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Mrs. Blanca S. Bayó Director, Division of Records and Reporting Florida Public Service Commission 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Re: Docket No. <u>6/0565-7</u> Petition For Expedited Review of Area Code Denials

Dear Ms. Bayó:

Enclosed is an original and fifteen copies of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.'s Petition for Expedited Review of NXX Code Denial, which we ask that you file the captioned docket.

A copy of this letter is enclosed. Please mark it to indicate that the original was filed and return the copy to me. Copies have been served to the parties shown on the attached Certificate of Service.

Sincerely, James Meza III

Enclosures

cc: All Parties of Record Marshall M. Criser III R. Douglas Lackey Nancy B. White

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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for Expedited Review of Growth Code Denials by the North American Numbering Administration Docket No.: _____

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PETITION FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW OF NXX CODE DENIAL

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NOW COMES BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc. ("BellSouth"), pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(iv), petitions the Florida Public Service Commission ("FPSC") to review the North American Plan Administration's ("NANPA") denial of BellSouth's application for use of central office code numbering resources or NXX codes in the Orlando exchange or rate center. In support of this petition, BellSouth states:

PARTIES

1. BellSouth is a corporation organized and formed under the laws of the State of Georgia and an incumbent local exchange company ("ILEC") regulated by the Commission and authorized to provide local exchange telecommunications and intraLATA toll telecommunications in the State of Florida.

2. NANPA is an independent non-governmental entity who is responsible for administering and managing the North American Numbering Plan ("NANP"). See 47 C.F.R. § 52.13(a),(b).

JURISDICTION

3. The Commission has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(iv). This provision provides that a "carrier may challenge the NANPA's decision to the appropriate state regulatory commission." *Id.*

BACKGROUND AND REQUEST FOR RELIEF

4. On March 31, 2000, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued Order No. 00-104 ("FCC 00-104" or the "Order") in the Numbering Resource Optimization docket (Docket No. 99-200).

5. The goal of FCC 00-104 was to implement uniform standards governing requests for telephone numbering resources in order to increase efficiency in the use of telephone numbers and to avoid further exhaustion of telephone numbers under the NANP.

6. Among other things, FCC 00-104 adopted a revised standard for assessing a carrier's need for numbering resources by requiring rate center based utilization rates to be reported to NANPA. FCC 00-104 at § 105. The FCC further required that to qualify for access to new numbering resources, applicants must establish that existing numbering inventory within the applicant's rate center will be exhausted within six months of the application. Prior to the ruling, the Central Office Code Assignment Guidelines, used by the industry and NANPA to make code assignments, required the applicant's existing number inventory within the applicant's serving switch to exhaust within a specific months-to-exhaust ("MTE") of the code application in order for a code to be assigned or the numbers available were unable to meet a specific customer's request.

7. The FCC stated its reason for the shift to a "rate center" basis for determining the need for new numbering resources was intended to "more accurately reflect how numbering resources are assigned" and to allow "carriers to obtain numbering resources in response to specific customer demands." FCC Order at ¶ 105.

8. As a result of FCC 00-104, the FCC adopted 47 C.F.R. § 52.15 (g)(iii) and (iv) which provide:

All service providers shall maintain no more than a six-month inventory of telephone numbers in each rate center or service area in which it provides telecommunications service.

The NANPA shall withhold numbering resources from any U.S. carrier that fails to comply with the reporting and numbering resources application requirements established in this part. The NANPA shall not issue numbering resources to a carrier without an Operating Company Number (OCN). The NANPA must notify the carrier in writing of its decision to withhold numbering resources within ten (10) days of receiving a request for numbering resources. The carrier may challenge the NANPA's decision to the appropriate state regulatory commission. The state regulatory commission may affirm or overturn the NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from the carrier based on its determination of compliance with the reporting and numbering resource application requirements herein. 47 C.F.R. § 52.15 (g)(iii), (iv).

9. Since the beginning of the year, BellSouth has submitted five Central Office Code

(NXX) Assignment Requests to NANPA for the assignment of NXX resources necessary

to meet the demands of its customers in the Florida. (Hollywood, Ft. Lauderdale, Orange

Park, and Orlando exchanges)

10. BellSouth completed the applications in accordance with NANPA's Central Office Code Assignment Guidelines and filled out the necessary Months-to-Exhaust Certification Worksheet required by NANPA.

11. For all of the exchanges except Orlando, BellSouth has been able to identify a mechanism such as number pooling that will currently provide some ability to meet customers needs. As for the Orlando exchange, BellSouth states the following:

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12. The Orlando exchange consists of six (6) central offices and seven (7) switches, Azalea Park (ORLDFLAPDS0), Colonial (ORLDFLCLDS0), Magnolia (ORLDFLMADS1 and ORLDFLMA42E), Pinecastle (ORLDFLPCDS0), Pinehills (ORLDFLPHDS0), and Sand Lake (ORLDFLSADS0).

13. On March 30, 2001, BellSouth made the reservation request to NANPA (See Attachment 1) for the Orlando Pinecastle ORLDFLPCDSO switch to allow BellSouth to provide 2,500 and 500 consecutive DID numbers to specific customers.

14. At the time of the code request, the Orlando Rate Center MTE was 14.4 months, while the switch MTE for Pinecastle – ORLDFLPCDSO was 29 MTE.

15. On April 10, 2001, the NANPA denied BellSouth's code request for the Orlando -Pinecastle switch. (See Attachment 2) The basis for the denial was that BellSouth had not met the rate center based MTE criteria now set forth in the Central Office Code Guidelines Section 4.2.1, notwithstanding the fact that BellSouth does not have the numbering resources needed to satisfy its customer's demands in the switch.

16. BellSouth's requested numbering resources would not materially impact exhaustion of available numbers in the 407/321 area code.

17. As discussed above, both the FCC Order and NANPA's Central Office Code Guidelines provide that state regulatory authorities have the power and authority to review NANPA's decision to deny a request for numbering resources. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(3)(iv); § 13.0 of the NANPA Central Office Code (NXX) Guidelines.

18. Under earlier MTE procedures used by NANPA, waivers or exceptions were granted when customer hardships could be demonstrated or when the service provider's inventory did not have a block of sequential numbers large enough to meet the customer's specific request. Under existing procedures, NANPA looks at the number of MTE for the entire rate center without any exceptions. The current process is arbitrary and results in

(1) decisions contrary to the public interest and welfare of consumers in the State of Florida; and (2) decisions that do not necessarily promote the efficient use of telephone numbers.

19. Unfortunately, BellSouth's inability to obtain numbering resources in the above offices, which were necessary to meet customers' requests in multi-switch rate centers, will not be the last time BellSouth experiences this problem. BellSouth has a total of 101 rate centers in Florida with 30 of these being multi-switch rate centers. Some of the switches within these multi-switch rate centers are already within or near the six MTE. BellSouth believes that it will be unable to meet the six MTE threshold at the rate center level in all of these multi-switch rate centers, causing serious problems with fulfilling its Carrier of Last Resort Obligations.

20. BellSouth requests that the Commission's reverse the NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from BellSouth on the following grounds:

 (a) The NANPA's denial of numbering resources to BellSouth interferes with BellSouth's ability to serve its customers within the State of Florida.

(b) The MTE at the rate center level requirement is discriminatory against the incumbent LEC, since the ILEC is typically the only local service provider with multiple switches in a rate center. The ILEC has deployed multiple switches in a rate center in order to meet customer demand for telephone service and the new FCC rules for obtaining numbering resources both penalize and discriminate against the ILEC for having done so. BellSouth believes that it is patently unfair to require that the ILEC only get six (6) MTE in all the switches it has deployed in a rate center, when the ALECs that have recently entered the local service market have to meet the MTE requirement in only

the single switch that they have deployed to serve their customers in a single rate center or even multiple rate centers.

(d) As a result of NANPA's denial of BellSouth's request for additional numbering resources, BellSouth will be unable to provide telecommunications services to its customers as required under Florida law.

WHEREFORE, BellSouth requests:

1. The Commission review the decision of the NANPA to deny BellSouth's request for additional numbering resources; and

2. The Commission direct the NANPA to provide the requested code for the Orlando exchange discussed above.

Respectfully submitted this 20^{th} day of April, 2001.

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