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September 24, 1987

Harvey G. Hubbs, Secretary
Missouri Public Service Commission
Truman State Office Building
Fifth Floor
301 West High Street
Jefferson City, Missouri 65102

Re: Case No. AO-87-48 ✓
Case No. TR-88-86

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Dear Mr. Hubbs:

Our client, MCI Telecommunications Corporation, has asked us to respond to the Stipulation recently filed and approved regarding the investigation of United Telephone Company of Missouri's earnings in the aforementioned docket.

As MCI has noted in previous dockets, this Stipulation contemplates rate reductions only for certain categories of telephone service. MCI objects to the inequity of rate reductions benefitting only certain classes of service when all classes of service contribute to the tax savings being addressed in this case. While MCI objects to the Stipulation, MCI will not insist on a hearing nor pursue a rehearing.

With respect to the procedures followed in this docket, MCI wishes that the record reflect the following:

As an intervenor and party to these proceedings, MCI attempted to monitor the discussions that took place between United, Staff and Public Counsel; however, MCI was consistently excluded from these discussions and was kept advised only minimally of developments. MCI received a copy of a draft Stipulation and we were assured that we would receive a copy of the revised final Stipulation prior to filing and approval by the Commission so that we could file comments. However, MCI did not receive the final Stipulation until after it had been filed and approved by the Commission. Throughout these proceedings MCI has attempted to conduct its participation in a low-key manner that would be respectful of the proprietary financial information at issue. Implicit in MCI's forbearance was communication to MCI of significant developments and, of course, notice of filings.

Mr. Harvey G. Hubbs
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An original and fourteen (14) copies of this letter are enclosed. Thank you for bringing this matter to the Commission's attention.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Leland B. Curtis". The signature is written in a cursive style with some capitalization.

Leland B. Curtis

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cc: C.K. Casteel, Jr.
All parties of record