# 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-2012-0107
Number Plan Thousands-Block Pooling	)	
Administrator's Decision to Withhold Numbering	)	
Resources	)	

#### STAFF RECOMMENDATION

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Staff") and for its Recommendation in this matter states as follows:

- 1. On October 6, 2011, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Missouri ("AT&T"), filed an application under 47 C.F.R. 52.15(g)(3)(iv) requesting that the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") review and reverse a decision of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator ("NANPA"), NeuStar, Inc., to withhold certain numbering resources from AT&T Missouri in the Lee's Summit, Missouri rate center. More specifically, the requested resources consist of one thousands-blocks from which 300 consecutive numbers may be drawn that are within (1) the 816 NPA, (2) an NXX comprised of XX7, (3) an XXXX range from 6000 through 8999, and (4) the Lee's Summit rate center to meet the needs of St. Luke's East Hospital.
- 2. AT&T Missouri states that it does not have sequential numbers available for assignment in the Lee's Summit rate center to meet the needs of St. Luke's East Hospital. NANPA denied AT&T Missouri's request for the additional telephone numbers based on AT&T's inability to meet the guidelines pertaining to current telephone number utilization. In

other words, AT&T Missouri may very well have the available telephone numbers to assign to St. Luke's East Hospital; however, said numbers are not in sequential order.

3. AT&T Missouri provided the Staff with its telephone number utilization for the Lee's Summit rate center. The Staff has examined AT&T's request and supporting documentation. In the Staff's opinion, AT&T Missouri has demonstrated a verifiable need for the additional telephone numbers. The Staff recommends the Commission approve AT&T's request and order a reversal of the NANPA decision to deny the additional numbers for St. Luke's East Hospital.

WHEREFORE, the Staff respectfully requests that the Commission grant AT&T Missouri's Request for Review and Reversal of North American Number Plan Thousands-Block Pooling Administrator's Decision to Withhold Numbering Resources. The Staff specifically requests that the following language be contained in the Commission's Order:

AT&T Missouri's request for one thousands-block within the 816 NPA, ideally an NXX comprised of XX7, an XXXX range from 6000 through 8999, in the Lee's Summit rate center is granted. The Commission further determines that if a new code is required to be opened for this occasion, AT&T Missouri shall utilize one block of one thousand numbers and return the remaining nine blocks to the Pooling Administrator.

Respectfully submitted,

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# **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

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 17th day of October, 2011.

# MEMORANDUM

To: Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

Case No. IO-2012-0107

From: Kari Salsman

William Voight

Telecommunications Department

**Subject:** Staff's Recommendation to Approve AT&T Missouri's Request for

Additional Numbering Resources to accommodate the needs of Saint

Luke's East Hospital in the Lee's Summit rate center.

**Date:** October 14, 2011

On October 6th, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company d/b/a AT&T Missouri (AT&T Missouri) filed a request for the Missouri Public Service Commission (Commission) to reverse a decision by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) to withhold and deny AT&T Missouri's request for additional telephone numbering resources in the Lee's Summit, Missouri telephone rate center (Application). According to AT&T Missouri, Saint Luke's East Hospital (Saint Luke) is experiencing significant growth and as a result, the hospital is in need of additional numbering resources. This growth has created a shortage of Direct Inward Dial telephone numbers. To accommodate its needs, Saint Luke is in need of 300 DID numbers in the same prefix which ends in 7. More specifically, the requested resources consist of one thousands-blocks from which 300 consecutive numbers may be drawn that are within (1) the 816 NPA, (2) an NXX comprised of XX7, (3) an XXXX range from 6000 through 8999, and (4) the Lee's Summit rate center.

According to its Application, AT&T Missouri states that it does not have the numbers available for assignment in the Lee's Summit rate center to meet the needs of Saint Luke. AT&T Missouri requests the Commission to override the NANPA's denial of AT&T Missouri's request for the additional telephone numbers, which denial was based on AT&T Missouri's inability to meet the guidelines pertaining to current telephone number utilization. In other words, AT&T Missouri may very well have the available telephone numbers to assign to Saint Luke; however, said numbers are not in sequential order.

In support of its Application, AT&T Missouri provided copies of its request to the NANPA and subsequent denial by the NANPA. Additionally, AT&T Missouri provided Staff highly confidential copies of its telephone number utilization for the Lee's Summit rate center. The Staff has examined AT&T Missouri's request and supporting documentation.

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The Staff has examined AT&T Missouri's request and in the Staff's opinion, AT&T Missouri has demonstrated a verifiable need for the additional telephone numbers. The Staff recommends the Commission approve AT&T Missouri's request and order a reversal of the NANPA decision to deny the additional numbers for Saint Luke.

Specifically, the Staff recommends the Commission's order include a statement substantially as follows:

AT&T Missouri's request for one thousands-block within the 816 NPA, ideally an NXX comprised of XX7, an XXXX range from 6000 through 8999, in the Lee's Summit, Missouri rate center is granted. The Commission further determines that if a new code is required to be opened for this occasion, AT&T Missouri shall utilize one block of one thousand numbers and return the remaining nine blocks to the Pooling Administrator.

Under penalty of perjury, I affirm that the above statement is true and correct.

KARI SALSMAN