

corresponding 800 numbers to have a "right of first refusal" to the set-aside 888 numbers.²

The Bureau's letters to you dated April 2 and May 15, 1998, required Responsible Organizations (RespOrgs)—the entities that manage and administer subscriber records in the 800 Service Management System—to notify subscribers of their right of first refusal to request the 888 numbers that had been set aside for them.³ By August 21, 1998, RespOrgs were to report to DSMI those 888 numbers that subscribers requested to activate or declined to activate, and they were to certify to DSMI that they had attempted to contact the subscribers having right of first refusal to all other set-aside 888 numbers by providing to DSMI each subscriber's name, address, phone number, and the date and means by which the RespOrg attempted the notification. The May 15 letter stated that the Bureau would audit the results to ensure that subscribers received adequate notice from RespOrgs of their right of first refusal. It concluded that the time for subscribers to exercise their right of first refusal will end following completion of the process, when the Bureau directs DSMI to release all remaining unclaimed "unavailable" set-aside 888 numbers into "spare" status.

The Bureau's letter to you dated November 24, 1998, identified RespOrgs that apparently did not account for all of their set-aside 888 numbers, because they did not certify that they had attempted to contact the subscribers who had right of first refusal for 100% of those numbers.⁴ The letter required those RespOrgs to explain, by December 11, 1998, why the required notification process was not completed and what action they were taking to remedy their non-compliance. The letter concluded that RespOrgs failing to provide satisfactory explanation or failing to submit explanations altogether will be referred to the Common Carrier Bureau's Enforcement Division for enforcement action, possibly resulting in forfeiture penalties, decertification as RespOrgs, or further referral to the Department of Justice to determine whether a fine, imprisonment, or both are warranted.⁵

This letter now ends the 888 right-of-first-refusal process. Approximately 370,000 toll

free 888 numbers were set aside under the Commission's right-of-first-refusal policy. In compliance with the required procedures, RespOrgs have reported that they notified the subscribers having right of first refusal to approximately 90% of the set-aside 888 numbers. RespOrgs that failed to comply with the procedures are being referred at this time to the Bureau's Enforcement Division.

Therefore, DSMI is directed, beginning at noon and ending by 6:00 pm EST on April 5, 1999, to release all remaining unclaimed "unavailable" set-aside 888 numbers (except 888-555-XXXX numbers) into "spare" status. At that time, those numbers will become available to all subscribers on a first come, first served basis. The Commission will publish notice of this letter in the **Federal Register** and post it on the Commission's Internet site at www.fcc.gov, so that the public may know in advance when all remaining set-aside 888 numbers will become available. DSMI is also directed to forward a copy of this letter to all RespOrgs.

Sincerely,

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Federal Communications Commission.

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Next Meeting of the North American Numbering Council

AGENCY: Federal Communications Commission.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: On March 19, 1999, the Commission released a public notice announcing the March 30, 1999, conference call meeting from 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., and agenda of the North American Numbering Council (NANC). The conference bridge number for domestic participants is 1-888-322-9648 (toll free), the call in number for international participants is 954-797-0718 (caller pays) and the pin for both is 951360. The intended effect of this action is to make the public aware of the NANC's next meeting and its agenda. This notice of the March 30, 1999, NANC conference call meeting is being published in the **Federal Register** less than 15 calendar days prior to the meeting due to NANC's need to discuss a time sensitive issue before the next scheduled meeting. This statement complies with the General Services Administration Management regulations implementing the Federal Advisory

Committee Act. See 41 CFR § 101-6.1015(b)(2).

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Jeannie Grimes at (202) 418-2320 or via the Internet at jgrimes@fcc.gov. The address is: Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 2000 M Street, NW, Suite 235, Washington, DC 20554. The fax number is: (202) 418-7314. The TTY number is: (202) 418-0484.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is open to the members of the general public. The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many participants as possible. Participation on the conference call is limited. The public may submit written statements to the NANC, which must be received two business days before the meeting. In addition, oral statements at the meeting by parties or entities not represented on the NANC will be permitted to the extent time permits. Such statements will be limited to five minutes in length by any one party or entity, and requests to make an oral statement must be received two business days before the meeting. Requests to make an oral statement or provide written comments to the NANC should be sent to Jeannie Grimes at the address under "FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT," stated above.

Proposed Agenda

1. Discussion and development of NANC recommendation to the Federal Communications Commission regarding the Lockheed Martin Request for Expeditious Review of the Transfer of the Lockheed Martin Communications Industry Services Business, *In the Matter of Request of Lockheed Martin Corporation and Warburg, Pincus & Co., for Review of the Transfer of the Lockheed Martin Communications Industry Services Business from Lockheed Martin Corporation to an Affiliate of Warburg, Pincus & Co.*, filed with the Federal Communications Commission on December 21, 1998.

2. Other Business.

Federal Communications Commission

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²In the Matter of Toll Free Service Access Codes, Fourth Report and Order and Memorandum Opinion and Order, CC Docket No. 95-155, 13 F.C.C. Rcd. 9058 (1998). 888-555-XXXX numbers were not included in the 888 right-of-first-refusal process.

³Letter from Geraldine A. Matise, Chief, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau, to Mr. Michael Wade, President, Database Service Management, Inc., dated April 2, 1998, 63 FR 18422 (Apr. 15, 1998). Letter from Geraldine A. Matise, Chief, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau, to Mr. Michael Wade, President, Database Service Management, Inc., dated May 15, 1998, 63 FR 29734 (Jun. 1, 1998).

⁴Letter from Anna M. Gomez, Chief, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau, to Mr. Michael Wade, President, Database Service Management, Inc., dated November 24, 1998, 63 FR 67483 (Dec. 7, 1998).

⁵Toll Free Service Access Codes, Second Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, CC Docket No. 95-155, 12 F.C.C. Rcd. 11162 (1997).