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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In Re: Petition by MCI) D Telecommunications Corporation) for arbitration with United) F Telephone Company of Florida and) Central Telephone Company of) Florida concerning) interconnection rates, terms and) conditions, pursuant to the) Federal Telecommunications Act) of 1996.)

) DOCKET NO. 961230-TP)) FILED: DECEMBER 6, 1996)

STAFF'S PREHEARING STATEMENT

Pursuant to Order No. PSC-96-1325-PCO-TP, the Staff of the Florida Public Service Commission files its Prehearing Statement.

- A. <u>All Known Witnesses</u>: Staff does not intend to sponsor a witness at this time.
- B. <u>All Known Exhibits</u>: Staff has not yet identified a tentative list of exhibits which it intends to use in this proceeding. Staff will supply a tentative list of such exhibits at or prior to the Prehearing Conference.
- C. <u>Staff's Statement of Basic Position</u>:

None pending discovery.

D.-F. Staff's Position on the Issues:

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 ISSUE 1:
 At what points should MCI be permitted to interconnect

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 with Sprint and what are the appropriate trunking

 APP
 arrangements between MCI and Sprint for local

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CTR _____ISSUE 2: What should be the compensation mechanism for the exchange of local traffic between MCI and Sprint?

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- **ISSUE 3a:** Are the following items considered to be network elements, capabilities or functions? If so, is it technically feasible for Sprint to provide MCI with these elements?
 - Network Interface Device
 - Unbundled Loop
 - Loop Distribution
 - Local Switching
 - Operator Systems (DA Service/911 Service)
 - Multiplexing/Digital Cross-Connect
 - Dedicated Transport
 - Common Transport
 - Tandem Switching
 - Signaling Link Transport
 - Signal Transfer Points
 - Service Control Points/Databases
- **<u>STAFF</u>**: No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 3b:** What is the appropriate cost methodology for setting the price of each of the items considered to be network elements, capabilities, or functions?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 3c:** What should be the price of each of the items considered to be network elements, capabilities, or functions?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISEVE 3d:** What should be the process for identifying and requesting additional unbundled network elements?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 4:** What intrastate access charges, if any, should be collected on a transitional basis from carriers who purchase Sprint's unbundled local switching element? How long should any transitional period last?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.

- **ISSUE 5:** Do the provisions of Sections 251 and 252 apply to access to dark fiber? If so, what are the appropriate rates, terms, and conditions?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 6:** Should MCI be allowed to combine unbundled network elements in any manner it chooses, including recreating existing Sprint services?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 7:** What services provided by Sprint, if any, should be excluded from resale?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 8:** Should Sprint be prohibited from imposing restrictions on the resale of Sprint services?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 9:** What is the appropriate methodology to determine the avoided cost amounts to be applied to Sprint's retail rates when MCI purchases such services for resale?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 10:** Should Sprint be required to provide notice to its wholesale customers of changes to Sprint's services? If so, in what manner and in what time frame?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.

ISSUE 11a:

When MCI resells Sprint's services, is it technically feasible or otherwise appropriate for Sprint to brand operator services and directory services calls that are initiated from those resold services?

<u>STAFF:</u> No position at this time.

ISSUE 11b:

When Sprint's employees or agents interact with MCI's customers with respect to a service provided by Sprint on behalf of MCI, what type of branding requirements are technically feasible or otherwise appropriate?

- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 12:** When MCI resells Sprint's local exchange service, or purchases unbundled local switching, is it technically feasible or otherwise appropriate to 1) route 0+ and 0- calls to an operator other than Sprint's, 2) to route 411 and 555-1212 directory assistance calls to an operator other than Sprint's, or 3) to route 611 repair calls to a repair center other than Sprint's?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 13:** Should Sprint be required to provide real-time and interactive access via electronic interfaces as requested by MCI to perform the following:
 - Pre-Service Ordering
 - Service Trouble Reporting
 - Service Order Processing and Provisioning
 - Customer Usage Data Transfer
 - Local Account Maintenance

If the process requires the development of additional capabilities, in what time frame should they be deployed? What are the costs involved, and how should these costs be recovered?

<u>STAFF:</u> No position at this time.

- **ISSUE 14:** What type of customer authorization is required for access to customer account information and transfer of existing services?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.

- **ISSUE 15:** What billing data format should be used to render bills to MCI for services and elements purchased from Sprint?
- **<u>STAFF</u>**: No position at this time.
- **IBSUE 16:** Where MCI resells a Sprint service, should Sprint be required to provide MCI with the billing information necessary for MCI to bill its customers for collect and third-party calls?
- **STAFF:** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 17:** What are the appropriate rates, terms and conditions, if any, for rating information services traffic between MCI and Sprint?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 18:** Should Sprint be required to allow MCI to have an appearance (e.g. logo or name) on the cover of the white and yellow page directories?
- **STAFF:** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 19:** What are the appropriate arrangements to provide MCI with nondiscriminatory access to white and yellow page directory listings?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 20:** What should be the cost recovery mechanism for remote call forwarding (RCF) used to provide interim local number portability in light of the FCC's recent order?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 21:** Should Sprint be prohibited from placing any limitations on the interconnection between two carriers collocated on Sprint's premises, or on the types of equipment that can be collocated, and or on the types of users and availability of the collocated space?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.

- **ISSUE 22:** What are the appropriate rates, terms and conditions for collocation (both physical and virtual)?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 23:** What capacity, engineering and related information should be provided by Sprint regarding its poles, ducts, conduits, and rights-of-way? What compensation, if any, is appropriate?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **<u>ISSUE 24:</u>** What are the appropriate rates, terms and conditions related to termination of 611 traffic?
- **<u>STAFF</u>**: No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 25:** What are the appropriate general contractual terms and conditions that should govern the arbitration agreement (e.g. resolution of disputes, performance requirements, and treatment of confidential information)?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 26:** What are the appropriate contractual provisions for liability and indemnification for failure to meet the requirements contained in the arbitrated agreement?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 27:** What are the appropriate standards, if any, for performance metrics, service restoration, and quality assurance related to services provided by Sprint for resale and for network elements provided to MCI by Sprint? How should compliance with such standards be monitored and enforced?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
- **ISSUE 28:** Should the agreement be approved pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996?
- **<u>STAFF</u>**: No position at this time.

- **ISSUE 29:** What are the appropriate post-hearing procedures for submission and approval of the final arbitrated agreement?
- **<u>STAFF:</u>** No position at this time.
 - G. <u>Stipulation</u>

Staff is not aware of any issues that have been stipulated at this time.

H. <u>Pending Motions</u>:

Staff has no pending motions at this time.

I. Compliance With Order No. PSC-96-1325-PCO-TP

Staff has complied with all requirements of the Order Establishing Procedure issued in this docket.

RESPECTFULLY SUBMITTED,

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