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Missouri Public Service Commission

RE: Case No. TO-2000-374-In the Matter of the North American Numbering Plan Administration's Petition for Approval of NPA Relief Plan for the 314 and 816 Area Codes

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Enclosed for filing in the above-captioned case are an original and eight (8) conformed copies of the STAFF'S RESPONSE TO SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY'S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION.

This filing has been mailed or hand-delivered this date to all counsel of record, and to the Co-chairs and attorney for the North American Portability Management LLC.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely yours,

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the North American)	
Numbering Plan Administration's Petition)	Case No. TO-2000-374
for Approval of NPA Relief Plan for the)	
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STAFF'S RESPONSE TO SOUTHWESTERN BELL TELEPHONE COMPANY'S MOTION FOR RECONSIDERATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission, pursuant to 4 CSR 240-2.080 (16), and for its response states:

- 1. On August 24, 2001, the Staff filed a motion requesting the Commission to order thousands-block number pooling trials in the 314 and 816 Number Plan Areas (NPAs). Based on discussions with NeuStar, the National Pooling Administrator, the Staff proposed starting dates for the pooling trials of January 2, 2002, in the 314 NPA and of February 1, 2002, in the 816 NPA.
- 2. On September 25, 2001, the Commission issued its Order Directing State Number Pooling Trials. The Order adopted the starting dates proposed by the Staff and scheduled an implementation meeting to be held by NeuStar no later than October 5, 2001.
- 3. NeuStar conducted the implementation meeting via teleconference on October 4, 2001. Representatives of the telecommunications industry, the Office of the Public Counsel, and the Staff participated in the meeting. Based upon discussions at the meeting, Southwestern Bell Telephone Company, on behalf of itself and certain companies in the telecommunications industry, filed on October 5, 2001, a Motion for Reconsideration of the Commission's September 25, 2001 Order. Specifically, the Motion requests that the Commission push back the number

pooling trial for the 314 NPA until January 22, 2002, and the number pooling trial for the 816 NPA until February 22, 2002. The Motion notes that several of the parties' employees are involved in a state number pooling trial in the 713 NPA in Houston, Texas, on January 1, 2002, and that other parties request additional time because this is the first pooling trial in which they will have participated.

4. In Staff's opinion, the Motion states good cause to push back the implementation dates of the pooling trials. As the Motion notes, number pooling will still occur in the 314 and 816 NPAs prior to the national rollout. However, the Staff does not anticipate any network disruptions if the Motion is denied.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission grant Southwestern Bell Telephone Company's Motion for Reconsideration.

Respectfully submitted,

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Certificate of Service

I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed or hand-delivered to all counsel of record as shown on the attached service list this 10th day of October 2001.

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