

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

PETITION OF MCI WORLDCOM)	
COMMUNICATIONS, INC. FOR APPROVAL)	CASE NO.
OF AN INTERCONNECTION AGREEMENT)	2003-00072
WITH KENTUCKY ALLTEL, INC.)	
PURSUANT TO 47 U.S.C. SECTION 252)	

O R D E R

On February 25, 2003, MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. (MCI WorldCom) and Kentucky ALLTEL, Inc. submitted to the Commission an interconnection agreement. The agreement was negotiated pursuant to the Telecommunications Act of 1996 (1996 Act), 47 U.S.C. Sections 251 and 252. Section 252(e) of the 1996 Act requires the parties to an interconnection agreement adopted by negotiation to submit the agreement for approval to the Commission. MCI WorldCom asked that the agreement be approved by Order rather than by operation of law. An electronic copy of the agreement was also filed.

The Commission has reviewed the agreement and finds that no portion of the amendment discriminates against a telecommunications carrier not a party to the agreement. The Commission also finds that the implementation of this agreement is consistent with the public interest, convenience, and necessity.

The Commission, having been otherwise sufficiently advised, HEREBY ORDERS that the agreement is approved.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 7th day of March, 2003.

By the Commission

ATTEST:

W. H. Fowler
Deputy Executive Director