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Enclosed find certified copy of an ORDER in the above-numbered case(s).

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a Session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 17th day of April, 2001.

In the Matter of the Petition of the North)	
American Numbering Plan Administrator, on)	
Behalf of the Missouri Telecommunications)	Case No. TO-2000-374
Industry, for Approval of NPA Relief Plan for)	
the 314 and 816 Area Codes)	

ORDER EXTENDING THE 314 NPA AND 816 NPA RELIEF PLAN IMPLEMENTATION DATES

On October 24, 2000, the Commission issued its Report and Order (R&O) adopting an all services distributed overlay as the method of relief for the 314 and 816 Numbering Plan Areas (NPAs). The R&O established technical and planning committees for each NPA to develop relief implementation plans and schedules. The R&O required a consensus plan and schedule to be filed and allowed for responses to the proposed plans and schedules. Plans and responses were filed. After considering these matters, the Commission approved implementation plans for the 314 NPA on December 26, 2000, and for the 816 NPA on February 15, 2001.

In light of recent developments, the Office of the Public Counsel has filed separate motions for modification of the implementation dates for each NPA, filing on March 26, 2001, for the 816 NPA and on March 27, 2001, for the 314 NPA. The Commission's Staff and Southwestern Bell Telephone Company (SWBT) each filed responses on April 5, 2001.

The information presented by Public Counsel, Staff and SWBT show that the rate of new code assignments has moderated and that codes previously assigned to carriers but not activated are being reclaimed for re-assignment. As a result numbering resources are not being exhausted as quickly as when this case was initiated or as quickly as shown by available data at the time the implementation plans were approved.

Public Counsel proposed postponing relief implementation dates until available codes fell to specific levels. Staff and SWBT proposed extending the implementation dates by seven months. Staff further recommended that the Commission direct the technical committees for each NPA to file additional information no later than August 31, 2001, to determine whether relief may extended again for either of the NPAs.

In the R&O issued on October 24, 2000, the Commission ordered implementation of numbering resource conservation and management strategies, including rate center consolidations in the 816 NPA and reclamation of un-activated central office codes throughout the state. The R&O implemented newly delegated state authority from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). The FCC has plenary authority over the North American Numbering Plan. Many of the strategies adopted by the Commission in the R&O were not available to Missouri until the FCC issued its orders on March 31 and July 20, 2000, In the Matter of Numbering Resource Optimization, CC Docket Nos. 99-200 and 96-98.

The Commission stated in its R&O (p. 18) that if numbering resources were used more efficiently the life of NPA codes could be

greatly extended and the expense and burden of NPA relief delayed or avoided. It is apparent that the Commission's actions are having a positive impact on the conservation and management of Missouri's numbering resources.

The Commission finds that the implementation relief dates for the 314 NPA and the 816 NPA shall be extended and that the technical committees and Staff shall each file additional information no later than August 31, 2001, regarding further extension of the relief dates. Other parties in this case may make similar filings or respond to the filings by Staff and the technical committees.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 1. That the permissive dialing and mandatory dialing dates for the 314 NPA (557 overlay) shall be extended until January 1, 2002, and to May 5, 2002, respectively.
- 2. That the permissive dialing and mandatory dialing dates for the 816 NPA (975 overlay) shall be extended until May 5, 2002, and to September 8, 2002, respectively.
- 3. That the technical implementation subcommittees for the 314 and 816 NPAs shall file reports no later than August 31, 2001, providing information to determine whether relief may be extended again for either of the NPAs. Proposed extension dates, if any, shall be suggested.
- 4. That Staff shall file a report no later than August 31, 2001, providing information to determine whether relief may be extended again for the 314 NPA or the 816 NPA. Alternatively, Staff

may indicate its agreement or concurrence in the reports filed by the technical implementation subcommittees.

- 5. That other parties to this case may file similar reports no later than August 31, 2001, providing information to determine whether relief may extended again for the 314 NPA or the 816 NPA.
- 6. That any responses to code relief extension reports may be filed no later than September 7, 2001.
 - 7. That this order shall become effective on April 26, 2001.

BY THE COMMISSION

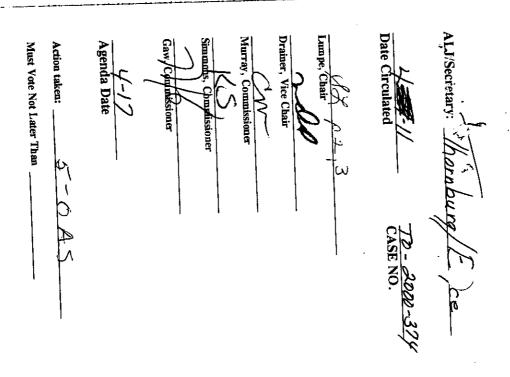
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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge

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Lumpe, Ch., Drainer, Murray, Simmons, and Gaw, CC., concur Thornburg, Regulatory Law Judge



STATE OF MISSOURI

OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

I have compared the preceding copy with the original on file in this office and I do hereby certify the same to be a true copy therefrom and the whole thereof.

WITNESS my hand and seal of the Public Service Commission, at Jefferson City,

Missouri, this 17th day of April 2001.

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Secretary/Chief Regulatory Law Judge