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Re: Case No. TO-98-49

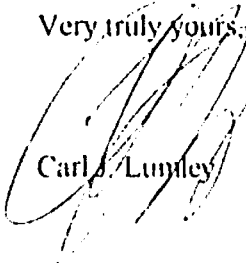
Dear Mr. Wright:

Enclosed herewith for filing in the above-referenced case please find an original and fifteen (15) copies of the following documents:

1. MCI Telecommunications Corporation's and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc.'s Application to Intervene; and
2. MCI Telecommunications Corporation's and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc.'s, Entry of Appearance.

Please file stamp the extra copies and return in the enclosed self-addressed, postage prepaid envelope to the undersigned for our records.

Very truly yours,

  
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Enclosures  
cc. Parties of Record

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In the Matter of the Application of the )  
Mid-Missouri Group and the Small )  
Telephone Company Group of )  
Incumbent Local Exchange Companies )  
for Designation as Telecommunications )  
Company Carriers Eligible for Federal )  
Universal Service Support pursuant to )  
§ 254 of the 1996 Telecommunications Act. )

Case No. TO-98-49

MCI TELECOMMUNICATIONS CORPORATION'S AND  
MCImetro ACCESS TRANSMISSION SERVICES, INC'S  
APPLICATION TO INTERVENE

Come now MCI Telecommunications Corporation (MCI) and MCImetro Access Transmission Services, Inc. (MCImetro) and for their Application to Intervene state to the Commission:

1. MCI is a competitive interexchange telecommunications company duly incorporated and existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, authorized to do business in the State of Missouri as a foreign corporation. Its principal Missouri offices are currently located at 100 S. Fourth Street, St. Louis, Missouri 63102. It is an authorized provider of intrastate interexchange telecommunications services in Missouri under certificates granted and tariffs approved by the Commission, as well as an authorized provider of interstate interexchange telecommunications services subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission.

2. MCImetro is a competitive telecommunications company organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware, and authorized to conduct business in the State of Missouri. Its principal place of business is 2400 North Glenville Drive, Richardson Texas, 75082. It is an authorized provider of intrastate interexchange and local exchange telecommunications services in

Missouri under certificates granted and tariffs approved by the Commission, as well as an authorized provider of interstate interexchange telecommunications services subject to the jurisdiction of the Federal Communications Commission.

3. All communications and pleadings in this docket should be directed to:

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4. On or about August 1, 1997, Mid-Missouri Group (Mid-Mo) and the Small Telephone Company Group (STCG) filed their Application for Designation as Eligible Carriers pursuant to § 254 of the Telecommunications Act of 1996, requesting that the Commission designate, prior to December 31, 1997, each of the members of Mid-Mo and STCG as telecommunications carriers eligible under the provisions of 47 CFR 54.201(d) to receive federal universal service support.


4. MCI and MCImetro seek to intervene in the proceeding because the Commission's decision may affect MCI's and MCImetro's interest as purchasers and potential purchasers of access services, as well as MCI's and MCImetro's interest as providers and potential providers of telecommunications interexchange services.

5. MCI's and MCImetro's interests as telecommunications companies are different from those of the general public. Furthermore, MCI's and MCImetro's intervention in this proceeding is in the public interest because of MCI's and MCImetro's interests in enhancing competition, and because of their expertise in the telecommunications industry.

WHEREFORE, MCI and MCImetro respectfully request the Commission to issue its order granting MCI's and MCImetro's Application to Intervene.

Respectfully Submitted,

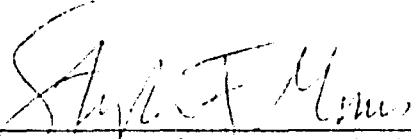
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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE BY MAIL**

A true and correct copy of the foregoing was served upon the parties identified in the attached service list on this 26 day of August, 1997, by placing same in a postage paid envelope and depositing in the U.S. Mail.

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