

SECRETARY'S RECORD, NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of the Application) Application No. C-2233/PI-36
of the Public Service Commission,)
on its own motion, to conduct an) ORDER ENTERING STIPULATION
investigation into the conserva-) AND AMENDING IMPLEMENTATION
tion of assignable telephone) CALENDAR FOR THOUSANDS BLOCK
numbers.) POOLING; ORDER NUNC PRO TUNC
) ENTERED; ORDER DIRECTING
) CERTAIN PARTIES TO ENTER
) INTO A CONTRACT WITH THE
) SELECTED INTERIM STATE
) POOLING ADMINISTRATOR
)
) ENTERED: September 26, 2000

BY THE COMMISSION:

This docket was opened on February 29, 2000, to examine alternatives for conservation of assignable numbers. On July 20, 2000, the FCC released an order granting to this Commission its requested delegation of authority to implement several number conservation methods including thousands-block number pooling. In accordance with that delegated authority, the Commission selected an interim state pooling administrator (PA) and scheduled an implementation meeting.

The implementation meeting was held on August 31, 2000, in the Commission Hearing Room in Lincoln. Interested parties, which included all code holders in the 402 area code, were notified of the implementation hearing by a first-class letter mailed by the Deputy Director of the Commission on August 16, 2000.

At the implementation meeting, a tentative calendar was established with the goal of implementing and completing the transition to thousands-block number pooling by the date set by the Commission in their order of August 8, 2000. At the meeting, a proposal was made by industry representatives whereby the industry would enter into a stipulation in which they would agree to certain specific and voluntary number conservation measures in exchange for the Commission agreeing to delay the implementation until February 17, 2001 to coincide with the expected release date of improved pooling software. The Commission agreed to enter into negotiations directed at such a stipulation.

A meeting, with accompanying teleconference links, was held on September 7, 2000. As a result of the negotiations held during that meeting, representatives from the industry and the Commission staff agreed to a stipulation which is attached as an appendix to

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this order.

FINDINGS AND OPINIONS

The Commission finds that the attached stipulation should be approved. The Commission further directs that an amended implementation schedule, as agreed to, be entered and that the previously ordered December 1, 2000, implementation date for thousands-block number pooling be set aside.

The Commission further finds that it may direct re-adoption of the implementation date set forth in its order of August 8, 2000, upon a finding of non-compliance with the terms of the agreed stipulation.

The Commission also finds that, at this time, a correction to the order of August 8, 2000, should be entered and an order *nunc pro tunc* be entered. In our August 8, 2000, order, we stated in our first order clause that,

...any carrier requesting numbers for the Omaha MSA do so only in thousands-block lots effective on the date of the entering of this order..

We find that the ordering clause should read,

...any carrier which is capable of local number portability requesting numbers for the Omaha MSA do so only in thousands-block lots effective on the date of the entering of this order..

and hereby enter an order *nunc pro tunc* to that effect.

Finally, we find that, to effectuate the goals in this order and our previous orders, we should direct the North American Portability Management L.L.C. to initiate a contract for number pooling with the Neustar, Inc., the Pooling Administrator selected by the Commission.

O R D E R

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED by the Nebraska Public Service Commission that the attached stipulation is hereby approved by the Commission.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that, upon approval of the stipulation by all parties, the original implementation schedule as entered by this Commission in its August 8, 2000, order shall be set aside and

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that a new implementation calendar as set forth in the proposed stipulation be adopted in its place. Upon a finding of non-compliance with the terms of the stipulation, the Commission may re-adopt the implementation schedule as directed in its August 8, 2000 order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that an order *nunc pro tunc* be entered to correct our order of August 8, 2000, consistent with the findings in this order.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that the Industry LLC established to obtain numbers for its use is directed to enter into a contract with interim state pooling administrator as selected by this Commission.

MADE AND ENTERED in Lincoln, Nebraska on this 19th day of September, 2000.

NEBRASKA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS CONCURRING:








//s//Frank E. Landis

//s//Daniel G. Urwiller


Chairman

ATTEST:


Executive Director

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