

AT&T INC.

Form S-8

December 29, 2006

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20549

**FORM S-8**

REGISTRATION STATEMENT

UNDER

THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933

**AT&T INC.**

(Exact Name of Registrant as Specified in Its Charter)

Delaware  
(State or Other Jurisdiction of  
Incorporation or Organization)

43-1301883  
(I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

175 E. Houston, San Antonio, Texas  
(Address of Principal Executive Offices)

78205-2233  
(Zip Code)

**BellSouth Corporation Stock and Incentive Compensation Plan**

**BellSouth Corporation Stock Plan**

**BellSouth Retirement Savings Plan**

**BellSouth Savings and Security Plan**

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(Full Title of the Plan)

Name, address and telephone number of agent for service:

Ann E. Meuleman  
Senior Vice President and Secretary  
AT&T Inc.  
175 E. Houston, 11th Floor  
San Antonio, Texas 78205-2233  
(210) 821-4105

Please send copies of all communications to:

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AT&T Inc.  
175 E. Houston, 2nd Floor  
San Antonio, Texas 78205-2233  
(210) 821-4105

**CALCULATION OF REGISTRATION FEE**

| Title of Each Class of Securities To Be Registered | Amount to be Registered | Proposed Maximum Offering Price Per Share | Proposed Maximum Aggregate Offering Price | Amount of Registration Fee |
|--|-------------------------|---|---|----------------------------|
| Common Stock, par value \$1.00 per share           | 100,000,000             | (1)                                       | \$3,087,166,031.59                        | \$330,327.00               |
|  |                         | (1)                                       | (1)                                       | (1)(2)                     |

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- (1) The price per share was calculated in accordance with Rule 457(c) and (h) of the Securities Act of 1933 for purposes of calculating the registration fee. For shares to be issued other than pursuant to an employee stock option plan, the maximum aggregate offering price was computed by multiplying 12,760,725 shares by the average of the high and low price of the stock on December 26, 2006 (\$35.01 per share). For shares to be issued pursuant to an employee stock option plan, the maximum aggregate offering price was computed by multiplying 87,239,275 shares (the shares of Common Stock which may be purchased upon the exercise of outstanding options) by the price at which the options may be exercised. The number of shares subject to stock options is subject to an adjustment in connection with the closing of the merger of BellSouth Corporation and a subsidiary of the Registrant.
- (2) Pursuant to Rule 457(p) under the Securities Act of 1933, the registration fee that would otherwise be payable under Rule 457 with regard to this Registration Statement is hereby offset against a portion of the Registrant's \$297,931 registration fee that it paid to the SEC on November 19, 2004, for the Registration Statement on Form S-8, File No. 333-120765, which was filed on November 24, 2004. The offering under Registration Statement No. 333-120765 was terminated and Form RW was filed with the SEC on December 1, 2004, to withdraw the filing of the Registration Statement. After giving effect to the offset for the registration fee otherwise due by the Registrant's filing this Registration Statement, the Registrant has an unused filing fee balance available for further offset under Rule 457(p) of \$119,225, which will be used to offset the filing fee due for this Registration Statement.

Pursuant to Rule 416(a) of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registration Statement also covers such indeterminate number of additional shares of Common Stock as is necessary to eliminate any dilutive effect of any future stock split or stock dividend. No additional registration fee is required. In addition, pursuant to Rule 416(c) of the Securities Act of 1933, this Registration Statement also covers an indeterminate amount of interests to be offered or sold pursuant to the BellSouth Retirement Savings Plan and the BellSouth Savings and Security Plan described herein.

**PART I. INFORMATION REQUIRED IN PROSPECTUS**

Pursuant to the note to Part I of Form S-8, the documents containing the information specified by Part I of Form S-8 will be sent or given to employees as specified by Rule 428(b)(1) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended (the Securities Act ).

**PART II. INFORMATION REQUIRED IN REGISTRATION STATEMENT**

**Item 3. Incorporation of Documents by Reference**

The following documents have been filed by AT&T Inc. ( AT&T ) with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ) (File No. 1-08610) and are incorporated herein by reference: Annual Report on Form 10-K for the year ended December 31, 2005; Quarterly Reports on Form 10-Q for the quarters ended March 31, 2006, June 30, 2006 and September 30, 2006; the description of AT&T s shares of common stock, contained in its Registration Statement on Form 10, dated November 15, 1983; and AT&T s Current Reports on Form 8-K, filed on February 1, 2006, March 6, 2006, April 14, 2006, May 4, 2006, May 9, 2006, May 11, 2006, May 19, 2006, June 1, 2006, June 6, 2006, July 7, 2006, July 12, 2006, July 21, 2006, August 17, 2006, October 5, 2006, November 17, 2006, and November 20, 2006; and the amendment on Form 8-K/A, filed on January 26, 2006.

The following additional documents are hereby incorporated herein by reference: the Annual Reports on Form 11-K for the year ended December 31, 2005, for each of the BellSouth Retirement Savings Plan and the BellSouth Savings and Security Plan.

All documents filed by AT&T or any of the plans listed on the cover page of this Registration Statement pursuant to Sections 13(a), 13(c), 14 and 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, ( Exchange Act ) subsequent to the filing of this registration statement, and prior to the filing of a post-effective amendment that indicates that all securities offered hereby have been sold or which deregisters all securities remaining unsold, shall be deemed to be incorporated by reference in this registration statement and to be part hereof from the date of filing of such documents. Any statement contained in a document incorporated or deemed to be incorporated by reference herein shall be deemed to be modified or superseded for purposes of this registration statement to the extent that a statement contained herein or in any other subsequently filed document that also is or is deemed to be incorporated by reference herein modifies or supersedes such statement. Any such statement so modified or superseded shall not be deemed, except as so modified or superseded, to constitute a part of this registration statement.

**Item 4. Description of Securities**

Not applicable.

**Item 5. Interests of Named Experts and Counsel**

As of December 29, 2006, James D. Ellis owned less than 1% of the outstanding shares of AT&T.



**Item 6. Indemnification of Directors and Officers**

The laws of the State of Delaware provide for indemnification of any person (the Indemnitee ), under certain circumstances, against reasonable expenses, including attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with the defense of a civil, criminal, administrative or investigative proceeding (other than an action by or in the right of AT&T) to which such person has been made, or threatened to have been made, a party by reason of the fact that he or she is or was serving as a director, officer, employee or agent of AT&T or by reason of the fact that he or she is or was serving at the request of AT&T as a director, officer, employee or agent of another corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise. Pursuant to the statutes, indemnity may be provided for if the Indemnitee acted in good faith (and with respect to a criminal action or proceeding, had no reason to believe his or her conduct was unlawful) and in a manner reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of AT&T. With respect to any threatened, pending or completed action or suit by or in the right of AT&T, the statute provides that AT&T may indemnify against expenses (including attorneys' fees) actually and reasonably incurred in connection with the defense or settlement if the Indemnitee acted in good faith and in a manner reasonably believed to be in or not opposed to the best interests of AT&T, except that no indemnification may be made if the Indemnitee shall have been adjudged to be liable to AT&T unless specific court approval is obtained. The statute further provides that the indemnification provided pursuant to it shall not be deemed exclusive of any rights to which those seeking indemnification may be entitled under any bylaw, agreement, vote of shareowners or disinterested directors or otherwise. The bylaws of AT&T provide that AT&T shall indemnify, and advance expenses to, any director, officer, employee or agent of AT&T or any person serving as a director or officer of any other entity at the request of AT&T to the fullest extent permitted by law.

Under the statute, AT&T may, and does, maintain insurance policies covering AT&T, any director or officer of AT&T and any person serving at the request of AT&T as a director or officer of any other entity. These insurance policies generally cover liabilities arising out of such service, including liabilities for which any such person may not be indemnified by AT&T.

In recognition of the directors' and officers' need for substantial protection against personal liability in order to assure their continued service to AT&T in an effective manner, their reliance on the bylaws and to provide them with specific contractual assurances that the protection promised by such bylaws will be available to them, AT&T has entered into indemnity agreements with each of its directors and officers.

Each agreement specifies that AT&T will indemnify the director or officer to the fullest extent permitted by law, as soon as practicable after written demand is presented, against any and all expenses and losses arising out of any action, suit or proceeding, inquiry or investigation related to the fact that the director or officer is or was a director, officer or employee, agent or fiduciary of AT&T or was serving another corporation, partnership or joint venture in such a capacity at the request of AT&T. Each agreement also provides that AT&T will promptly advance any expenses if requested to do so. Each director and officer undertakes in the agreement to repay such advancements if it is ultimately determined that he or she was not entitled to indemnification. The right of any director or officer to indemnification in any case will be determined by either the Board of Directors (provided that a majority of directors are not parties to the claim), by a person or body selected by the Board of Directors or, if there has been a change in control, defined in the agreement generally to mean an acquisition by any person of 20 percent or more of AT&T's stock or a change in the identity of a majority of the Board of Directors over a two-year period, by a special, independent counsel.

In each agreement, AT&T commits to maintaining its insurance coverage of directors and officers both in scope and amount at least as favorable as the policies maintained as of the effective date of the agreement. In the event that such insurance is not reasonably available or if it is determined in good faith that the cost of the insurance is not reasonably justified by the coverage thereunder or that the coverage thereunder is inadequate, AT&T may discontinue any one or more of such policies or coverages. In such event, AT&T agrees to hold harmless and indemnify directors and officers to the full extent of the coverage which would otherwise have been provided if the insurance in effect on the effective date of the agreements had been maintained. Each agreement will remain effective so long as the director or officer is subject to liability for an indemnifiable event (the indemnification period). Each agreement also provides that if during the indemnification period the then existing directors and officers have more favorable indemnification rights than those provided for in the agreement, each director or officer shall be entitled to such more favorable rights. The foregoing summary is subject to the detailed provisions of the Delaware General Corporation Law, AT&T's bylaws, and the agreements between AT&T and each of its directors and officers.

**Item 7. Exemption from Registration Claimed**

Not applicable.

**Item 8. Exhibits**

| <u>Exhibit Number</u> | <u>Description of Exhibits</u>   |
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| 5                     | Validity opinion of James D. Ellis, Esq.   |
| 23-a                  | Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for AT&T Inc.  |
| 23-b                  | Consent of Ernst & Young LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for Cingular Wireless LLC  |
| 23-c                  | Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for BellSouth Retirement Savings Plan and BellSouth Savings and Security Plan |
| 23-d                  | Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for Omnipoint Facilities Network II, LLC                                      |
| 23-e                  | Consent of PricewaterhouseCoopers LLP, Independent Registered Public Accounting Firm for AT&T Corp.  |
| 23-f                  | Consent of James D. Ellis, Esq. (contained in opinion filed as Exhibit 5)  |
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In accordance with the requirements of Item 8(b) of Part II of Form S-8, the Registrant will submit or has submitted the BellSouth Retirement Savings Plan and the BellSouth Savings



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and Security Plan, and any amendments thereto, to the Internal Revenue Service ( IRS ) in a timely manner and has made or will make all changes required by the IRS to qualify the Plans.

### Item 9. Undertakings

(a) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes:

(1) To file, during any period in which offers or sales are being made, a post-effective amendment to this registration statement:

(i) To include any prospectus required by Section 10(a)(3) of the Securities Act of 1933;

(ii) To reflect in the prospectus any facts or events arising after the effective date of the registration statement (or the most recent post-effective amendment thereof) which, individually or in the aggregate, represent a fundamental change in the information set forth in the registration statement. Notwithstanding the foregoing, any increase or decrease in volume of securities offered (if the total dollar value of securities offered would not exceed that which was registered) and any deviation from the low or high end of the estimated maximum offering range may be reflected in the form of prospectus filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) if, in the aggregate, the changes in volume and price represent no more than 20 percent change in the maximum aggregate offering price set forth in the Calculation of Registration Fee table in the effective registration statement;

(iii) To include any material information with respect to the plan of distribution not previously disclosed in the registration statement or any material change to such information in the registration statement;

*Provided, however, That:*

Paragraphs (a)(1)(i) and (a)(1)(ii) of this section do not apply if the registration statement is on Form S-8, and the information required to be included in a post-effective amendment by those paragraphs is contained in reports filed with or furnished to the Commission by the registrant pursuant to section 13 or section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (15 U.S.C. 78m or 78o(d)) that are incorporated by reference in the registration statement; and

(2) That, for the purpose of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each such post-effective amendment shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

(3) To remove from registration by means of a post-effective amendment any of the securities being registered which remain unsold at the termination of the offering.

(b) The undersigned registrant hereby undertakes that, for purposes of determining any liability under the Securities Act of 1933, each filing of the registrant's annual report pursuant to Section 13(a) or 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (and, where

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applicable, each filing of an employee benefit plan's annual report pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934) that is incorporated by reference in the registration statement shall be deemed to be a new registration statement relating to the securities offered therein, and the offering of such securities at that time shall be deemed to be the initial *bona fide* offering thereof.

- (c) Insofar as indemnification for liabilities arising under the Securities Act of 1933 may be permitted to directors, officers and controlling persons of the registrant pursuant to the foregoing provisions, or otherwise, the registrant has been advised that in the opinion of the Securities and Exchange Commission such indemnification is against public policy as expressed in the Act and is, therefore, unenforceable. In the event that a claim for indemnification against such liabilities (other than the payment by the registrant of expenses incurred or paid by a director, officer or controlling person of the registrant in the successful defense of any action, suit or proceeding) is asserted by such director, officer or controlling person in connection with the securities being registered, the registrant will, unless in the opinion of its counsel the matter has been settled by controlling precedent, submit to a court of appropriate jurisdiction the question whether such indemnification by it is against public policy as expressed in the Act and will be governed by the final adjudication of such issue.

**SIGNATURES**

**The Registrant.** Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, the Registrant certifies that it has reasonable grounds to believe that it meets all of the requirements for filing on Form S-8 and has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of San Antonio, State of Texas, on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006.

AT&T INC.

By: /s/ Richard G. Lindner

Richard G. Lindner

Senior Executive Vice President and

Chief Financial Officer

Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933, this registration statement has been signed by the following persons in the capacities and on the date indicated:

Principal Executive Officer:

Edward E. Whitacre, Jr.\*  
Chairman of the Board and Chief Executive Officer

Principal Financial and  
Accounting Officer:  
Chief Financial Officer

Richard G. Lindner  
Senior Executive Vice President and

By: /s/ Richard G. Lindner

Richard G. Lindner, as attorney-in-fact

for Mr. Whitacre, the Directors, and on  
his own behalf as Principal Financial  
and Accounting Officer

December 29, 2006

**DIRECTORS:**

William F. Aldinger III\*  
Gilbert F. Amelio\*  
August A. Busch III\*  
Martin K. Eby, Jr.\*

Mary S. Metz\*  
Toni Rembe\*  
S. Donley Ritchey\*  
Joyce M. Roche\*

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James A. Henderson\*  
Charles F. Knight\*  
Jon C. Madonna\*  
Lynn M. Martin\*  
John B. McCoy\*

Randall L. Stephenson\*  
Laura D. Andrea Tyson\*  
Patricia P. Upton\*  
Edward E. Whitacre, Jr.\*

\* By power of attorney

**The Plans.** Pursuant to the requirements of the Securities Act of 1933 the Savings Plan Committee for the Plans set forth below has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereunto duly authorized, in the City of Atlanta, State of Georgia, on this 29<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2006.

**BellSouth Retirement Savings Plan**

**BellSouth Savings and Security Plan**

By Savings Plan Committee

By: /s/ Mark E. Droege  
Mark E. Droege  
Treasurer of BellSouth Corporation

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