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August 30, 2002

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Blanca S. Bayo Commission Clerk and Administrator Services Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

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RE: WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc. – Discontinuance and/or Transfer Of Wireless Resold Services

Dear Ms. Bayo:

WorldCom, Inc. ("WorldCom"), on behalf of its subsidiaries, WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc., hereby provides this notification to the Commission that WorldCom will be discontinuing its offering of resold wireless services. Appropriate applications to discontinue the provision of wireless service have been filed with the FCC. Copies of these applications are attached to this letter. In evaluating the Company's core business, WorldCom has determined it necessary and appropriate to discontinue providing resold wireless services. These resold services are carried on the networks of other facilities-based commercial mobile radio service ("CMRS") providers.<sup>2</sup>

The decision to exit the wireless communications services business will not impact any other services that these or any other customers currently receive from WorldCom, MCI or any of our other affiliates. WorldCom has developed a customer notification plan that is intended to provide customers with ample notice and opportunity to transition to another carrier to avoid disruption of service. WorldCom is providing customers with a toll-free customer assistance number for purposes of addressing any questions or concerns that may rise during the transition period.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Under the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC's) rules, commercial mobile radio service (CMRS) providers are not required to seek authority to discontinue service. 47 C.F.R. §20.15(b)(3). Thus, WorldCom filed these applications both out of an overabundance of caution and to give our customers substantially greater notice than would be required by the FCC's rules.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> This discontinuance, on a nation-wide basis, affects approximately 275,000 customers whose service is carried on the Verizon Wireless Network, 55,000 customers whose service is carried on the Sprint PCS Network, 125,000 customers whose service is carried on the AT&T Wireless Network, 75,000 customers whose service is carried on the Cingular Wireless Network and 4,000 customers carried on the ALLTEL Network.

In conjunction with this discontinuance, WorldCom, where possible, has executed agreements to transition customers to the underlying facilities-based carrier's network<sup>3</sup> or another reseller. These customers have also been provided notice of the transfer and may choose another wireless provider if they desire. If not, the transfers to the underlying wireless carrier or reseller will be seamless to the customer. The planned service discontinuance and transfer of customers are expected to commence in early September, and continue through September 20, depending on the carrier involved.

If you should have any questions or require additional information, please contact Brian Sulmonetti at 770-284-5493.

Sincerely,

Brian Sulmonetti

Brian Gilmonette

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Approximately 500,000 customers in 27 states will be transferred to AT&T Wireless, 300,000 in 24 states (including Washington, D.C.) will be transferred to Cingular Wireless, and another 20,000 in 5 states will be transferred to ALLTEL.

# Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of the	)	
Section 63.71 Application of WorldCom, Inc. on behalf of its subsidiaries,	)	
WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc.	)	
	)	WTB/CPD File No.
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214	)	
of the Communications Act of 1934,	)	
as Amended, to Discontinue	)	
the Provision of Wireless Service	j	

#### **SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION**

WorldCom Inc. (WorldCom), on behalf of its subsidiaries, WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc., hereby seeks authorization pursuant to section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47. C.F.R. §63.71, to initiate a discontinuance, effective on or about September 2, 2002, of WorldCom's offering of resold wireless services carried on the AT&T Wireless Network to certain wireless resale customers. WorldCom expects shortly to supplement this application with additional requests for authorization to address customers whose service is carried on the networks of other facilities-based CMRS providers.

With respect to the services to be discontinued, WorldCom Wireless and MCI Wireless are considered non-dominant subsidiaries of WorldCom, a non-dominant provider of competitive telecommunications services. Currently, WorldCom provides resold wireless services to

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Under the Commission's rules, commercial mobile radio service (CMRS) providers are not required to seek authority to discontinue service. 47 C.F.R. §20.15(b)(3). Thus, WorldCom files this application both out of an

approximately 625,000 customers in 27 states, utilizing the facilities of AT&T Wireless, Inc.

WorldCom will be transferring a portion of this subscriber base to the underlying CMRS provider, AT&T Wireless. WorldCom will be discontinuing service to the remaining subscribers.<sup>2</sup> The decision to exit the wireless communications services business will not impact any other service that these or any other customers currently receive from WorldCom, MCI or any of our other affiliates.

WorldCom requests authority to discontinue resold wireless service to certain customers in the following markets: Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Louisiana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, and Washington.

WorldCom is in the process of exiting the business of providing wireless communication services. As a result, WorldCom will not be able to provide wireless service carried on the AT&T Wireless Network to customers after September 2, 2002. Substitute services are available from other CMRS providers, as well as AT&T Wireless, in the relevant regions. Thus, the public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of resold wireless service in these states.

Coincident with the filing of this application, customers have been sent notification of intent to discontinue service, the text of which is attached as Attachments 1 and 2. WorldCom will also provide customers with a toll-free customer assistance number for purposes of addressing any questions or concerns that may arise during the withdrawal transition period.

overabundance of caution, and to give our customers substantially greater notice than is required by the Commission's rules.

A copy of this application has been submitted to the Secretary of Defense and the Public Utility Commission and Governor of each state in which the discontinuance is proposed.

In support of this Application, WorldCom hereby provides the following information as required under section 63.71(a):

1. Name and Address of Carrier:

WorldCom, Inc. 1133 19th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance:

September 2, 2002

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected:

Arizona, California, Colorado, Connecticut, Florida, Georgia, Idaho, Illinois, Indiana, Maine, Massachusetts, Michigan, Minnesota, Missouri, Louisiana, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Texas, Utah, and Washington

4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected:

Wireless Resale

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Approximately 500,000 customers will be seamlessly transferred to the AT&T Wireless Network. About 125,000 customers will be given notification that WorldCom is discontinuing their service. These customers will be given at least 31 days in which to find another wireless provider.

For the foregoing reasons, WorldCom, Inc., on behalf of its wireless subsidiaries, WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc., respectfully requests, pursuant to section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214 and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47. C.F.R. §63.71, that the Commission approve this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

WORLDCOM, INC.

Henry G. Hultquist Karen M. Johnson

1133 19th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

(202) 736-6485

Dated: July 29, 2002

### Attachment 1: No Handset Change Required

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{Bill To Name}

{Attention}

{Billing Address}

{City} {State} {Zip}

{barcode}

Date

Account Number {xxxxxxxxxxx}

Part {Bill To Name}:
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WorldCom Wireless is in the process of exiting the business of providing wireless communication services. As a result, WorldCom Wireless will not be able to provide wireless service to you following September 2, 2002. The decision to exit the wireless communications services business will not impact any other service that you currently receive from WorldCom, MCI or any of our other affiliates.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within 15 days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554, referencing the section 63.71 application of WorldCom Wireless. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

While you've been a WorldCom Wireless customer, your wireless service has been carried on the AT&T Wireless Network. If you are interested in keeping your existing wireless telephone number with AT&T Wireless, contact them directly at 1-800-589-4288. AT&T Wireless has established this special phone line for WorldCom Wireless customers, and they are standing by to help you get the dependable wireless service you need. But you must call 1-800-589-4288 now to ensure you have uninterrupted wireless service. Your application for service with AT&T Wireless will be subject to the credit, equipment and other requirements specified by AT&T Wireless.

Please be advised that you will continue to receive wireless services provided and billed by WorldCom Wireless through the earlier of (a) the date you request WorldCom Wireless to cancel your service, or (b) September 2, 2002. You may receive up to two additional invoices from WorldCom Wireless that will require prompt payment. Any questions or concerns you might have can be directed to WorldCom Wireless customer service by calling 1-800-254-8991.

All of us at WorldCom Wireless wish to thank you for your business.

Sincerely,

WorldCom Wireless Customer Service

#### Attachment 2: New Handset Required

{Bill To Name} {Attention} {Billing Address} {City} {State} {Zip} {barcode}

Date
Account Number {xxxxxxxxxxxx}

Dear {Bill To Name}:

WorldCom Wireless is in the process of exiting the business of providing wireless communication services. As a result, WorldCom Wireless will not be able to provide wireless service to you following September 2, 2002. The decision to exit the wireless communications services business will not impact any other service that you currently receive from WorldCom, MCI or any of our other affiliates.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within 15 days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C 20554, referencing the section 63.71 application of WorldCom Wireless. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

While you've been a WorldCom Wireless customer, your wireless service has been carried on the AT&T Wireless Network. If you are interested in keeping your existing wireless telephone number with AT&T Wireless, contact them directly at 1-800-589-4288. AT&T Wireless has established this special phone line for WorldCom Wireless customers, and they are standing by to help you get the dependable wireless service you need. Your application for service with AT&T Wireless will be subject to the credit, equipment and other requirements specified by AT&T Wireless.

More good news! AT&T Wireless has a very special wireless phone offer available for you. Get a Nokia 3360, a \$99 value, FREE, complete with overnight delivery and a Handsfree Headset all at no charge. Your new phone can arrive at your door tomorrow – activated and ready to use – to ensure uninterrupted service. Call AT&T Wireless today at 1-800-589-4288

Please be advised that you will continue to receive wireless services provided and billed by WorldCom Wireless through the earlier of (a) your call to activate service with AT&T Wireless or (b) September 2, 2002. You may receive up to two additional invoices from WorldCom Wireless that will require prompt payment. Any questions or concerns you might have can be directed to WorldCom Wireless customer service by calling 1-800-254-8991.

All of us at WorldCom Wireless wish to thank you for your business.

Sincerely,

WorldCom Wireless Customer Service

### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Barbara Nowlin, hereby certify that on this 29th day of July, 2002, copies of this SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION were sent by hand delivery to the following:

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

Kathleen Ham Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

James Schlichting
Wireless Telecommunications Bureau
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

Peter Tenhula Office of Chairman Michael K. Powell Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

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I, Barbara Nowlin, hereby certify that on this 29th day of July, 2002, copies of this SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION were sent via United States first-class mail, postage prepaid:

Secretary of Defense\* Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications, Pentagon Washington, D.C. 20301 Governor Frank O'Bannon Office of the Governor State House, Room 206 Indianapolis, IN 46204-2797

The Honorable Jane Hull Governor of Arizona 1700 West Washington Phoenix, AZ 85007 Honorable Mike Foster\* Governor, State of Louisiana P.O. Box 94004 Baton Rouge, LA 70804

Governor Gray Davis State Capitol Building Sacramento, CA 95814

Governor Angus S. King, Jr. Office of the Governor #1 State House Station Augusta, ME 04333-0001

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Governor John Engler P.O. Box 30013 Lansing, MI 48909

Governor Jeb Bush PL 05 The Capitol 400 South Monroe Street Tallahassee, FL 32399-0001

Governor Jesse Ventura 130 State Capitol 75 Constitution Avenue Saint Paul, MN 55155

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Governor Kenny C. Guinn Capitol Building Carson City, NV 89701

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Governor Mark Schweiker 225 Main Capitol Harrisburg, PA 17120

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Governor Mike O. Leavitt Office of the Governor 210 State Capitol Salt Lake City, UT 84114

Governor Gary Locke Office of the Governor P.O. Box 40002 Olympia, WA 98504-0002

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# Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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as Amended, to Partially Discontinue	)	
the Provision of Wireless Service	)	

#### SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION

WorldCom Inc. (WorldCom), on behalf of its subsidiaries, WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc., hereby seeks authorization pursuant to section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47. C.F.R. §63.71, to initiate a partial discontinuance, effective on or about September 6, 2002, of WorldCom's offering of resold wireless services carried on the ALLTEL network.<sup>1</sup>

With respect to the services to be discontinued, WorldCom Wireless and MCI Wireless are considered non-dominant subsidiaries of WorldCom, a non-dominant provider of competitive telecommunications services. WorldCom requests authority to discontinue resold wireless service to approximately 4,000 customers whose service is carried on the ALLTEL network in

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Under the Commission's rules, commercial mobile radio service (CMRS) providers are not required to seek authority to discontinue service. 47 C.F.R. §20.15(b)(3). Thus, WorldCom files this application both out of an overabundance of caution, and to give our customers substantially greater notice than is required by the Commission's rules.

the following markets: Arizona, Florida, New Mexico, Ohio, and Texas.<sup>2</sup> The decision to exit the wireless communications services business will not impact any other service that these or any other customers currently receive from WorldCom, MCI or any of our other affiliates.

WorldCom is in the process of exiting the business of providing wireless communication services. As a result, WorldCom will not be able to provide wireless service carried on the ALLTEL network to customers after September 6, 2002. Substitute services are available from other CMRS providers, as well as ALLTEL Communications, Inc., in the relevant regions. Thus, the public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of resold wireless service in these states.

Coincident with the filing of this application, customers have been sent notification of intent to discontinue service, the text of which is attached as Attachment 1. WorldCom is also providing customers with a toll-free customer assistance number for purposes of addressing any questions or concerns that may arise during the withdrawal transition period.

A copy of this application has been submitted to the Secretary of Defense and the Public Utility Commission and Governor of each state in which the discontinuance is proposed.

In support of this Application, WorldCom hereby provides the following information as required under section 63.71(a):

1. Name and Address of Carrier:

WorldCom, Inc. 1133 19th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance:

September 6, 2002

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The remainder of WorldCom's customers on the ALLTEL network, approximately 20,000, will be transitioned to ALLTEL without any interruption in service.

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected:

Arizona, Florida, New Mexico, Ohio, and Texas

4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected:

Wireless Resale

For the foregoing reasons. WorldCom, Inc., on behalf of its subsidiaries, WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless. Inc., respectfully requests, pursuant to section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214 and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47. C.F.R. §63.71, that the Commission approve this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

WORLDCOM, INC.

Henry G. Hultquist Karen M. Johnson

1133 19th Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20036

(202) 736-6485

Dated: August 2, 2002

#### Attachment 1

{Bill To Name}	Date:
{Attention}	MIN:
{City} {State} {Zip}	
{barcode}	

Dear {Bill To Name}:

Please read this very important information regarding your wireless service. WorldCom Wireless is in the process of exiting the business of providing wireless communication services. As a result, WorldCom Wireless will discontinue the provision of wireless service to you following September 6, 2002. The decision to discontinue wireless communications service will not impact any other service you currently receive from WorldCom, MCI or any of our other affiliates.

Please be advised that you will continue to receive wireless services provided and billed by WorldCom Wireless through the earlier (i) you request WorldCom Wireless to cancel your service, or (ii) September 6, 2002.

You may receive up to two additional invoices from WorldCom Wireless that will require prompt payment. Any questions or concerns you may have can be directed to WorldCom Wireless customer service by calling 1-800-983-2220.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within 15 business days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554, referencing the Section 63.71 Application of WorldCom, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

All of us at WorldCom Wireless wish to thank you for your business.

Sincerely,

WorldCom Wireless

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Barbara Nowlin, hereby certify that on this 2nd day of August, 2002, copies of this SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION were sent to the following:

#### VIA HAND-DELIVERY

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Lauren Kravetz Wireless Telecommunications Bureau Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

### VIA UNITED STATES FIRST-CLASS MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID

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Governor Bob Taft 30th Floor 77 South High Street Columbus, OH 43215-6117

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Governor Rick Perry Office of the Governor P.O. Box 12428 Austin, TX 78711-2428

Barbara Nowlin

# Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Washington, D.C. 20554

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as Amended, to Discontinue	)	
the Provision of Wireless Service	)	

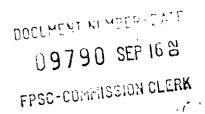
#### **SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION**

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With respect to the services to be discontinued, WorldCom Wireless and MCI Wireless are considered non-dominant subsidiaries of WorldCom, a non-dominant provider of competitive telecommunications services.

WorldCom is in the process of exiting the business of providing wireless communication services. As a result, WorldCom will not be able to provide wireless service carried on the Sprint

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PCS network to customers after September 12, 2002. Substitute services are available from CMRS providers, as well as Sprint PCS, in the relevant regions. Thus, the public convenience an necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of resold wireless service in these states. The decision to exit the wireless communications services business will not impact any other service that these or any other customers currently receive from WorldCom. MCI or any of our other affiliates.

Coincident with the filing of this application, customers have been sent notification of intent to discontinue service, the text of which is attached as Attachment 1. WorldCom is also providing customers with a toll-free customer assistance number for purposes of addressing any questions or concerns that may arise during the withdrawal transition period.

A copy of this application has been submitted to the Secretary of Defense and the Public Utility Commission and Governor of each state in which the discontinuance is proposed.

In support of this Application, WorldCom hereby provides the following information as required under section 63.71(a):

1. Name and Address of Carrier:

WorldCom, Inc. 1133 19th Street, N.W. Washington, D.C. 20036

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance:

September 12, 2002

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected:

United States, except Alaska and Hawaii

4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected:

overabundance of caution and to give our customers substantially greater notice than is required by the Commission's rules.

## Wireless Resale

Dated: August 9, 2002

For the foregoing reasons, WorldCom, Inc., on behalf of its subsidiaries, WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc., respectfully requests, pursuant to section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214 and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47. C.F.R. §63.71, that the Commission approve this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

WORLDCOM, INC.

Henry G. Hultquist Karen M. Johnson

1133 19th Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20036

(202) 736-6485

#### Attachment 1

{Bill To Name} {Attention} {City} {State} {Zip} {barcode} August 6, 2002 {MIN}

Dear {Bill To Name}:

Please read this very important information regarding your wireless service. WorldCom Wireless is in the process of exiting the business of providing wireless communication services. As a result, WorldCom Wireless will discontinue the provision of wireless service to you following September 12, 2002. The decision to discontinue wireless communications service will not impact any other service you currently receive from WorldCom, MCI or any of our other affiliates.

So that you may continue to receive wireless service, we have reached an agreement with Liberty Wireless to assist in transitioning you to a new wireless service. If you are interested in maintaining your wireless service, please contact Liberty Wireless at 1-866-75-Liberty (1-866-755-4237) or go to their website at <a href="https://www.libertywireless.com">www.libertywireless.com</a> prior to August 22, 2002, to ensure smooth transition to your new wireless service provider. Your application for service with Liberty Wireless (or an alternate carrier should you choose a new service provider other than Liberty Wireless) may be subject to credit, equipment and other requirements as specified by Liberty Wireless.

Please be advised that you will continue to receive wireless services provided and billed by WorldCom Wireless through the earlier of (i) the date you request your service to be transferred to Liberty Wireless or (ii) you request WorldCom Wireless to cancel your service, or (iii) September 12, 2002.

You may receive up to two additional invoices from WorldCom Wireless that will require prompt payment. Any questions or concerns you may have can be directed to WorldCom Wireless customer service by calling 1-800-738-4408.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within 15 days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554, referencing the section 63.71 application of WorldCom, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

All of us at WorldCom Wireless wish to thank you for your business.

Sincerely,

WorldCom Wireless

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Barbara Nowlin, hereby certify that on this 9th day of August, 2002, copies of this **SECTION** 63.71 APPLICATION were sent to the following:

#### VIA HAND DELIVERY

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

#### VIA UNITED STATES FIRST-CLASS MAIL, POSTAGE PREPAID

Secretary of Defense\* Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications Pentagon Washington, D.C. 20301

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The Honorable Jane Hull Governor of Arizona 1700 West Washington Phoenix, AZ 85007

Governor Gray Davis State Capitol Building Sacramento, CA 95814

Bill Owens, Governor 136 State Capitol Denver, CO 80203-1792

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# Before the **FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION** Washington, D.C. 20554

In the Matter of the	)
Section 63.71 Application of WorldCom, Inc. on behalf of its subsidiaries, WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc.	) ) ) ) WC-02-215
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended, to Partially Discontinue the Provision of Wireless Service	) ) )

#### **SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION**

WorldCom, Inc. (WorldCom), on behalf of its subsidiaries, WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc., hereby seeks authorization pursuant to section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214, and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47. C.F.R. §63.71, to initiate a partial discontinuance, effective on or about September 20, 2002, of WorldCom's offering of resold wireless services carried on the Cingular Wireless Network.<sup>1</sup>

With respect to the services to be discontinued, WorldCom Wireless and MCI Wireless are considered non-dominant subsidiaries of WorldCom, a non-dominant provider of competitive telecommunications services. WorldCom requests authority to discontinue resold wireless service to approximately 75,000 customers whose service is carried on the Cingular Wireless Network in the following markets: Alabama, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Florida,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Under the Commission's rules, commercial mobile radio service (CMRS) providers are not required to seek authority to discontinue service. 47 C.F.R. §20.15(b)(3). Thus, WorldCom files this application both out of an

Georgia, Illinois, Indiana, Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana. Massachusetts, Michigan. Mississippi. Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee. Texas. Wisconsin. and Washington, D.C.<sup>2</sup> The decision to exit the wireless communications services business will not impact any other service that these or any other customers currently receive from WorldCom. MCI or any of our other affiliates.

WorldCom is in the process of exiting the business of providing wireless communication services. As a result, WorldCom will not be able to provide wireless service carried on the Cingular Wireless Network to customers after September 20, 2002. Substitute services are available from other CMRS providers, as well as Cingular Wireless in the relevant regions. Thus, the public convenience and necessity will not be adversely affected by the discontinuance of resold wireless service in these states.

Coincident with the filing of this application, customers have been sent notification of intent to discontinue service, the text of which is attached as Attachment 1. WorldCom is also providing customers with a toll-free customer assistance number for purposes of addressing any questions or concerns that may arise during the withdrawal transition period.

A copy of this application has been submitted to the Secretary of Defense and the Public Utility Commission and Governor of each state in which the discontinuance is proposed.

In support of this Application, WorldCom hereby provides the following information as required under section 63.71(a):

1. Name and Address of Carrier:

WorldCom, Inc. 1133 19th Street, N.W.

overabundance of caution and to give our customers substantially greater notice than is required by the Commission's rules.

<sup>2</sup> The remainder of WorldCom's customers on the Cingular Wireless Network, approximately 300,000, will be transitioned to Cingular without any interruption in service.

Washington, D.C. 20036

2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance:

September 20, 2002

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected:

Alabama, Arkansas, California, Connecticut, Florida. Georgia, Illinois, Indiana. Kansas, Kentucky, Louisiana, Massachusetts, Michigan. Mississippi, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, Ohio, Oklahoma, Pennsylvania, Tennessee, Texas, Wisconsin and Washington, D.C.

4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected:

Wireless Resale

For the foregoing reasons, WorldCom, Inc., on behalf of its subsidiaries, WorldCom Wireless, Inc. and MCI Wireless, Inc., respectfully requests, pursuant to section 214(a) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 U.S.C. §214 and section 63.71 of the Commission's rules, 47. C.F.R. §63.71, that the Commission approve this application.

Respectfully Submitted,

WORLDCOM, INC.

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1133 19th Street, N.W.

Washington, D.C. 20036

(202) 736-6485

Dated: August 16, 2002

#### Attachment 1

{Bill To Name}
{Attention}
{Billing Address}
{City} {State} {Zip}
{barcode}

Date: August 16, 2002

MIN:

Dear {Bill To Name}:

WorldCom Wireless is in the process of exiting the business of providing wireless communication services. As a result, WorldCom Wireless will not be able to provide wireless service to you following September 20, 2002. The decision to exit the wireless communications services business will not impact any other service that you currently receive from WorldCom, MCI or any of our other affiliates.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier, or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments within 15 calendar days after receipt of this notification. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Washington, D.C. 20554, referencing the section 63.71 application of WorldCom, Inc. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

While you've been a WorldCom Wireless customer, your wireless service has been carried on the Cingular Wireless Network. If you are interested in keeping your existing wireless telephone number with Cingular Wireless, contact them directly at 1-866-828-6322. Prior to calling this number you should take time to visit Cingular's web site (<a href="https://www.cingular.com">www.cingular.com</a>) to review available rate plans and enhanced features. Cingular Wireless has established this special phone line for WorldCom Wireless customers and they are standing by to help you apply for the dependable wireless service you need. You must call 1-866-828-6322 now to apply for uninterrupted wireless service. Your application for service with Cingular Wireless (or an alternate carrier should you choose a new service provider other than Cingular) may be subject to the credit, equipment and other conditions and requirements specified by Cingular Wireless.

Please be advised that you will continue to receive wireless services provided and billed by WorldCom Wireless through the earlier of (a) the date you request WorldCom Wireless to cancel your service, or (b) September 20, 2002. You may receive up to two additional invoices from WorldCom Wireless that will require prompt payment. Any questions or concerns you might have can be directed to WorldCom Wireless customer service by calling 1-800-254-8991.

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Sincerely,

[Worldcom signature]

#### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I, Barbara B. Nowlin, hereby certify that on this 16th day of August, 2002, copies of this **SECTION 63.71 APPLICATION** were sent to the following:

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