BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern)	
Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Missouri)	
for Review and Reversal of North American)	File No. IO-2010-0013
Number Plan Thousands-Block Pooling)	
Administrator's Decision to Withhold Numbering)	
Resources)	

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its recommendation states:

- 1. On July 10, 2009, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Missouri filed an Application and Motion for Expedited Treatment under 47 C.F.R. 52.15(g)(3)(iv) requesting that the Missouri Public Service Commission review and reverse a decision of the North American Numbering Plan Thousands-Block Pooling Administrator (Pooling Administrator), NeuStar, Inc., to withhold certain numbering resources from AT&T Missouri.
- 2. The Pooling Administrator denied AT&T Missouri's request because AT&T did not meet the months to exhaust and 75% utilization criteria required by FCC guidelines. The Commission may overturn the Pooling Administrator's decision to withhold numbering resources from AT&T Missouri if the Commission determines that the Company has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies. 47 C.F.R. 52.15 (g)(4).
- 3. In the attached Memorandum, labeled Appendix A, the Staff agrees that AT&T Missouri has met this standard. The Staff explains that AT&T Missouri needs the additional numbering resources for five blocks of one-thousand additional numbers in the Kansas City rate center.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order that:

- (1) Determines AT&T Missouri has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies; and
- (2) Overturns the decision of the Pooling Administrator and grants ATT's request for five blocks of one-thousand telephone numbers in the 816 NPA within the range of

1000 through 5999 Kansas City rate center, or if those are unavailable, other blocks suitable to meet AT&T's customer's needs.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 17^{th} day of July, 2009.

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MEMORANDUM

To: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

Case No. IO-2010-0013

Company Name: Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Missouri

(AT&T)

From: Sara Buyak

Telecommunications Department

William Voight 7/14/09 Utility Operations Division/Date

Subject: Staff Recommendation to Approve a Request to Override a Decision of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator

Date: July 14, 2009

Summary

On July 10, 2009, AT&T filed a request to review and reverse a decision of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (Pooling Administrator) for 5 blocks of one-thousand telephone numbers in the Kansas City rate center. Specifically, Metropolitan Community College (MCC) requests 5000 consecutive telephone numbers in the 816-NXX within the range of 1000 through 5999. Included in this filing is the Thousands-Blocks Application Form (Exhibit B) – Part 1 A (Part 1), a letter from MCC (Exhibit A), Pooling Administrator's Response/Confirmation (Exhibit D) – Part 3 Form (Part 3), Months to Exhaust Utilization Certification Worksheet (Exhibit C), and AT&T's Number Utilization Form (Exhibit E). Staff recommends approval of AT&T's request.

Background

On July 2, 2009, AT&T submitted a request to NeuStar for 5 blocks of one-thousand telephone numbers. On July 2, 2009, the Pooling Administrator denied AT&T's request because AT&T did not meet the months to exhaust and Utilization criteria.

MCC requests 5000 consecutive telephone numbers in the 816 with a single NXX within the XXXX range of 1000 through 5999 to accommodate the new Cisco IP Telephony and support campus growth. If these telephone numbers are not available, AT&T requests any suitable numbering resources that meets MCC's needs.

The Telecommunications Department Staff (Staff) reviewed the CO Assignment data that AT&T submitted to the Pooling Administrator. AT&T's utilization level of 58.50% is below the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) guidelines of 75% which is

required before a request for additional numbering resources is permissible. AT&T's months to exhaust is 429.67. The months to exhaust must be 6 months or less which is required of FCC guidelines before a request for additional numbering resources is permissible as set forth in Regulation 47-CFR 52.15 (h).

Regulation 47-CFR 52.15 states, the Pooling Administrator shall withhold numbering resources from any U.S. carrier that fails to comply with the reporting and numbering resource application requirements established in this part. The regulation further states that the carrier may challenge the Pooling Administrator's decision to the appropriate state regulatory commission and the state commission may affirm, or may overturn, the Pooling Administrator's decision to withhold numbering resources from the carrier based on the determination that a carrier has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available resources.

Recommendation

AT&T's utilization level of 58.50% is below the required utilization level of 75% and the months to exhaust is 429.67 which is above the required 6 months. Also, AT&T does not have 5 blocks of one-thousand consecutive telephone numbers. For this reason, AT&T has demonstrated a verifiable need for 5 blocks of one-thousand additional telephone numbers in the Kansas City rate center. Staff recommends the Commission issue an order overturning the decision of the Pooling Administrator by granting AT&T 5 blocks of one-thousand telephone numbers in the 816 NPA within the range of 1000 through 5999 in the Kansas City rate center. If the 1000 through 5999 is not available, then AT&T requests any other suitable blocks that meet MCC's needs. Specifically, Staff recommends the Commission's order include a statement substantially as follows:

1. AT&T's request for 5 blocks of one-thousand telephone numbers in the 816 NPA within the XXXX range of 1000-5999 in the Kansas City rate center is granted.

Staff is unaware of any other filing that may affect or be affected by this filing.

The Company is not delinquent in filing an annual report and paying the PSC
assessment.
☐ The Company is delinquent:(☐ No annual report ☐ Unpaid PSC assessment.
Amount owed:)

¹ Code of Federal Regulations Title 47-Telecommunication Chapter I – Federal Communications Commission, Subchapter B – Common Carrier Services, Part 52 Numbering.

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AFFIDAVIT OF Sara Buyak		
STATE OF MISSOURI)) ss: COUNTY OF COLE)		
Sara Buyak, employee of the Missouri Public Service Commission, being of lawful age and after being duly sworn, states that she has participated in preparing the accompanying staff recommendation, and that the facts therein are true and correct to the best of her knowledge and belief.		
	SARA BUYAK	
Subscribed and affirmed before me this	alex Chickers	

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