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Ms. Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
The Portals - Room TW-A325
445 12th Street, S.W.
Washington, D.C. 20554

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1. Following are the names, addresses, telephone numbers, and contact points for each of the Joint Applicants.

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Exp: Nov. 17, 1999

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AT&T is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of New York. Correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

David Matsushima
Senior Attorney
AT&T Corp.
Room B2002
131 Morristown Road
Basking Ridge, NJ 07920-1002
(908) 204-8378

BSI is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia. Correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

David Richards
General Attorney
BellSouth Corporation
1155 Peachtree Street, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30309-3610
(404) 249-4413

MCI WorldCom is organized and existing under the laws of the State of Georgia.¹ Correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

Scott A. Shefferman
MCI WorldCom, Inc.
1717 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20037
(202) 721-2585

RSL COM U.S.A. is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware.² Correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

¹ MFS Cableco (Bermuda) Ltd, a wholly owned subsidiary of MCI WorldCom, is the corporate entity that signed the C&MA. MFS Cableco (Bermuda) Ltd. changed its name to MCI WorldCom Global Networks, Ltd. on December 22, 1998, and is organized and existing under the laws of Bermuda.

² RSL COM U.S.A., Inc. is a subsidiary of RSL Communications, Ltd. RSL Communications Ltd. is organized and existing under the laws of Bermuda.

Andrew C. Shields
Vice President
RSL Communications, Ltd.
430 Park Avenue, 5th fl.
New York, NY 10022
(212) 588-3600

with an additional copy to:

Eric Fishman, Esq.
Holland & Knight LLP
2100 Pennsylvania Ave., N.W.
4th Floor
Washington, DC 20037
(202) 828-1849

Sprint is a limited partnership organized and existing under the laws of Delaware.

Correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

Kent Y. Nakamura
Sprint Communications Company L.P.
1850 M Street, N.W., 11th Floor
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 828-7402

STAR is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware.

Correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

James Kolstrud
STAR Telecommunications, Inc.
223 East De La Guerra Street
Santa Barbara, CA 93101
(805) 899-1962

with an additional copy to:

Gregory C. Staple, Esq.
R. Edward Price, Esq.
Koteen & Naftalin
1150 Connecticut Ave., N.W.

Teleglobe is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware. Correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

Charles A. Tievsky
Asst. Vice President, Regulatory Affairs
Teleglobe USA Inc.
11480 Commerce Park Drive
Reston, VA 20191
(703) 755-2430

Tricom USA is a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of Delaware. Correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

Ramon Tarrago
Tricom USA, Inc.
One Exchange Place – Suite 400
Jersey City, NJ 07302
(201) 324-0078

WorldXchange is the doing business as name for Communications Telesystems International, a corporation organized and existing under the laws of the State of California. Correspondence concerning this Application should be addressed to:

Roger B. Abbott
WorldXchange Communications
9999 Willow Creek Road
San Diego, CA 92131
(619) 547-5464

with an additional copy to:

Robert Conn, Esq.
Shaw, Pittman, Potts & Trowbridge
2300 N Street, NW
Washington, DC 20037-1178
(202) 663-8000

2. The Joint Applicants are engaged in the business of furnishing interstate and/or foreign telecommunications services. The Joint Applicants are common carriers subject to the Act and each is an “authorized carrier” as defined in Section 103(7) of the Communications Satellite Act of 1962.

Description of the MAYA-1 Cable System

3. The MAYA-1 Construction and Maintenance Agreement (“C&MA”) was signed by the original Co-Owners of the cable system on September 17, 1998. MAYA-1 will interconnect landing points at Hollywood, Florida; Cancun, Mexico; Puerto Cortes, Honduras; Half Moon Bay, Grand Cayman, Cayman Islands; Puerto Limon, Costa Rica; Colon, Panama; and Tolu, Colombia. MAYA-1 will employ an interconnected collapsed ring configuration that will contain two fiber pairs with five branching units connecting to the landing points. It will employ fiber optic technology operating at 2.5 Gigabits per second (“Gbps”) per wavelength.

A diagram showing the configuration of MAYA-1 is depicted at Exhibit 1 to the C&MA (See Section 214 Application, Attachment A). Segment T comprises the land segment, including cable stations, and Segment S is the submarine section of the MAYA-1 system.

Segment T

Segment T consists of the following Subsegments: Segment T1 comprises the land segment at Hollywood, Florida, United States, and is within the Commission’s jurisdiction; Segment T2 comprises the land segment at Cancun, Mexico; Segment T3 comprises the land segment at Puerto Cortes, Honduras; Segment T4 comprises the land segment at Half Moon Bay, Cayman Islands; Segment T5 comprises the land segment at Puerto Limon, Costa Rica; Segment T6 comprises the land segment at Colon, Panama; and Segment T7 comprises the land segment at Tolu, Colombia.³

Each Subsegment T shall consist of an appropriate share of the land and buildings at the cable landing location, the cable stations, and associated equipment provided between and including the cable network interfaces and all associated interconnection equipment at the relevant cable stations to operate solely with the network. Each Subsegment T is owned by a Terminal Party. AT&T, the owner of Segment T1 will grant to each of the other Parties to the C&MA an Indefeasible Right of Use (“IRU”) interest in Segment T1 for the purpose of using MAYA-1 and carrying on related activities at that location. All non-terminal parties will also be granted a Right to Use in Segments T2, T3, T4, T5, T6 and T7 respectively for the purpose of using MAYA-1 and carrying on related activities at those locations.

Segment S

Segment S of MAYA-1 shall consist of the whole of the submarine cable and associated equipment including:

³ If an additional landing point is added in Venezuela, Segment T8 will comprise the land segment at Venezuela.

- (i) all submarine lightguide transmission equipment including the System Interface and higher level equipment, power feeding and special test equipment directly associated with the submersible plant, located in their respective cable stations;
- (ii) the cable station power equipment provided wholly for use with the equipment listed in (i) above;
- (iii) the transmission cable equipped with appropriate optical amplifiers, Branching Units and joint housing between the cable stations; and
- (iv) the sea earth cable and electrode system or land earth system, or an appropriate share thereof, associated with the terminal power feeding equipment at the respective cable stations.

Accounting and Tariff Information

4. Charges and regulations applicable to the services to be furnished by the Joint Applicants by means of the proposed facilities will be contained in each Applicant's respective tariffs on file or to be filed with the Commission.

Environmental Impact

5. The grant of the requested temporary authorization will not have a significant impact upon the environment for which Environmental Impact Statements must be prepared under Section 1.1305 of the Commission's Rules. Such licenses are categorically excluded from environmental processing under Section 1.1306 of those Rules. Accordingly, no environmental information need be submitted with this Application under Section 1.1311 of the Commission's Rules.

Need for Timely Authorization

6. The Joint Applicants request that temporary authorization be granted as soon as possible. Timely action is critical to immediately start construction in order to allow for the initiation of customer service by May 17, 2000. If construction does not begin immediately, the ready for customer service may be in jeopardy.

In accordance with Section 1.1105 of the Commission's Rules and Regulations, attached is FCC Form 159 detailing Wire Transfer Payment Information in the amount of \$780.00 to cover the filing fee for this request. Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me at (202) 721-2585.

Very Truly Yours,



Scott A. Shefferman
On behalf of the Joint Applicants

Attachment (FCC Form 159)

cc: Mr. George Li
Mr. Troy Tanner
David Matsushina, AT&T Corporation
David Richards, BellSouth Corporation
Andrew C. Shields, RSL Communications, Ltd.
Eric C. Fishman, Esquire, Holland & Knight, LLP
Kent Y. Nakamura, Sprint Communications Company LP
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SECTION A - PAYER INFORMATION

(2) PAYER NAME (if paying by credit card, enter name exactly as it appears on your card) MCI WorldCom, Inc. (3) TOTAL AMOUNT PAID (dollars and cents) \$
(4) STREET ADDRESS LINE NO. 1 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
(5) STREET ADDRESS LINE NO. 2

(6) CITY Washington (7) STATE DC (8) ZIP CODE 20006
(9) DAYTIME TELEPHONE NUMBER (include area code) 202-721-2585 (10) COUNTRY CODE (if not in U.S.A.)

IF PAYER NAME AND THE APPLICANT NAME ARE DIFFERENT, COMPLETE SECTION B IF MORE THAN ONE APPLICANT, USE CONTINUATION SHEETS (FORM 159-C)

SECTION B - APPLICANT INFORMATION

(17) APPLICANT NAME (if paying by credit card, enter name exactly as it appears on your card) MCI WorldCom, Inc., c/o MCI WorldCom Global Networks Ltd., et al.
(12) STREET ADDRESS LINE NO. 1 1717 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W.
(13) STREET ADDRESS LINE NO. 2
(14) CITY Washington (15) STATE DC (16) ZIP CODE 20006
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SECTION C - PAYMENT INFORMATION

(19A) FCC CALL SIGN/OTHER ID	(20A) PAYMENT TYPE CODE (PTC)	(21A) QUANTITY	(22A) FEE DUE FOR (PTC) IN BLOCK 20A	FCC USE ONLY
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(19C) FCC CALL SIGN/OTHER ID	(20C) PAYMENT TYPE CODE (PTC)	(21C) QUANTITY	(22C) FEE DUE FOR (PTC) IN BLOCK 20C	FCC USE ONLY
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(19D) FCC CALL SIGN/OTHER ID	(20D) PAYMENT TYPE CODE (PTC)	(21D) QUANTITY	(22D) FEE DUE FOR (PTC) IN BLOCK 20D	FCC USE ONLY
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SECTION D - TAXPAYER INFORMATION (REQUIRED)

(25) PAYER TIN 5 8 1 5 2 1 6 1 2 (26) COMPLETE THIS BLOCK ONLY IF APPLICANT NAME IN B-11 IS DIFFERENT FROM PAYER NAME IN A-2
APPLICANT TIN

SECTION E - CERTIFICATION

(27) CERTIFICATION STATEMENT I, Scott A. Shefferman, Certify under penalty of perjury that the foregoing and supporting information are true and correct to the best of my knowledge, information and belief. SIGNATURE *Scott A. Shefferman*

SECTION F - CREDIT CARD PAYMENT INFORMATION

(28) MASTERCARD ACCOUNT NUMBER: _____ EXPIRATION DATE: _____
MASTERCARD _____ MONTH _____ YEAR _____
VISA _____ AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE _____
I hereby authorize the FCC to charge my VISA or MASTERCARD for the service(s)/end-user(s) as shown described. SEE PUBLIC BURDEN ESTIMATE ON REVERSE