

**BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
OF THE STATE OF MISSOURI**

In the Matter of the Application of Southwestern )  
Bell Telephone, L.P. d/b/a SBC Missouri for )  
Review and Reversal of the North American ) Case No. TO-2006-0231  
Number Plan Administrator's Decision to Withhold )  
Numbering Resources.

**STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

**COMES NOW** the Staff of the Missouri Public Service Commission and for its recommendation states:

1. Southwestern Bell Telephone, L.P., d/b/a SBC Missouri filed an application with NeuStar, Inc., the Pooling Administrator of the North American Numbering Plan ("Pooling Administrator") to obtain three consecutive blocks of 1,000 telephone numbers for use by the Park Hill School District. Park Hill has specifically requested that these numbers start with 4,5,6,7 or 8. The Pooling Administrator denied SBC Missouri's request because SBC Missouri had not met the utilization criteria of 75%.

2. The Commission may overturn the Pooling Administrator's decision to withhold numbering resources from SBC Missouri if the Commission determines that SBC Missouri has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies. 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(4).

3. In the attached Memorandum, labeled Appendix A, the Staff agrees that SBC Missouri has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies. Without an order from the Commission approving SBC Missouri's request to receive the desired blocks in the Kansas City rate center, SBC Missouri will be unable to serve

the needs of its customer Park Hill. The Staff recommends that the Commission issue an order overturning the Pooling Administrator's decision.

**WHEREFORE**, the Staff recommends that the Commission, at its earliest convenience, issue an order that:

- (1) determines that SBC Missouri has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies;
- (2) reverses the decision of the Pooling Administrator and approves SBC Missouri's request to receive three consecutive blocks of 1,000 numbers (starting with 4,5,6,7 or 8) in the Kansas City rate center.

Respectfully submitted,

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I hereby certify that copies of the foregoing have been mailed, hand-delivered, transmitted by facsimile or electronically mailed to all counsel of record this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2005.

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