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January 18, 2008

#### VIA HAND DELIVERY

Marlene H. Dortch Office of the Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, S.W. Washington, DC 20554



Re: Errata notice regarding the January 2, 2008 MCI Communications Services Inc. (d/b/a/ Verizon Business Services) §§ 63.71 and 63.19 Application to Discontinue Telex Service in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, as of March 1, 2008

Dear Ms. Dortch:

This letter serves to correct two errors in the January 2 §§ 63.71 and 63.19 application listed in the caption above, specifically:

- 1. The customer notice attached to the January 2 application, and mailed to all affected customers on December 27, 2007, incorrectly instructed interested parties to file comments within fifteen days of receipt of the notice letter. This instruction has been corrected; the revised notice is being mailed to all affected customers today. A copy of this revised customer notice is attached.
- 2. The Governor of Puerto Rico was inadvertently omitted from the January 2 certificate of service. The Governor's service copy was mailed January 3.

Also attached for your reference is a copy of the file-stamped January 2 application. If you have any questions about this errata filing, please contact me at (703) 351-3179.

Sincerely,

Rashann R. Duwall

Attachments

cc: All United States Governors, including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico All state public utility commissions, including the District of Columbia and Puerto Rico United States Secretary of Defense



22001 Loudon County Parkway Ashburn, VA 20147

Dear [Insert Customer Name],

Verizon Business sent you a notice on December 27, 2007, advising you of Verizon Business' intent to discontinue its existing Telex Service on March 1, 2008. The proposed discontinuance date remains the same. While you are not required to file comments on this proposed discontinuance, the December 27 notice provided an incorrect deadline for submitting any such comments. If you wish to submit such comments you should do so as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of this proposed discontinuance. The following revised notice is being issued simply to provide you with the correct deadline for filing comments concerning this proposed discontinuance. The revisions to the December 27, 2007, notice are underscored below:

# CORRECTED NOTICE (REPLACING DECEMBER 27, 2007, NOTICE)

As you were previously advised, and as part of its effort to focus on services that best meet the demand of its customers, Verizon Business intends to decommission its existing Telex Service on March 1, 2008.

The Telex Service is offered in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico on an interstate and international basis, and will be discontinued in all such fifty states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico. The service provides customers with messaging capabilities offered by foreign Postal, Telephone, and Telegraph (PTTs) service providers. Verizon Business operates its own telex exchange and provides direct connectivity to foreign telex exchanges around the world. The service allows users to send teletype messages with global coverage. The demand for the Telex Service, which has been offered for fifty years, has diminished significantly over the past few years and is being replaced by email and Internet services. Presently, Verizon Business has fewer than 100 customers for this service. These customers have other service options available to them as several providers offer reasonable service alternatives.

The FCC will normally authorize this proposed discontinuance of service unless it is shown that customers would be unable to receive service or a reasonable substitute from another carrier or that the public convenience and necessity is otherwise adversely affected. If you wish to object, you should file your comments as soon as possible, but no later than 15 days after the Commission releases public notice of the proposed discontinuance. Address them to the Federal Communications Commission, Wireline Competition Bureau, Competition Policy Division, Washington, D.C. 20554, and include in your comments a reference to the §63.71 Application of MCI Communications Services Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services. Comments should include specific information about the impact of this proposed discontinuance upon you or your company, including any inability to acquire reasonable substitute service.

If you would like to transition your Telex Service to another provider, we suggest you do so as soon as possible. As Verizon Business' Telex Service will be discontinued on March 1, 2008, to avoid a potential lapse in service, you should place an order for disconnection well in advance of that date. If you fail to choose another provider for your Telex Service by the proposed discontinuance date, you will **NOT** automatically be transferred to another provider.

If you have any questions about alternative service options or want additional information regarding the decommissioning of this service, please contact a member of your local Verizon Business account team.

Sincerely,

Verizon Business Product Marketing

# CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on this 18th day of January 2008, I served a copy of the foregoing Errata notice regarding the January 2, 2008 MCI Communications Services Inc. (d/b/a/ Verizon Business Services) §§ 63.71 and 63.19 Application to Discontinue Telex Service in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and Puerto Rico, as of March 1, 2008 by U.S. Mail postage prepaid to the parties on the attached list.

Rashann R. Duvall

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Federal Communications Commission Office of the Secretary

# VIA HAND DELIVERY

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Federal Communications Commission
445 12<sup>th</sup> Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Re: MCI Communications Services Inc. Section 63.71 and 63.19 Discontinuance

Application

Rashann R. Durale

Dear Ms. Dortch:

MCI Communications Services Inc. d/b/a/ Verizon Business Services ("Verizon") hereby submits the enclosed Application for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act and Sections 63.71 and 63.19 of the Commission's rules to discontinue the provision of Telex service which is currently offered in all fifty-states and Puerto Rico on a domestic interstate and international basis.

If you have any questions about the attached filing, please contact me at (703) 351-3179.

Sincerely,

Rashann R. Duvall

Attachment

cc: Secretary of Defense, Attn: Special Assistant for Telecommunications
Public Utility Commissions in each affected state
Office of the Governor in each affected state

# Before the FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20554

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In the Matter of	)	
Sections 63.71 and 63.19 Application of	)	
MCI Communications Services Inc.	)	
d/b/a Verizon Business Services	)	File no.
	)	
For Authority Pursuant to Section 214 of	)	
the Communications Act of 1934,	)	
To Discontinue the Provision of Service	)	
	)	

# SECTION 63.71 AND SECTION 63.19 APPLICATION OF MCI COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES INC. D/B/A VERIZON BUSINESS SERVICES

MCI Communications Services Inc. d/b/a/ Verizon Business Services ("Verizon") hereby submits this Application for authority under Section 214(a) of the Communications Act and Sections 63.71 and 63.19 of the Commission's rules to discontinue providing Telex service which is offered in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and in Puerto Rico on a domestic interstate and international basis. As required by Sections 63.71(a) and (b) of the Commission's rules, Verizon provides the following information:

# 1. Name and Address of Carrier (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71 (a)(1), (b)(2)):

MCI Communications Services Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services 22001 Loudoun County Parkway Ashburn, VA 20147

# 2. Date of Planned Service Discontinuance (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(2), (b)(2)):

The proposed discontinuance will take place on March 1, 2008, subject to the Commission's authorization pursuant to Section 63.71(c) of the Commission's rules.

3. Points of Geographic Areas of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(3), b(2)):

Verizon will discontinue providing Telex service in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and in Puerto Rico, subject to the Commission's authorization of the proposed discontinuance pursuant to Section 63.71(c) of the Commission's rules.

4. Brief Description of Type of Service Affected (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.71(a)(4), b(2)):

Verizon currently offers Telex service in all fifty states, the District of Columbia, and in Puerto Rico on a domestic interstate and international basis. Telex service allows subscribers to send real-time teletype messages. The public convenience and necessity will not be impaired by this proposed service discontinuance because there are several alternative providers of telex services in the United States.

5. Brief Description of the Dates and Methods of Notice to All Affected Customers (47 C.F.R. §§ 63.19(a), 63.71 (b)(3)):

Written notification of the proposed discontinuance to the affected customers was mailed to the affected customers on December 27, 2007. The affected customers will receive written notification ("Notice") in the mail more than 60 days before the proposed discontinuance. The Notice informs the affected customers that alternative service options exist. A copy of the Notice sent to the affected customers is attached to this Application.

Copies of this Application are being sent via first class U.S. Mail to the governor and public utilities commission for each affected state and also to the Special Assistant for Telecommunications to the Secretary of Defense, as required by Section 63.71(a) of the Commission's rules.

# 6. Regulatory Classification of Carrier (47 C.F.R. § 63.71(b)(4)):

Verizon is considered non-dominant with respect to the service to be discontinued.

# CONCLUSION

Verizon respectfully requests that the Commission approve this Application requesting authority under Sections 63.71 and 63.19 of the Commission's rules to discontinue providing Telex service nationwide.

Respectfully submitted,

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January 2, 2008