BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Application of) Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a) SBC Missouri, for Review and Reversal) of the North American Numbering Plan) Administrator's Decision to Withhold) Numbering Resources.

Case No. TO-2005-0312

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

COMES NOW the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its recommendation states:

1. Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Missouri ("SBC") filed an application and motion for expedited treatment requesting that the Commission issue an order reversing the decision of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator, NeuStar, Inc., ("NANPA") to withhold a block of 1,000 numbers which SBC requested to service the needs of St. Louis Community College, an SBC customer in the Pond rate center.

2. This Commission may overturn the NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from SBC if the Commission determines that SBC has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies. 47 CFR §52.15(g)(4).

3. In the attached Memorandum, labeled Appendix A, the Staff agrees that SBC has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies, and therefore recommends that the Commission issue an order overturning the NANPA's decision. The Staff also recommends that the Commission's order indicate that the 1,000 block of numbers released to SBC be in the 2,000 to 2,999 range to allow the customer to internally route numbers on a five-digit basis.

WHEREFORE, the Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order: (1) that determines that SBC has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies; (2) that reverses the decision of the NANPA; and (3) that directs NANPA to issue to SBC a block of 1,000 NXX codes in the Pond rate center in the 2,000 to 2,999 range.

Respectfully submitted,

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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 11th day of April 2005.

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