), as agent for AT&T, will determine the Applicable LIBOR Rate which shall be the rate for deposits in U.S. dollars having a maturity of three months commencing on the first day of the applicable interest period that appears on the Bloomberg Screen BBAM Page (or any successor page) as of 11:00 a.m., London time, on such Interest Determination Date. If the Applicable LIBOR Rate on such Interest Determination Date does not appear on the Bloomberg Screen BBAM Page (or any successor page), the Applicable LIBOR Rate will be determined as described in (2) below.

(2) With respect to an Interest Determination Date for which the Applicable LIBOR Rate does not appear on the Bloomberg Screen BBAM Page (or any successor page) as specified in (1) above, the Applicable LIBOR Rate will be determined on the basis of the rates at which deposits in U.S. dollars are offered by four major banks in the London interbank market selected by AT&T (the Reference Banks) at approximately 11:00 a.m., London time, on such Interest Determination Date to prime banks in the London interbank market having a maturity of three months, and in a principal amount equal to an amount of not less than U.S.\$1,000,000 that is representative for a single transaction in such market at such time. The Calculation Agent, upon direction from AT&T, will request the principal London office

of each of such Reference Banks to provide a quotation of its rate. If at least two such quotations are provided, the

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Applicable LIBOR Rate on such Interest Determination Date will be the arithmetic mean (rounded upwards) of such quotations. If fewer than two quotations are provided, the Applicable LIBOR Rate on such Interest Determination Date will be the arithmetic mean (rounded upwards) of the rates quoted by three major banks in New York City selected by AT&T at approximately 11:00 a.m., New York City time, on such Interest Determination Date for loans in U.S. dollars to leading European banks, having a maturity of three months, and in a principal amount equal to an amount of not less than U.S.\$1,000,000 that is representative for a single transaction in such market at such time; provided, however, that if the banks in New York City selected as aforesaid by AT&T are not quoting as mentioned in this sentence, the relevant Floating Interest Rate for the Floating Rate Interest Period commencing on the Floating Interest Reset Date following such Interest Determination Date will be the Floating Interest Rate in effect on such Interest Determination Date (i.e., the same as the rate determined for the immediately preceding Interest Reset Date).

The amount of interest for each day that the Floating Rate Notes are outstanding (the Daily Interest Amount ) will be calculated by dividing the Floating Interest Rate in effect for such day by 360 and multiplying the result by the principal amount of the Floating Rate Notes (known as the Actual/360 day count). The amount of interest to be paid on the Floating Rate Notes for any Floating Rate Interest Period will be calculated by adding the Daily Interest Amounts for each day in such Floating Rate Interest Period.

The Floating Interest Rate on the Floating Rate Notes will in no event be higher than the maximum rate permitted by New York law as the same may be modified by United States law of general application. Additionally, the Floating Interest Rate on the Floating Rate Notes will in no event be lower than zero.

The Floating Interest Rate and amount of interest to be paid on the Floating Rate Notes for each Floating Rate Interest Period will be determined by the Calculation Agent. The Calculation Agent will, upon the request of any holder of the Floating Rate Notes, provide the interest rate then in effect with respect to the Floating Rate Notes. All calculations made by the Calculation Agent shall in the absence of manifest error be conclusive for all purposes and binding on AT&T and the holders of the Floating Rate Notes. So long as the Applicable LIBOR Rate is required to be determined with respect to the Floating Rate Notes, there will at all times be a Calculation Agent. In the event that any then acting Calculation Agent shall be unable or unwilling to act, or that such Calculation Agent shall fail duly to establish the Applicable LIBOR Rate for any Floating Rate Interest Period, or that AT&T proposes to remove such Calculation Agent, AT&T shall appoint itself or another person which is a bank, trust company, investment banking firm or other financial institution to act as the Calculation Agent.

**Form and Title**

The Notes of each series will be issued in the form of one or more fully registered global notes which will be deposited with, or on behalf of, The Depository Trust Company, known as DTC, as the depository, and registered in the name of Cede & Co., DTC's nominee. Beneficial interests in the global notes will be represented through book-entry accounts of financial institutions acting on behalf of beneficial owners as direct and indirect participants in DTC. Investors may elect to hold interests in the global notes through either DTC (in the United States), Clearstream Banking, Société Anonyme, which we refer to as Clearstream Luxembourg, or Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., as operator of the Euroclear System (outside of the United States), if they are participants in these systems, or indirectly through organizations which are participants in these systems. Clearstream Luxembourg and Euroclear will hold interests on behalf of their participants through customers' securities accounts in Clearstream Luxembourg's and Euroclear's names on the books of their respective depositories, which in turn will hold these interests in customers' securities accounts in the names of their respective U.S. depositories on the books of DTC. Citibank, N.A. will act as the U.S. depository for Clearstream Luxembourg, and JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. will act as the U.S. depository for Euroclear. Except under circumstances described below, the Notes will not be issuable in definitive form. The laws of some states require that certain purchasers of securities take physical delivery of their securities in definitive form. These limits



and laws may impair the ability to transfer beneficial interests in the global notes.

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So long as the depositary or its nominee is the registered owner of the global notes, the depositary or its nominee will be considered the sole owner or holder of the Notes represented by the global notes for all purposes under the indenture. Except as provided below, owners of beneficial interests in the global notes will not be entitled to have the Notes represented by the global notes registered in their names, will not receive or be entitled to receive physical delivery of the Notes in definitive form and will not be considered the owners or holders thereof under the indenture.

Principal and interest payments on the Notes registered in the name of the depositary or its nominee will be made to the depositary or its nominee, as the case may be, as the registered owner of the global notes. None of us, the trustee, any paying agent or registrar for the Notes will have any responsibility or liability for any aspect of the records relating to or payments made on account of beneficial interests in the global notes or for maintaining, supervising or reviewing any records relating to these beneficial interests.

We expect that the depositary for the Notes or its nominee, upon receipt of any payment of principal or interest, will credit the participants' accounts with payments in amounts proportionate to their respective beneficial interests in the principal amount of the global notes as shown on the records of the depositary or its nominee. We also expect that payments by participants to owners of beneficial interest in the global notes held through these participants will be governed by standing instructions and customary practices, as is now the case with securities held for the accounts of customers in bearer form or registered in street name, and will be the responsibility of these participants.

If the depositary is at any time unwilling or unable to continue as depositary for the global notes of a series and a successor depositary is not appointed by us within 90 days, we will issue the Notes of that series in definitive form in exchange for the global notes of that series. We will also issue the Notes in definitive form in exchange for the global notes of that series if an event of default has occurred with regard to the Notes represented by the global notes and has not been cured or waived. In addition, we may at any time and in our sole discretion determine not to have the Notes of a series represented by the global notes and, in that event, will issue the Notes of that series in definitive form in exchange for the global notes. In any such instance, an owner of a beneficial interest in the global notes will be entitled to physical delivery in definitive form of the Notes represented by the global notes equal in principal amount to such beneficial interest and to have such Notes registered in its name. The Notes so issued in definitive form will be issued as registered in minimum denominations of \$2,000 and integral multiples of \$1,000 thereafter, unless otherwise specified by us. Our definitive form of the Notes can be transferred by presentation for registration to the registrar at its New York office and must be duly endorsed by the holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing, or accompanied by a written instrument or instruments of transfer in form satisfactory to us or the trustee duly executed by the holder or his attorney duly authorized in writing. We may require payment of a sum sufficient to cover any tax or other governmental charge that may be imposed in connection with any exchange or registration of transfer of definitive notes.

**The Clearing Systems**

*DTC.* The depositary has advised us as follows: the depositary is a limited-purpose trust company organized under the New York Banking Law, a banking organization within the meaning of the New York Banking Law, a member of the Federal Reserve System, a clearing corporation within the meaning of the New York Uniform Commercial Code, and a clearing agency registered pursuant to the provisions of Section 17A of the Exchange Act. The depositary holds securities deposited with it by its participants and facilitates the settlement of transactions among its participants in such securities through electronic computerized book-entry changes in accounts of the participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of securities certificates. The depositary's participants include securities brokers and dealers (including the underwriters), banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations, some of whom (and/or their representatives) own the depositary. Access to the depositary's book-entry system is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a

custodial relationship with a participant, either directly or indirectly.

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According to the depository, the foregoing information with respect to the depository has been provided to the financial community for informational purposes only and is not intended to serve as a representation, warranty or contract modification of any kind.

*Clearstream Luxembourg.* Clearstream Luxembourg advises that it is incorporated under the laws of Luxembourg as a professional depository. Clearstream Luxembourg holds securities for its participating organizations and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Clearstream Luxembourg participants through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of Clearstream Luxembourg participants, thereby eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates. Clearstream Luxembourg provides to Clearstream Luxembourg participants, among other things, services for safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement of internationally traded securities and securities lending and borrowing. Clearstream Luxembourg interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. As a professional depository, Clearstream Luxembourg is subject to regulation by the Luxembourg Monetary Institute. Clearstream Luxembourg participants are recognized financial institutions around the world, including underwriters, securities brokers and dealers, banks, trust companies, clearing corporations and certain other organizations and may include the underwriters. Indirect access to Clearstream Luxembourg is also available to others, such as banks, brokers, dealers and trust companies that clear through or maintain a custodial relationship with a Clearstream Luxembourg participant either directly or indirectly.

Distributions with respect to each series of the Notes held beneficially through Clearstream Luxembourg will be credited to cash accounts of Clearstream Luxembourg participants in accordance with its rules and procedures, to the extent received by the U.S. depository for Clearstream Luxembourg.

*Euroclear.* Euroclear has advised that it was created in 1968 to hold securities for its participants and to clear and settle transactions between Euroclear participants through simultaneous electronic book-entry delivery against payment, eliminating the need for physical movement of certificates and eliminating any risk from lack of simultaneous transfers of securities and cash. Euroclear provides various other services, including securities lending and borrowing and interfaces with domestic markets in several countries. The Euroclear System is owned by Euroclear Clearance System Public Limited Company (ECSplc) and operated through a license agreement by Euroclear Bank S.A./N.V., a bank incorporated under the laws of the Kingdom of Belgium as the Euroclear operator.

The Euroclear operator holds securities and book-entry interests in securities for participating organizations and facilitates the clearance and settlement of securities transactions between Euroclear participants, and between Euroclear participants and participants of certain other securities intermediaries through electronic book-entry changes in accounts of such participants or other securities intermediaries.

The Euroclear operator provides Euroclear participants, among other things, with safekeeping, administration, clearance and settlement, securities lending and borrowing, and related services.

Non-participants of Euroclear may hold and transfer book-entry interests in the securities through accounts with a direct participant of Euroclear or any other securities intermediary that holds a book-entry interest in the securities through one or more securities intermediaries standing between such other securities intermediary and the Euroclear operator.

The Euroclear operator is regulated and examined by the Belgian Banking and Finance Commission and the National Bank of Belgium.

Securities clearance accounts and cash accounts with the Euroclear operator are governed by the Terms and Conditions Governing Use of Euroclear and the related operating procedures of the Euroclear System, and applicable

Belgian law, which are collectively referred to as the terms and conditions. The terms and conditions govern transfers of notes and cash within Euroclear, withdrawals of notes and cash from Euroclear,

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and receipts of payments with respect to notes in Euroclear. All notes in Euroclear are held on a fungible basis without attribution of specific certificates to specific securities clearance accounts. The Euroclear operator acts under the terms and conditions only on behalf of Euroclear participants, and has no record of or relationship with persons holding through Euroclear participants.

Distributions with respect to each series of the Notes held beneficially through Euroclear will be credited to the cash accounts of Euroclear participants in accordance with the terms and conditions, to the extent received by the U.S. depository for Euroclear.

## **Global Clearance and Settlement Procedures**

Initial settlement for the Notes will be made in same-day U.S. dollar funds.

Secondary market trading between DTC participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with DTC rules. Secondary market trading between Clearstream Luxembourg participants and/or Euroclear participants will occur in the ordinary way in accordance with the applicable rules and operating procedures of Clearstream Luxembourg and Euroclear and will be settled using the procedures applicable to conventional eurobonds.

Cross-market transfers between persons holding directly or indirectly through DTC participants, on the one hand, and directly or indirectly through Clearstream Luxembourg or Euroclear participants, on the other hand, will be effected in DTC in accordance with DTC rules on behalf of the relevant international clearing system by its U.S. depository. However, cross-market transactions will require delivery of instructions to the relevant international clearing system by the counterparty in that system in accordance with its rules and procedures and within its established deadlines (European time). The relevant international clearing system will, if a transaction meets its settlement requirements, deliver instructions to its U.S. depository to take action to effect final settlement on its behalf by delivering or receiving securities in DTC. Clearstream Luxembourg participants and Euroclear participants may not deliver instructions directly to the respective U.S. depository.

Because of time-zone differences, credits of notes received in Clearstream Luxembourg or Euroclear as a result of a transaction with a DTC participant will be made during subsequent securities settlement processing and dated the business day following the DTC settlement date. These credits or any transactions in the Notes settled during the processing will be reported to the relevant Clearstream Luxembourg or Euroclear participants on that business day. Cash received in Clearstream Luxembourg or Euroclear as a result of sales of Notes by or through a Clearstream Luxembourg participant or a Euroclear participant to a DTC participant will be received with value on the DTC settlement date but will be available in the relevant Clearstream Luxembourg or Euroclear cash account only as of the business day following settlement in DTC.

Although it is expected that DTC, Clearstream Luxembourg and Euroclear will follow the foregoing procedures in order to facilitate transfers of Notes among participants of DTC, Clearstream Luxembourg and Euroclear, they are under no obligation to perform or continue such procedures and such procedures may be changed or discontinued at any time.

## **Payment of Additional Amounts**

We will, subject to the exceptions and limitations set forth below, pay as additional interest on the Notes such additional amounts as are necessary so that the net payment by us or our paying agent of the principal of and interest on the Notes to a person that is a United States Alien, after deduction for any present or future tax, assessment or governmental charge of the United States or a political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein, imposed by

withholding with respect to the payment, will not be less than the amount that would have been payable in respect of the Notes had no withholding or deduction been required. As used herein, United States Alien means any person who, for United States federal income tax purposes, is a foreign corporation, a non-resident alien individual, a non-resident alien fiduciary of a foreign estate or trust, or a foreign partnership one or more of the members of which is, for United States federal income tax purposes, a foreign corporation, a non-resident alien individual or a non-resident alien fiduciary of a foreign estate or trust.

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Our obligation to pay additional amounts shall not apply:

(1) to any tax, assessment or governmental charge that is imposed or withheld solely because the beneficial owner, or a fiduciary, settlor, beneficiary or member of the beneficial owner if the beneficial owner is an estate, trust or partnership, or a person holding a power over an estate or trust administered by a fiduciary holder:

(a) is or was present or engaged in a trade or business in the United States, has or had a permanent establishment in the United States, or has any other present or former connection with the United States or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein;

(b) is or was a citizen or resident or is or was treated as a resident of the United States;

(c) is or was a foreign or domestic personal holding company, a passive foreign investment company or a controlled foreign corporation with respect to the United States or is or was a corporation that has accumulated earnings to avoid United States federal income tax;

(d) is or was a bank receiving interest described in Section 881(c)(3)(A) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code ); or

(e) is or was an actual or constructive owner of 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of stock of AT&T entitled to vote;

(2) to any holder that is not the sole beneficial owner of the Notes, or a portion thereof, or that is a fiduciary or partnership, but only to the extent that the beneficial owner, a beneficiary or settlor with respect to the fiduciary, or a member of the partnership would not have been entitled to the payment of an additional amount had such beneficial owner, beneficiary, settlor or member received directly its beneficial or distributive share of the payment;

(3) to any tax, assessment or governmental charge that is imposed or withheld solely because the beneficial owner or any other person failed to comply with certification, identification or information reporting requirements concerning the nationality, residence, identity or connection with the United States of the holder or beneficial owner of the Notes, if compliance is required by statute, by regulation of the United States Treasury Department or by an applicable income tax treaty to which the United States is a party as a precondition to exemption from such tax, assessment or other governmental charge;

(4) to any tax, assessment or governmental charge that is imposed other than by deduction or withholding by AT&T or a paying agent from the payment;

(5) to any tax, assessment or governmental charge that is imposed or withheld solely because of a change in law, regulation, or administrative or judicial interpretation that is announced or becomes effective after the day on which the payment becomes due or is duly provided for, whichever occurs later;

(6) to an estate, inheritance, gift, sales, excise, transfer, wealth or personal property tax or any similar tax, assessment or governmental charge;

(7) to any tax, assessment or other governmental charge any paying agent (which term may include us) must withhold from any payment of principal of or interest on any Note, if such payment can be made without such withholding by any other paying agent; or



(8) in the case of any combination of the above items.

In addition, any amounts to be paid on the Notes will be paid net of any deduction or withholding imposed or required pursuant to Sections 1471 through 1474 of the Code, any current or future regulations or official interpretations thereof, any agreement entered into pursuant to Section 1471(b) of the Code, or any fiscal or regulatory legislation, rules or practices adopted pursuant to any intergovernmental agreement entered into in connection with the implementation of such Sections of the Code, and no additional amounts will be required to be paid on account of any such deduction or withholding.

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The Notes are subject in all cases to any tax, fiscal or other law or regulation or administrative or judicial interpretation applicable. Except as specifically provided under this heading **Payment of Additional Amounts** and under the heading **Redemption Upon a Tax Event**, we do not have to make any payment with respect to any tax, assessment or governmental charge imposed by any government or a political subdivision or taxing authority.

Any reference in the terms of the Notes of each series to any amounts in respect of the Notes shall be deemed also to refer to any additional amounts which may be payable under this provision.

### **Redemption Upon a Tax Event**

If (a) we become or will become obligated to pay additional amounts with respect to any Notes as described herein under the heading **Payment of Additional Amounts** as a result of any change in, or amendment to, the laws (or any regulations or rulings promulgated thereunder) of the United States (or any political subdivision or taxing authority thereof or therein), or any change in, or amendments to, any official position regarding the application or interpretation of such laws, regulations or rulings, which change or amendment is announced or becomes effective, on or after \_\_\_\_\_, 2017 or (b) a taxing authority of the United States takes an action on or after \_\_\_\_\_, 2017, whether or not with respect to us or any of our affiliates, that results in a substantial probability that we will or may be required to pay such additional amounts, then we may, at our option, redeem, as a whole, but not in part, the Notes on any interest payment date on not less than 30 nor more than 60 calendar days prior notice, at a redemption price equal to 100% of their principal amount, together with interest accrued thereon to the date fixed for redemption. No redemption pursuant to (b) above may be made unless we shall have received an opinion of independent counsel to the effect that an act taken by a taxing authority of the United States results in a substantial probability that we will or may be required to pay the additional amounts described herein under the heading **Payment of Additional Amounts** and we shall have delivered to the trustee a certificate, signed by a duly authorized officer, stating that based on such opinion we are entitled to redeem the Notes pursuant to their terms.

### **Further Issues**

We may from time to time, without notice to or the consent of the holders of any series of the Notes, create and issue further notes ranking equally and ratably with such series in all respects, or in all respects except for the payment of interest accruing prior to the issue date or except for the first payment of interest following the issue date of those further notes. Any further notes will have the same terms as to status, redemption or otherwise as, and will be fungible for United States federal income tax purposes with, the Notes of the applicable series. Any further notes shall be issued pursuant to a resolution of our board of directors, a supplement to the indenture, or under an officers' certificate pursuant to the indenture.

### **Notices**

Notices to holders of the Notes will be given only to the depository, in accordance with its applicable policies as in effect from time to time.

### **Prescription Period**

Any money that we deposit with the trustee or any paying agent for the payment of principal or any interest on any global note of any series that remains unclaimed for two years after the date upon which the principal and interest are due and payable will be repaid to us upon our request unless otherwise required by mandatory provisions of any applicable unclaimed property law. After that time, unless otherwise required by mandatory provisions of any unclaimed property law, the holder of the global note will be able to seek any payment to which that holder may be

entitled to collect only from us.

**Governing Law**

The Notes will be governed by and interpreted in accordance with the laws of the State of New York.

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**UNITED STATES TAX CONSIDERATIONS**

This section describes the material United States federal income tax consequences of owning the Notes we are offering. It applies to you only if you acquire Notes in the offering and you hold your Notes as capital assets for tax purposes. This section does not apply to you if you are a member of a class of holders subject to special rules, such as:

a dealer in securities,

a trader in securities that elects to use a mark-to-market method of accounting for your securities holdings,

a bank,

a life insurance company,

a tax-exempt organization,

a person that owns Notes that are a hedge or that are hedged against interest rate risks,

a person that owns Notes as part of a straddle or conversion transaction for tax purposes,

a person that purchases or sells Notes as part of a wash sale for tax purposes, or

a United States holder (as defined below) whose functional currency for tax purposes is not the U.S. dollar. This section is based on the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended (the Code), its legislative history, existing and proposed regulations under the Code, published rulings and court decisions, all as currently in effect. These laws are subject to change, possibly on a retroactive basis.

If a partnership holds the Notes, the United States federal income tax treatment of a partner will generally depend on the status of the partner and the tax treatment of the partnership. A partner in a partnership holding the Notes should consult its tax advisor with regard to the United States federal income tax treatment of an investment in the Notes.

*Please consult your tax advisor concerning the consequences of owning these Notes, in your particular circumstances, under the Code and the laws of any other taxing jurisdiction.*

**United States Holders**

This subsection describes the United States federal income tax consequences to a United States holder. You are a United States holder if you are the beneficial owner of a Note and you are:

a citizen or resident of the United States,

a domestic corporation,

an estate whose income is subject to United States federal income tax regardless of its source, or

a trust if a United States court can exercise primary supervision over the trust's administration and one or more United States persons are authorized to control all substantial decisions of the trust.

If you are not a United States holder, this subsection does not apply to you and you should refer to United States Alien Holders below.

*Certain Additional Payments.* We will be required to make payments on the Notes that would increase the yield of the Notes in the circumstances described under Description of the Notes Special Mandatory

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**Redemption.** We intend to take the position that the possibility of such payments does not result in the Notes being treated as contingent payment debt instruments under the applicable U.S. Treasury regulations. Our position is not binding on the Internal Revenue Service. If the Internal Revenue Service takes a contrary position, you may be required to accrue interest income based upon a comparable yield (as defined in the Treasury regulations) for the Notes determined at the time of issuance of the Notes, and any income on the sale or redemption of the Notes could be treated as ordinary interest income rather than as capital gain. You should consult your tax adviser regarding the tax consequences if the Notes were to be treated as contingent payment debt instruments. The remainder of this discussion assumes that the Notes are not treated as contingent payment debt instruments.

**Payments of Interest.** You will be taxed on interest on your Note as ordinary income at the time you receive the interest or when it accrues, depending on your method of accounting for tax purposes.

**Purchase, Sale and Retirement of the Notes.** Your tax basis in your Note will generally be its cost. You will generally recognize capital gain or loss on the sale or retirement of your Note equal to the difference between the amount you realize on the sale or retirement, excluding any amounts attributable to accrued but unpaid interest (which will be treated as interest payments), and your tax basis in your Note. Capital gain of a noncorporate United States holder is generally taxed at preferential rates where the holder has a holding period greater than one year.

**Medicare Tax.** A United States holder that is an individual or estate, or a trust that does not fall into a special class of trusts that is exempt from such tax, is subject to a 3.8% tax on the lesser of (1) the United States holder's net investment income (or undistributed net investment income in the case of an estate or trust) for the relevant taxable year and (2) the excess of the United States holder's modified adjusted gross income for the taxable year over a certain threshold (which in the case of individuals is between \$125,000 and \$250,000, depending on the individual's circumstances). A United States holder's net investment income generally includes its interest income and its net gains from the disposition of Notes, unless such interest income or net gains are derived in the ordinary course of the conduct of a trade or business (other than a trade or business that consists of certain passive or trading activities). If you are a United States holder that is an individual, estate or trust, you are urged to consult your tax advisors regarding the applicability of the Medicare tax to your income and gains in respect of your investment in the Notes.

**United States Alien Holders**

This subsection describes the United States federal income tax consequences to a United States alien holder. You are a United States alien holder if you are the beneficial owner of a Note and you are, for United States federal income tax purposes:

a nonresident alien individual,

a foreign corporation, or

an estate or trust that in either case is not subject to United States federal income tax on a net income basis on income or gain from a Note.

If you are a United States holder, this subsection does not apply to you.

Under United States federal income and estate tax law, and subject to the discussions of backup withholding and FATCA below, if you are a United States alien holder of a Note:

we and other United States payors generally will not be required to deduct United States withholding tax from payments of principal and interest, to you if, in the case of payments of interest:

1. you do not actually or constructively own 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock entitled to vote,

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2. you are not a controlled foreign corporation that is related to us through stock ownership, and
3. the United States payor does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person and:
  - a. you have furnished to the United States payor an Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN-E or an acceptable substitute form upon which you certify, under penalties of perjury, that you are a non-United States person,
  - b. in the case of payments made outside the United States to you at an offshore account (generally, an account maintained by you at a bank or other financial institution at any location outside the United States), you have furnished to the United States payor documentation that establishes your identity and your status as the beneficial owner of the payment for United States federal income tax purposes and as a non-United States person,
  - c. the United States payor has received a withholding certificate (furnished on an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 or an acceptable substitute form) from a person claiming to be:
    - i. a withholding foreign partnership (generally a foreign partnership that has entered into an agreement with the Internal Revenue Service to assume primary withholding responsibility with respect to distributions and guaranteed payments it makes to its partners),
    - ii. a qualified intermediary (generally a non-United States financial institution or clearing organization or a non-United States branch or office of a United States financial institution or clearing organization that is a party to a withholding agreement with the Internal Revenue Service), or
    - iii. a United States branch of a non-United States bank or of a non-United States insurance company,and the withholding foreign partnership, qualified intermediary or United States branch has received documentation upon which it may rely to treat the payment as made to a non-United States person that is, for United States federal income tax purposes, the beneficial owner of the payment on the Notes in accordance with U.S. Treasury regulations (or, in the case of a qualified intermediary, in accordance with its agreement with the Internal Revenue Service),
  - d. the United States payor receives a statement from a securities clearing organization, bank or other financial institution that holds customers' securities in the ordinary course of its trade or business,
    - i. certifying to the United States payor under penalties of perjury that an Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN-E or an acceptable substitute form has been received from you by it or by a similar financial institution between it and you, and
    - ii. to which is attached a copy of the Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN or Internal Revenue Service Form W-8BEN-E or acceptable substitute form, or
  - e. the United States payor otherwise possesses documentation upon which it may rely to treat the payment as made to a non-United States person that is, for United States federal income tax purposes, the beneficial owner of the payment on the Notes in accordance with U.S. Treasury regulations; and



no deduction for any United States federal withholding tax will be made from any gain that you realize on the sale or exchange of your Note.

Further, a Note held by an individual who at death is not a citizen or resident of the United States will not be includible in the individual's gross estate for United States federal estate tax purposes if:

the decedent did not actually or constructively own 10% or more of the total combined voting power of all classes of our stock entitled to vote at the time of death and

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the income on the Note would not have been effectively connected with a United States trade or business of the decedent at the same time.

### **FATCA Withholding**

A 30% withholding tax ( FATCA withholding ) may be imposed on certain payments to you or to certain foreign financial institutions, investment funds and other non-U.S. persons receiving payments on your behalf if you or such persons fail to comply with certain information reporting requirements. Such payments will include U.S.-source interest and the gross proceeds from the sale or other disposition of notes that can produce U.S.-source interest. Payments of interest that you receive in respect of the Notes could be affected by this withholding if you are subject to the FATCA information reporting requirements and fail to comply with them or if you hold such Notes through a non-U.S. person (e.g., a foreign bank or broker) that fails to comply with these requirements (even if payments to you would not otherwise have been subject to FATCA withholding). Payments of gross proceeds from a sale or other disposition of the Notes could also be subject to FATCA withholding unless such disposition occurs before January 1, 2019. You should consult your own tax advisors regarding the relevant U.S. law and other official guidance on FATCA withholding.

We will not pay any additional amounts in respect of FATCA withholding, so if this withholding applies, you will receive significantly less than the amount that you would have otherwise received with respect to your Notes. Depending on your circumstances, you may be entitled to a refund or credit in respect of some or all of this withholding. However, even if you are entitled to have any such withholding refunded, the required procedures could be cumbersome and significantly delay the holder's receipt of any amounts withheld.

### **Backup Withholding and Information Reporting**

#### ***United States Holders***

In general, if you are a noncorporate United States holder, we and other payors are required to report to the Internal Revenue Service all payments of principal and interest on your Note. In addition, we and other payors are required to report to the Internal Revenue Service any payment of proceeds of the sale of your Note before maturity within the United States. Additionally, backup withholding will apply to any payments if you fail to provide an accurate taxpayer identification number, or you are notified by the Internal Revenue Service that you have failed to report all interest and dividends required to be shown on your federal income tax returns.

#### ***United States Alien Holders***

In general, if you are a United States alien holder, payments of principal or interest made by us and other payors to you will not be subject to backup withholding and information reporting, provided that the certification requirements described above under **United States Alien Holders** are satisfied or you otherwise establish an exemption. However, we and other payors are required to report payments of interest on your Notes on Internal Revenue Service Form 1042-S even if the payments are not otherwise subject to information reporting requirements. In addition, payment of the proceeds from the sale of Notes effected at a United States office of a broker will not be subject to backup withholding and information reporting provided that:

the payor or broker does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person and you have furnished to the payor or broker:

1. an appropriate Internal Revenue Service Form W-8 or an acceptable substitute form upon which you certify, under penalties of perjury, that you are not a United States person, or

2. other documentation upon which it may rely to treat the payment as made to a non-United States person in accordance with U.S. Treasury regulations; or

you otherwise establish an exemption.

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If you fail to establish an exemption and the broker does not possess adequate documentation of your status as a non-United States person, the payments may be subject to information reporting and backup withholding. However, backup withholding will not apply with respect to payments made to an offshore account maintained by you unless the broker has actual knowledge that you are a United States person.

In general, payment of the proceeds from the sale of Notes effected at a foreign office of a broker will not be subject to information reporting or backup withholding. However, a sale effected at a foreign office of a broker will be subject to information reporting and backup withholding if:

the proceeds are transferred to an account maintained by you in the United States,

the payment of proceeds or the confirmation of the sale is mailed to you at a United States address, or

the sale has some other specified connection with the United States as provided in Treasury regulations, unless the broker does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person and the documentation requirements described above (relating to a sale of Notes effected at a United States office of a broker) are met or you otherwise establish an exemption.

In addition, payment of the proceeds from the sale of Notes effected at a foreign office of a broker will be subject to information reporting if the broker is:

a United States person,

a controlled foreign corporation for United States tax purposes,

a foreign person 50% or more of whose gross income is effectively connected with the conduct of a United States trade or business for a specified three-year period, or

a foreign partnership, if at any time during its tax year:

1. one or more of its partners are U.S. persons, as defined in U.S. Treasury regulations, who in the aggregate hold more than 50% of the income or capital interest in the partnership, or
2. such foreign partnership is engaged in the conduct of a United States trade or business,

unless the broker does not have actual knowledge or reason to know that you are a United States person and the documentation requirements described above (relating to a sale of Notes effected at a United States office of a broker) are met or you otherwise establish an exemption. Backup withholding will apply if the sale is subject to information reporting and the broker has actual knowledge that you are a United States person.

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We and the underwriters for the offering named below have entered into an underwriting agreement with respect to the Notes. Subject to certain conditions, each underwriter has agreed, severally and not jointly, to purchase the principal amount of the Notes indicated in the following table. Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC, J.P. Morgan Securities LLC, Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith Incorporated, Mizuho Securities USA LLC and MUFG Securities Americas Inc. are the representatives of the underwriters.

| <b>Underwriters</b>                                 | <b>Principal Amount of the 2023 Notes</b> | <b>Principal Amount of the 2024 Notes</b> | <b>Principal Amount of the 2027 Notes</b> | <b>Principal Amount of the 2037 Notes</b> | <b>Principal Amount of the 2050 Notes</b> | <b>Principal Amount of the 2058 Notes</b> | <b>Principal Amount of the Floating Rate Notes</b> |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| Goldman Sachs & Co. LLC                             | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$   |
| J.P. Morgan Securities LLC                          |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
| Merrill Lynch, Pierce, Fenner & Smith, Incorporated |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
| Mizuho Securities USA LLC                           |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
| MUFG Securities Americas Inc.                       |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
| <b>Total</b>  | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$                                    | U.S.\$   |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>U.S.\$</b>                             |   |   |   |   |   |  |

The underwriters have agreed to take and pay for all of the Notes being offered, if any are taken.

Notes sold by the underwriters to the public will initially be offered at the initial public offering prices set forth on the cover of this prospectus supplement. Any Notes sold by the underwriters to securities dealers may be sold at a discount from the initial public offering price of the principal amount of the Notes (as set forth in the table below). Any such securities dealers may resell any Notes purchased from the underwriters to certain other brokers or dealers at a discount from the initial public offering price of the principal amount of the Notes (as set forth in the table below).

| <b>Series</b>       | <b>Discount to Securities Dealers</b> | <b>Discount to Other Brokers or Dealers</b> |
|---------------------|---------------------------------------|---|
| 2023 Notes          | %                                     | %   |
| 2024 Notes          | %                                     | %   |
| 2027 Notes          | %                                     | %   |
| 2037 Notes          | %                                     | %   |
| 2050 Notes          | %                                     | %   |
| 2058 Notes          | %                                     | %   |
| Floating Rate Notes | %                                     | %   |

If all the Notes are not sold at the initial public offering price, the underwriters may change the offering price and other selling terms. The offering of the Notes by the underwriters is subject to receipt and acceptance and subject to the underwriters' right to reject any order in whole or in part.

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The following table shows the underwriting discount that we are to pay to the underwriters in connection with this offering (expressed as a percentage of the principal amount of each series of the Notes).

|                        | <b>Paid by AT&amp;T</b> |
|------------------------|-------------------------|
| Per 2023 Note          | %                       |
| Per 2024 Note          | %                       |
| Per 2027 Note          | %                       |
| Per 2037 Note          | %                       |
| Per 2050 Note          | %                       |
| Per 2058 Note          | %                       |
| Per Floating Rate Note | %                       |

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The Notes are new issues of securities with no established trading market. We do not intend to apply for listing of the Notes on any national securities exchange or for inclusion of the Notes on any automated dealer quotation system. We have been advised by the underwriters that they may make a market in the Notes after completion of the offering. However, they are under no obligation to do so and may discontinue any market-making activities at any time without any notice. We cannot assure the liquidity of the trading market for the Notes or that an active public market for the Notes will develop. If an active public trading market for the Notes does not develop, the market price and liquidity of the Notes may be adversely affected. If the Notes are traded, they may trade at a discount from their initial offering price, depending on prevailing interest rates, the market for similar securities, our operating performance and financial condition, general economic conditions and other factors.

It is expected that delivery of the Notes will be made against payment therefor on or about the date specified in the last paragraph of the cover page of this prospectus supplement, which will be the seventh business day following the date of the pricing of the Notes. Under Rule 15c6-1 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, trades in the secondary market generally are required to settle in three business days, unless the parties to any such trade expressly agree otherwise. Accordingly, purchasers who wish to trade the Notes on the date of pricing or on the next three business days will be required, by virtue of the fact that the Notes initially will settle in T+7, to specify alternative settlement arrangements to prevent a failed settlement.

In connection with the offering, the underwriters may purchase and sell Notes in the open market. These transactions may include short sales, stabilizing transactions and purchases to cover positions created by short sales. Short sales involve the sale by the underwriters of a greater number of Notes than they are required to purchase in the offering. Stabilizing transactions consist of certain bids or purchases made for the purpose of preventing or retarding a decline in the market price of the Notes while the offering is in progress.

The underwriters also may impose a penalty bid. This occurs when a particular underwriter repays to the underwriters a portion of the underwriting discount received by it because the representatives have repurchased Notes sold by or for the account of such underwriter in stabilizing or short covering transactions.

These activities by the underwriters may stabilize, maintain or otherwise affect the market price of the Notes. As a result, the price of the Notes may be higher than the price that otherwise might exist in the open market. However, neither we nor the underwriters make any representations or predictions as to the direction or magnitude of any effects that the transactions described above may have on the price of the Notes. In addition, if these activities are commenced, they may be discontinued by the underwriters at any time without notice. These transactions may be effected in the over-the-counter market or otherwise.

The Notes are being offered for sale in the United States and in jurisdictions outside the United States, subject to applicable law.

Each of the underwriters has agreed that it will not offer, sell or deliver any of the Notes, directly or indirectly, or distribute this prospectus supplement or the accompanying prospectus or any other offering material relating to the Notes, in or from any jurisdiction except under circumstances that will to the best knowledge and belief of such underwriter result in compliance with the applicable laws and regulations thereof and which will not impose any obligations on us except as set forth in the underwriting agreement.

Each underwriter has represented and agreed that it and each of its affiliates: (i) has only communicated or caused to be communicated and will only communicate or cause to be communicated an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of Section 21 of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (the FSMA )) received by it in connection with the issue or sale of the Notes in circumstances in which Section 21(1) of the FSMA



does not apply to AT&T; and (ii) has complied and will comply with all applicable provisions of the FSMA with respect to anything done by it in relation to the Notes in, from or otherwise involving the United Kingdom. Without limitation to the other restrictions referred to herein, this prospectus

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supplement is directed only at (1) persons outside the United Kingdom, (2) persons having professional experience in matters relating to investments who fall within the definition of "investment professionals" in Article 19(5) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005; (3) high net worth bodies corporate, unincorporated associations and partnerships and trustees of high value trusts as described in Article 49(2) of the Financial Services and Markets Act 2000 (Financial Promotion) Order 2005 or (4) persons to whom an invitation or inducement to engage in investment activity (within the meaning of section 21 of the FSMA) in connection with the issue or sale of any securities may otherwise lawfully be communicated or caused to be communicated. Without limitation to the other restrictions referred to herein, any investment or investment activity to which this prospectus supplement relates is available only to, and will be engaged in only with, such persons, and persons within the United Kingdom who receive this communication (other than persons who fall within (1) to (4) above) should not rely or act upon this communication.

In relation to each Member State of the European Economic Area which has implemented the Prospectus Directive (each a "Relevant Member State"), each underwriter has represented and agreed that with effect from and including the date on which the Prospectus Directive is implemented in that Relevant Member State it has not made and will not make an offer of Notes to the public in that Relevant Member State other than:

- (a) to any legal entity which is a qualified investor as defined in the Prospectus Directive;
- (b) to fewer than 150 natural or legal persons (other than qualified investors as defined in the Prospectus Directive), subject to obtaining the prior consent of the underwriters for any such offer; or
- (c) in any other circumstances falling within Article 3(2) of the Prospectus Directive;

provided that no such offer of Notes shall require us or the underwriters to publish a prospectus pursuant to Article 3 of the Prospectus Directive.

For the purposes of the foregoing, the expression an "offer of Notes to the public" in relation to any Notes in any Relevant Member State means the communication in any form and by any means of sufficient information on the terms of the offer and the Notes to be offered so as to enable an investor to decide to purchase or subscribe for the Notes, as the same may be varied in that Relevant Member State by any measure implementing the Prospectus Directive in that Relevant Member State; "Prospectus Directive" means Directive 2003/71/EC (as amended, including by Directive 2010/73/EU), and includes any relevant implementing measure in the Relevant Member State.

The Notes may not be offered or sold by means of any document other than to persons whose ordinary business is to buy or sell shares or debentures, whether as principal or agent, or in circumstances which do not constitute an offer to the public within the meaning of the Companies Ordinance (Cap. 32) of Hong Kong, and no advertisement, invitation or document relating to the Notes may be issued, whether in Hong Kong or elsewhere, which is directed at, or the contents of which are likely to be accessed or read by, the public in Hong Kong (except if permitted to do so under the securities laws of Hong Kong) other than with respect to Notes which are or are intended to be disposed of only to persons outside Hong Kong or only to "professional investors" within the meaning of the Securities and Futures Ordinance (Cap. 571) of Hong Kong and any rules made thereunder.

The Notes have not been and will not be registered under the Securities and Exchange Law of Japan, and each of the underwriters and each of its affiliates has represented and agreed that it has not offered or sold, and it will not offer or sell, directly or indirectly, any of the Notes in or to residents of Japan or to any persons for reoffering or resale, directly or indirectly in Japan or to any resident of Japan, except pursuant to any exemption from the registration requirements of the Securities and Exchange Law available thereunder and in compliance with the other relevant laws

and regulations of Japan.

This prospectus supplement has not been registered as a prospectus with the Monetary Authority of Singapore. Accordingly, this prospectus supplement and any other document or material in connection with the

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offer or sale, or invitation for subscription or purchase, of the Notes may not be circulated or distributed, nor may the Notes be offered or sold, or be made the subject of an invitation for subscription or purchase, whether directly or indirectly, to persons in Singapore other than (i) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the Securities and Futures Act, Chapter 289 of Singapore (the SFA), (ii) to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 257(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA, or (iii) otherwise pursuant to, and in accordance with the conditions of, any other applicable provision of the SFA.

Whether the Notes are subscribed or purchased under Section 275 by a relevant person which is: (a) a corporation (which is not an accredited investor) the sole business of which is to hold investments and the entire share capital of which is owned by one or more individuals, each of whom is an accredited investor; or (b) a trust (where the trustee is not an accredited investor) whose sole purpose is to hold investments and each beneficiary is an accredited investor, shares, debentures, and units of shares and debentures of that corporation or the beneficiaries' rights and interest in that trust shall not be transferable for six months after that corporation or that trust has acquired the Notes under Section 275 except: (1) to an institutional investor under Section 274 of the SFA or to a relevant person, or any person pursuant to Section 275(1A), and in accordance with the conditions, specified in Section 275 of the SFA; (2) where no consideration is given for the transfer; or (3) by operation of law.

We estimate that our share of the total expenses of the offering and other expenses, excluding underwriting discounts, will be approximately \$ . The underwriters have agreed to reimburse these expenses in connection with this offering.

We have agreed to indemnify the several underwriters against certain liabilities, including liabilities under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended.

Certain of the underwriters and their respective affiliates have, from time to time, performed, and may in the future perform, various financial advisory and investment banking services for us, for which they received or will receive customary fees and expenses.

In addition, in the ordinary course of their business activities, the underwriters and their affiliates may make or hold a broad array of investments and actively trade debt and equity securities (or related derivative securities) and financial instruments (including bank loans) for their own account and for the accounts of their customers. Such investments and securities activities may involve securities and/or instruments of ours or our affiliates. If any of the underwriters or their affiliates have a lending relationship with us, certain of those underwriters or their affiliates routinely hedge, certain of those underwriters or their affiliates are likely to hedge, and certain other of those underwriters or their affiliates may hedge, their credit exposure to us consistent with their customary risk management policies. Typically, these underwriters and their affiliates would hedge such exposure by entering into transactions which consist of either the purchase of credit default swaps or the creation of short positions in our securities, including potentially the Notes offered hereby. Any such credit default swaps or short positions could adversely affect future trading prices of the Notes offered hereby. The underwriters and their affiliates may also make investment recommendations and/or publish or express independent research views in respect of such securities or financial instruments and may hold, or recommend to clients that they acquire, long and/or short positions in such securities and instruments.

Certain of the underwriters (through certain of their affiliates) are lenders under our bridge loan facility and we will reduce the commitments under the bridge loan facility in an amount equal to a significant amount of the proceeds.

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**VALIDITY OF SECURITIES**

Mr. Wayne A. Wirtz, Vice President Associate General Counsel and Assistant Secretary of AT&T, is passing upon the validity of the Notes for us. Sullivan & Cromwell LLP, New York, New York, is passing upon the validity of the Notes for the underwriters. Sullivan & Cromwell LLP from time to time performs legal services for us.

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**AT&T Inc.**

**Debt Securities**

**Preferred Stock**

**Depositary Shares**

**Common Stock**

AT&T Inc. ( AT&T ) from time to time may offer to sell debt securities, preferred stock, either separately or represented by depositary shares, and common stock. The debt securities and preferred stock may be convertible into or exercisable or exchangeable for common or preferred stock of the Company or debt or equity securities of one or more other entities. The common stock of the Company is listed on the New York Stock Exchange and trades under the ticker symbol T .

The Company may offer and sell these securities to or through one or more underwriters, dealers and agents, or directly to purchasers, on a continuous or delayed basis. See Plan of Distribution for a further description of the manner in which we may dispose of the securities covered by this prospectus.

This prospectus describes some of the general terms that may apply to these securities. The specific terms of any securities to be offered will be described in a supplement to this prospectus. This prospectus may not be used to offer or sell securities unless accompanied by a prospectus supplement describing the method and terms of the applicable offering.

You should carefully read this prospectus and the applicable prospectus supplement, together with the documents incorporated by reference herein and therein, before making an investment decision.

**Neither the Securities and Exchange Commission nor any other regulatory body has approved or disapproved of these securities or passed upon the accuracy or adequacy of this prospectus. Any representation to the contrary is a criminal offense.**

Prospectus dated February 25, 2016.

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**Description of AT&T Inc.**

AT&T Inc. is a holding company whose subsidiaries and affiliates operate in the communications and digital entertainment services industry. Our subsidiaries and affiliates provide services and equipment that deliver voice, video and broadband services both domestically and internationally. Our principal executive offices are located at One AT&T Plaza, 208 S. Akard St., Dallas, Texas 75202. Our telephone number is (210) 821-4105. We maintain an Internet site at the following location: <http://www.att.com> (this website address is for information only and is not intended to be an active link or to incorporate any website information into this document).

**Use of Proceeds**

Unless otherwise specified in the prospectus supplement, we will use the proceeds from the sale of the securities to provide funds for general corporate purposes, among other things.

**Summary Description of the Securities We May Issue**

We may use this prospectus to offer from time to time:

*Senior debt securities.* These debt securities may be convertible or exchangeable into preferred stock, depositary shares, common stock or equity securities of a third-party issuer. They will be unsecured and will rank equally with all of our other unsubordinated and unsecured debt.

*Preferred stock,* par value \$1.00 per share. The preferred stock may be convertible or exchangeable into other series of preferred stock, including depositary shares, common stock or equity securities of a third-party issuer. We can offer different series of preferred stock with different dividend, liquidation, redemption and voting rights.

*Depositary shares.* We have the option of issuing depositary shares that would represent a fraction of a share of preferred stock.

*Common stock,* par value \$1.00 per share.

In the case of securities that are exchangeable for securities of a third-party issuer, the applicable prospectus supplement will give you more information about this issuer, the terms of its securities and the document in which they are described. Our securities include securities denominated in U.S. dollars, but we can choose to issue securities in any other currency, including the Euro.

The applicable prospectus supplement will describe the specific types, amounts, prices and detailed terms of any of these securities. The applicable prospectus supplement may also contain information, where applicable, about material U.S. federal income tax considerations relating to, and any securities exchange listing of, securities covered by such prospectus supplement.

**Description of Debt Securities We May Offer**



As required by U.S. federal law for all bonds and notes of companies that are publicly offered, our debt securities will be governed by a document called the indenture. The indenture is a contract between us and The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A., a national banking association, which acts as trustee for you. The trustee has two main roles:

First, the trustee can enforce your rights against us if we default. There are some limitations on the extent to which the trustee acts on your behalf, described later under [Default and Related Matters](#) [Remedies if an Event of Default Occurs](#) .

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Second, the trustee performs administrative duties for us, such as sending you interest payments, transferring your securities to new buyers and sending you notices. Unless otherwise indicated in a prospectus supplement, The Bank of New York Mellon Trust Company, N.A. will perform these administrative duties. We may issue as many distinct series of securities under the indenture as we wish. This section summarizes terms of the securities that are common to all series. Most of the financial terms and other specific terms of your series will be described in the applicable prospectus supplement which will be attached to the front of this prospectus. Those terms may vary from the terms described here. The prospectus supplement may also describe special federal income tax consequences of the debt securities.

**This Section Is Only a Summary**

This section and your prospectus supplement summarize all the material terms of the indenture and your debt securities. They do not, however, describe every aspect of the indenture and your debt securities.

The indenture and its associated documents, including your debt securities, contain the full text of the matters described in this section and your prospectus supplement. The indenture and the debt securities are governed by New York law. A copy of the indenture has been filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission, or SEC, as part of our registration statement. See [Where You Can Find Mor](#)