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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
Room 222
1919 M Street NW
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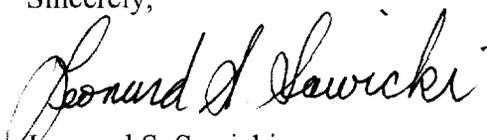
Re: CC Docket No. 96-128; Implementation of the Pay Telephone Reclassification and Compensation Provisions of the Telecommunications Act of 1996

Dear Ms. Salas:

On March 5, Mary Sisak, Bill Wilde and I met with Rose Crellin and Craig Stroup of the Common Carrier Bureau. The purpose of the meeting was to review MCI's position in this proceeding. In particular, we discussed the requirement that IXCs receive unique payphone coding digits as part of ANI; and issues surrounding the continuation of the LEC ANI waivers. MCI noted that it and other IXCs were in compliance with the FCC's payphone orders and ready to accept unique payphone digits. MCI stated that the LECs are five months overdue in fixing their systems. The FCC should stop granting waivers to those LECs who have ignored the orders and start enforcement action. LEC delay causes IXCs to retain redundant, costly, manual compensation systems and IXC customers are denied the cost-saving choice of blocking traffic originating from payphones.

Please add this letter and the enclosed copy to the record of this proceeding.

Sincerely,


Leonard S. Sawicki

cc: Ms. Crellin
Mr. Stroup

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