

**Before the  
Federal Communications Commission  
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In re: Applications of	)	
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SPRINT CORPORATION,	)	
Transferor,	)	
	)	
And	)	
	)	CC Docket No. 99-333
MCI WORLDCOM, INC.	)	
Transferee	)	
	)	
For Consent to Transfer	)	
Control of Corporations Holding	)	
Commission Licenses and Authorizations	)	
Pursuant to Section 214 and 310(d) of the	)	
Communications Act and	)	
Parts 1, 21, 24, 63, 73, 78, 90, and 101	)	

**ORDER**

**Adopted:** August 3, 2000

**Released:** August 4, 2000

By the Chief, Policy and Program Planning Division:

1. On November 17, 1999, MCI WorldCom, Inc.<sup>1</sup> and Sprint Corporation (Applicants), filed joint applications, pursuant to section 214 and 310 of the Communications Act, for approval to transfer control of certain licenses and authorizations from Sprint to MCI WorldCom in connection with their proposed merger.<sup>2</sup> Upon the Commission's request, the Applicants submitted confidential documents pursuant to the Protective Order issued on February 2, 2000.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> On May 1, 2000, MCI WorldCom, Inc. officially changed its corporate name to WorldCom, Inc. See Letter from Brad Stillman, Senior Policy Counsel, MCI WorldCom to Magalie Roman Salas, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, CC Docket No. 99-333 (filed May 11, 2000).

<sup>2</sup> Application by Sprint Corporation, Transferor, and MCI WorldCom, Inc., Transferee, for Consent to Transfer Control of Corporations Holding Commission Licenses and Authorizations Pursuant to Section 214 and 310(d) of the Communications Act and Parts 1, 21, 24, 63, 73, 78, 90 and 101, CC Docket No. 99-333 (filed November 17, 1999).

<sup>3</sup> See *Order Adopting Protective Order*, CC Docket No. 99-333, DA 00-186, (February 2, 2000). The order provides that "Stamped Confidential Documents and all copies of same, shall be returned to the Submitting Party."

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2. On July 13, 2000, Applicants submitted a letter withdrawing their application from Commission consideration.<sup>4</sup> On July 21, 2000, the Applicants requested the return of confidential documents filed in this proceeding.<sup>5</sup>

3. We hereby grant the Applicants' request for the return of confidential documents, including those maintained on the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System, pursuant to the terms set forth in the Commission's February 2, 2000, Protective Order.

4. Accordingly IT IS ORDERED, pursuant to 47 U.S.C. §§ 154 (i)-(j), that WorldCom's and Sprint's request to withdraw its application in CC Docket 99-333 IS GRANTED. The proceeding in CC Docket 99-333 IS TERMINATED.

FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Michelle Carey  
Chief, Policy and Program Planning Division  
Common Carrier Bureau

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<sup>4</sup> See Letter from Sue D. Blumenfeld, Willkie Farr & Gallagher, and Richard Metzger, Jr., Lawler, Metzger & Milkman (Counsel for WorldCom and Sprint) to Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, CC Docket No. 99-333, (filed July 13, 2000).

<sup>5</sup> See Letter from Sue Blumenfeld, Willkie Farr & Gallagher, and Ruth Milkman, Lawler, Metzger & Milkman to Magalie R. Salas, Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, CC Docket No. 99-333 (filed July 21, 2000).