

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

In the Matter of the Request of	)	DOCKET NO. UT-050711
	)	
Integra Telecom,	)	ORDER NO. 01
	)	
For Assignment of Telephone	)	ORDER ASSIGNING
Number Resources	)	NUMBERING RESOURCES
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**BACKGROUND**

- 1     Integra Telecom, (Integra or Company) requested on April 29, 2005, that the Commission overturn the numbering administrator's decision to withhold numbering resources and direct the Pooling Administrator to provide one block of numbers in the 425 NPA, Bothell rate center.
  
- 2     The new block will be used to provision services to the Northshore School District. The Northshore School District's plan needs 3,000 sequential direct inward dial (DID's) starting with a digit range of 4, 5, or 6 to expand their services. Because of their PBX configurations, the Northshore School District is limited to sequential numbers. Currently Integra's utilization of numbers in the 425 NPA, in the Bothell rate center is at 52%. Normally, additional numbering resources are granted only when existing resources are forecasted to exhaust within six months. The Bothell rate center is at 6.7 months to exhaust. Integra does not have blocks available that meet the requirements of the Northshore School District as they are a new customer for the Company. The company is requesting a waiver to address the requirements of the Washington school district customer.

**FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS**

- 3     (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).

- 4 (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.
- 5 (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)].
- 6 (4) The Pooling Administrator website reports an inventory of 83 blocks of 1,000 numbers in the Bothell exchange/rate center, and indicates that the exhaust of NPA 425 is scheduled for the first quarter of 2030.
- 7 (5) This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled meeting on May 24, 2005.

**ORDER**

THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 8 (1) Neustar, Inc., acting as the Pooling Administrator, to release one code in the Bothell Rate Center, ending in 4, 5, or 6 in the 425 NPA to Integra Telecom.
- 9 (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.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 24<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2005

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN, Secretary