BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Name Change of MCI) Communications Services, Inc. to Verizon) Business Services Case No. XN-2006-0275 Tariff File No. JX-2006-0495 and JX-2006-0496

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its

recommendation states:

1. On December 23, 2005, MCI Communications Services, Inc. (MCI) filed

proposed tariff sheets which add the fictitious name Verizon Business Services. The proposed

tariff sheets bear a proposed effective date of January 23, 2006.

2. Commission rule 4 CSR 240-2.060 provides:

(5) A name change may be accomplished by filing the items below with a cover letter requesting a change of name. Notwithstanding any other provision of these rules, the items required herein may be filed by a nonattorney. Applications for approval of a change of name shall include:

(A) A statement, clearly setting out both the old name and the new name;

(B) Evidence of registration of the name change with the Missouri secretary of state; and

(C) Either an adoption notice and revised tariff title sheet with an effective date which is not fewer than thirty (30) days after the filing date of the application, or revised tariff sheets with an effective date which is not fewer than thirty (30) days after the filing date of the application.

3. In the attached Memorandum, which is labeled Appendix A, the Staff recommends that the Commission recognize the fictitious name and approve the proposed tariff sheets.

4. The application clearly sets out the old name (MCI Communications Services,

Inc.) and the new name (MCI Communications Services, Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services).

The application includes a copy of MCI's Registration with the Missouri Secretary of State of

the fictitious name Verizon Business Services. The application includes an adoption notice and revised tariff title sheet for MCI's Tariff Nos. 1 and 3. See Tariff File Nos. JX-2006-0495 and JX-2006-0496, respectively.

WHEREFORE, Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order that recognizes MCI Communication Services Inc.'s fictitious name Verizon Business Services, and that approves the adoption notices and title sheets effective January 23, 2006.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 3rd day of January 2006.

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