

STATE OF IOWA
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE
UTILITIES BOARD

IN RE: OFFICE OF CONSUMER ADVOCATE, Complainant, vs. MCI, INC., Respondent.	DOCKET NOS. FCU-05-53 FCU-05-56
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ORDER SETTING FOURTH PREHEARING CONFERENCE

(Issued April 18, 2006)

On April 18, 2006, the parties held a prehearing conference with the undersigned administrative law judge to discuss the status of investigation and discovery in the case and whether a procedural schedule should be established. The Consumer Advocate Division of the Department of Justice (Consumer Advocate) stated it needed additional time for investigation and discovery and suggested that another prehearing conference be held in two months. MCI, Inc., (MCI) was agreeable to this request. The attorney for the Consumer Advocate further stated he would be requesting that another attorney be assigned to the case to represent the Consumer Advocate due to the press of business in other cases. MCI further stated it would be filing a motion in the near future that may affect future scheduling of the case. Nevertheless, the parties agreed that a prehearing conference should be set

at this time, although the date may need to be adjusted in the future. The purposes of the fourth prehearing conference will be to discuss: 1) the status of investigation and discovery; 2) whether the parties need additional time for investigation and discovery and if so, how much time is needed; and 3) whether a new procedural schedule should be established, and if so, what that schedule should be.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

A fourth prehearing conference will be held on Tuesday, June 20, 2006, beginning at 9 a.m. in Board Conference Room 2 for the purposes set forth in this order.

UTILITIES BOARD

/s/ Amy L. Christensen
Amy L. Christensen
Administrative Law Judge

ATTEST:

/s/ Judi K. Cooper
Executive Secretary

Dated at Des Moines, Iowa, this 18th day of April, 2006.