

ORDER NO. 04-542

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BEFORE THE PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION

OF OREGON

UM 1164

In the Matter of)	
)	ORDER
QWEST CORPORATION)	
)	
Request for Medford rate center numbering)	
expansion for Asante Health Systems.)	

DISPOSITION: WAIVER GRANTED.

At its Public Meeting on September 21, 2004, the Public Utility Commission of Oregon granted Qwest Corporation's request for a waiver of the Federal Communications Commission months-to-exhaust criterion for the issuance of 10,000 consecutive numbers in the Medford rate center for Asante Health Systems. The basis for the current request is detailed in Staff's Report, attached as Appendix A.

ORDER

IT IS ORDERED that Qwest Corporation's request for waiver of the months-to-exhaust criterion for the Medford rate center is granted.

Made, entered and effective _____.

BY THE COMMISSION:

BECKY L. BEIER
Commission Secretary

A party may request rehearing or reconsideration of this order pursuant to ORS 756.561. A party may appeal this order to a court pursuant to ORS 756.580.

ITEM NO. CA2

**PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF OREGON
STAFF REPORT
PUBLIC MEETING DATE: September 21, 2004**

REGULAR _____ **CONSENT** X **EFFECTIVE DATE** September 22, 2004

DATE: August 19, 2004

TO: Lee Sparling through Phil Nyegaard and Irv Emmons

FROM: Wolodymyr Birko

SUBJECT: QWEST CORPORATION: (Docket No. UM 1164) Medford rate center numbering expansion.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION:

Staff recommends the request be granted.

DISCUSSION:

Qwest Corporation (Qwest) is requesting that Neustar/NANPA, the Oregon number pooling administrator, open 10,000 numbers in the Medford, Oregon MDFDOR33DS0 switch in the 541-789-NXXX numbering sequence.

Asante Health Systems has requested 10,000 consecutive DID numbers. Qwest has examined the Medford switch and other switches in the Medford rate center and confirmed that they do not have enough numbers to meet the customer's request.

In cases where the service provider is not able to meet a specific customer request, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) has given the state commissions jurisdiction to grant additional numbering resources (*FCC Docket No. 99-200, Order No. 01-362*). A carrier qualifies for additional numbering resources if a rate center is less than six months to exhaust and is at 70 percent or more in utilization of its numbers.

In its Second Report and Order on Numbering Resource Optimization, the FCC allowed for a waiver of the rules when there is a demonstrated need for a large block of numbers as is being requested by Qwest, *FCC Docket No. 99-200, Order No. 00-429, released on 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. *FCC Docket No. 99-200. Order No. 01-362, released on December 28, 2001.*
The Medford rate center is at twelve months to exhaust and 80 percent utilization. Due to the months to exhaust criterion, the Medford rate center does not qualify for additional numbers at this time. Granting the waiver would be in the public interest.

PROPOSED COMMISSION MOTION:

Qwest's request for an additional 10,000 numbers in the Medford rate center from the MDFDOR33DS0 Switch in the 541-789-NXXX numbering sequence be granted.

UM1164 Medford Numbering Expansion