#### ATTACHMENT 1 TO FCC ELECTRONIC FORM

# Notification of *Pro Forma* Assignment

Pursuant to Section 214 of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended, ("the Act"), 47 U.S.C. § 214, and Section 63.24(f) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 63.24(f), Verizon Business Global LLC ("Verizon Business Global") and MCI Communications Corporation notify the Federal Communications Commission ("Commission" or "FCC") of the *pro forma* assignment of international Section 214 authorizations held by Verizon Business Global to its wholly owned subsidiary, MCI Communications Corporation, as part of a planned internal corporate restructuring involving regulated indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of Verizon Communications Inc. ("Verizon"). This transaction closed on December 31, 2015.

# Answer to Question 10 - Section 63.18(c)-(d):

Correspondence concerning this notification should be sent to:

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Verizon Business Global and MCI Communications Corporation received prior approval for the *pro forma* assignment of Verizon Business Global's interest in the MAYA-1 submarine cable. *See Actions Taken Under Cable Landing License Act*, Public Notice, DA 15-1411, Report No. SCL-00171, File No. SCL-ASG-20151120-00031 (Dec. 11, 2015). Verizon Business Global and MCI Communications Corporation are also filing notifications regarding the *pro forma* assignment of Verizon Business Global's other submarine cable interest, which qualify for the Commission's post-closing notification procedures. *See Review of Commission Consideration of Applications Under Cable Landing License Act*, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 13 FCC Rcd. 22167, 22199 ¶ 61 (2001).

#### International Section 214 Authority:

Verizon Business Global holds the international Section 214 authorizations that are the subject of this notification, File Nos. ITC-214-19880217-00003, ITC-214-19900821-00010, ITC-214-19930723-00134, ITC-214-19930817-00161, ITC-214-19931221-00241, ITC-214-19940103-00389, ITC-214-19940103-00390, ITC-214-19940425-00148, ITC-214-19941221-00008, ITC-214-19961231-00659.

MCI Communications Corporation holds one international Section 214 authorization, File No. ITC-214-19950608-00004.

# Answer to Question 11 - Section 63.18(h):

MCI Communications Corporation, the assignee, is located at One Verizon Way, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920, and is wholly owned by Verizon Business Global, which is also located at One Verizon Way, Basking Ridge, NJ 07920. Verizon Business Global is wholly owned by Verizon, with its primary address at 1095 Avenue of the Americas, New York, NY 10036. Verizon is a publicly traded company with no person or entity known to own ten percent or more of the company's outstanding stock.

# **Answer to Question 13:**

Verizon hereby notifies the Commission of the *pro forma* assignment of international Section 214 authorizations held by Verizon Business Global to its wholly owned subsidiary, MCI Communications Corporation, as part of a planned internal corporate restructuring involving regulated indirect wholly owned subsidiaries of Verizon. This transaction closed on December 31, 2015.

Verizon Business Global and MCI Communications Corporation are both wholly owned subsidiaries of Verizon. Because the assignment did not change the ultimate control of the international Section 214 authorizations at issue (they remain controlled by Verizon), it is *pro forma* in nature.<sup>2</sup> The Commission has stated that, in situations "where no substantial change of control will result from the transfer or assignment, grant of the application is deemed presumptively in the public interest."<sup>3</sup>

In re Fed. Communications Bar Ass'n's Petition for Forbearance from Section 310(d) of the Communications Act Regarding Non-Substantial Assignments of Wireless Licenses & Transfers of Control Involving Telecomms. Carriers, Memorandum Opinion and Order, 13 FCC Rcd. 6293, 6299, ¶ 8 (1998) ("FCBA Forbearance Order") ("corporate reorganization which involves no substantial change in the beneficial ownership of the corporation" is pro forma in nature); cf. 47 C.F.R. § 63.24(d).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> *Id.* at 6295, ¶ 2. *See also 1998 Biennial Review – Review of International Common Carrier Regulations*, Report and Order, 14 FCC Rcd 4909, ¶ 42 (1999) (finding that "[r]egulatory review of [*pro forma*] transactions yields no significant public interest benefits, but may delay or hinder transactions that could provide substantial financial, operational, or administrative benefits for carriers.").