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DATE: April 19, 2000 TO: Chairman Joe Garcia FROM: John Cutting, Division of Telecommunications Diana Caldwell, Division of Legal Services RE: Docket No. 981444-TP - Number Utilization Study: Investigation into Number Conservation Measures

On April 6, 2000, a Joint Petition was filed protesting Commission Order No. PSC-00-0543-PAA-TP. A tentative hearing date has been set for May 18 - 19, 2000, as part of a consolidated hearing relating to area codes. On April 11, 2000, the Joint Petitioners filed an Offer of Settlement to Resolve the Number Pooling Implementation Protest of the Order. The next available regular agenda conference is May 16, 2000.

Staff requests permission to file, by noon on Tuesday, April 25, 2000, a recommendation addressing the Settlement Offer to be heard at the Special Agenda Conference already scheduled for May 5, 2000. Staff believes that this date is the best date to consider the Settlement Offer because, if the matter is approved, parties and staff will not have to further prepare for hearing. If the matter is not approved, all parties will be able to focus on hearing preparation.

Your consideration is appreciated. Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions.

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