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William F. Caton
Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room 222, Mail Stop 1170
1919 M Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

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Re: International Settlement Rates, Notice of Proposed Rulemaking,
IB Docket No. 96-261

Dear Mr. Caton:

WorldCom, Inc. ("WorldCom") hereby notifies the Commission, in duplicate, pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1206 (1996), that Robert S. Koppel, Vice President, International Regulatory Affairs met with Jane Mago, Senior Legal Advisor to Commissioner Rachelle Chong, on August 1, 1997. A copy of this letter has been sent to Ms. Mago.

During the meeting, WorldCom reiterated its support for the adoption of settlement rate benchmarks to (i) reduce high accounting rates and (ii) alleviate the incentive for competitive distortions by means of in-bound settlement rate bypass. WorldCom discussed the legal and practical implications of the adoption of settlement rate benchmarks.

Should there be questions concerning this matter, please contact the undersigned.

Very truly yours,

Robert S. Koppel

Robert S. Koppel
Vice President, International
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cc: Jane Mago

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