

DECISION MEMORANDUM

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FROM: CAROLEE HALL

DATE: AUGUST 24, 2012

RE: FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS NORTHWEST INC., PETITION FOR
A WAIVER OF FCC THRESHOLD REQUIREMENTS FOR AN LRN
AND NUMBERING RESOURCES IN IDAHO'S COEUR D'ALENE RATE
CENTER; CASE NO. VZN-T-12-01.

BACKGROUND

On August 16, 2012, Frontier Communications, Northwest, Inc., filed a petition requesting that the Commission grant a waiver of FCC Threshold Requirements for numbering resources in the Coeur d' Alene Idaho rate center.

Frontier is deploying a new VoIP switch and is requesting the issuance of a new Local Routing Number (LRN).¹ The issuance of an LRN requires that a full NXX code² be opened in the rate center. The Company has indicated that it will only need one block³ of numbers and that the rest of the code will be returned to the pool.

STAFF ANALYSIS

Frontier, participates in the thousand-block-pooling within its various rate centers in Idaho. After evaluating Frontier's waiver request, Staff believes that granting this waiver will not have any detrimental effect on the numbering resources in the Coeur d'Alene rate center. According to FCC orders and numbering guidelines, carriers may appeal NANPA decisions of

¹ Local Routing Number is a 10-digit telephone number that identifies a particular switch and is required for local number portability.

² A full NXX code is comprised of 10,000 telephone numbers.

³ A block of numbers consists of 1,000 number within a code.

this nature to the appropriate state regulatory authority. This Commission has granted similar waivers in the past to meet the requests of other carriers.

RECOMMENDATION

Staff recommends that the request for a waiver be granted.

COMMISSION DECISION

Does the Commission agree with Staff's recommendation?



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