

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

AN INQUIRY INTO INTRALATA TOLL)	
COMPETITION, AN APPROPRIATE)	
COMPENSATION SCHEME FOR COMPLETION)	ADMINISTRATIVE
OF INTRALATA CALLS BY INTEREXCHANGE)	CASE NO. 323
CARRIERS, AND WATS JURISDICTIONALITY)	

O R D E R

This matter arising upon petition of MCI Telecommunications Corporation ("MCI"), pursuant to 807 KAR 5:001, Section 7, filed May 15, 1989 and supplemented on July 10, 1989 for confidential protection of certain information filed with this Commission pursuant to a request by South Central Bell Telephone Company to William Beard, and it appearing to the Commission as follows:

On May 15, 1989, MCI filed its responses to certain data requests by South Central Bell Telephone Company to William Beard. Simultaneously with its responses, MCI petitioned the Commission to protect from public disclosure the information furnished in response to Items 2, 4, 8, 12, 13 and 14 of the requests on the grounds that disclosure to the public would cause MCI competitive injury.

MCI provides interLATA telecommunication services in this state and across the country. As such, it must compete with other carriers and the information sought to be protected would be of substantial value to its competitors. Items 2 and 8 contain market share information and market strategy information, Items

4, 12 and 13 contain information relating to MCI's marketing plans, and Item 14 contains market share and financial analyses of various segments of MCI's operations. Disclosure of any of this information would give MCI's competitors an unfair advantage and, thereby cause competitive injury to MCI and adversely affect competition generally. Thus, the benefits of maintaining the confidentiality of this information outweigh the public's interest in its disclosure, and the information should be treated as confidential.

This Commission being otherwise sufficiently advised,

IT IS ORDERED that responses to Items 2, 4, 8, 12, 13, and 14 of the requests by South Central Bell Telephone Company to William Beard, which MCI has petitioned be withheld from public disclosure, shall be held and retained by this Commission as confidential and shall not be open to public inspection.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 19th day of July, 1989.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


Chairman


Vice Chairman


Commissioner

ATTEST:

Executive Director