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Re: Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a AT&T Kentucky, Requesting the Commission's Intervention in NANPA NXX Code Assignments (Frankfort Rate Center, Area Code 502 – Commonwealth of Kentucky)

Dear Ms. O'Donnell:

Case No. 7007-00167

Enclosed are the original and ten (10) copies of the Petition of BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a AT&T Kentucky, for Review of NXX Code Denial in the Frankfort Rate Center.

Very truly yours,

Enclosures

BEFORE THE KENTUCKY PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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Case No. 7007-00/67

PETITION FOR REVIEW OF NXX CODE DENIAL IN THE FRANKFORT RATE CENTER

BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc., d/b/a AT&T Kentucky ("AT&T Kentucky"), through its undersigned counsel, pursuant to the rules adopted by the Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") for challenging determinations of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator ("NANPA"), petitions the Kentucky Public Service Commission ("Commission") for review of NANPA's denial of AT&T Kentucky's application for use of central office numbering resources in the 502 area code.

In support of its petition, AT&T Kentucky states:

- AT&T Kentucky is a telecommunications utility regulated by the Commission. It provides, among other services, intraLATA local exchange telecommunications services in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
- NANPA is an independent non-governmental entity that is responsible for administering and managing the North American Numbering Plan ("NANP"). See, 47 C.F.R. Sec. 52.13 (a), (b).
- On March 31, 2000, the FCC issued a Report and Order and Further
 Notice of Proposed Rule Making relating to numbering resource
 optimization ("FCC 00-104"). The goal of FCC 00-104 was to implement

uniform standards governing requests for telephone numbering resources in order to increase efficiency in the use of telephone numbers and to avoid further exhaustion of numbers under the NANPA.

- 4. Among other things, FCC 00-104 adopted a revised standard for assessing a carrier's need for numbering resources by requiring carriers to report rate center based utilization data to NANPA, rather than switch-specific utilization data. The FCC further required that, to qualify for access to new numbering resources, applicants must establish that existing inventory within the applicant's rate center will exhaust within six (6) months of the application. The FCC reaffirmed this requirement in two subsequent orders. FCC 00-429 at para. 29 (rel. Dec. 29, 2000); FCC 01-362 at para. 48-49 (rel. Dec. 28, 2001).
- 5. The shift to a rate center basis for determining the need for new numbering resources was intended to "more accurately reflect how numbering resources are assigned" and to allow carriers "to obtain numbering resources in response to specific customer demands." FCC 00-104, para. 105.
- 6. In addition to the months-to-exhaust ("MTE") requirement described above, the FCC's rules also require carriers to meet a rate center utilization threshold of seventy-five percent (75%) in order to receive additional numbering resources in a given rate center. FCC 00-429 at para. 22; FCC 01-362, para. 50-52. Based on the FCC's orders, carriers must meet both the MTE requirement and the utilization threshold

requirement on a rate center basis in order to obtain additional numbering resources. *Id.*

- 7. On March 30, 2007, AT&T Kentucky submitted a Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Request -Part 1 and CO Code Assignment Months-to-Exhaust Certification Worksheet to NANPA for the assignment of an NXX code needed to meet the numbering demands for the Commonwealth of Kentucky in Frankfort, KY. The affected AT&T Kentucky customer will be served by the Frankfort switch in the Frankfort Rate Center. See Attachment 1.
- AT&T Kentucky has a total of two switches in the Frankfort Rate Center.
 The code requested was submitted for AT&T Kentucky's Frankfort main switch.
- AT&T Kentucky completed the application in accordance with the Industry Numbering Committee's Guidelines and filled out the necessary Months-To-Exhaust Certification Worksheets as required.
- 10. The code assignment request was for a growth code in the 502 NPA to meet the Commonwealth of Kentucky's request for a Dedicated Code of 10,000 sequential numbers. AT&T Kentucky, however, did not have sufficient number resources available within its inventory in our available pool for this wire center in the Frankfort Rate Center and was unable to meet the customer's specific request for numbering resources. At the time of the filing of the code request, the Frankfort Rate Center had an MTE of 34.34 and a utilization of 47.50%. AT&T Kentucky submitted this code

request because the Frankfort switch that serves the customer does not have a block of sequential numbers large enough to meet the customer's needs. On April 10, 2007, NANPA's Central Office Code Administration denied AT&T Kentucky's code request on the grounds that AT&T Kentucky had not met the rate center based months-to-exhaust criterion now set forth in the Central Office (NXX) Guidelines. NANPA denied AT&T Kentucky's code request despite the fact that AT&T Kentucky does not have adequate numbering resources needed to satisfy its customer's demands in the above referenced switch. See Attachment 2, Central Office Code Assignment Guidelines (COCAG) Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Request – Part 3.

11. AT&T Kentucky's inability to provide this important customer – the Commonwealth of Kentucky - with the requested numbers within the same NXX prevents AT&T Kentucky from providing the quality of service this customer desires, needs, and expects. If AT&T Kentucky is not assigned the code needed to meet the customer's request, AT&T Kentucky will be unable to provide numbering resources requested by the customer.¹ NANPA's refusal to grant numbering resources sufficient to meet the 'Commonwealth of Kentucky's needs is inconsistent with the FCC's position that consumers should not be precluded from receiving services

¹ AT&T Kentucky employs a number administration technique called "sequential numbering" in order to preserve the largest blocks of consecutive numbers for as long as possible. The lack of consecutive numbers in the switches referred to above is the consequence of a high level of utilization, not any failure on AT&T Kentucky's part to conserve blocks of consecutive numbers.

of their choice from providers of their choice for want of numbering resources.

- Both the FCC's rules and the Central Office Code (NXX) Guidelines provide that state regulatory authorities have the power and authority to review NANPA's decision to deny a request for numbering resources.
 See FCC 01-362, Appendix A, Final Rules, para. 52.15(g)(4) ("The carrier may challenge the NANPA's decision to the appropriate state regulatory commission.") FCC 01-362 at para. 61-66; Central Office Code (NXX) Guidelines para. 13.0 ("Appeals may include but are not limited to one or more of the following options: ... C. The CO Code Administrator(s) and code holders/applicants may pursue the disagreement with the appropriate governmental/regulatory body").
- 13. Prior to the FCC's orders and the resulting change in the Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines, the MTE procedures used by NANPA permitted a carrier to receive a code assignment, even if the MTE requirement at the switch level was not met. These waivers or exceptions were granted where customer hardships could be demonstrated or where the service provider's inventory did not have a block of sequential numbers large enough to meet the customer's specific request. Under today's procedures, NANPA looks at the MTE for the entire rate center without any exceptions. The FCC has determined, however, that States may grant relief "if a carrier demonstrates that it has received a customer request for numbering resources in a given rate center that it cannot meet

with its current inventory." FCC 01-362, para. 64. In addition, the FCC has ruled that "States . . . may grant requests for customers seeking contiguous blocks of numbers." *Id.*

- 14. AT&T Kentucky requests that the Commission reverse NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from AT&T Kentucky. AT&T Kentucky's request for numbering resources would not materially impact exhaustion of the remaining 13 NXXs available in the 502 area code.
- 15. This Commission, as well as the Commissions in Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina, South Carolina, and Tennessee, has previously addressed similar situations and ordered NANPA to provide AT&T Kentucky with the numbering resources, even though AT&T Kentucky was unable to satisfy the required months-toexhaust criteria. See Order, KPSC Case No. 2005-00516, January 20, 2006; Order, KPSC 2005-00342, October 7, 2005; Order, KPSC 2005-00157, April 28, 2005; Order, KPSC 2005-00021, February 2, 2005; and Order, KPSC 2004-00521, February 2, 2005.

WHEREFORE, AT&T Kentucky requests that the Commission:

- Reverse the decision of NANPA to deny AT&T Kentucky's request for additional numbering resources,
- 2. Direct NANPA to provide the requested central office code for the switch identified herein, and
- 3. Grant the requested relief as soon as practicable.

Respectfully submitted this 20^{m} day of April 2007.

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According to the FCC 2nd Report and Order (FCC 00-429) effective June 30, 2003, in order to receive additional numbering resources, the MTE form you submit must meet the 75% utilization level. If you are in disagreement with the disposition of this code request, please refer to the Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines for the appeals process.

A copy of this Part 3 has been sent to the following users/email	addresses.
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