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July 27, 1999

Magalie Roman Salas
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St. SW
Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: EX PARTE in CC Docket No. 96-115

Dear Ms. Salas:

On July 26, 1999, Leonard J. Cali and Joel Lubin, representing AT&T, together with Jonathan B. Sallet and myself, representing MCI WorldCom, met with Commissioner Susan Ness and her common carrier assistant, Linda Kinney. At the end of a meeting on an unrelated topic, we discussed for a few minutes the issues in the above-captioned docket.

The companies voiced support for a change in the rules on reconsideration to allow carriers to use customer proprietary network information (CPNI) for "winbacks," subject to the temporal requirements spelled out in the most recent Commission order on unauthorized conversions.

MCI WorldCom and AT&T reviewed our support for the industry consensus proposal for the resolution of the customer proprietary network information (CPNI) flagging requirement and auditing requirement. MCI WorldCom noted that it had provided to the Common Carrier Bureau two suggested improvements to the industry language.

MCI WorldCom and AT&T also noted our mutual support for a change in the treatment of wireless to allow marketing of wireless service, customer premises equipment and information services.

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Finally, MCI WorldCom voiced its concern that its need to obtain written permission to obtain CPNI from ILEC customers had suppressed market entry efforts for New York residential customers. Replacement of the written requirement with an oral short form consent would protect consumers, while ensuring that new entrants could provide comparable price quotes based on features (e.g., call forwarding) that customers often fail to recall.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Mary L. Brown". The signature is written in black ink and has a fluid, connected style.

Mary L. Brown

CC: Linda Kinney
Margaret Egler
Bill Agee
Leonard J. Cali, AT&T