

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

ARONSON-CAMPBELL)	DOCKET NO. UT-030168
INDUSTRIAL SUPPLY, INC.,)	
)	
Complainant,)	
)	
v.)	
)	NOTICE OF PREHEARING
MCI WORLDCOM)	CONFERENCE
COMMUNICATIONS, INC.,)	(April 3, 2003, at 1:30 p.m.)
)	
Respondent.)	
.....)	

1 On February 6, 2003, Aronson-Campbell Industrial Supply, Inc. (“Aronson-Campbell”) filed with the Commission a complaint against MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc. (“MCIW”). On March 10, 2003, the Commission extended the time for MCIW to file an answer. On March 13, 2003, MCIW filed an Answer and Request for Brief Adjudicative Proceeding. The complaint alleges that MCIW charged Aronson-Campbell higher rates than the rates specified in the contract between the parties, and that MCIW has refused to release Aronson-Campbell’s telephone numbers for use with another carrier. A more detailed account of the dispute is reflected in the complaint, which is available for inspection at the Commission’s office located at Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington. It is appropriate that the matters raised in the pleadings be brought for hearing before the Commission.

2 Hearing in this matter is being held pursuant to Part IV of chapter 34.05 RCW pertaining to adjudicative proceedings, including but not being limited to RCW 34.05.413, RCW 34.05.431, RCW 34.05.440, RCW 34.05.443, RCW 34.05.449, RCW 34.05.452, and RCW 80.01.100. The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter under Title 80 RCW, having legal authority to regulate the rates, services, and practices of telecommunications companies providing service within the state of Washington and to hear complaints brought by one public service company against another such company. Statutes and rules cited in the complaint include RCW 80.04.110, RCW 80.36.150, RCW 80.36.180, WAC 480-09-150, WAC 480-09-

420(5), WAC 480-120-061(2), and WAC 480-120-101. In addition to the foregoing, statutes and rules involved include those within chapter 80.36 RCW, chapter 480-09 WAC, and chapter 480-120 WAC. The issues involved are generally stated above and more specifically contained in the complaint.

3 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That in accordance with WAC 480-09-700(1)(a), the Commission has determined that good cause exists for this matter to be heard upon shortened notice.

4 **NOTICE IS GIVEN That a prehearing conference in this matter will be held at 1:30 p.m., on April 3, 2003, in Room 206, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington.**

5 Counsel may attend the hearing via the Commission's teleconference bridge (360-664-3846). If you appear via teleconference, you must appear five minutes before the time that the conference is scheduled to begin.

6 The purpose of the prehearing conference is to consider formulating the issues in the proceeding, and to determine other matters to aid in its disposition, as specified in WAC 480-09-460. Petitions to intervene should be made in writing prior to the hearing date or made orally at the hearing. The time and place for the evidentiary hearing will be set at the prehearing conference or by later written notice. Appearances will be taken.

7 If any party or witness needs an interpreter or other assistance, please fill out the form attached to this notice and return it to the Commission.

8 **NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT ANY PARTY WHO FAILS TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING SET BY THIS NOTICE, OR ANY OTHER STAGE OF THIS PROCEEDING, MAY BE HELD IN DEFAULT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RCW 34.05.440. THE PARTIES ARE FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE SANCTION PROVISIONS OF WAC 480-09-700(4) ARE SPECIFICALLY INVOKED.**

9 The names and mailing addresses of all parties and their known representatives are as follows:

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Respondent: MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc.
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Representative: Michel Singer-Nelson
MCI WorldCom Communications, Inc.
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10 Lawrence Berg has been designated as the Administrative Law Judge from the Utilities and Transportation Commission's Administrative Law Division, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington 98504-7250, and will preside at the prehearing conference.

- 11 The complete file is available for inspection during office hours at the Commission's Records Center in Olympia, Washington. Notice of any other procedural phase will be given in writing or on the record as the Commission may deem appropriate during the course of this proceeding.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Executive Secretary

March 20, 2003

Inquires may be addressed to:

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[Service Date March 20, 2002]

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PLEASE BE ADVISED that the hearing facilities are accessible to interested people with disabilities; that smoking is prohibited; and that if limited English-speaking or hearing impaired parties or witnesses are involved in a hearing and need an interpreter, a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to the party or witness.

The information needed to provide an appropriate interpreter or other assistance should be designated below and returned to:

Carole J. Washburn, Executive Secretary
Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission
1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W.
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(SUPPLY ALL REQUESTED INFORMATION)

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Hearing Date: _____ Hearing Location: _____

Primary Language: _____

Hearing Impaired (Yes) (No)

Do you need a certified sign language interpreter: (Yes) (No)

Visual _____ Tactile _____

Other type of assistance needed: _____

English-speaking person who can be contacted if there are questions:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone No.: (____)_____