

BEFORE THE IDAHO PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

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| IN THE MATTER OF THE PETITION OF QWEST CORPORATION DBA CENTURYLINK QC FOR A WAIVER OF FCC THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS FOR NUMBERING RESOURCES IN POCATELLO, IDAHO. |))))))) | CASE NO. QWE-T-15-04 ORDER NO. 33323 |
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On April 22, 2015, Qwest Corporation dba CenturyLink QC (“CenturyLink”) filed a Petition requesting that the Commission grant a waiver from the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) threshold requirements for telephone numbering resources in the Pocatello, Idaho rate center. On April 14, 2015, CenturyLink filed a request with NeuStar, the current number pooling administrator, requesting a block of 1,000 telephone numbers to be used to deploy new fiber-to-home technology to its customers in Idaho. NeuStar denied the request because CenturyLink’s application did not meet the “months-to-exhaust” requirements. CenturyLink asserts in its Petition that a waiver is essential in order to provide its customers with the new fiber-to-home technology.

FCC regulations allow a carrier to appeal a decision by NeuStar to withhold numbering resources to the appropriate State Commission. This Commission may overturn NeuStar’s decision, based on its determination that the carrier has demonstrated a verifiable need for numbering resources and has exhausted all other available remedies. *See* 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(3).

Commission Staff reviewed CenturyLink’s Petition and recommended the Commission approve the numbering request. Staff further determined there are currently 87 sequential, 1,000 blocks of numbers available in the pool for the Pocatello rate center. Based upon our review of the Petition and Staff’s recommendation, the Commission finds that granting this waiver will not have a detrimental effect on the numbering resources of that rate center.

O R D E R

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that CenturyLink’s request for a waiver of FCC threshold requirements for numbering resources in the Pocatello, Idaho rate center is approved. One 1,000-block numbers in the 208 area code may be released to CenturyLink to implement its new fiber-to-home technology.

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 and 62-619.


DONE by Order of the Idaho Public Utilities Commission at Boise, Idaho this 15th day of June, 2015.


PAUL KJELLANDER, PRESIDENT


MACK A. REDFORD, COMMISSIONER


KRISTINE RAPER, COMMISSIONER

ATTEST:


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Commission Secretary

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