

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA**

United States of America,)	
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Plaintiff,)	Civil Action No.: 1:05CV02102 (EGS)
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v.)	
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SBC Communications, Inc. and)	
AT&T Corp.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
)	
United States of America,)	
)	Civil Action No.: 1:05CV02103 (EGS)
Plaintiff,)	
)	
v.)	
)	
Verizon Communications Inc. and)	
MCI, Inc.,)	
)	
Defendants.)	
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**RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES TO COMPTTEL’S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO
FILE AN OPPOSITION TO THE UNITED STATES’ MOTION FOR ENTRY OF THE
FINAL JUDGMENTS**

The United States does not oppose COMPTTEL’s Motion for Leave to File an Opposition to the United States’ Motion for Entry of the Final Judgments.¹ Although nothing in that Opposition warrants a conclusion that the proposed Final Judgments in these matters fail to fall

¹ Because COMPTTEL is not a party in this matter, it requires the Court’s leave to file its proposed Opposition. The Court may grant that leave if it believes the filing would be helpful to its public interest determination. 15 U.S.C. § 16(f)(3). The United States continues to oppose COMPTTEL’s Motion seeking leave to intervene or to participate as amicus curiae.

within the reaches of the public interest and most of what COMPTEL argues is repetitive of its prior filings, the United States has no objection to the Court accepting COMPTEL's filing. If the Court grants COMPTEL's Motion for Leave to File an Opposition, the United States offers the attached Reply as its filing in response to the Opposition.

Respectfully submitted,

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I hereby certify that on the 17th day of April, 2006, I caused a copy of the foregoing RESPONSE OF THE UNITED STATES TO COMPTTEL'S MOTION FOR LEAVE TO FILE AN OPPOSITION TO THE UNITED STATES' MOTION FOR ENTRY OF THE FINAL JUDGMENTS with attached REPLY OF THE UNITED STATES TO COMPTTEL'S OPPOSITION TO THE UNITED STATES' MOTION FOR ENTRY OF THE FINAL JUDGMENTS to be mailed, by U.S. mail, postage prepaid, to the attorneys listed below:

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