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Ex Parte

Ms. Marlene H. Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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

Dear Ms. Dortch:

Yesterday, representatives from Verizon and MCI met with Mr. Scott Bergmann of Commissioner Adelstein's office. Representing Verizon were Mr. Ed Shakin and me. Attending from MCI were Mr. Curtis Groves, Mr. Jerry Edgerton and Mr. Jonathan Spear. Mr. Edgerton reviewed, as outlined in the record of the above proceeding, MCI's important role as a supplier of services to the federal government. He also discussed the benefits a combined Verizon/MCI will bring to Federal Government customers. These benefits include reinforcement of an important provider of technology and network infrastructure—including assets that play a critical role in national defense and homeland security. The combination of MCI and Verizon will bring increased investment to critical network infrastructure and accelerate delivery of innovations to Federal Government customers.

Additionally, Mr. Ed Shakin, Ms. Karen Zacharia and me from Verizon and Mr. Curtis Groves and Mr. Alan Buzacott from MCI discussed the subject matter contained in the ex partes previously filed by Verizon and MCI on September 9, 12 and 28, as well as the Special Access white paper submitted by Verizon and MCI on August 25. We also reviewed Exhibit 2 of Jeff Taylor's affidavit filed in Verizon's original application.

Please let me know if you have any additional questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Dee May".

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