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Ms. Blanca Bayó, Director Commission Clerk and Administrative Services Room 110, Easley Building Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Blvd. Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Re:

Docket No. 030852-TP

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC and MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. (hereinafter "MCI") are an original and fifteen copies of MCI's Request for Confidential Classification for information provided in the Rebuttal Testimony of Gary Ball in the above referenced docket.

Please acknowledge receipt of these documents by stamping the extra copy of this letter "filed" and returning the same to me.

Thank you for your assistance with this filing.

Sincerely yours,

Floyd R. Self

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Implementation of requirements arising)	
from Federal Communications Commission)	Docket No. 030852-TP
triennial UNE review: For DS1, DS3, and Dark)	
Fiber Loops and Route-Specific Review for).	Filed: March 24, 2004
DS1, DS3, and Dark Fiber Transport)	
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MCI'S REQUEST FOR CONFIDENTIAL CLASSIFICATION

MCImetro Access Transmission Services, LLC and MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. (hereinafter, "MCI"), pursuant to section 364.183, Florida Statutes, and Rule 25-2.006, Florida Administrative Code, requests confidential classification of certain data previously filed in this docket pursuant to a claim for confidentiality. In support of this request MCI hereby states:

- 1. On January 21, 2004, the Florida Competitive Carriers Association (hereinafter "FCCA") filed in the above-captioned proceeding the Rebuttal Testimony of Gary Ball. Ball's Rebuttal Testimony had attached exhibits that contained confidential proprietary business information about MCI, namely, specific portions of Ball's Rebuttal Testimony. When FCCA filed Ball's Rebuttal Testimony, it filed the appropriate corresponding Claim for Confidential Treatment, in accordance with Rule 25-22.006(5) and section 364.183(1), Florida Statutes.
- 2. MCI hereby files this Request for Confidential Classification, in accordance with Rule 25-22.006(4), Florida Administrative Code, for specific portions of Ball's Rebuttal Testimony. The public and redacted copies required by Rule 25-22.006(4) are not being filed at this time as they were filed with the claim filed on January 21, 2004.

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- 3. The information for which confidential classification is requested reveals confidential and proprietary business information. Specifically, the information includes:
- (a) Gary Ball's Rebuttal Testimony, Transcript page 15, line 23, identifies companies and the services they provide that MCI considers to be confidential;
- (b) Gary Ball's Rebuttal Testimony, Transcript page 20, lines 5-6, identifies companies and the services they provide that MCI considers to be confidential.
- 5. The information contained in Gary Ball's Rebuttal Testimony referenced above provides detailed information about companies and the services they provide that MCI considers to be confidential. MCI considers such information to be trade secrets and proprietary, confidential business information which, if disclosed, would be of benefit to competitors and cause harm to MCI and its customers. Such information provides MCI an economic benefit, and is not known or readily ascertainable to other persons. Such information is economically valuable to MCI and its competitors, and MCI treats such information as confidential and maintains many processes and procedures to maintain its secrecy.
- 6. A trade secret is denied in section 688.002(4), Florida Statutes, the Uniform Secrets Act, to mean:

[I]nformation, including a formula, pattern, compilation, program, devise, method, technique, or process that:

- (a) Derives independent economic value, actual or potential, from not being generally known to, and not be readily ascertainable by proper means by, other persons who can obtain economic value from its disclosure or use; and
- (b) Is the subject of efforts that are reasonable under the circumstances to maintain its secrecy.

The information at issue fits plainly in this definition as set forth above. Accordingly, the Commission should grant the request for confidential treatment and find in the information contained in Gary Ball's Rebuttal Testimony at pages 15, line 23 and page 20, lines 5-6 to be confidential and exempt from section 119.071(1), pursuant to section 364.183(3)(a) and (e).

WHEREFORE, based on the foregoing, MCI respectfully requests that, pursuant to Section 364.183, Florida Statutes, the Commission enter an Order declaring the information described above to be confidential, proprietary business information that is not subject to public disclosure.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

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