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100382-TX



RE: Docket No. _____, Petition for Expedited Review of Growth Code Denials by the North American Numbers Plan Administration for the Orlando Exchange

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Embarq Communications, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink Communications (ECI) are the original and seven copies of ECI's Petition for expedited Review of NXX-X Code Denial, which we ask that you file in the captioned new docket.

Copies are being served on the parties in this docket pursuant to the attached certificate of service.

If you have any questions regarding this electronic filing, please do not hesitate to call me at (850) 599-1560.

Sincerely,

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I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing was served by regular U.S. Mail on this 24^{a} day of August, 2010 to the following:

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for Expedited Review of Growth Code Denials by the North American Numbering Plan Administration for the Orlando Exchange

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Docket No. 100382-TX

Date Filed: August 24, 2010

PETITION FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW OF NXX-X CODE DENIAL

Embarq Communications, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink Communications (ECI), pursuant to 47 C.F.R § 52.15(g)(iv), Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") Order FCC 00-104, and Florida Public Service Commission ("Commission") Order No. PSC-01-1973-PCO-TL, petitions the Commission to review the Pooling Administrator's ("NeuStar") denial of ECI's request for additional numbering resources in the Orlando Exchange. In support of this petition, ECI states:

PARTIES

1. ECI is a competitive local exchange company ("CLEC") regulated by the

Commission and authorized to provide local exchange telecommunications in the State of Florida.

2. NeuStar is an independent non-governmental entity, which is responsible

for administering and managing the numbering resources in pooling areas. See 47 C.F.R § 52.20(d).

JURISDICTION

3. The Commission has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to the Industry Numbering Committee's (INC) Number Pooling Guidelines Sections 3.7 and 12(c). This provision provides that a carrier may challenge NeuStar's decision to deny numbering resources to the appropriate regulatory authority.

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BACKGROUND AND REQUEST FOR RELIEF

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4. ECI's Orlando Exchange consists of one (1) central office and one (1) switching entity that utilizes numbering resources.

5. On August 23, 2010, ECI requested additional numbering resources from NeuStar for the Orlando exchange. (See Attachment 1 which was filed under Claim of Confidentiality with the Commission Clerk's Office.) Specifically, in order to meet the telephone number needs of one of its customers, ECI requested eight thousand (8,000) consecutive numbers in the Orlando (ORLDFLERDS0) wire center. ECI cannot currently meet this request given the inventory of numbers available at this time in this switch. The numbers must be in the 407 NPA to fit the customer's dialing plan.

6. At the time of the code request, the Orlando exchange had a Months-to-Exhaust (MTE) of fifteen (15) months and a utilization of 62%. There are no number blocks available in this exchange in the 407 NPA to meet this request.

7. On August 23, 2010, NeuStar denied ECI's request for additional numbering resources because ECI had not met the MTE and utilization criteria, notwithstanding the fact that ECI's Orlando switch does not have the available block of numbers in sufficient quantity to meet the customer's requirements. (See Attachment 1 which was filed under Claim of Confidentiality with the Commission Clerk's Office.)

8. As discussed above, both the FCC Order and INC guidelines provided that state regulatory authorities have the power and authority to review NANPA's decision to deny a request for numbering resources. See INC Number Pooling Guidelines Sections 3.7 and 11.1(c).

9. Under earlier procedures used by NANPA, waivers or exceptions were granted when customer hardships could be demonstrated or when the service provider's inventory did not have a block of sequential numbers large enough to meet the customer's specific request.

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Under existing procedures, NeuStar and NANPA look at the MTE criteria and utilization threshold for the rate center and allow exceptions. The current process is arbitrary and may result in (1) decisions contrary to the public interest and welfare of consumers in the State of Florida; and (2) decisions that do not necessarily promote the efficient use of telephone numbers.

10. ECI requests that the Commission use its delegated authority to reverse NeuStar's decision to withhold numbering resources from ECI and waive the Months-to-Exhaust and Utilization requirements on the following grounds:

(a.) NeuStar's denial of numbering resources to ECI interferes with ECI's ability to service its customers within the State of Florida.

(b.) As a result of NeuStar's denial of ECI's request for additional numbering resources, ECI will be unable to provide telecommunications services to its customers.

WHEREFORE, ECI requests:

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1. The Commission review the decision of NeuStar to deny ECI's request for additional numbering resources for the Orlando exchange, and

2. The Commission directs NeuStar to provide the requested numbering resources for the Orlando exchange as discussed above.

Respectfully submitted this <u>24th</u> day of August, 2010.

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