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**William S. Caton**  
Acting Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
1919 M St. NW  
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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY

**Re: EX PARTE in Application of SBC Communications, Inc Pursuant to Section 271 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996 to Provide In-Region, InterLATA Services in Oklahoma, CC Docket No. 97-121**

Dear Mr. Caton:

On Tuesday, June 24, 1997, Anthony C. Epstein and I met with James Casserly of Commissioner Ness's office to discuss the above-captioned application.

MCI reiterated its views on the statutory interpretation of "Track A" entry, and its interrelationship with "Track B" entry. We stated that concerns about new entrant "gaming" of the 271 process to defeat Bell entry into the long distance market were misplaced, since the evidence to date in local markets demonstrated that the Bells, not the new entrants, have been responsible for slowing the pace of competitive entry. MCI repeated its request that the Commission deny the Oklahoma application.

Sincerely,

  
Mary L. Brown

cc: James Casserly

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