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Ms. Vikie Bailey-Goggins
Oregon Public Utility Commission
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Dear Ms. Vikie Bailey-Goggins:

Qwest Corporation (Qwest) respectfully requests Commission concurrence with regard to the issuance of additional numbering resources in Qwest's Grants Pass rate center.

Qwest is requesting from NeuStar / PA, the Oregon number pooling administrator, to open one block in the GRPSOR29DS0 switch. The City of Grants Pass located in Grants Pass, Oregon is in the process of updating their telecommunications systems. They are also adding two new public safety buildings and they are preparing their communication services to address the needs of their citizens for the next 10 to 20 years. Due to dialing plans at the City the customer is requesting 400 new sequential numbers from a block that comes from 541-4XX. I have attached the customer letter dated September 19, 2008 stating their request.

On 09/23/08, Qwest submitted a Part 1/1A and MTE (Months to Exhaust) Worksheet to NeuStar/PA via their online system requesting numbering resources to satisfy the customers needs. The request was immediately denied, based on FCC utilization criteria. According to FCC requirements, to qualify for additional numbering resources carriers must submit paperwork demonstrating the rate center for which the numbers are requested is at six months or less to exhaust and is at 75% or more utilization. In cases where the service provider is not able to meet a specific customer request with available inventory, the FCC has determined that the state commissions will have jurisdiction. The Grants Pass rate center is at 202 MTE and 72.18 % utilization. Due to the MTE and utilization criteria Qwest does not qualify for additional numbers at this time.

In its Second Report and Order on Numbering Resource Optimization, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) allowed for a waiver of the rules when there is a demonstrated need for a large block of numbers, such as we are requesting. *FCC Docket No. 99-200, Order No. 00-429, ¶186, released December 29, 2000.* The FCC then delegated authority to the State Commissions to grant requests for additional numbering resources in its Third Report And Order on Numbering Resource Optimization:

... and we delegate authority to state commissions to hear claims that a safety valve should be applied when the NANPA or Pooling Administrator denied a specific request for numbering resources (footnote omitted)... We also clarify that states may grant request by carriers that receive a specific customer request for numbering resources that exceeds their available inventory.

This request is asking for Commission consideration based upon ¶¶ 61 and 64 of Order No. 01-362 relating to a specific customer request. This need is demonstrated by the customer's request, along with current proof of utilization in the Grants Pass rate center.

Qwest respectfully requests that the Oregon Public Utility Commission direct NeuStar / PA to provide one thousands block, specifically from an NXX beginning with 4 (541-4XX) provisioned out of the Grants Pass, Oregon switch.

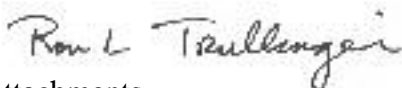
The directive for the numbers should be mailed to the Pooling Administrator:

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Some of the information provided is confidential by Qwest Corporation and is stamped as such.

Thank you for your consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,



Attachments