

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Applications of MCI)
WorldCom Communications, Inc. to Make) Case Nos. 05-278-TP-ZTA
Various Revisions to its PUCO Tariffs 1 and 2.) 05-279-TP-ZTA

ENTRY

The Commission finds:

- (1) On March 1, 2005, MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. (MCI) filed two applications, Case Nos. 05-278-TP-ZTA (05-278) and 05-279-TP-ZTA (05-279), seeking authority to make various revisions to its PUCO Tariffs 1 (local) and 2 (toll). Included among the tariff revisions filed by MCI in both applications were provisions seeking to recover from the company's Ohio customers a state and local surcharge (Regulatory Assessment Fee) to recover MCI's portion of its annual assessment charged to the company by the Commission.
- (2) By entry issued March 4, 2005, those portions of the tariff revisions regarding the Regulatory Assessment Fee found in PUCO Tariff 1, 1st Revised Page No. 206, Section 10(A) and PUCO Tariff 2, 5th Revised Sheet No. 223, Section 5, 2.2.1 were suspended in order to afford the Commission and its staff additional time to investigate further those surcharges. Under this suspension and until the Commission ordered otherwise, MCI was instructed to cease and desist from recouping the state and local surcharge from its Ohio customers.
- (3) On March 14, 2005, MCI filed a tariff revision in Case No. 05-332-TP-ZTA removing the surcharge language from the local tariff (PUCO Tariff 1). As a result of the March 14, 2005 filing, the suspension issued in 05-279 is no longer necessary and 05-279 is now closed of record.
- (4) After numerous discussions with Commission staff, MCI filed a tariff revision in 05-278 on July 1, 2005, removing the Regulatory Assessment Fee from the toll tariff in its entirety. The Commission finds that the tariff revision filed on July 1, 2005, in 05-278 should be approved. Accordingly, the suspension in 05-279 is now dissolved and the case is closed of record.

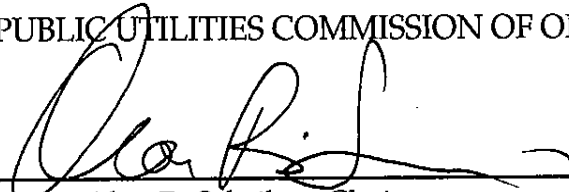
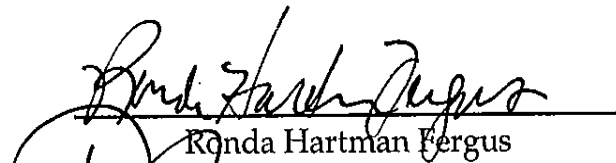
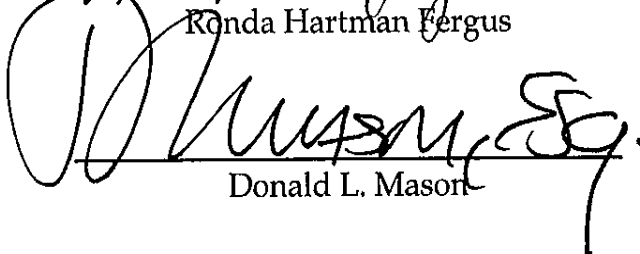
It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That the tariff revision filed in Case No. 05-279-TP-ZTA on July 1, 2005, is approved in accordance with finding 4. It is, further,

ORDERED, That the suspensions issued in Case Nos. 05-278-TP-ZTA and 05-279-TP-ZTA are dissolved in accordance with findings 3 and 4 and the cases are now closed of record. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. and all other interested persons of record.

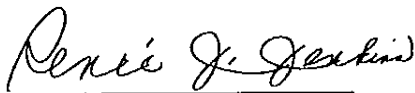
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