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WIRELINE COMPETITION BUREAU SEEKS COMMENT ON PROCUREMENT DOCUMENTS FOR THE LOCAL NUMBER PORTABILITY (LNP) ADMINISTRATION CONTRACT

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The Wireline Competition Bureau seeks comment on the proposed Request for Proposal (RFP) for local number portability (LNP) database platforms and services in the United States, and the associated Technical Requirements Document (TRD) and Vendor Qualification Surveys. The final TRD, RFP, and Vendor Qualification Surveys will be issued after the completion of public comments and Commission review of the comments and the documents. Vendor selection, contract execution, system development, and platform testing are scheduled to be completed prior to the expiration of the current local number portability administrator (LNPA) contract on June 30, 2015.

The North American Portability Management LLC's (NAPM LLC) Future of Number Portability Administration Center Subcommittee, in consultation with the North American Numbering Council, developed the RFP, TRD, and Vendor Qualification Surveys for local number portability database platforms and services in the seven United States Number Portability Administration Center regions. The TRD and RFP provide the specifications and terms for the development of a next-generation Number Portability Administration Center/Service Management System (NPAC/SMS). The NPAC/SMS consists of hardware and software platform(s) that host a national information database and serves as the central coordination point of LNP activity.

Interested parties may access the procurement documents *via* the Internet by searching through the Commission's Electronic Document Management System (EDOCS) at http://hraunfoss.fcc.gov/edocs_public/SilverStream/Pages/edocs.html. When using EDOCS, insert the DA number from the top of this item in the appropriate field and hit the query button. Comments must specifically address whether the documents are sufficiently detailed, comprehensive, and clear, and whether they adequately describe the duties and scope of the vendor responsibilities.

Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, interested parties may file comments on or before the date indicated above.¹ Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS).²

¹ 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.415, 1.419.

² See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, GC Docket No. 97-113, Report and Order, 13 FCC Red 11322 (1998).

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/>.
- Paper Filers: Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and one copy of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, filers must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number.

Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

- All hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary must be delivered to FCC Headquarters at 445 12th St., SW, Room TW-A325, Washington, DC 20554. The filing hours are 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes and boxes must be disposed of before entering the building.
- Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743.
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³ 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq.*