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Re: Docket No. 030851-TP

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. are an original and fifteen copies of MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc.'s Request for Confidential Classification for portions of the direct testimony of Mark T. Bryant filed in the above referenced docket.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely yours,

for *Monica M. Evans*
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Implementation of requirements arising)
from Federal Communications Commission) Docket No. 030851-TP
triennial UNE review: Local Circuit Switching)
for Mass Market Customers) Filed: March 19, 2004
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MCI'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC and MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. (hereinafter "MCI"), pursuant to section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-2.006, Florida Administrative Code, requests confidential classification of certain data previously filed in this docket pursuant to a claim for confidentiality. In support of this request MCI hereby states:

1. On December 4, 2003, MCI filed in the above-captioned proceeding the transcript of the Direct Testimony of Mark T. Bryant. Bryant's testimony included confidential and proprietary information. When MCI filed the transcript of Bryant's direct testimony, it filed the appropriate corresponding Claim for Confidential Treatment, in accordance with Rule 25-22.006(5) and section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes.

2. MCI hereby files this Request for Confidential Classification, in accordance with Rule 25-22.006(4), Florida Administrative Code, for the confidential and proprietary aspects of Bryant's direct testimony. The public and redacted copies required by Rule 25-22.006(4) are not being filed at this time as they were filed with the claim filed on December 4, 2003.

3. The information for which confidential classification is requested reveals confidential and proprietary business information. Specifically, the information includes:

(a) Page 6, Lines 2-3 of Bryant's Direct Testimony: Bryant provides the number/percentage of all loops in Florida that are currently served via fiber feeder and DLC;

(b) Confidential Exhibit to Bryant's Direct Testimony MTB-2: An Electronic Analysis Tool on CD-Rom.

5. The information contained in Dr. Bryant's direct testimony at page 6, lines 2-3 of the transcript provide specific information on loops in Florida that are currently served via fiber feeder and DLC. This information contains specific proprietary information on the number, location and features of MCI's loops. Exhibit MTB-2 provides a proprietary analysis tool used by Bryant and MCI. MCI considers such information to be trade secrets and proprietary, confidential business information which, if disclosed, would be of benefit to competitors and cause harm to MCI and its customers. Such information provides MCI an economic benefit, and is not known or readily ascertainable to other persons. Such information is economically valuable to MCI and its competitors, and MCI treats such information as confidential and maintains many processes and procedures to maintain its secrecy.

6. A trade secret is defined in section 688.002(4), Florida Statutes, the Uniform Secrets Act, to mean:

[I]nformation, including a formula, pattern, compilation, program, devise, method, technique, or process that:

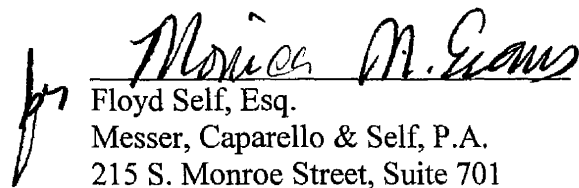
(a) Derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not be readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use; and

(b) Is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy.

The information at issue fits plainly in this definition as set forth above. Accordingly, the Commission should grant the request for confidential classification and find confidential and proprietary aspects of Bryant's direct testimony to be confidential and exempt from section 119.071(1), pursuant to section 364.183(3)(a).

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing, MCI respectfully requests that, pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, the Commission enter an Order declaring the information described above to be confidential, proprietary business information that is not subject to public disclosure.

Respectfully submitted,


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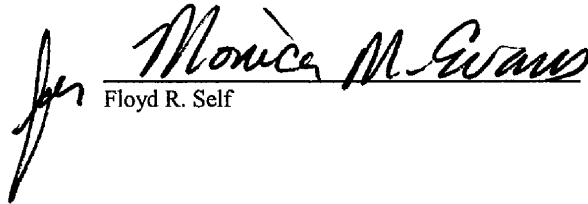
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