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Federal Communications Commission
Wireline Competition Bureau-CPD-214 Appls.
c/o Mellon Client Service Center
Attention: FCC Module Supervisor
500 Ross Street, Room 670
Pittsburgh, PA 15262-0001
Lock Box Number 358145

RE: In the Matter of Verizon Communications Inc. and MCI, Inc. Applications for Approval of Transfer of Control, WC Docket No. 05-75

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed for filing please find an original and four copies of the application of Verizon Communications Inc. ("Verizon") and MCI, Inc. ("MCI") pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, and section 63.04 of the Commission's rules for consent to transfer to Verizon control of domestic section 214 authority held by MCI and its subsidiaries. This application has been designated the lead FCC application for Verizon's acquisition of MCI.

This filing consists of an overview of the transaction, the application, the public interest statement and associated declarations, and the list of MCI subsidiaries holding domestic 214 authority. The filing fee associated with this application and the required FCC Form 159 are attached.

Some of the materials of this filing contain confidential information. Copies are being provided pursuant to the Commission's protective order in this proceeding. An electronic version of the redacted version of this filing will be uploaded to the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System. Additional copies of the redacted and confidential versions are also

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being provided to the Wireline Competition Bureau pursuant to a request from staff. In addition, we are submitting a paper and electronic copy of this filing, redacted for public inspection, to Best Copy (the Commission's copy contractor).

Please date-stamp the extra copy of this letter and return it to the individual delivering this package.

All inquiries relating to access (subject to the terms of any applicable protective order) to any confidential information submitted in support of this Application should be addressed to:

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Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

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Enclosures

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