

**STATE OF MISSOURI  
PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION**

At a session of the Public Service  
Commission held at its office in  
Jefferson City on the 29th day of  
June, 2016.

In the Matter of the Application of Windstream )  
Missouri, LLC for Review and Reversal of )  
the Decision Of Neustar, Inc. as the Pooling )  
Administrator to Withhold Numbering Resources )

**File No. IO-2016-0344**

**ORDER OVERTURNING NORTH AMERICAN  
NUMBERING PLAN ADMINISTRATOR'S DECISION**

Issue Date: June 29, 2016

Effective Date: July 9, 2016

On June 20, 2016, Windstream Missouri, LLC, filed an Application and Motion for Expedited Treatment requesting that the Missouri Public Service Commission review and reverse a decision of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA), NeuStar, Inc., of Windstream's application to obtain three (3) LRNs and three (3) NXXs, in the Laclede, Liberal and Madison, Missouri rate centers. Windstream further requested retention of a single thousand number-block from each of these new NXX codes. The additional numbers are needed to support the deployment of Windstream's Broadband Stimulus project.

On June 27, 2016, the Staff of the Commission filed its Staff Recommendation. No other applications to intervene, requests for hearing, or recommendations have been filed.

Staff explained that Windstream does not have the numbers available for assignment in the Laclede, Liberal and Madison rate centers to meet the project's needs.

Staff believes Windstream has demonstrated a verifiable need for three LRNs and three NXXs, in the Laclede, Liberal, and Madison rate centers. Staff recommended the Commission grant Windstream's request.

The Commission has the authority to overturn NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from a carrier pursuant to 47 C.F.R. §52.15(g)(4), which states in part, "The state commission also may overturn the NANPA's decision to withhold numbering resources from the carrier based on its determination that the carrier has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies."

Based on Windstream's application and the Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that Windstream has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies. The Commission will overturn NANPA's decision and approve Windstream's request for LRN and NXX codes as listed above.

**THE COMMISSION ORDERS THAT:**

1. The North American Numbering Plan Administrator's decision to withhold numbering resources from Windstream Missouri, LLC, is overturned.
2. Windstream Missouri, LLC's request to receive three (3) LRNs and three (3) NXXs, in the Laclede, Liberal and Madison, Missouri rate centers, is granted.
3. If a new code is required to be opened for this project, Windstream shall utilize one block of one thousand numbers from each code and return the remaining nine blocks to the Pooling Administrator.
4. This order shall become effective on July 9, 2016.

5. This file may be closed on July 10, 2016.

**BY THE COMMISSION**



*Morris L. Woodruff*

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Secretary

Hall, Chm., Stoll, Kenney,  
Rupp, and Coleman, CC., concur.

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge