# 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-2013-0401
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 February 25, 2013, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, d/b/a AT&T Missouri, filed an application under 47 C.F.R. 52.15(g)(3)(iv) requesting that the Commission review and reverse a decision of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator, NeuStar, Inc., to withhold certain numbering resources from AT&T Missouri in the Harvester, Missouri rate center. More specifically, the requested resources consist of one thousands-block from which 200 consecutive numbers may be drawn that are within (1) the 636 NPA and (2) the Harvester rate center, to meet the needs of the General Service Administration on behalf of the Department of the U.S. Navy.
- 2. AT&T Missouri states that it does not have the numbers available for assignment in the Farmington rate center to meet the needs of the U.S. Navy. NANPA denied AT&T'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 the U.S. Navy; however, said numbers are not in sequential order.

3. AT&T Missouri provided the Staff with its telephone number utilization for the Harvester rate center. The Staff has examined AT&T Missouri'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 Missouri's request and order a reversal of the NANPA decision to deny the additional numbers for the U.S. Navy.

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 AT&T Missouri's request for telephone numbers in the Harvester rate center, and
  - (3) Contains the following language:

AT&T Missouri's request for one thousands-block within the 636 NPA in the Harvester, 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.

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 4th day of March, 2013.

## MEMORANDUM

**To:** Missouri Public Service Commission Official Case File

Case No. IO-2013-0401

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 the

Department of the U.S. Navy in the Harvester rate center.

**Date:** February 28, 2013

On February 25<sup>th</sup>, 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 Harvester, Missouri telephone rate center (Application). According to AT&T Missouri, the Department of the U.S. Navy (GSA) is installing a PBX system where currently there is no service. To accommodate its needs, GSA is in need of 200 lines in sequential order. Specifically, the requested resources consist of a one thousands-block from which 200 consecutive numbers may be drawn that is within (1) the 636 NPA, and (2) the Harvester rate center.

According to its Application, AT&T Missouri states that it does not have the numbers available for assignment in the Harvester rate center to meet the needs of GSA. 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 GSA; 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 Harvester rate center. The Staff has examined AT&T Missouri's request and supporting documentation.

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 GSA.

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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 636 NPA, in the Harvester, 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.

KARISALSMAN