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**VIA ELECTRONIC FILING**

Paul Clanon, Executive Director  
California Public Utilities Commission  
505 Van Ness Avenue  
San Francisco, California 94102-3298

Re: General Order 156 Compliance Filing - Annual Report and Annual Plan

Dear Mr. Clanon:

Pursuant to General Order 156, MCI Communications Inc. d/b/a Verizon Business Services hereby electronically files its 2013 Annual Report and Annual Plan. This report is available to others upon request.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, consisting of the letters "KR" followed by a horizontal line.

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Attachment

cc: Stephanie Green  
Marshall Kennedy

**WOMEN, MINORITY, AND  
DISABLED VETERAN BUSINESS ENTERPRISE  
ANNUAL REPORT AND ANNUAL PLAN**

**JANUARY – DECEMBER 2013**

**Submitted by  
fMCI Communications, Inc d/b/a  
Verizon Business Services**

## Report Summary

Section 9 of the California Public Utilities Commission's (CPUC) General Order 156 requires utilities to file an annual report discussing ten topics. Section 10 of GO 156 requires utilities to discuss its plans to increase the following reporting year's expenditures. MCI Communications Services, Inc (d.b.a. Verizon Business Services) submits this 2013 Annual Report and Annual Plan in compliance with GO 156, Sections 9 and 10.

Verizon has a long-standing commitment to provide procurement opportunities for business enterprises owned and controlled by minorities, women, and service disabled veterans (MWDVBEs). Supplier Diversity allows us to improve business and economic opportunities for these organizations in the communities in which we serve. Building a strong base of diverse suppliers is critical to our mission. These relationships contribute to customer loyalty, stimulate economic development and tap into the innovation and entrepreneurship we need to win in a competitive marketplace.

Verizon consolidated its Supplier Diversity organization, at the corporate level for increased efficiency and service. The detailed reporting required by GO 156 Section 9 submitted by Verizon California Inc. represents that consolidated initiative; therefore documentation in Verizon California's report addresses the accomplishments of 2013 and the Annual Plan for 2014 for Verizon Business Services and will not be repeated here.

## Exhibit 1

<b>fMCI 2013 GO 156 Filing Summary</b>			
		<b>Dollars</b>	<b>Percent</b>
<b>African American Male</b>		\$ 140,000	0.66%
<b>Hispanic Male</b>		\$ 1,027,256	4.85%
<b>Asian Male</b>		\$ 3,930	0.02%
<b>Total MBE</b>		\$ 1,171,186	5.52%
<b>Women Owned</b>		\$ 173,381	0.82%
<b>Disabled Veteran</b>		\$ 31,074	0.15%
<b>MBE</b>		\$ 1,171,186	5.52%
<b>WBE</b>		\$ 173,381	0.82%
<b>DVBE</b>		\$ 31,074	0.15%
<b>Purchase Base</b>		\$ 21,198,330	