

BEFORE THE WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION
COMMISSION

In the Matter of)) Area Code Relief for the 206, 253, 425) Number Plan Area Filed By NeuStar, for) the Washington State Telecommunications) Industry in the Form of an Overlay; and) Creation of the 564 Plan Area for All of) Western Washington))	DOCKET NO. UT-991535 NOTICE OF HEARING (February 23, 2001)
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- 1 At its November 8, 2000, open meeting, the Commission accepted in this docket a proposed Telecommunications Industry Customer Notification and Education Plan relating to the introduction of 10-digit dialing and the 564 overlay area code in western Washington. At that time, the Commission directed the industry to make an additional report in January 2001, on two specific elements of the plan. Those elements were: (1) specific funding levels, by company, for television, radio, and newspaper media advertising, and (2) specific community relations elements to address elementary school students, seniors, and others who are unlikely to be reached by the education plan itself. The industry made its supplemental report on these issues at the open meeting of the Commission on January 31, 2001.
- 2 By separate notice issued on this date the Commission is seeking comments from telecommunications service providers and other interested parties on the most appropriate method of allocating to service providers the costs of public education relating to the introduction of 10-digit dialing and the 564 overlay area code in western Washington. The Commission already has approved the education plan itself and the \$1.2 million amount. It is not asking for comments on either the need for an education plan or the amount to be spent on that plan. The Commission has determined that it is appropriate that the comments and remaining issues be brought for hearing before the Commission.
- 3 Hearing in this matter is being held pursuant to Part IV of chapter 34.05 RCW pertaining to adjudicative proceedings, including but not being limited to RCW 34.05.413, RCW 34.05.431, RCW 34.05.434, and RCW 34.05.449. The Commission has jurisdiction pursuant to Title 80 RCW and RCW 80.36.610, which authorizes the Commission to conduct proceedings and take actions contemplated for action by state commissions under the Telecommunications Act of 1996. That act, as implemented by the Federal Communications Commission, authorizes state commissions to direct public education efforts regarding area code changes. 47 U.S.C. §251(e)(1); 47 C.F.R. § 52.19(a).

- 4 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN That a hearing in this matter will be held at 8:30 a.m., on February 23, 2001, in the Commission's Hearing Room, Second Floor, Chandler Plaza Building, 1300 S. Evergreen Park Drive S.W., Olympia, Washington. If you are unable to attend the prehearing conference in person, you may attend via the Commission's teleconference bridge line. Please call Nancy Moen at (360) 664-1140 to request this service. Due to the limited number of conference ports available, service will be limited to the first eleven people requesting the service. The Commission also will seek to provide linkage to TVW for audio monitoring of these proceedings. This audio broadcast can be accessed from the audio page on our website at www.wutc.wa.gov/audio.
- 5 If any party or witness needs an interpreter or other assistance, please fill out the form attached to this notice and return it to the Commission.
- 6 NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT ANY PARTY WHO FAILS TO ATTEND OR PARTICIPATE IN THE HEARING SET BY THIS NOTICE, OR ANY OTHER STAGE OF THIS PROCEEDING, MAY BE HELD IN DEFAULT IN ACCORDANCE WITH RCW 34.05.440. THE PARTIES ARE FURTHER ADVISED THAT THE SANCTION PROVISIONS OF WAC 480-09-700(4) ARE SPECIFICALLY INVOKED.
- 7 Notice of any other procedural phase will be given in writing or on the record as the Commission may deem appropriate during the course of this proceeding.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

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February , 2001

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