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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON NEUSTAR REQUEST FOR CLARIFICATION REGARDING ITS NEUTRALITY REQUIREMENTS

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CC Docket No. 92-237

Comments Due: April 29, 2011 Reply Comments Due: May 6, 2011

The Bureau seeks comment on Neustar, Inc.'s (Neustar's) request for clarification regarding its neutrality requirements as the North American Numbering Plan Administrator. Specifically, Neustar requests clarification that, consistent with section 52.12 of the Commission's rules,² it is permitted to issue debt, without prior Commission approval, so long as Neustar does not issue a majority of its debt to any telecommunications service provider.

Interested parties may file comments on Neustar's request on or before April 29, 2011 and reply comments on or before May 6, 2011. All pleadings are to reference CC Docket No. 92-237. Comments may be filed using: (1) the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS), (2) the Federal Government's eRulemaking Portal, or (3) by filing paper copies.³

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs/ or the Federal eRulemaking Portal: http://www.regulations.gov. Filers should follow the instructions provided on the website for submitting comments.
- For ECFS filers, if multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, filers must transmit one electronic copy of the comments for each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, filers should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get

¹ Letter from Scott Blake Harris, Executive Vice President, Legal and External Affairs, Neustar, to Sharon Gillett, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, CC Docket No. 92-237 (April 6, 2011).

² 47 C.F.R. § 52.12.

³ See Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings, GC Docket No. 97-113, Report and Order, 13 FCC Rcd 11322 (1998).

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- The Commission's contractor will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE, Suite 110, Washington, D.C. 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of <u>before</u> entering the building.
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All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H. Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. Parties should also send a copy of their filings to Gary Remondino, Competition Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, Room 5-C143, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington, DC 20554, or by e-mail to Gary.Remondino@fcc.gov. Parties shall also serve one copy with the Commission's copy contractor, Best Copy and Printing, Inc. (BCPI), Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW, Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20554, (202) 488-5300, or via e-mail to fcc@bcpiweb.com.

Documents in CC Docket No. 92-237 are available for public inspection and copying during business hours at the FCC Reference Information Center, Portals II, 445 12th St. SW, Room CY-A257, Washington, D.C. 20554. The documents may also be purchased from BCPI, telephone (202) 488-5300, facsimile (202) 488-5563, TTY (202) 488-5562, e-mail fcc@bcpiweb.com. These documents may also be viewed on the Commission's website at http://www.fcc.gov/cgb/ecfs.

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⁴ See 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200, 1.1206.

⁵ See 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).

⁶ 47 C.F.R. § 1.1206(b).

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