1934, as amended, to construct a new line, or acquire or operate any line, or engage in transmission over or by means of such additional line for the provision of common carrier telecommunications services between the United States, its territories or possessions, and a foreign point shall request such authority by formal application which shall be accompanied by a statement showing how the grant of the application will serve the public interest, convenience, and necessity. (47 CFR 63.18)

The filing requirements of §63.18 apply to any entity that seeks to initiate the provision of international telecommunications services either in its own name or through one or more wholly-owned direct or indirect subsidiaries. (§63.21(i) of the rules) Alternatively, the subsidiary may apply for its own Section 214 authorization prior to initiating service. Pursuant to §20.15(d) of the Commission’s rules, the requirement to obtain prior authorization to provide international services applies to carriers providing commercial mobile radio services (“CMRS”). CMRS carriers are exempt, however, from certain tariffing requirements with respect to the provision of international services. See 47 CFR 20.15(d).

4. Section 63.18 also applies to assignments and transfers of control of existing international Section 214 authorizations unless the assignment or transfer is a pro forma transaction covered by the provisions of §63.24. A pro forma assignment or transfer is one that does not involve a substantial change in ownership or control. In such a case, §63.24 of the Commission’s rules provides, in pertinent part, that “a pro forma assignee must notify the Commission no later than 30 days after the assignment is consummated.” (See 47 CFR 63.24. This section also provides a detailed definition of which kinds of transactions constitute a pro forma transfer or assignment.)

5. Submarine Cable Licenses: Carriers seeking to own or operate submarine cable facilities must file applications to obtain submarine cable landing licenses, including transfers of control or assignments of such licenses, or modifications of such licenses to add new assignments. Applications must be filed pursuant to the Submarine Cable Landing License Act. Executive Order No. 10530, and §1.767 of the Commission’s Rules.

Process To Update International Bureau Records

6. The International Bureau believes it is necessary for carriers to timely file for and receive proper authorizations and licenses and to be otherwise in compliance with all applicable rules and policies. To that end, the International Bureau announces a 90-day period after which, pursuant to its authority under §§0.111 and 0.311 of the Commission’s rules, it will refer to the Enforcement Bureau for appropriate enforcement action any carrier that is providing international telecommunications services or operator performing international telecommunications facilities without first receiving proper authorizations from the Commission under Section 214 of the Communications Act and Sections 34 through 39 of the Submarine Cable Landing License Act, respectively. The Enforcement Bureau will take into account voluntary disclosure of misconduct in determining an appropriate sanction. The 90-day period will commence on May 7, 2001.

7. In addition, the Telecommunications Division of the International Bureau also takes this opportunity to advise carriers and operators that, commencing with the date of publication of this notice in the Federal Register, it will be extremely reluctant to grant requests for nunc pro tunc approval of belated filed applications. Such requests will be considered only in extraordinary circumstances. (Cf. Biennial Regulatory Review—Amendment of Parts 0, 1, 13, 22, 24, 26, 27, 80, 87, 90, 95, 97, and 101 of the Commission’s Rules to Facilitate the Development and Use of the Universal Licensing System in the Wireless Telecommunications Services, Memorandum Opinion and Order on Reconsideration, WT Docket No. 98–22, 14 FCC Rcd 11476, 11485 ¶¶ 20–22 (1999).)

8. For further information about the processing of applications under this program, contact Rebecca Arboagast, Chief, Telecommunications Division, International Bureau, at 202–418–1460 or Belinda Nixon, Telecommunications Division, International Bureau, at 202–418–1382 or e-mail at bnixon@fcc.gov. Federal Communications Commission.

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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 January 31, 2001, the Commission released a public notice announcing the February 20 and 21, 2001, meeting and agenda of the North American Numbering Council (NANC). The intended effect of this action is to make the public aware of the NANC’s next meeting and its agenda.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Cheryl Callahan, Designated Federal Officer (DFO) at (202) 418–2320 or ccallaha@fcc.gov. The address is: Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, The Ports, 445 12th Street, SW., Suite 6A207, Washington, DC 20554. The fax number is: (202) 418–2345. The TTY number is: (202) 418–0484.


The North American Numbering Council (NANC) has scheduled a meeting to be held Tuesday, February 20, 2001, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m., and on Wednesday, February 21, from 8:30 a.m., until 12 noon. The meeting will be held at the Federal Communications Commission, Portals II, 445 12th Street, SW., Room TW–C305, Washington, DC.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This meeting is open to members of the general public. The FCC will attempt to accommodate as many participants as possible. 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 Cheryl Callahan at the address under FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT, stated above.

Proposed Agenda

1. Approval of January 16–17, 2001, meeting minutes.
SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: You may call 202–452–3206 beginning at approximately 5 p.m. two business days before the meeting for a recorded announcement of bank and bank holding company applications scheduled for the meeting; or you may contact the Board’s Web site at http://www.federalreserve.gov for an electronic announcement that not only lists applications, but also indicates procedural and other information about the meeting.


Robert deV. Frierson,
Associate Secretary of the Board.

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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Care Financing Administration

[HCFA–3061–N]

Medicare Program; Meetings of the Medical Devices and Prosthetics Panel and the Executive Committee of the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee; February 21 and 22, 2001

AGENCY: Health Care Financing Administration (HCFA), HHS.

ACTION: Notice of meetings.

SUMMARY: This notice announces public meetings of the Medical Devices and Prosthetics Panel (the Panel) and the Executive Committee (EC) of the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee (MCAC). The Panel and the EC will provide advice and recommendations to HCFA about clinical issues.

On Wednesday, February 21, 2001, the Panel will hear and discuss presentations from interested persons regarding ambulatory blood pressure monitoring for the diagnosis and treatment of hypertension. On Thursday, February 22, 2001, the meeting of the EC will be to discuss comments received on the March 1, 2000, interim recommendations for evaluating effectiveness of the MCAC process. It will also ratify or comment on the recommendations of the Medical and Surgical Procedures Panel meeting that took place on October 17 and 18, 2000 regarding both electrostimulation for the treatment of chronic wounds and sacral nerve stimulation for the treatment of incontinence to Constance A. Conrad, Executive Secretary, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Health Care Financing Administration, 7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop S3–02–01, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850.

Submit formal presentations and written comments for the EC’s discussions on interim recommendations for evaluating effectiveness of the MCAC process, or on electrostimulation for the treatment of chronic wounds and sacral nerve stimulation for the treatment of incontinence to Constance A. Conrad, Executive Secretary, Office of Clinical Standards and Quality, Health Care Financing Administration, 7500 Security Boulevard, Mail Stop S3–02–01, Baltimore, MD 21244–1850.

Website: You may access up-to-date information on this meeting at www.hcfa.gov/quality/8b.htm.

Hotline: You may access up-to-date information on this meeting on the HCFA Advisory Committee Information Hotline, 1–877–449–5659 (toll free) or in the Baltimore area (410) 786–9379.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Patricia M. Brocato-Simons, Executive Secretary for the Panel, at 410–786–0261, or Constance A. Conrad, Executive Secretary for the EC, at 410–786–4631.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: On August 13, 1999, we published a notice (64 FR 44291) to describe the Medicare Coverage Advisory Committee (MCAC), which provides advice and recommendations to us about clinical issues. This notice announces the