

# BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

## OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI

In the Matter of the Petition of New London     )  
Telephone Company, Orchard Farm Telephone)  
Company, and Stoutland Telephone Company )  
For Suspension of the Federal Communications)  
Commission Requirement to Implement     )  
Number Portability.     )

Case No. TO-2004-0370

### DISSENTING OPINION OF COMMISSIONER CONNIE MURRAY

I am opposed to an indefinite suspension of the FCC's wireline-to-wireless LNP requirements. The Stipulation and Agreement, by its terms, amounts to an indefinite suspension, even though it purports to be a temporary six-month suspension.

The language at paragraph 6 does not indicate that the six-month period will be used, as it should, to become LNP capable. To the contrary, the language provides that "After this initial six-month suspension period, the parties will then be free to offer further recommendations as to whether or not an additional suspension is appropriate under Section 251(f)(2) of the Act." (emphasis supplied)

I would have reluctantly granted a firm six-month suspension to allow additional time to become LNP capable. Unfortunately, that is not the agreement the Commission was presented.

Therefore, I respectfully dissent.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Connie Murray, Commissioner

Dated at Jefferson City, Missouri,  
on this 20th day of July, 2004.