

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

In the Matter of the Conservation of) DOCKET NO. UT-021442
Numbering Resources –)
) ORDER APPROVING WAIVER
QWEST CORPORATION) 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 Qwest Corporation, (Qwest) notified the Commission October 5, 2002, that a large customer in their Vancouver Rate Center would need four blocks due to expansion of their facility, and thus the need for additional Direct Inward Dial (DID) numbers. The Pooling Administrator currently reports an inventory of 91 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 1) THE COMMISSION ORDERS: that Neustar, Inc., acting as the Pooling Administrator, release four blocks in Number Plan Area 360, Prefix 567 to Qwest Corporation, for use in its Vancouver Rate Center.
- 6 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