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Embratel Participações S.A. (Embrapar)
NYSE: EMT; BOVESPA: EBTP3, EBTP4

The Company holds 98.8 percent of
Empresa Brasileira de Telecomunicações S.A.
("Embratel").

RESPONSE TO CVM ENQUIRY

In response to CVM's enquiry, Embratel Participações has received the following explanation from MCI's Vice President, Corporate Development

April 12, 2004

VIA FACSIMILE: (5521) 2121-8860

Norbert Glatt, Director, Investor Relations
Embratel Participações S.A.

cc: Claudia Azeredo Santos, General Counsel

Dear Norbert:

Please be advised that by correspondence dated April 6, 2004 and April 8, 2004, WorldCom, Inc. ("MCI") received additional communications from Calais Participações S.A. ("Calais") expressing further interest in purchasing the shares of Empresa Participações S.A. ("Embrapar") owned indirectly by MCI (the "Shares").

With respect to the Bankruptcy Court hearing that had been scheduled for April 13, 2004 to approve the Stock Purchase Agreement, dated as of March 12, 2004 (the "Agreement"), by and among certain affiliates of MCI and Teléfonos de México, S.A. de C.V. ("Telmex"), as amended on April 7, 2004 ("Amendment No. 1"), which provides for the sale to Telmex of the Shares, MCI has requested, and the Bankruptcy Court has approved, the adjournment and rescheduling of such hearing to April 27, 2004. Amendment No. 1, which was filed with the Bankruptcy Court on April 9, 2004, provides, among other things, that Telmex may terminate the Agreement pursuant to Section 7.01(i) thereof if the Sale Order has not been entered by the Bankruptcy Court by April 28, 2004. All other provisions of the Agreement remain in full force and effect. Prior to the parties entering into Amendment No. 1, Telmex had been entitled to terminate the Agreement pursuant to Section 7.01(i) thereof if the Sale Order had not been entered by the Bankruptcy Court by April 19, 2004.

Very truly yours,

Douglas C. Webster
Vice President

Embratel is the premium telecommunications provider in Brazil and offers an ample variety of telecom services –local and long distance telephony, advanced voice, high-speed data transmission, Internet, satellite data communications, and corporate networks. The company is a leader in the country for data services and Internet, and is highly qualified to be an all-distance network carrier in Latin America. Embratel's network spreads countrywide, with almost 29 thousand kms of optic cables, which represents about one million and sixty-nine thousand km of fiber optics.

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The information contained in this release may be deemed to include forward-looking statements within the meaning of Section 27A of the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, and Section 21E of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, as amended, that involve risk and uncertainty. Although the Company believes that its expectations are based on reasonable assumptions, it can give no assurance that its expectations will be achieved. Actual results may differ materially from these expectations due to MCI's bankruptcy proceedings and matters related thereto, as well as regulatory risks and other risks referred in the Company's filings with the CVM and SEC. The Company does not undertake any obligation to release publicly any revisions to its forward-looking statements to reflect events or circumstances after the date hereof or to reflect the occurrence of unanticipated events.

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