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May 9, 2005

By ECFS

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

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

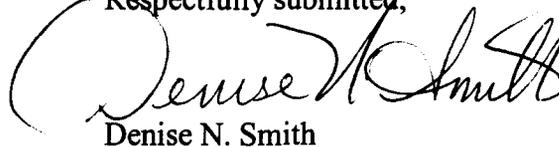
Dear Ms. Dortch:

Enclosed for filing in the above-referenced proceeding is a letter from the undersigned to Mr. Gary Remondino of the Wireline Competition Bureau. The letter and attached Acknowledgment of Confidentiality were submitted to Mr. Remondino in accordance with paragraph 7 of the March 10, 2005 *Order* and *Protective Order* (DA 05-647) issued by the Wireline Competition Bureau in the above-referenced proceeding. Copies of the letter and attachments were served upon the individuals listed on the attached Certificate of Service.

Kindly include this letter and its attachments in docket WC 05-75.

Please contact the undersigned at (202) 955-9886 if you have any questions about this letter.

Respectfully submitted,


Denise N. Smith

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Dear Mr. Remondino:

Pursuant to the March 10, 2005 *Order* and *Protective Order* (DA 05-647) issued by the Wireline Competition Bureau in the above-referenced proceeding, enclosed please find a signed Acknowledgment of Confidentiality for Simon J. Wilkie, Senior Research Associate of the California Institute of Technology. Mr. Wilkie is an outside consultant retained for the purpose of assisting counsel at Kelley Drye & Warren LLP in this proceeding. Mr. Wilkie is not involved in the analysis underlying the business decisions of any competitor of any the submitting parties nor does he participate directly in any business decisions.

Pursuant to Paragraph 7 of the *Protective Order*, copies of this letter have been served upon counsel for MCI, Inc. and Verizon Communications Inc. and this filing begins the five (5) - business day waiting period after which the above-named individuals may access confidential materials filed in this proceeding.

Mr. Gary Remondino
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APPENDIX B**Acknowledgment of Confidentiality****WC Docket No. 05-75**

I hereby acknowledge that I have received and read a copy of the foregoing Protective Order in the above-captioned proceeding, and I understand it. I agree that I am bound by the Protective Order and that I shall not disclose or use Stamped Confidential Documents or Confidential Information except as allowed by the Protective Order. I acknowledge that a violation of the Protective Order is a violation of an order of the Federal Communications Commission.

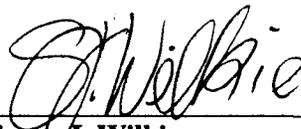
Without limiting the foregoing, to the extent that I have any employment, affiliation or role with any person or entity other than a conventional private law firm (such as, but not limited to, a lobbying or public interest organization), I acknowledge specifically that my access to any information obtained as a result of the Protective Order is due solely to my capacity as Counsel or consultant to a party or other person described in paragraph 4 of the foregoing Protective Order and that I will not use such information in any other capacity nor will I disclose such information except as specifically provided in the Protective Order.

I hereby certify that I am not involved in "competitive decision-making" as that term is used in the definition of In-House Counsel in paragraph 1 of the Protective Order.

I acknowledge that it is my obligation to ensure that: (1) Stamped Confidential Documents and Confidential Information are used only as provided in the Protective Order; and (2) Stamped Confidential Documents are not duplicated except as specifically permitted by the terms of paragraph 9 of the Protective Order, and I certify that I have verified that there are in place procedures, at my firm or office, to prevent unauthorized disclosure of Stamped Confidential Documents or Confidential Information.

Capitalized terms used herein and not otherwise defined shall have the meanings ascribed to them in the Order or Protective Order.

Executed at Washington, D.C. this 9th day of May, 2005.



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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I, Patricia A. Bell, do hereby certify that a true and correct copy of the foregoing **“Letter and Acknowledgement of Confidentiality,”** in WC Docket No. 05-75, was served this 9th day of May 2005, via electronic mail and/or hand delivery, upon the following:

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