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DA 07-1837

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Ms. Laura J. Birkelbach MCI Communications Services, Inc. (FKA MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc.) 2400 N. Glenville Drive/Dept/Loc 71216/107 Richardson, TX 75082

Re: Call Sign E070068

File No. SES-LIC-20070409-00466

Dear Ms. Birkelbach:

On April 9, 2007, MCI Communications Services, Inc. FKA MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. (MCI) filed the above-captioned application seeking an earth station license to operate a VSAT Network in the extended and conventional Ku-bands.<sup>1</sup>

Section 25.112 of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.112, requires the Commission to return, as unacceptable for filing, any earth station application that is not substantially complete, that contains internal inconsistencies, or that does not substantially comply with the Commission's rules. MCI's application contains several omissions and discrepancies that render it unacceptable and subject to dismissal. These deficiencies are as follows:

Pursuant to the U.S. Table of Frequency Allocations, 47 C.F.R. § 2.106, use of the 12.2-12.7 GHz band is limited to the Broadcast Satellite Service. In its application, MCI does not propose to provide Broadcast Satellite Service. Further, MCI indicates that its earth station will receive in the 12.7-12.75 GHz band. The Table of Frequency Allocations designates this band for uplink transmissions only. MCI does not request a waiver of the Table of Frequency Allocations to permit its proposed non-conforming uses.

In addition, the 10.95-11.7 and 12.2-12.75 GHz bands are shared on a co-primary basis with the Fixed Service. Section 25.203(c) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. § 25.203(c), requires earth station applicants seeking authority to use these bands to include a Frequency Coordination Report with respect to Fixed Service operations. In response to Question E18 of Schedule B, however, MCI incorrectly states that frequency coordination is not required and did not submit a Coordination Report.

Finally, in Schedule B of the license application, MCI indicates that the only Points of Communication for the proposed earth station are ALSAT-designated satellites. Only those fixed-satellite service earth stations that are both two-degree compliant and operate in the 3700-

<sup>1 10950-11700, 11700-12200, 12200-12750,</sup> and 14000-14500 MHz bands.

4200 MHz, 5925-6425 MHz, 11.7-12.2 GHz, or 14.0-14.5 GHz bands can request ALSAT as a point of communication. Because MCI proposes operations in the 10.95-11.7 and 12.2-12.75 GHz bands, the application must identify the specific satellite or satellites with which the proposed earth station seeks to communicate in these bands.<sup>2</sup>

Accordingly, pursuant to Section 25.112(a)(1) of the Commission's rules, 47 C.F.R. §25.112(a)(1), and Section 0.261 of the Commission's rules on delegations of authority, 47 C.F.R. §0.261, we dismiss the application without prejudice to refiling.<sup>3</sup>

Sincerely,

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Amendment of the Commission's Regulatory Policies to Allow Non-U.S.-Licensed Space Stations to Provide Domestic and International Services in the United States, First Order on Reconsideration, IB Docket No. 96-111, 15 FCC Red 7207, 7214-16 (paras. 16-20).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> If MCI refiles an application identical to the one dismissed, with the exception of supplying the corrected information, it need not pay an application fee. See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1109(d).