

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held by telephone and  
internet conference on the 29th day  
of April, 2020.

In the Matter of the Application of CenturyTel of )  
Missouri, LLC. d/b/a CenturyLink for Review and )  
Reversal of North American Number Plan )  
Thousands-Block Pooling Administrator's Decision to )  
Withhold Numbering Resources )

**File No. TO-2020-0325**

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

Issue Date: April 29, 2020

Effective Date: May 8, 2020

On April 14, 2020, CenturyTel of Missouri, LLC d/b/a CenturyLink (CenturyLink) filed an Application requesting that the Missouri Public Service Commission review and reverse a decision of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) to deny CenturyLink's application for numbering resources to serve National Information Solutions Cooperative in Lake St. Louis, Missouri.

On April 21, 2020, the Staff of the Commission filed its Recommendation advising the Commission to grant CenturyLink's application. No applications to intervene, requests for hearing, or other recommendations have been filed.

Staff explained that National Information Solutions Cooperative is expanding and needs 600 consecutive DID numbers, within the 636 Numbering Plan Area, beginning with the number 3 (636-3xx) in the Dardenne rate center. CenturyLink does not have the number resources to meet those needs. Staff believes CenturyLink has demonstrated a

verifiable need for the additional numbers and has complied with 4 CSR 240-28.016. Staff recommended the Commission grant CenturyLink's request.

The Commission has the authority to overturn 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 CenturyLink's application and the Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that CenturyLink has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies. The Commission will overturn NANPA's decision and approve CenturyLink's request for number resources as described above. CenturyLink asked for expedited approval of its application to allow the customer to proceed with its plans, 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 CenturyLink, is overturned.
2. CenturyLink's request for 600 consecutive DID numbers, within the 636 NPA in the Dardenne rate center, is granted.
3. This order shall become effective on May 8, 2020.
4. This file may be closed on May 9, 2020.



**BY THE COMMISSION**

*Morris L. Woodruff*

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Secretary

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

Woodruff, Chief 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 29<sup>th</sup> day of April 2020.**



  
**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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