BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF)	
PROJECT MUTUAL TELEPHONE)	CASE NO. PRJ-T-09-02
COOPERATIVE ASSOCIATION, INC. FOR)	
A WAIVER OF FCC THRESHOLD)	
REQUIREMENTS FOR NUMBERING)	ORDER NO. 30983
RESOURCES IN THE TWIN FALLS, IDAHO)	
RATE CENTER)	

On December 22, 2009, Project Mutual Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc. ("PMT") filed a Petition requesting a state waiver of certain Federal Communications Commission ("FCC") numbering resource guidelines following denial of its Application filed with Neustar, the North American Numbering Plan Administrator ("NANPA").

THE APPLICATION

According to the Application, PMT inadvertently returned three blocks of numbers that contained its Location Routing Number ("LRN"), 208-933-0000. The block of numbers, 208-933-0000 to 208-933-0999, referenced in the Application emanate from the Twin Falls rate center and, for technical reasons, the Company requests that the numbers be returned for "easier assignment of all customer request(s) going forward." *Application* at 1. In its Petition, the Company pledges to comply with the 10% rule and use the numbers for its own customers. Following PMT's Application to NeuStar, the agency advised PMT that it must secure a State Commission waiver for the block of numbers before these numbers could be returned to the Company, prompting the instant Application.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

Staff has thoroughly reviewed the request for a waiver and believes that granting this request will not compromise the efficient use of Idaho's numbering resources. Staff contacted the Idaho Pooling Administrator and verified that this waiver will not compromise the 208 area code numbers in the Twin Falls rate center. The return of the three blocks with the LRN will not have a detrimental effect on the 208 NPA in the Twin Falls rate center.

Staff recommended approval of PMT's Petition for a state waiver allowing the release and return of the block of numbers, including the Company's LRN, to PMT.

DISCUSSION AND FINDINGS

After reviewing PMT's Petition and Staff's recommendation, the Commission finds that PMT's Petition requesting a Commission waiver of certain FCC numbering resource guidelines, following denial of its Application filed with NeuStar, NANPA, should be granted. We are satisfied that PMT will make an efficient use of the returned numbers, 208-933-0000 to 208-933-0999, and direct the Company to continue to comply with all Commission guidelines and rules regarding the utilization of Idaho's increasingly scarce numbering resources.

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Project Mutual Telephone Cooperative Association, Inc.'s Petition requesting a Commission waiver of certain Federal Communications Commission numbering resource guidelines in order to facilitate the return of a block of numbers previously assigned to the Company, is approved.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that NeuStar return the block of numbers requested in Project Mutual's Application, 208-933-0000 to 208-933-0999, as soon as possible.

THIS IS A FINAL ORDER. Any person interested in this Order may petition for reconsideration within twenty-one (21) days of the service date of this Order. Within seven (7) days after any person has petitioned for reconsideration, any other person may cross-petition for reconsideration. See *Idaho Code* § 61-626.

DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 20° day of January 2010.

JIM-D. KEMPTON, PRESIDENT

MARSHA H. SMITH, COMMISSIONER

MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:

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