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**BEFORE  
THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO**

**In the Matter of the Application of MCI )  
WorldCom, Inc., WorldCom Network )  
Services, Inc., MCI Communications )  
Corp., MCI Telecommunications Corp. )  
and WorldCom Technologies, Inc. for )  
Authority to Transfer Operating )  
and Change Names of Operating )  
Subsidiaries )**

**Case Nos. 99-696-CT-ZCN  
99-697-TP-ACN  
99-698-TP-ATR**

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Now comes MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. (MWCOCM) and moves that the Commission hold in abeyance the requirement that a consolidated tariff and tariff amendments be filed within two months of the issuance of the September 23, 1999 Entry in these cases. A memorandum in support of this motion is attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein.

Respectfully submitted,

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**MEMORANDUM IN SUPPORT OF  
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With the applications filed in these cases, MWCOM sought authority to, *inter alia*, consolidate its long distance operations and transfer operating authority to two existing subsidiaries which were then renamed MCI WorldCom Network Services, Inc. and MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. The latter subsidiary, which is the movant herein, sought approval to adopt the former WorldCom Technologies, Inc. tariff and rename it MCI WorldCom Communications No. 1, and also adopt the former MCI Telecommunications Corporation tariff and rename it MCI WorldCom Communications No. 2.

By entry issued September 23, 1999 the Commission approved the requests for transfer of operating authority and the renaming of operating subsidiaries which were included in the filing. However, as to the MCI WorldCom Communications tariffs numbers 1 and 2, the Commission ordered that the two tariffs be consolidated into one and filed within two months of the entry


date.

Both of the tariffs have well in excess of 150 pages, and they do contain similar provisions, some of which would have to be eliminated if the two tariffs are consolidated. The combining of the tariffs will be much more than a clerical function; it will require several tariff specialists to devote many hours of time to the project. Given the press of other business, it is virtually impossible for MWCOM to comply with the filing deadline.

Furthermore, since the issuance of the entry, the Staff has proposed revisions to the rules governing competitive telecommunications services in Case No. 99-563-TP-COI. One of the Staff's proposals is to permit carriers to maintain informational tariffs either with the Commission or on company web sites (See entry, Case No. 99-563-TP-COI, page 5). The Staff has also proposed tariff format changes (*Id.*, at 7). Given the proposals in the 99-563-TP-COI docket, it is entirely possible that the structure of the MWCOM tariffs will change drastically, or that MWCOM will elect to maintain tariffs on a web site location. It certainly would be a waste of both Staff and company resources for MWCOM to undertake the effort of consolidating tariffs at this point when the same tariffs may undergo substantial revisions again at the conclusion of 99-563-TP-COI.

For this reason, MWCOM requests that the Commission grant an abeyance of the filing date for the consolidated tariffs until a final order is issued in Case No. 99-563-TP-COI. At that point, MWCOM will undertake both the tariff revisions which are required by the order in that case, and the consolidation of duplicative provisions which would address the concerns of the Commission in these dockets. Because the date for filing the consolidated tariffs is November 23, 1999 MWCOM seeks expedited treatment of this motion.

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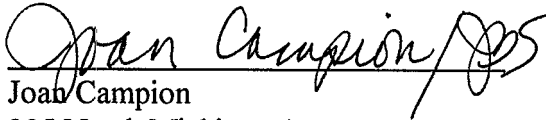
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