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COMMENT SOUGHT ON NORTH AMERICAN NUMBERING COUNCIL REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION OF USE OF PASSCODES FOR NON-SIMPLE PORTS AND LOCAL NUMBER PORTABILITY PROVISIONING FLOWS

WC Docket No. 07-244
CC Docket No. 95-116

Comment Date: June 5, 2013

In 2010, the Commission adopted local number portability (LNP) provisioning flows, which include a one-business day porting interval for simple ports of a subscriber's telephone number from one provider to another.¹ In adopting these process flows, the Commission indicated that carrier-assigned passcodes for a customer's account may not be required to be supplied by a new provider in order to obtain a customer service record (CSR) from another provider.² The Commission also clarified that the adopted porting flows would remain in effect until the North American Numbering Council (NANC) recommends, and the Commission approves, revised provisioning flows for the porting process.³ On September 19, 2012, the NANC asked the Commission to clarify that the LNP flows and recommendations adopted by the Commission in its *LNP Standard Fields Order* apply to all ports, not just simple ports, thereby prohibiting the use of a carrier-initiated passcode for any porting request.⁴ On December 10, 2012, the NANC asked the Commission to adopt clarifying revisions to LNP provisioning flows for cancellations and disconnections.⁵ We seek comment on these NANC submissions.

Pursuant to sections 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR §§ 1.415, 1.419, interested parties may file comments and reply comments on or before the dates indicated on the first page of this document. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS). See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121 (1998).

- Electronic Filers: Comments may be filed electronically using the Internet by accessing the ECFS: <http://fjallfoss.fcc.gov/ecfs2/>.

¹ *Local Number Portability Porting Interval and Validation Requirement; Telephone Number Portability*, WC Docket No. 07-244, CC Docket No. 95-116, Report and Order, 25 FCC Rcd 6953 (2010) (*LNP Standard Fields Order*).

² *LNP Standard Fields Order*, 25 FCC Rcd 6964, n.74.

³ *Id.* at 6965, para. 22.

⁴ *Id.* at 6964, n.74; see also Letter from Betty Ann Kane, Chairman, North American Numbering Council, to Julie A. Veach, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission (filed Sept. 19, 2012).

⁵ Letter from Betty Ann Kane, Chairman, North American Numbering Council, to Julie A. Veach, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission (filed Dec. 10, 2012).

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⁶ 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq.*

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