

THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION OF OHIO

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

CASE NO. 10-884-TP-UNC

ENTRY

Entered in the Journal on August 1, 2017

{¶ 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 July 24, 2017, Cox Ohio Telcom, LLC d/b/a Cox Communications (Cox Communications) filed a motion for review of a decision of the PA. In its filing, Cox Communications represents that it recently submitted a request to the PA for two new one-thousand-number blocks, in a specified format, in the Victory, Ohio rate center. According to the attachments accompanying Cox Communications' motion for review, the PA refused to grant Cox Communications' request because Cox Communications does not meet the months-to-exhaust and/or utilization criteria established by the FCC.

{¶ 3} Cox Communications explains that its customer, the Parma City School District, has requested 1,317 numbers, in a specified format, in the Victory, Ohio rate center, which it needs for use in making 911 service available from each of the district's classrooms. Cox Communications submits that it cannot from its existing inventory, satisfy the specific need of its customer, the Parma City School District, for the requested numbers in the format specified.

{¶ 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 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 Cox Communications' motion for review, the attorney examiner believes that the applicant, in accordance with 47 C.F.R. 52.15(g)(4), has demonstrated a verifiable need for the requested numbering resources and that it has exhausted all other remedies. In reaching this determination, the attorney examiner recognizes Cox Communications' need, in the involved rate center, for two new one-thousand-number blocks, in a specified format, in order to meet the needs of a specific customer. For this reason, the attorney examiner finds that the PA's decision to deny Cox Communications' petition for additional numbering resources in the Victory rate center should be overturned and NANPA should assign two new one-thousand-number blocks that meet the identified needs of Cox Communications' customer in the Victory rate center. In the event that the forecasted demand does not occur in the manner represented, Cox Communications shall return to the numbering pool in the involved rate center, all applicable unused numbering resources.

{¶ 6} It is, therefore,

{¶ 7} ORDERED, That Cox Communications' request to overturn the PA's decision to withhold the requested numbering resources is granted as described in Paragraph (5). It is, further,

{¶ 8} ORDERED, That should the forecasted demand for the requested telephone numbers not occur in the manner represented, Cox Communications shall return to the numbering pool in the involved rate center, all applicable unused numbering resources. It is, further,

{¶ 9} ORDERED, That a copy of this Entry be served upon Cox Communications.

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Summary: Attorney Examiner Entry granting a request to review and overturn the Pooling Administrator's earlier decision to deny numbering resources. Entry electronically filed by Debra Hight on behalf of Daniel E. Fullin, Attorney Examiner.