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Dear Colleague,

Enclosed is a copy of a report recently released by the Economic Policy Institute, *MCI WorldCom's Sprint Toward Monopoly*.

The report's authors investigate the proposed merger between MCI WorldCom and Sprint to analyze the risks to consumers. The report finds that the proposed merger, which will combine two large, well-known firms, will greatly stunt competition and be detrimental to consumers.

To remedy the increase in market power, the authors recommend that regulators take the following steps in the Internet and long distance backbone markets: divestiture of Sprint's Internet backbone network, divestiture of Sprint's long distance backbone network, and divestiture of Sprint's ATM network.

The Department of Justice, Federal Communications Commission, European Commission, and state regulatory commissions are currently reviewing the proposed merger between these two companies.

I encourage you to read this report and to join CWA in opposition to this anti-competitive merger. Feel free to call Debbie Goldman (202) 434-1194 or Sumanta Ray (202) 434-1185 with any questions.

Sincerely,

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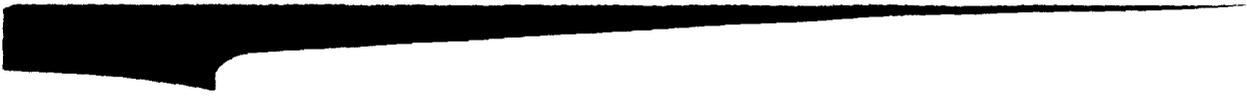
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