

BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

September 13, 2007

IN RE:

**REQUEST OF AT&T OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL
STATES, LLC ON BEHALF OF TCG MIDSOUTH, INC.
FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW OF GROWTH CODE DENIAL**

**DOCKET NO.
07-00109**

**ORDER APPROVING REQUEST OF TCG MIDSOUTH, INC.
FOR EXPEDITED REVIEW OF GROWTH CODE DENIAL AND
REVERSING CENTRAL OFFICE CODE DENIAL**

This matter came before Chairman Sara Kyle, Director Pat Miller and Director Ron Jones of the Tennessee Regulatory Authority (“TRA” or the “Authority”), the voting panel assigned to this docket, at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on June 25, 2007, for consideration of the *Petition for Expedited Review of Central Office Code Denial* filed by AT&T of the South Central States, LLC on behalf of TCG Midsouth, Inc. (“TCG”) on May 9, 2007.

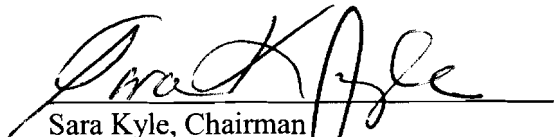
On May 4, 2007, TCG submitted an application to the Pooling Administrator for the purpose of obtaining additional numbering resources to meet the demands of its customer, ShoLodge. TCG did not have sufficient number resources available in the Hendersonville Rate Center to fulfill ShoLodge’s request. NXX assignment guidelines permit the assignment of additional codes only after a carrier demonstrates that a rate center has a 75% utilization rate and that its estimated exhaust date does not exceed six months.¹ Because the Hendersonville Rate Center has a 3.7% utilization rate and the estimated exhaust date is 151 months, the Pooling Administrator denied the application by TCG. On May 9, 2007, TCG filed a request asking the TRA to review the denial of the Pooling Administrator.

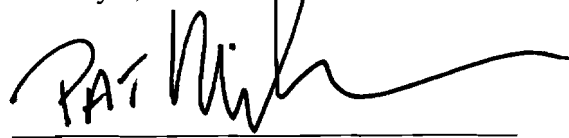
¹ See Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions, *Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines (COCAG) Final Document*, ATIS 03-00051, section 4.3.1 (Jun. 15, 2007).

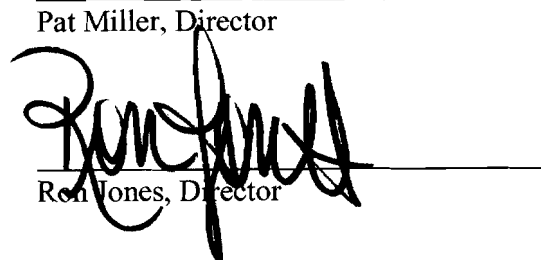
The Federal Communications Commission authorized the Authority to review the Pooling Administrator's denial of a numbering application.² Specifically, the Federal Communications Commission stated that state commissions may overturn a decision of the Pooling Administrator when "a carrier demonstrates that it has received a customer request for numbering resources in a given rate center that it cannot meet with its current inventory."³ After consideration of the facts contained in the record, the public interest, and this agency's responsibility to foster competition in the telecommunications industry,⁴ the panel voted unanimously to approve the request of TCG and reverse the Pooling Administrator's denial of TCG's request for additional numbering resources, specifically for the assignment of an NXX to TCG for the Hendersonville Rate Center, Switch Identification NSVLTN48DS0.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The Pooling Administrator's decision to deny TCG's request for additional numbering resources is reversed as stated herein.
2. The Pooling Administrator is ordered to assign one 1000-block of telephone numbers to TCG for the Hendersonville Rate Center.


Sara Kyle, Chairman


Pat Miller, Director


Ron Jones, Director

² *In re: Numbering Resource Optimization*, CC Docket No. 99-200, *Third Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration in CC Docket No. 96-98 and CC Docket No. 99-200*, 17 FCC Rcd. 252, 279-83 ¶¶ 61-66 (2001).

³ *Id.* ¶ 64.

⁴ See Tenn. Code Ann. § 65-4-123.