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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas  
Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
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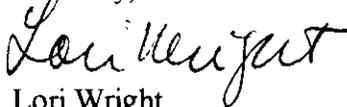
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Dear Ms. Salas:

On September 21, 1999, Michael Pelcovits, Chris Frentrup, and I of MCI WorldCom met with Chuck Keller and Jack Zinman of the Common Carrier Bureau's Accounting Policy Division. We discussed certain aspects of the universal service support methodology for non-rural carriers that the Commission seeks to implement by January 1, 2000, including the area over which costs should be averaged to determine universal service support amounts and the implementation of a hold-harmless provision.

In accordance with section 1.1206(b)(2) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b)(2), an original and three copies of this memorandum are being filed with your office.

Sincerely,



Lori Wright  
Senior Manager, Regulatory Affairs

cc: Chuck Keller  
Jack Zinman