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PETITION OF TELEPORT
COMMUNICATIONS AMERICA, LLC
FOR WAIVER OF DENIAL OF
NUMBERING RESOURCES IN THE
HOUSTON RATE CENTER

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**ORDER NO. 1
REQUESTING COMMENTS OR RECOMMENDATION**

This Order addresses Teleport Communications America, LLC’s application filed on January 22, 2020, requesting that the Commission overturn the decision of the Pooling Administrator to deny Teleport’s request for five thousands-blocks of numbers in the 346 numbering plan area (NPA) in the Houston rate center. Teleport made the request on behalf of its customer, Park Plaza Hospital.

Teleport requests that the Commission direct the Pooling Administrator to assign it the five thousands-blocks of numbers in the 346 NPA. The Pooling Administrator denied Teleport’s request because it did not meet the months-to-exhaust and utilization criteria requirements as required in the Pooling Administration Guidelines.

The Federal Communications Commission’s (FCC) 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 Pooling Administrator denies a request for numbering resources.²

By February 24, 2020, Commission Staff must, and interested parties may, file a response or comments on the petition and provide a schedule for processing if needed.

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*).

Signed at Austin, Texas the 24th day of January 2020.

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HUNTER BURKHALTER
ADMINISTRATIVE LAW JUDGE