## **EXHIBIT** A

## **Proposed Schedule for Further Proceedings Chronologically**

## **CARRIER AND USG CASES ONLY**

DATE	<u>CASE</u>	EVENT
March 29	USG CASES	<u>CCR</u> – USG Supplemental Brief on Impact of FISC Orders
April 20	USG CASES	CCR - Plaintiffs' Supplemental Brief In Reply to USG Supplemental Brief on FISC Orders and in Further Support of Plaintiffs' Pending Motion for Summary Judgment and Opposition to Defendants' Motion to Dismiss or for Summary Judgment
May 4	CARRIER CASES	<u>Verizon &amp; Bell South</u> USG State Secrets Privilege MTD/MSJ
May 11	USG CASES	<u>CCR</u> – USG Reply to Plaintiffs' Supplemental Brief
May 18	CARRIER CASES	<u>Verizon &amp; Bell South</u> Carriers' MTD/MSJs
May 25	USG CASES	<u>Shubert</u> - USG State Secrets Privilege MTD/MSJ
June 8	USG CASES	Hearing on <u>CCR</u> Case Pending Motions (Plaintiffs' Motion for Summary Judgment; United States Motion to Dismiss);
July 20	CARRIER CASES	Verizon & Bell South Plaintiffs' Opposition to USG and Carrier Motions to Dismiss

July 27	USG CASES	Shubert - Plaintiffs' Opposition to USG State Secrets Privilege Motion
August 24	CARRIER CASES	<u>Verizon &amp; Bell South</u> – USG and Carrier Replies to Plaintiffs' Opposition.
August 31	USG CASES	<u>Shubert</u> – USG Reply to Plaintiffs' Opposition
September 7	CARRIER CASES	<u>Verizon &amp; Bell South</u> – Hearing on Motions
September 14	USG CASES	Hearing on Shubert Case

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## **Dear Counsel**

Attached is a proposed schedule for further MDL proceedings in the Carrier and Government cases only. The schedule does not include dates for any other activities that may need to be added. For example, the Government is separately discussing a schedule with the State PUC Defendants for briefing those cases. In addition, nothing is scheduled in <a href="Hepting">Hepting</a> (and the non-Hepting AT&T cases) unless and until the court rules on discovery and permits further proceedings. Also, the Court has not yet ruled on whether <a href="Al-Haramain">Al-Haramain</a> will proceed. Thus, this schedule is based on what we believe will proceed at this time and is subject to change to accomodate additional events.