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PETITION OF SPRINT	§	PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION
COMMUNICATIONS COMPANY, L.P.	§	
FOR WAIVER OF DENIAL OF	§	OF TEXAS
NUMBERING RESOURCES FOR	§	
GRAND PRAIRIE RATE CENTER	§	

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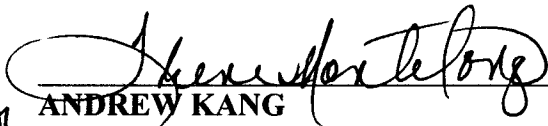
On February 14, 2011, Sprint Communications Company L.P. (Sprint) requested that the Public Utility Commission of Texas (Commission) overturn the Pooling Administrator's (PA) denial of its request for one (1) thousand-block of numbers on behalf of its customer, Time Warner Cable, in the Grand Prairie rate center. Sprint has indicated that it cannot meet the customer's request from its existing inventory, requesting the Commission direct the PA to assign Sprint one (1) thousand-block of numbers. The PA denied Sprint's request because it did not meet the months-to-exhaust and utilization criteria established by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC).

The FCC's rules provide that a carrier may challenge a decision to withhold numbering resources to the appropriate state regulatory commission.¹ Furthermore, in the FCC's *NRO Order*, the FCC created a "safety valve" to allow carriers to obtain additional numbering resources under certain conditions when the PA denies a request for numbering resources.²

On or before **March 7, 2011**, Commission Staff and interested parties may file a response/comment on the petition and provide a schedule for processing if needed. Notice shall be published in the *Texas Register* on February 25, 2011.

SIGNED AT AUSTIN, TEXAS on the 15th day of February 2011.

PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION OF TEXAS


 for **ANDREW KANG**
 ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE

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¹ 47 C.F.R. § 52.15(g)(4).

² *Numbering Resource Optimization*, CC Docket No. 99-200, Third Report and Order and Second Order on Reconsideration, FCC 01-362, at para. 64 (rel. Dec. 28, 2000) (*NRO Order*).