## STATE OF MISSOURI PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

At a session of the Public Service Commission held at its office in Jefferson City on the 24th day of May, 2017.

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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-2017-0288

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

Issue Date: May 24, 2017

Effective Date: May 24, 2017

On May 1, 2017, 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., to deny Windstream's application to obtain an LRN and an NXX code, as well as one block of one thousand numbers from the code, in the Verona rate center. The additional numbers are needed to support the deployment of a Connect America Fund Phase 2 project.

On May 12, 2017, the Staff of the Commission filed its Recommendation. No other applications to intervene, requests for hearing, or recommendations have been filed.

Staff explains that Windstream does not have an LRN, an NXX code, and one thousand number block in the Verona, Missouri rate center. Staff believes Windstream has

demonstrated a verifiable need for the numbering resources. Staff recommends 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 an LRN, an NXX code, and one block of one thousand numbers.

## 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 an LRN and an NXX code, in the Verona, Missouri rate center, is granted.

3. Windstream shall utilize one block of one thousand numbers from the code and return the remaining nine blocks to the Pooling Administrator.

3. This order shall become effective on May 24, 2017.

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4. This file may be closed on May 25, 2017.

## BY THE COMMISSION



Morris Z Woodruff

Morris L. Woodruff Secretary

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

Woodruff, Chief Regulatory Law Judge