

AT&T Form 1295 Response

The law recently changed in Texas, and under the new Subsection (c)(4) of Texas Government Code Section 2252.908 (Disclosure of Interested Parties), an exception to the Certificate of Interested Parties Form 1295 disclosure requirements was created for any publicly traded business entity or a wholly owned subsidiary of such an entity. AT&T is such an entity: its public securities filings with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission evidencing AT&T's status as a publicly traded business entity are available at <https://www.sec.gov/cgi-bin/browse-edgar?CIK=0000732717&action=getcompany>. Form 1295 and its associated disclosure requirements are no longer applicable to AT&T. The new Subsection (c) of the law is pasted below for reference (and available at <https://legiscan.com/TX/text/SB255/id/1624367>):

*Text of subsection as amended by Acts 2017, 85th R.S., Ch. 526 (SB 255)
(Changes identified by italicized text apply only to a contract entered into or amended on or after January 1, 2018).*

(c) Notwithstanding Subsection (b), this section does not apply to:

- (1) *a sponsored research contract of an institution of higher education;*
- (2) *an interagency contract of a state agency or an institution of higher education;*
- (3) *a contract related to health and human services if:*
 - (A) *the value of the contract cannot be determined at the time the contract is executed; and*
 - (B) *any qualified vendor is eligible for the contract;*
- (4) *a contract with a publicly traded business entity, including a wholly owned subsidiary of the business entity;*
- (5) *a contract with an electric utility, as that term is defined by Section 31.002, Utilities Code; or*
- (6) *a contract with a gas utility, as that term is defined by Section 121.001, Utilities Code.*

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