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## **Sprint's Claude: US 5G Leadership Depends on T-Mobile Merger**

By Mitch Wagner, Executive Editor, Light Reading, September 12, 2018

LOS ANGELES — Mobile World Congress Americas 2018 — Sprint executive chairman Marcelo Claude predicted a rosy 5G future if the company's merger with T-Mobile goes through and the end of US 5G leadership if the merger fails.

I want to be very clear: The only way the US remains the leader in 5G is by allowing Sprint and T-Mobile to merge. The combined company is the only US player that has the necessary spectrum assets and strength to build the world's leading 5G network to allow the US to continue its leadership position, Claude said.

That's the bad news. The good news is that the US has a rosy future if the pending merger succeeds, Claude said.

The Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is reviewing the proposed merger and this week halted its informal, 180-day review process — a.k.a. the "shot clock" — to give it more time to consider. (See [FCC Halts Sprint/T-Mobile M&A Review](#).)

Claude said, "When this merger gets approved, we will bring to America — to the world — the best 5G network, period. Combined, Sprint Corp. (NYSE: S) and T-Mobile US Inc. represent the sixth-largest telco in the world. The network will benefit both consumers and competition in the US market, Claude said.

The combined companies will spend almost \$40 billion over the next three years to build a 5G network for consumers and businesses across the entire US. The new network will be able to substitute for in-home broadband in many areas, providing additional competition for consumers, particularly in rural areas with few or no options today. More than half of America has only one choice for wireless, broadband, or cable today, Claude said.

The combined company will also offer improved service with lower prices, due to vastly expanded capacity, Claude said.

The merger will create thousands of new jobs, including engineers and construction workers, unlike most mergers, which destroy jobs, Claude said. Many of these jobs will be in rural areas. The two companies will bring jobs back to the US from overseas. The combined company will open 600 new retail stores.

But the merger isn't just about bandwidth, competition and jobs, Claude said. America's very 5G leadership is at stake.

America cannot afford to lose its leadership in 5G, he said. 4G contributed trillions of dollars to the US economy.

Claude delivered a litany of familiar companies built on 4G networks, including Alphabet Inc., Facebook and other leaders in the new economy. "Which is why in this country we cannot afford to lose the leadership position that we have attained with 4G," he said. Countries like China and South Korea are angling to grab the 5G crown from the US, which can't be allowed to happen.

Michael Sievert, T-Mobile president and COO, was scheduled to speak at the keynote along with Claire, but Sievert didn't show up. Nobody explained his absence. Maybe Sievert was stocking canned goods and water to get ready for the 5G apocalypse.

Updated 7:09 pm ET: *There was a scheduling conflict, unfortunately, a T-Mobile spokesperson said when asked about Sievert's absence, noting that T-Mobile CTO Neville Ray is scheduled to speak at MWC Americas Thursday. And many other execs from T-Mobile are speaking at the conference, the spokesperson said.*

### **Important Additional Information**

In connection with the proposed transaction, T-Mobile US, Inc. ( T-Mobile ) will file a registration statement on Form S-4, which will contain a joint consent solicitation statement of T-Mobile and Sprint Corporation ( Sprint ), that also constitutes a prospectus of T-Mobile (the joint consent solicitation statement/prospectus ), and each party will file other documents regarding the proposed transaction with the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission (the SEC ). INVESTORS AND SECURITY HOLDERS ARE URGED TO READ THE JOINT CONSENT SOLICITATION STATEMENT/PROSPECTUS AND OTHER RELEVANT DOCUMENTS FILED WITH THE SEC WHEN THEY BECOME AVAILABLE BECAUSE THEY WILL CONTAIN IMPORTANT INFORMATION. When final, a definitive copy of the joint consent solicitation statement/prospectus will be sent to T-Mobile and Sprint stockholders. Investors and security holders will be able to obtain the registration statement and the joint consent solicitation statement/prospectus free of charge from the SEC 's website or from T-Mobile or Sprint. The documents filed by T-Mobile with the SEC may be obtained free of charge at T-Mobile 's website, at [www.t-mobile.com](http://www.t-mobile.com), or at the SEC 's website, at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). These documents may also be obtained free of charge from T-Mobile by requesting them by mail at T-Mobile US, Inc., Investor Relations, 1 Park Avenue, 14th Floor, New York, NY 10016, or by telephone at 212-358-3210. The documents filed by Sprint with the SEC may be obtained free of charge at Sprint 's website, at [www.sprint.com](http://www.sprint.com), or at the SEC 's website, at [www.sec.gov](http://www.sec.gov). These documents may also be obtained free of charge from Sprint by requesting them by mail at Sprint Corporation, Shareholder Relations, 6200 Sprint Parkway, Mailstop KSOPHF0302-3B679, Overland Park, Kansas 66251, or by telephone at 913-794-1091.

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