

Given recent developments with respect to the consolidation plan, it now appears that the *pro forma* merger of MCI International into MCI Network Services is not likely to occur this year, if at all. Accordingly, by this letter, MCI hereby withdraws the above-referenced application. If this merger does go forward in the future, MCI will file a new application requesting the Commission's consent to *pro forma* assignment of these authorizations.

If you have any questions or require anything further, please do not hesitate to contact me at 202-736-6148 or by email at Dennis.Guard@mci.com. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely,



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