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Re: Docket No. 960847-TP

Dear Rob:

This is to follow-up on our recent telephone conversation regarding the status of this docket. It is my understanding that both AT&T and MCI have notified the Commission that there is no need to proceed with this docket at this time. Based on that, the expectation is that the hearings will be cancelled.

ACK _____ On December 11, 1997 ACSI filed a Petition to Intervene in this docket and on January 22, 1998 Commissioner Deason, as the Prehearing Officer, issued an Order Denying Intervention. ACSI was planning to request reconsideration of the order by the full Commission when we learned of the correspondence from AT&T and MCI. It is our understanding that the hearings are to be canceled and given past Commission action on requests such as those filed by AT&T and MCI, that seems to be a reasonable expectation.

CTR _____ With the cancellation of the hearings, there does not appear to be any reason to pursue reconsideration of the order denying intervention thus ACSI has not filed a Petition for Reconsideration. As I stated though, ACSI does not agree with the denial, and the decision not to file a petition was made solely because of the status of this docket and the recent developments and should not be construed as an intent to recede from or abandon any position which was taken with

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respect to the request to intervene. If not for the information that the hearings were to be canceled, ACSI would have filed a Petition for Reconsideration and would have sought reversal of the initial denial of intervention. At this time, however, it seems that the efforts and interest of the Commission and ACSI are best served by focusing on issues and cases which remain open.

Should you have any questions, please call me.

Sincerely,



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