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DATE: March 6, 1997
TO: Parties of Record
FROM: Blanca S. Bayó, Director *BSB/ly*
Division of Records and Reporting
RE: Docket No. 961153-TL - Petition for numbering area relief for 904 area code,
by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

This is to inform you that the Commission has reported the following communication in the above-referenced docket.

- Letter from Ronald R. Connors, Belcore, dated February 27, 1997.

The letter, a copy of which is attached, is being made a part of the record in these proceedings. Pursuant to Section 350.042, F.S., any party who desires to respond to an ex parte communication may do so. The response must be received by the Commission within 10 days after receiving notice that the ex parte communication has been placed on the record. Please mail your response to the Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870.

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Attachments

cc: Rob Vandiver/w/letter

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February 27, 1987

E. Stan Wacker
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Dear Mr. Wacker:

This is a follow-up to my letter to you of February 12, 1987. My letter described North American Numbering Plan Administration's (NANPA's) concerns and those expressed by the industry about the conflict between the 904 Numbering Plan Area (NPA) relief plan and the conservation provisions of the NPA Relief Planning Guidelines. The letter also indicated that NAMP would delay assignment of the relief NPA codes for the 904 NPA by ten working days in order to provide time for the North American Numbering Council (NANC) under the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) to review the issue.

The issue was raised at the February 13 meeting of the NANC, and consensus was reached similar to those raised previously at the Industry Numbering Committee. As a result of that discussion, Alan Hunselwender, chair of the NANC, wrote to Julia Johnson, chair of the Florida Public Service Commission, on February 17, asking her to delay proceeding with the proposed relief plan. The issue was again discussed at the February 26 NANC meeting, but no one from Florida was present at the meeting. At that point the NANC agreed to seek the advice of the FCC. Based on that agreement, NAMP will further postpone assignment of the relief NPA codes for Florida for an additional thirty days in order to provide the FCC an opportunity to reply.

Both the NAMP and the NANC are aware of the imminent need for relief in the 904 NPA. As Mr. Hunselwender said in his letter to Julia Johnson, "It is not our intention to introduce significant delay in the solution to your current problem..." On the other hand, the 904 NPA relief plan is precedent setting, and we have received two other requests to assign relief NPA codes for relief plans that violate the same provisions of the NPA Relief Planning Guidelines.

Sincerely,



Copy to

Markus Gordon - FCC
Julia Johnson - Chair, Florida Public Service Commission
Alan Hunselwender - Chair, NANC

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February 26, 1997

5:45 p.m. ET

NANC RECOMMENDS STEPS TO SLOW DOWN STATES' AREA CODE EXHAUSTION

In an attempt to slow down the exhaustion of area codes, the North American Numbering Council (NANC) decided today to recommend steps that could conflict with state regulatory commission decisions to increase the number of area codes.

NANC members at a meeting in Washington said there is a "major" numbering crisis, citing a recent report that said numbers could be exhausted by 2026 (WTN 1067-96, December 3, 1996). Plans in several states to increase the number of area codes without following industry guidelines, members said, could have a major national cost and make things worse.

The most immediate impact of NANC's recommendation today could be to stop an order by the Florida Public Service Commission to expand the number of area codes in its 904 region. Ronald Connors, Bellicore's director of North American Numbering Plan (NANP) administration, told NANC that he is supposed to give Florida two more area codes tomorrow for a three-way split. NANC Chairman Alan Wasselwander said he is writing a letter to the FCC, advising that assignments such as the one proposed in Florida should not be made for "conservation" reasons. The letter will also be sent to states proposing such assignments and to Connors, who told us he did not know if he would give Florida the numbers tomorrow. Florida PSC Commissioner Julia Johnson was scheduled to appear at the NANC meeting but did not attend. California and Utah also have pending requests for additional area codes, Connors said.

NANC also decided to write a letter to the Industry Numbering Committee (INCC), an industry group, requesting that it change a clause in its guidelines that allows state regulatory commissions to preempt the guidelines. That makes the guidelines ineffectual, NANC members said, and should be amended so that only states with exceptional circumstances can appeal the guidelines. Those appeals would go to the FCC, NANC said.

Connors said that the change to the guidelines, even if it does not have the force of legislation, would make a difference because the NANP administrator gives numbers according to the guidelines.

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MEMORANDUM

TO: Ms. Blanca Bayo
Director of Records and Reporting

FROM: Chairman Julia L. Johnson *Julia*

SUBJECT: Letter received from Ronald R. Conners regarding Docket No. 951153-TL

Please find attached a letter dated February 27, 1997, from Mr. Ronald R. Conners, BellCore's Director of North American Numbering Plan (NANP) Administration. Because this letter addresses matters relevant to a pending proceeding, I ask that you place this memorandum and the attachments on the record of the above-referenced proceeding.

Also, please give notice of this communication to all parties to the docket, and inform them that they have 10 days from receipt of the notice to file a response.

JLJ:CJW:ssf

From: Carol Purvis

Confirm receipt

To:

Curtis Williams, Billy Stiles, Brenda Ferris, Charles Rehwinkel, Braulio
Baez

Subject: Ex Parte

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From: Carol Purvis

To: Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Brenda Ferris, Charles Rehwinkel, Curtis Williams

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Fwd to: Carol Purvis

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Our office did not receive this letter.

From: Carol Purvis

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Fwd to: Kay Posey

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Kay, did we get this?

Fwd-by:=-Kay=Posey====3/05/97-12:05pm-----
Fwd to: Billy Stiles

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That doesn't sound familiar. If we did get it, it would be in your in-box, but I don't think we got it.

Fwd-by:=-Billy=Stiles==3/05/97-12:48pm-----
Fwd to: Carol Purvis

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Carol, doesn't look like we got it. Thanks for checking.

From: Carol Purvis

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Fwd-by: =Charles=Rehwi=3/05/97==1:19pm=====

Fwd to: Carol Purvis

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To date, we have not received this letter.

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CONFIRMED

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Fwd to: Carol Purvis

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Commissioner Kiesling did not receive this correspondence.
