

**BEFORE THE WASHINGTON STATE  
UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION**

In the Matter of the Request of                    ) DOCKET NO. UT-041753  
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SBC TELECOM, INC., PETITIONER    ) ORDER NO. 01  
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For Assignment of Telephone Number   ) ORDER ASSIGNING NUMBERING  
Resources    ) RESOURCES  
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**BACKGROUND**

1       On September 27, 2004, SBC Telecom, Inc., (SBC) filed with the Commission a request to overturn the Pooling Administrator’s decision to withhold numbering resources and to direct the Pooling Administrator to provide one numbering block in the Kirkland rate center. SBC is not able to use their current inventory of numbers for this end-user due to limitations of their telephone system. The Commission granted SBC a block (425-587-3XXX) for the same customer July 28, 2004 in docket UT-041225, under similar circumstances. SBC would prefer to obtain the 425-587-4XXX block of numbers to satisfy SBC end-user’s need for 500 more Direct Inward Dial (DID) numbers.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

2       (1)     On December 28, 2001, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) issued an order establishing a “safety valve” allowing carriers that do not meet the utilization threshold in a given rate center to obtain additional numbering resources apart from the general waiver process. (*In the Matter of Numbering Resource Optimization*, Third Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration, CC Docket 99-200, FCC No. 01-362, ¶¶ 57-66.) Specifically, the FCC granted to state commissions the authority to direct the Pooling Administrator (Neustar) to release a block of numbers to a carrier to satisfy a specific customer request that cannot be met with the carrier’s current

inventory. (*Id.* ¶ 64).

- 3 (2) The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to RCW 80.36.610,  
which gives the Commission authority to take actions necessary to implement  
the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.
- 4 (3) Normally, additional numbering resources are granted only when existing  
resources are forecasted to exhaust within six months. [*47 CFR*  
*52.15(g)(3)(iii)*].
- 5 (4) The Pooling Administrator website reports an inventory of 92 blocks of 1,000  
numbers in the Kirkland rate center, and indicates that the exhaust of NPA  
425 is scheduled for the first quarter of 2029.
- 6 (5) This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled  
meeting on October 13, 2004.

### **ORDER**

#### THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 7 (1) Neustar, Inc., acting as the Pooling Administrator, to release one block of  
1,000 numbers, specifically 425-587-4XXX in the Kirkland rate center to SBC  
Telecom, Inc.
- 8 (2) The Commission retains jurisdiction over this matter to take such future  
actions as may be appropriate.

The Commissioners, having determined this Order to be consistent with the public  
interest, directed the Secretary to enter this Order.

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DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 13<sup>th</sup> day of October, 2004.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary