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**COMMENT SOUGHT ON NORTH AMERICAN NUMBERING
COUNCIL RECOMMENDATION THAT FCC CONSOLIDATE ITS NORTH AMERICAN
NUMBERING PLAN ADMINISTRATOR AND POOLING ADMINISTRATOR CONTRACTS**

CC Docket No. 92-237
CC Docket No. 99-200

Comment Date: May 22, 2013
Reply Comment Date: June 3, 2013

On February 20, 2013, the North American Numbering Council (NANC) submitted a recommendation¹ that the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) consider consolidating the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA)² and Pooling Administrator (PA)³ contracts. To facilitate consideration of efficiencies that may be gained by combining the contracts, the NANC provides evaluations of the benefits and risks of the proposed consolidation. We seek comment on the NANC contract consolidation proposal, including the identified benefits and risks associated with this proposal.

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 See Letter from Betty Ann Kane, Chairman, North American Numbering Council, to Julie A. Veach, Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission (filed Feb. 20, 2013).

² The NANPA is responsible for the neutral administration of North American Numbering Plan (NANP) resources, subject to directives from regulatory authorities in the countries that share the NANP. *See* Central Office Code (NXX) Guidelines (COCAG), ATIS-0300051, Section 13 at page 51-52.

³ The PA is responsible for the neutral administration of thousands-blocks of numbers from Central Office Codes in areas where thousands-block number pooling has been ordered or implemented. *Id.* at page 54. The PA also serves as the Routing Number Administrator, which is responsible for the assignment of non-dialable Pseudo-Automatic Number Identification (p-ANI) numbers to eligible users. *See* P-ANI Administration Guidelines, ATIS-0300089, Section 11 at page 37.

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- 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, D.C. 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.
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⁴ 47 C.F.R. §§ 1.1200 *et seq.*

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