

be publicly available through the FCC, such as information on usage by type of toll-free number assignment (business, personal, or access (voicemail and paging)).

MCI agrees that additional information as outlined above should be compiled and released by the database manager. This type of information has been beneficial to the industry in its planning efforts for implementation of the 888 resource. MCI supports release of information to the public as aggregate, industry data only. Information should not be released on a RespOrg or individual subscriber basis. Information by type of usage, as suggested by the Commission, is not available, and would not be readily achievable.

#### VI. MCI SUPPORTS A LIMITED PUBLIC EDUCATION CAMPAIGN

The FCC asks whether educational effort, beyond individual carrier campaigns, needs to be undertaken to improve public awareness of the introduction of toll-free codes (para. 50).

MCI plans to continue its own campaign to educate its subscribers and users about the new toll-free code. However, MCI would support limited industry education, such as joint press releases and public relations activities, possibly including public service announcements. Although MCI expects that this limited effort would not be expensive, all carriers should be required to contribute to funding the

educational activities. Preparatory meetings should be open to representatives of all segments, RespOrgs, associations and customers.

#### VII. CONCLUSION

Therefore, in view of the foregoing, MCI supports advance reservation prior to opening of the 888 code. MCI supports holding 800 vanity numbers in unavailable status until a they can be resolved after the code is opened. MCI supports a 50 percent trigger for the planning of implementation beyond the 888 code. MCI supports collection of additional information and release in aggregate form. And, MCI supports a limited industry campaign to educate the public about additional toll-free resources.

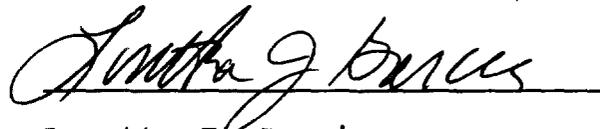
MCI does not support a requirement for an affirmative request from a subscriber before reserving a number, or a requirement for an escrow deposit when reserving a number. MCI does not support reducing the time periods during which

a number can be held in certain statuses, or further  
restricting the quantity limitation on reserved numbers.

Respectfully submitted,

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