COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY

BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

MCI'S TARIFF FILING TO INTRODUCE) METERED USE SERVICE OPTION H) CASE NO. 10049

ORDER

On September 9, 1987, MCI Telecommunications Corporation ("MCI") filed a tariff with the Commission to introduce its Metered Use Service Option H (MCI 800 Service). The service is an inward WATS service which permits interstate and intrastate calls to a customer's station in one location from stations in diverse geographical service areas. The MCI customer is billed for those calls instead of the call originator.

On October 6, 1987, the Commission suspended the tariff for further investigation. Also, on October 6, 1987, South Central Bell Telephone Company ("SCB") filed a motion to intervene and moved the Commission to consolidate the investigation of this tariff with the matters in Case Nos. 9874, 9902 and 9928.¹ Intervention status was granted to SCB on October 30, 1987. On October 20, 1987, the Attorney General, by and through his Utility

AT&T Tariff Filing Proposing MEGACOM/MEGACOM 800 Service; US Sprint's Tariff Filing Proposing to Rename Its WATS Products, Change Billing Calculations Methods for WATS, Introduce ULTRAWATS, Travelcard, Direct 800 and Ultra 800; MCI's Tariff Filings to Establish Prism Plus, Prism I, and Prism II Services

and Rate Intervention Division, ("AG") moved to intervene. The Commission granted the motion on October 27, 1987.

The Commission, being advised, is of the opinion and finds that:

1. MCI 800 service is capable of being used to complete intraLATA calls and, thus, the issue of intraLATA compensation should be addressed as part of the generic proceeding which the Commission will establish in January, 1988, according to an Order dated November 13, 1987, in Case Nos. 9874, 9902, and 9928.

2. No hearing should be necessary in the instant case.

3. Because the Commission does not wish to disadvantage any company, it should grant approval for the MCI 800 tariff, as it has done for the tariffs in Case Nos. 9874, 9902 and 9928.

4. MCI should implement procedures to measure and report interstate and intrastate jurisdictional usage and interLATA and intraLATA usage.

5. MCI should inform prospective customers that the use of this service to complete intraLATA calls is not authorized by this Commission.

6. MCI should be ordered to compensate local exchange carriers for unauthorized intraLATA call completion from the date of this order based on compensation schemes developed in the generic proceeding to be opened January, 1988.

7. SCB's motion to consolidate this proceeding into Case Nos. 9874, 9902 and 9928 should be denied, because a compensation scheme for this tariff will be addressed in a generic proceeding to be established in January 1988.

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8. SCB and the AG are parties to the generic proceeding to be established in January 1988 and their concerns should be addressed in that case.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:

The issue of intraLATA compensation as it relates to MCI
800 service shall be addressed as part of a generic proceeding
which the Commission will establish in January 1988.

2. MCI 800 be granted approval as it is in the best interest of the public and the company.

3. Each of the remaining findings are hereby ordered.

4. MCI shall file its implementation procedures for the determination of jurisdictional usage as described in finding 4 by November 30, 1987.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 23rd day of November, 1987.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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ATTEST:

Executive Director