BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Request for approval of) DOCKET NO. 940678-TI
tariff filing to waive Rule 2524.485(1), F.A.C., allowing the) ORDER NO. PSC-94-1000-FOF-TI
Best Friends Promotion and)
Domestic Calling Promotion A to)
run longer than 90 days, by MCI)
Telecommunications Corporation)
(T-94-318 filed 6/16/94))

The following Commissioners participated in the disposition of this matter:

J. TERRY DEASON, Chairman SUSAN F. CLARK JULIA L. JOHNSON DIANE K. KIESLING

ORDER APPROVING TARIFF FILING TO WAIVE RULE 25-24.485(1)(i) FLORIDA ADMINISTRATIVE CODE

BY THE COMMISSION:

I. BACKGROUND

MCI Communications Corporation (MCI) filed proposed revisions to its Tariff No. 2 in an initial letter dated June 15, 1994 and in a subsequent letter dated June 21, 1994. The purpose of the filing was to request a waiver of Rule 25-24.485(1)(i), Florida Administrative Code, to enable MCI to: 1) extend its Best Friends promotion scheduled from July 20, 1994 through December 31, 1994; and 2) enable it to offer the Domestic Calling Promotion A for Execunet customers who also participate in the Friends & Family Program from July 19, 1994 until June 6, 1995.

II. EXTENSION OF BEST FRIENDS PROMOTION

MCI Communications Corporation (MCI) offered a Best Friends promotion extending from January 20, 1994 to April 21, 1994. For a monthly \$1.00 charge, Best Friends enables new and existing customers who participate in Friends and Family to include one domestic number in his or her calling circle to receive a 20% Best Friends discount, regardless of which primary interexchange carrier is assigned to that number. However, if the Best Friends designated number has MCI assigned to it, both the Best Friends

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discount and the Friends and Family discount would apply. In this case, the total discount would be 40%. The Commission approved this promotion in Order No. PSC-94-0684-FOF-TI and it has been re-offered from May 3, 1994 to July 19, 1994.

Upon consideration, we find it appropriate to approve the requested extension from July 20, 1994 through December 31, 1994. Because the program benefits customers by providing lower rates, it is appropriate that this promotion last more than 90 days. Therefore, we find it appropriate to also waive Rule 25-24.485(1)(i), Florida Administrative Code, to allow MCI to offer the promotion over the extended period of time.

III. DOMESTIC CALLING PROMOTION A FOR EXECUNET CUSTOMERS

Domestic Calling Promotion A provides additional discounts to those offered with Friends and Family for Execunet customers who also participate in the Friends & Family Program. Eligible customers receive a 40% discount on calls to intrastate telephone numbers in their calling circle and a 20% discount on calls to intrastate telephone numbers nominated for inclusion in the customer's calling circle, but which numbers are not presubscribed to MCI.

MCI has requested waiver of Rule 25-24.485(1)(i) Florida Administrative Code to enable it to offer the Domestic Calling Promotion A for Execunet customers who also participate in the Friends & Family Program from July 19, 1994 until June 6, 1995. As with the promotion discussed above, the program benefits customers by providing lower rates. Thus, it is appropriate that this promotion last more than 90 days. Therefore, we find it appropriate to waive Rule 25-24.485(1)(i), Florida Administrative Code, to allow MCI to offer the promotion over the extended period of time.

Based on the foregoing, it is

ORDERED by the Florida Public Service Commission that MCI Communications Corporation's request to waive Rule 25-24.485(1)(i), Florida Administrative Code, to allow the Company to extend its Best Friends promotion from July 20, 1994 through December 31, 1994, is granted. It is further

ORDERED that MCI's request to waive Rule 25-24.485(1)(i), Florida Administrative Code, to allow the Company to offer the Domestic Calling Promotion A for Execunet customers who also ORDER NO. PSC-94-1000-FOF-TI DOCKET NO. 940678-TI PAGE 3

participate in the Friends & Family Program from July 19, 1994 until June 6, 1995, is granted. It is further

ORDERED that this tariff shall become effective July 19, 1994. It is further

ORDERED that if a protest is filed in accordance with the requirement set forth below in the Notice of Further Proceedings or Judicial Review, the tariff shall remain in effect with any increase in revenues held subject to refund pending resolution of the protest. It is further

ORDERED that, if no protest is timely filed, this docket shall be closed.

By ORDER of the Florida Public Service Commission, this 18th day of August, 1994.

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BLANCA S. BAYO, Director Division of Records and Reporting

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NOTICE OF FURTHER PROCEEDINGS OR JUDICIAL REVIEW

The Florida Public Service Commission is required by Section 120.59(4), Florida Statutes, to notify parties of any administrative hearing or judicial review of Commission orders that is available under Sections 120.57 or 120.68, Florida Statutes, as well as the procedures and time limits that apply. This notice should not be construed to mean all requests for an administrative hearing or judicial review will be granted or result in the relief sought.

The Commission's decision on this tariff is interim in nature and will become final, unless a person whose substantial interests are affected by the action proposed files a petition for a formal ORDER NO. PSC-94-1000-FOF-TI DOCKET NO. 940678-TI PAGE 4

proceeding, as provided by Rule 25-22.036(4), Florida Administrative Code, in the form provided by Rule 25-22.036(7)(a)(d) and (e), Florida Administrative Code. This petition must be received by the Director, Division of Records and Reporting at her office at 101 East Gaines Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870, by the close of business on <u>September 8, 1994</u>.

In the absence of such a petition, this order shall become final on the day subsequent to the above date.

Any objection or protest filed in this docket before the issuance date of this Order is considered abandoned unless it satisfies the foregoing conditions and is renewed within the specified protest period.

If this Order becomes final on the date described above, any party adversely affected may request judicial review by the Florida Supreme Court in the case of an electric, gas or telephone utility or by the First District Court of Appeal in the case of a water or wastewater utility by filing a notice of appeal with the Director, Division of Records and Reporting and filing a copy of the notice of appeal and the filing fee with the appropriate court. This filing must be completed within thirty (30) days of the date this Order becomes final, pursuant to Rule 9.110, Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure. The notice of appeal must be in the form specified in Rule 9.900(a), Florida Rules of Appellate Procedure.