

**STATE OF MISSOURI
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service
Commission held at its office in
Jefferson City on the 23rd day of
October, 2019.

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| In the Matter of the Application of Fidelity |) | |
| Communication Services II, Inc. for Review and |) | |
| Reversal of the North American Number Plan |) | <u>File No. CO-2020-0090</u> |
| Thousands-Block Pooling Administrator's Decision to |) | |
| Withhold Numbering Resources for the St. James, |) | |
| Missouri, Exchange |) | |

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

Issue Date: October 23, 2019

Effective Date: November 2, 2019

On September 30, 2019, Fidelity Communications Services II, Inc. (Fidelity) filed an Application requesting that the Missouri Public Service Commission review and reverse a decision of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) to withhold certain numbering resources from Fidelity in its St. James, Missouri, service area.

On October 15, 2019, the Staff of the Commission filed its Recommendation. Staff recommends the Commission grant Fidelity's application and overturn the decision of the NANPA. No other applications to intervene, requests for hearing, or recommendations have been filed.

Staff explained that Fidelity has been experiencing issues properly routing and rating phone calls in specific switches for which several years ago it donated blocks of numbers containing necessary local routing numbers (LRN). Fidelity wants to capture all minutes of traffic traversing its switch, to create accurate carrier access billings (CABs), and ensure

receipt of appropriate compensation for its switching function specifically related to the LRNs in the three number blocks it previously donated to the numbers pooling authority. Staff believes Fidelity has demonstrated a verifiable need for the LRNs, and has complied with 20 CSR 4240-28.016. Staff recommends the Commission grant Fidelity's request.

The Commission has the authority to overturn the NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from a carrier pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §52.15(g)(5), 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 Fidelity's application and Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that Fidelity has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies. The Commission will overturn the NANPA's decision and approve Fidelity's request for number resources as described above. Fidelity asked for expedited approval of its application, so the Commission will make this order effective in ten days.

THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:

1. The North American Numbering Plan Administrator's decision to withhold numbering resources from Fidelity Communications Services II, Inc., is overturned.
2. Fidelity Communications Services II, Inc.'s request for the 573 899-0 block in the St. James rate center is granted.
3. This order shall become effective on November 2, 2019.

4. This file may be closed on November 3, 2019.



BY THE COMMISSION

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Morris L. Woodruff".

Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

Silvey, Chm., Kenney, Hall, Rupp, and
Coleman, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge

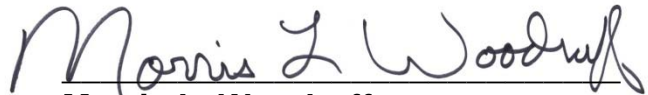
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OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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 23rd day of October 2019.




Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary

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Enclosed find a certified copy of an Order or Notice issued in the above-referenced matter(s).

Sincerely,



**Morris L. Woodruff
Secretary**

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