THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

IN THE MATTER OF THE COMMISSION'S CONSIDERATION OF TELEPHONE SAFETY VALVE REQUESTS AND OTHER NUMBER RESOURCES RELATED FILINGS.

CASE NO. 10-884-TP-UNC

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on August 30, 2016

- {¶ 1} On March 31, 2000, the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) released its *Numbering Optimization Resource Order* in CC Docket 99-200. At paragraph 238 of this Order, the FCC delegated authority to the states to reclaim unactivated or unused thousands-blocks from Ohio carriers once national thousands-blocks pooling had been established. Unactivated or unused thousands-blocks are those blocks that have not been activated within six months of the effective date of the code.
- {¶ 2} On February 22, 2016, the Pooling Administrator (Neustar) assigned to MCImetro Access Transmission Services d/b/a Verizon Access Transmission Services (Verizon) the 740-619-3XXX numbers-block, for use in the Barnesville, Ohio rate center. August 22, 2016 was the due date by which Verizon was to both activate service making use of the 740-619-3XXX numbers-block and, also, to submit an in-service confirmation to Neustar.
- {¶ 3} On August 22, 2016, Verizon filed with the Commission a motion seeking to extend, by 90 days, the time period within which it must activate the 740-619-3XXX numbers-block in the Barnesville rate center. In support of its motion, Verizon submits that, due to delays in processing a local order for the major customer involved, Verizon was unable to meet the August 22, 2016 deadline for both activating service using the involved numbers-block and for submitting an in-service confirmation to Neustar. Nevertheless, Verizon anticipates that it will be able to turn up service to the customer within the next 90 days. Verizon submits that, under such circumstances, and because

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reclamation of the involved numbers-block would cause significant hardship to both Verizon and the customer, its 90-day time-extension request is reasonable.

- {¶ 4} 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 attorney examiner's entry, on carrier numbering requests, other than those seeking reclamation of entire NXX codes or of particular one thousand number blocks.
- {¶ 5} After a review of Verizon's motion, the attorney examiner finds that Verizon has demonstrated a legitimate need for the time extension it has sought, within which to activate service making use of the 740-619-3XXX numbers-block and to send an in-service confirmation to Neustar. The attorney examiner notes that the 90 days sought by Verizon is less than the Commission's previous determination that extensions should not exceed 120 days from the proposed implementation date for the code or thousands-block. Furthermore, granting the time extension requested should avert the need for Verizon to have to remove and reinstall previous switch programming work, if any, and/or to delay service introduction already contracted for in the Barnesville rate center. The time extension sought is, therefore, granted. The attorney examiner believes, however, that it is necessary to put Verizon on notice that, to the extent it is unable to activate the 740-619-3XXX thousands-block in the Barnesville rate center by Monday, November 21, 2016, Verizon will need to provide Staff with detailed supporting documentation as to the reasons for the additional delay.
 - $\{\P 6\}$ It is, therefore,
- $\{\P\ 7\}$ ORDERED, That Verizon's motion for time extension is granted. It is, further,

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{¶ 8} ORDERED, That the 740-619-3XXX numbers-block will not be reclaimed at this time and that Verizon will, instead, be granted an extension of time, subject to

the conditions set forth in Paragraph (5). It is, further,

 \P 9 ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon Verizon and all other

interested entities of record.

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/s/Daniel E. Fullin

By: Daniel E. Fullin Attorney Examiner

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry orders Verizon's motion for time extension be granted; and that the 740-619-3XXX numbers-block will not be reclaimed at this time and that Verizon will, instead, be granted an extension of time, subject to the conditions set forth in Paragraph (5). Entry

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