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Director - Interconnection Compliance
1801 California Street, Room 2410
Denver, CO 80202

Re: Notice of MCI WorldCom's Opt in to the Arizona Performance Assurance Plan,
Docket T-00000A-97-238

Dear Sir/Madam:

Section 13.2 of the Arizona Performance Assurance Plan ("Arizona PAP") states that, "[a] CLEC with a Commission-approved interconnection agreement may opt into the terms of the approved Performance Assurance Plan by filing written notice of its intent to do so."

MCI WorldCom's Interconnection Agreement with Qwest in Arizona was approved on 6/17/96. MCI WorldCom has elected to opt into the Arizona PAP. Although MCI WorldCom recently signed the Arizona PAP Amendment with Qwest, since MCI WorldCom made prior requests for that amendment on 11/13/03 (see attached Exhibit 1), MCI WorldCom believes that its election of the Arizona PAP became effective upon Qwest's receipt of section 271 authority from the FCC under Section 13.1 of the Arizona PAP.

A copy of this letter has been sent to MCI WorldCom's Service Manager at Qwest, Steve Kast.

If you have questions regarding this matter, do not hesitate to contact me.

Sincerely,

T.D. Huynh
Manager, Carrier Agreements West

cc: MCI WorldCom
Tom Dixon
Tom Friday
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EXHIBIT 1

TD Huynh

From: Salverda, Kathleen [Kathleen.Salverda@qwest.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2003 2:32 PM
To: TD Huynh
Subject: RE: AZ QPAP

I will check.

-----Original Message-----

From: TD Huynh [mailto:t.d.huynh@mci.com]
Sent: Thursday, November 13, 2003 4:13 PM
To: 'Salverda, Kathy'
Subject: AZ QPAP

Kathy -

I've heard that Qwest may get 271 approval in Arizona on Dec 5. If that transpires, could you please forward us the AZ QPAP for signature.

Thanks,
TD