

BEFORE

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

In the Matter of the Commission's )  
Consideration of Telephone Safety Valve ) Case No. 10-884-TP-UNC  
Requests and Other Number Resource )  
Related Filings. )

ENTRY

The attorney examiner finds:

- (1) On December 28, 2001, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released its Third Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration in CC Docket 99-200, *Numbering Resource Optimization*. At paragraph 61 of this Order, the FCC delegated authority to the states to hear claims that a safety valve mechanism should be applied when the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) or the Pooling Administrator (PA) denies a specific request for numbering resources. Furthermore, the FCC clarified that the safety valve mechanism could be employed in those instances where a carrier is unable to meet a specific customer need or other verifiable need for additional resources.
- (2) On December 4, 2013, MCImetro Access Transmission Services d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services ("Verizon") filed a motion for review of a decision of the PA. In its filing, Verizon represents that on November 27, 2013, it submitted a request to the PA for the assignment of six blocks of one thousand telephone numbers in the North Canton, Ohio rate center in order to satisfy a specific customer's request. According to the attachments accompanying Verizon's motion, the PA refused to grant Verizon's request for additional number resources in the North Canton rate center because Verizon does not meet the months-to-exhaust and utilization criteria established by the FCC.

Verizon explains that the six thousands-blocks are necessary to fulfill the request from Verizon's customer, The Timken Company (Timken). Timken has submitted a letter, attached

to Verizon's motion, indicating that, because it is in the process of splitting into two separate entities, it has a need for six blocks of one thousand consecutive new DID numbers in the North Canton rate center. Verizon states that "there is no feasible way for Timken to split its existing numbering resources between the two new corporate entities." Based on the parameters of its customer's requirements, Verizon represents that it is unable with its existing inventory to meet Timken's numbering resource needs.

- (3) By entry issued on November 7, 2002, in Case No. 97-884-TP-COI, the Commission, on its own motion, delegated to its legal department the authority to rule, by examiner's entry, on carrier numbering requests, other than those seeking reclamation of entire NXX codes or of particular one thousand number blocks.
- (4) After a review of Verizon's motion, the attorney examiner believes that the applicant has demonstrated a legitimate need for the requested six blocks of one thousand of sequential telephone numbers in accordance with 47 C.F.R. §2.15(g)(4), and that it has exhausted all other remedies.

In reaching this determination, the attorney examiner recognizes Verizon's need for six blocks of one thousand sequential telephone numbers that will be compatible with a specific customer's request. For this reason, the attorney examiner finds that the PA's decision to deny Verizon's application for additional numbering resources in the North Canton, Ohio rate center should be overturned and Verizon should be assigned the six thousands-blocks that meets its needs. In the event that the forecasted demand does not occur in the manner represented, Verizon shall return to the numbering pool in the North Canton, Ohio rate center, the applicable unused numbering resources.

It is, therefore,

ORDERED, That Verizon's request to overturn the PA's decision to withhold the requested numbering resources is granted as described in Finding (4). It is, further,

ORDERED, That should the forecasted demand for the requested telephone numbers not occur in the manner represented, Verizon shall, consistent with this entry, return to the numbering pool in the North Canton, Ohio rate center, the applicable unused numbering resources. It is, further,

ORDERED, That a copy of this entry be served upon Verizon.

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry grants a request to review and overturn the Pooling Administrator's earlier decision to deny numbering resources. - electronically filed by Sandra Coffey on behalf of Daniel Fullin, Attorney Examiner, Public Utilities Commission of Ohio