

April 10, 2012

Ms. Barcy McNeal
Public Utilities Commission of Ohio
180 East Broad Street
Columbus, Ohio 43215

RE: In the Matter of the Application of The Ohio Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Ohio for Approval of an Alternative Form of Regulation of Basic Local Exchange and other Tier 1 Services Pursuant to Chapter 4901:1-4, Ohio Administrative Code, Case No. 09-447-TP-BLS

Dear Ms. McNeal:

MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services ("Verizon Business") supports the Motion for Extension of Protective Order filed by AT&T Ohio on April 5, 2012 in the above-referenced proceeding.

Verizon Business continues to consider the data pertaining to its operations, upon which AT&T Ohio relied, and which was filed under seal in Case No. 09-447-TP-BLS, to be confidential trade secret information that should be protected from public disclosure. AT&T Ohio correctly asserts in its Motion for Extension that the data provided by Verizon Business to AT&T Ohio in this proceeding is competitively sensitive information that is deserving of further protection under Ohio law as a trade secret.

Please contact me if you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

/s/ Carolyn S. Flahive
Attorney for Verizon Business

cc: Deborah Kuhn, Assistant General Counsel, Verizon

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