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Mr. Thomas Navin  
Chief, Wireline Competition Bureau  
Federal Communications Commission  
445 Twelfth Street, S.W.  
Washington, D.C. 20554

**RE: NANPA and PA Performance Evaluations**

Dear Mr. Navin:

Among the most important functions performed on behalf of the FCC by the North American Numbering Council (NANC) are the annual evaluations of the performance of the Thousands Block Pooling Administrator (PA) and the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA). These two organizations provide for the centralized administration of telephone number resources in the North American numbering plan area. Their performance affects the efficiency, reliability and quality of telephone service throughout the United States and other countries in the numbering plan area.

During the course of each annual review cycle, NANC's Numbering Oversight Working Group (NOWG) devotes considerable time, talent and effort to reviewing the performance of the PA and the NANPA. This includes regular meetings as well as an annual survey of the organizations that utilize the services provided by the PA and NANPA.

On behalf of NANC, I am forwarding the final evaluation reports prepared by the NOWG for the past year. These reports were approved by NANC via e-mail during the period June 14-21, 2006. The NANPA and the PA's annual performance assessments are based upon results compiled from performance feedback surveys, observations of the Numbering Oversight Working Group (NOWG) and the annual operational review. In summary:

- NANPA's rating for the 2005 performance year was determined to be **Exceeded**.
- PA's rating for the 2005 performance year was determined to be **More Than Met**.

Additionally, during the recovery from the catastrophes of hurricanes Katrina and Rita, the NANPA and the PA exhibited outstanding support in every aspect of their duties and the NOWG and NANC commends the NANPA and the PA for their efforts.

If you or members of your staff have any questions about the evaluations, please contact me or any of the NOWG co-chairs:

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In closing, I would like to commend the entire NOWG for the considerable effort devoted to these evaluations (an estimated 395 person-hours for the NANPA evaluation and 608 person-hours for the PA evaluation) and the co-chairs for their leadership.

Sincerely,

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NANC Chair

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