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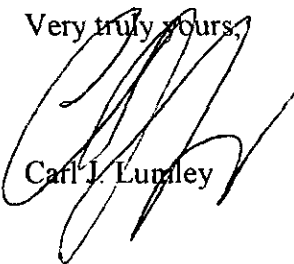
Via Federal Express

Re: Case No. TA-99-47

Dear Secretary of the Commission:

Enclosed please find for filing with the Commission an original and nine (9) copies of MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc.'s Response to Staff Recommendation. Upon your receipt, please file stamp the extra copy received and return to the undersigned in the enclosed, self-addressed, stamped envelope. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Very truly yours,


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BEFORE THE MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the matter of the application of)
Southwestern Bell Communications Services,)
Inc., d/b/a Southwestern Bell Long Distance)
for a Certificate of Service Authority to provide)
Interexchange Telecommunications Services)
within the State of Missouri.)

Case No. TA-99-47 Missouri Public Service Commission

MCI WORLD COM COMMUNICATIONS, INC.'S RESPONSE TO STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Comes now MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. f/k/a MCI Telecommunications, Inc. (MCI WorldCom) pursuant to Commission Order Shortening Response Time dated September 10, 2001 and for its Response to Staff's Recommendation of September 7, 2001 states to the Commission:

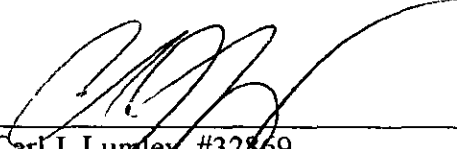
1. It is MCI WorldCom's understanding that Staff is recommending that any certificates of service authority granted herein should be conditioned upon FCC approval of SBC's Section 271 Application for the State of Missouri. See Memorandum attached to Staff Recommendation, final paragraph. Accordingly, it is MCI WorldCom's understanding that Staff recommends that any such certificate not take effect unless and until SBC obtains such approval from the FCC.

2. MCI WorldCom agrees that, in the event the Commission proceeds to issue certificates herein, such certificates should be conditional as recommended by Staff.

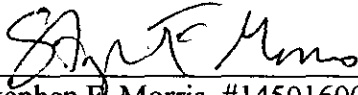
3. Furthermore, MCI WorldCom submits that the proposed tariffs cannot be allowed to take effect on September 15, 2001 based on conditional certificates that are not yet effective. The Commission should prevent the proposed tariffs from taking effect prematurely.

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Respectfully submitted,



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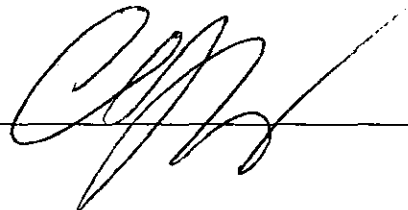


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