

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

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| In the Matter of the Conservation of) | DOCKET NO. UT-021437 |
| Numbering Resources –) | |
|) | ORDER APPROVING WAIVER |
| VERIZON NORTHWEST, INC.) | FOR ASSIGNMENT OF |
|) | NUMBERING RESOURCES |

BACKGROUND

1 On March 31, 2000, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) granted to the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC or Commission) the authority to oversee the assignment of Numbering Resources, and the power to grant waivers [*Number Resource Optimization, Report and Order, CC Docket No. 99-200, FCC No. 00-104, at Appendix A, 47 CFR 52.15(g)(3)(iv)*]. Existing Number Resources within a Rate Center must be forecasted to exhaust within six months, for a new block to be assigned by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA).

FINDINGS OF FACT

2 Verizon Northwest, Inc. (Verizon) notified the Commission October 29, 2002, that the Everett School District in their Everett Rate Center, served by their Silver Lake thus a group of 3,500 consecutive Direct Inward Dial (DID) numbers. The Pooling Administrator currently has an inventory of 137 blocks in this Rate Center.

3 This matter was brought before the Commission at its regularly scheduled open meeting on November 15, 2002. The Commissioners, having been fully advised in the matter, and having determined the following order to be consistent with the public interest, directed the Secretary to enter the following order and related provisions.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 4 1) The Commission has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to 80.36.610
RCW, which gives the Commission authority to take actions necessary to
implement the Federal Telecommunications Act of 1996.

ORDER

5 THE COMMISSION ORDERS:

- 6 1) Neustar, Inc., acting as the Pooling Administrator, release four blocks in
Number Plan Area 425 to Verizon Northwest, Inc., for use in its Everett
Rate Center.
- 7 2) The Commission retains jurisdiction over this matter to take such future
actions as may be appropriate.

DATED at Olympia, Washington, and effective this 15th day of November, 2002.

WASHINGTON UTILITIES AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

CAROLE J. WASHBURN
Secretary

