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Re: Docket No. 100053-TL, Petition for Expedited Review of Growth Code Denials by the North American Numbers Plan Administration for the Tallahassee Exchange

Dear Ms. Cole:

Enclosed for filing on behalf of Embarq Florida, Inc. ^{TL127} d/b/a CenturyLink (CenturyLink), are the original and seven copies of CenturyLink's Petition for expedited Review of NXX-X Code Denial, which we ask that you file in the captioned new docket.

Copies are being served on the parties in this docket pursuant to the attached certificate of service.

If you have any questions regarding this electronic filing, please do not hesitate to call me at 850-599-1560.

Sincerely,

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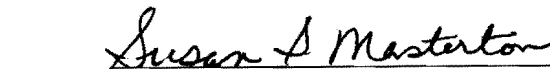
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BEFORE THE FLORIDA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In re: Petition for Expedited Review of Growth Code
Denials by the North American Numbering Plan
Administration for the Tallahassee Exchange

Docket No. _____

Date Filed: January 27, 2010

PETITION FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW OF NXX-X CODE DENIAL

Embarq Florida, Inc. d/b/a CenturyLink (CenturyLink), pursuant to 47 C.F.R § 52.15(g)(iv), Federal Communications Commission (“FCC”) Order FCC 00-104, and Florida Public Service Commission (“Commission”) Order No. PSC-01-1973-PCO-TL, petitions the Commission to review the Pooling Administrator’s (“NeuStar”) denial of CenturyLink’s requests for additional numbering resources in the Tallahassee Exchange. In support of this petition, CenturyLink states:

PARTIES

1. CenturyLink is 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. NeuStar is an independent non-governmental entity, which is responsible for administering and managing the numbering resources in pooling areas. See 47 C.F.R § 52.20(d)

JURISDICTION

3. The Commission has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to the Industry Numbering Committee’s (INC) Number Pooling Guidelines Sections 3.7 and 12(c). This provision provides that a carrier may challenge NeuStar’s decision to deny numbering resources to the appropriate regulatory authority.

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BACKGROUND AND REQUEST FOR RELIEF

4. The Tallahassee Exchange consists of eight (8) central offices and nine (9) switching entities that utilize numbering resources: Calhoun St (TLHSFLXADS0 and TLHSFLXADS1), Willis Road (TLHSFLXBDS0), Mabry (TLHSFLXCDS0), Blair Stone (TLHSFLXDDS0), FSU (TLHSFLXEDS0), Thomasville Rd. (TLHSFLXFDS0), Woodville (TLHSFLXGRL0), and Perkins Rd. (TLHSFLXHDS0).

5. On November 25, 2009, CenturyLink requested additional numbering resources from NeuStar for the Tallahassee exchange. (See Attachment 1 which was filed under Claim of Confidentiality with the Commission Clerk's office.) Specifically, in order to meet the telephone number needs of one of its customers, CenturyLink requested a new NXX in the Calhoun Street (TLHSFLXADS1) wire center. CenturyLink cannot currently meet this request given the inventory of numbers available at this time in this switch. CenturyLink has requested NeuStar to assign a full NXX to this switch so that this customer can have 7000 consecutive DID numbers assigned from an NXX that is not portable.

6. At the time of the code request, the Tallahassee exchange had a Months-to-Exhaust (MTE) of much longer than six (6) months and a utilization of 40%. There are no unassigned NXX's available in this exchange to meet this request.

7. On November 30, 2009, NeuStar denied CenturyLink's request for additional numbering resources because CenturyLink had not met the MTE and utilization criteria, notwithstanding the fact that CenturyLink's Calhoun Street switch does not have the available block of numbers in sufficient quantity in a non portable NXX to meet the customer's requirements. (See Attachment 1 which was filed under Claim of Confidentiality with the Commission Clerk's office.)

8. CenturyLink's request for additional numbering resources to meet this requirement in the Tallahassee Exchange would not materially impact exhaustion of available numbers in the 850 area code.

9. As discussed above, both the FCC Order and INC guidelines provided that state regulatory authorities have the power and authority to review NANPA's decision to deny a request for numbering resources. See INC Number Pooling Guidelines Sections 3.7 and 11.1(c).

10. Under earlier 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, NeuStar and NANPA look at the MTE criteria and utilization threshold for the rate center and allow exceptions. The current process is arbitrary and may result 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.

11. CenturyLink's inability to provide the customer with the requested block of numbers prevents CenturyLink from providing the quality of service this customer desires and expects.

12. This Commission has previously received similar requests from numerous carriers, both ILECs and CLECs in which the carriers have asked the PSC to overrule a decision of NANPA and NeuStar. The Commission has granted these requests.

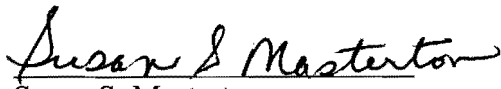
13. CenturyLink requests that the Commission use its delegated authority to reverse NeuStar's decision to withhold numbering resources from CenturyLink and waive the Months-to-Exhaust and Utilization requirements on the following grounds.

- a) NeuStar's denial of numbering resources to CenturyLink interferes with CenturyLink's ability to service its customers within the State of Florida.
- b) As a result of NeuStar's denial of CenturyLink's request for additional numbering resources, CenturyLink will be unable to provide telecommunications services to its customers.

WHEREFORE, CenturyLink requests:

1. The Commission review the decision of NeuStar to deny CenturyLink's request for additional numbering resources for the Tallahassee exchange, and
2. The Commission directs NeuStar to provide the requested numbering resources for the Tallahassee exchange as discussed above.

Respectfully submitted this 27th day of January, 2010.


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ATTACHMENT 1

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