

DOJ Announces Indictments of ATMS Executives on Criminal Charges for Alleged Lifeline Fraud

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The Department of Justice (DOJ) announced today that three Associated Telecommunications Management Services LLC (ATMS) executives were indicted yesterday charging one count of conspiracy to commit wire fraud and 15 substantive counts of wire fraud, false claims and money laundering for their alleged role in a scheme to submit false claims to the Universal Service Administrative Company (USAC) for Lifeline reimbursements. The court also issued a seizure warrant for the defendants' ill-gotten gains (\$32 million), a yacht and several luxury cars. Federal Communications Commission Chairman Wheeler also released a statement today applauding the action.