

**BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION**

<b>IN THE MATTER OF MILLENNIUM</b>	)	
<b>NETWORKS, LLC’S PETITION FOR</b>	)	
<b>WAIVER OF FCC THRESHOLD</b>	)	<b>CASE NO. MNL-T-19-01</b>
<b>NUMBERING RESOURCE</b>	)	
<b>REQUIREMENTS</b>	)	<b>ORDER NO. 34501</b>
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On November 12, 2019, Millennium Networks, LLC (“Millennium” or the “Company”) filed a Petition requesting that the Idaho Public Utilities Commission (“Commission”) enter an order waiving the Federal Communications Commission’s (“FCC”) Threshold Numbering Resource Requirements for Pocatello, Idaho.

**THE PETITION**

In the Petition, the Company asserted it is replacing its existing DMS-10 switch equipment/facilities in its Pocatello, Idaho exchange. Because of this change, a new Number Plan Area and exchange (“NPA-NXX”) and Location Routing Number (“LRN”)<sup>1</sup> are required to establish homing arrangements for Local Exchange Routing Guide 7 Switching Homing Arrangement information (“LERG7SHA”) so the Company can order and install new trunking.<sup>2</sup> *Petition* at 1. The Company stated once the new switch is operational, existing Millennium customers will be ported to it from the old switch. *Id.*

On October 18, 2019, Millennium applied through the Pooling Administration System (“PAS”) of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (“NANPA”) for a LRN for the new Pocatello, Idaho switch within its Local Access Transport Area (“LATA”). NANPA’s administrator, Somos, Inc., denied Millennium’s application because the Company did not meet the months-to-exhaust and/or utilization requirements in the Thousands-Block Number Pooling Administration Guidelines (the “Guidelines”). *See Petition*, Attachment A.

<sup>1</sup>The NPA, or Numbering Plan Area, is commonly called the area code. The NXX refers to the three digits of a phone number immediately following the area code, and is also called the “exchange” or Central Switching Office Designation. The LRN is a unique 10-digit number used to identify a switch that holds ported or pooled numbers. Calls to ported or pooled numbers are routed based on the NPA-NXX of the numbers associated with the LRN.

<sup>2</sup> The LERG provides routing data obtained from the iconectiv Business Integrated Routing and Rating Database System (“BIRRD”) into which data is entered by service providers (“SPs”) and/or their agents.

The Company's Petition asked the Commission to grant Millennium a waiver of the Guidelines.

### **STAFF ANALYSIS**

Staff evaluated Millennium's waiver request and stated the Company's request for a waiver is reasonable and consistent with the Company's plan to upgrade facilities for consumers in the Pocatello, Idaho area. Accordingly, Staff recommended the Commission grant Millennium's waiver request for the full NXX-LRN. Staff further recommended the Company return any unused numbers to the pooling administrators.

### **COMMISSION FINDINGS**

Federal regulations allow a carrier to appeal a NANPA decision to withhold numbering resources. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(4)(iv) and (5). The Commission "may affirm or overturn the NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from the carrier based on its determination of compliance with the reporting and numbering resource" requirements. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(4)(iv) and (5). The Commission "also may overturn the NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from the carrier based on its determination that the carrier has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies." 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(5).

After reviewing Millennium's Petition and Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that the Petition should be granted. The requested waiver is necessary for Millennium in relation to its facilities upgrade and to meet the needs of its customers. We further find that the waiver and assignment will not detrimentally affect numbering resources for the Pocatello rate center. Consequently, we find it is reasonable to direct that NANPA provide the new number assignment requested by Millennium. Finally, we find that because Millennium participates in number pooling the Company shall return any unused 1,000-blocks of numbers to NANPA.

### **ORDER**


IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Millennium's Petition for waiver of the numbering resource optimization Guidelines is granted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that any unused 1,000-blocks of numbers shall be returned to NANPA's numbering pool within six (6) months from the service date of this Order.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date of this Order. Within seven (7)

days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. See *Idaho Code* §§ 61-626 and 62-619.

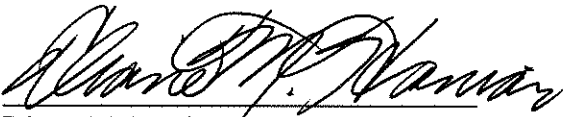
DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 4<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2019.

  
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PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT

  
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KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

  
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ERIC ANDERSON, COMMISSIONER

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