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**Ex Parte**

Marlene H. Dortch - Secretary  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

**Re: Applications for Consent to Transfer Control of Filed by Verizon  
Communications, Inc. and MCI, Inc., WC Docket No. 05-75**

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Yesterday, Dee May, Mike Glover, Karen Zacharia and the undersigned of Verizon; Curtis Groves, Alan Buzacott and Rick Whitt of MCI and Richard Metzger of Lawler Metzger Milkman and Keeney, LLC met with Gail Cohen, Bill Dever, of the Wireline Competition Bureau; and Jim Bird and Kent Nilsson of the Office of General Counsel and Sam Feder, Legal Advisor to Chairman Martin.

At the meeting, the FCC staff described the impending request for information that it intends to submit to Verizon and MCI. The representatives from Verizon and MCI explained the importance of ensuring that sensitive competitive information has an enhanced level of security.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ann D. Berkowitz".

cc: Gail Cohen  
Bill Dever  
Jim Bird  
Kent Nilsson  
Sam Feder