

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 13th day of
September, 2007.

In the Matter of the Application of CenturyTel of)	
Missouri, LLC, for Review and Reversal of the North)	
American Numbering Plan Administrator's Decision)	<u>Case No. IO-2008-0040</u>
to Withhold Numbering Resources for the Warrenton,)	
Wentzville, Defiance, Dardenne & Moscow Mills,)	
Missouri Rate Centers)	

**ORDER OVERTURNING NORTH AMERICAN
NUMBERING PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S DECISION**

Issue Date: September 13, 2007

Effective Date: September 13, 2007

On August 9, 2007, CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC, filed an application requesting that the Missouri Public Service Commission review and reverse a decision of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA), NeuStar, Inc., to withhold certain numbering resources from CenturyTel for the Warrenton, Wentzville, Defiance, Dardenne and Moscow Mills, Missouri Rate Centers.

In its August 14, 2007, Order, the Commission directed any other party that wished to file an application to intervene or request a hearing, to do so no later than August 24, 2007. The Staff of the Commission was directed to file a recommendation regarding CenturyTel's application by September 4, 2007. In addition, the Commission also allowed any other party that wished to file a recommendation to do so no later than September 4, 2007.

On August 27, 2007, CenturyTel filed an amended application. CenturyTel amended its request for two blocks of 1,000 numbers within the existing MCA NXX code of 636-887 for the Wentzville, Missouri rate center, to one block of 1,000 numbers within the existing MCA NXX code of 636-887 assigned to the Wentzville, Missouri rate center. CenturyTel also amended its request of one block of 1,000 numbers within a new non-MCA NXX code to be assigned to the Warrenton, Missouri rate center, to one block of 1,000 numbers within the existing non-MCA NXX code of 636-235 assigned to the Warrenton, Missouri rate center.

On August 31, 2007, CenturyTel filed a notice with the Commission that stated its request to the North American Number Plan Administrator for the Warrenton, Missouri rate center was granted. CenturyTel withdrew its request before the Commission for the review and reversal of the NANPA's decision for the Warrenton, Missouri rate center.

Staff filed its recommendation on September 4, 2007. No other applications to intervene, requests for hearing, or recommendations have been filed. Staff recommended the Commission determine that CenturyTel has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources, has exhausted all other available remedies, and reverse the decision of the Pooling Administrator and approve CenturyTel's request for blocks of numbers in the above-mentioned exchanges.

The Commission has the authority to overturn NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from a carrier pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §52.15(g)(4), which states in part, "The state commission also may overturn the NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from the carrier based on its determination that the carrier has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies."

Based on Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that CenturyTel has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies for:

- (a) One block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the Wentzville rate center.
- (b) One block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the Dardenne rate center.
- (c) One block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the Defiance rate center.
- (d) One block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the Moscow Mills rate center.

The Commission overturns NANPA's decision and approves CenturyTel's request to receive:

- (a) One block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the code of 636-887 for the Wentzville rate center.
- (b) One block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the code of 636-695 for the Dardenne rate center.
- (c) One block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the code of 636-798 for the Defiance rate center.
- (d) One block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the code of 636-366 for the Moscow Mills rate center.

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

1. The North American Numbering Plan Administrator's decision to withhold numbering resources from CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC is overturned.
2. CenturyTel's request to receive one block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the code of 636-887 for the Wentzville rate center, is granted.
3. CenturyTel's request to receive one block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the code of 636-695 for the Dardenne rate center, is granted.
4. CenturyTel's request to receive one block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the code of 636-798 for the Defiance rate center, is granted.
5. CenturyTel's request to receive one block of 1,000 MCA NXX telephone numbers in the code of 636-366 for the Moscow Mills rate center, is granted.

6. This order shall become effective September 13, 2007.
7. This case may be closed on September 14, 2007.

BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Colleen M. Dale', written in a cursive style.

Colleen M. Dale
Secretary

(S E A L)

Davis, Chm., Murray, Gaw,
Clayton and Appling, CC., concur.

Dale, Chief Regulatory Law Judge