

bid withdrawal payments due under 47 CFR 1.2104(g).

47. WTB now employs a final payment deadline different from that announced in the *2001 Procedures Public Notice*. Consistent with current practice, for Auction No. 37, the Bureaus are considering requiring each winning bidder to submit the balance of the net amount of its winning bids within 10 business days after the deadline for submitting down payments.

## VI. Conclusion

48. Comments are due on or before May 17, 2004, and reply comments are due on or before May 24, 2004. Because of the disruption of regular mail and other deliveries in Washington, DC, the Bureaus require that all comments and reply comments be filed electronically. Comments and reply comments must be sent by electronic mail to the following address: [auction37@fcc.gov](mailto:auction37@fcc.gov). The electronic mail containing the comments or reply comments must include a subject or caption referring to Auction No. 37 Comments and the name of the commenting party. The Bureaus request that parties format any attachments to electronic mail as Adobe® Acrobat® (pdf) or Microsoft® Word documents. Copies of comments and reply comments will be available for public inspection during regular business hours in the FCC Reference Information Center, Room CY-A257, 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. In addition, the Bureaus request that commenters fax a courtesy copy of their comments and reply comments to the attention of Kathryn Garland at (717) 338-2850.

49. This proceeding has been designated as a "permit-but-disclose" proceeding in accordance with the Commission's *ex parte* rules. Persons making oral *ex parte* presentations are reminded that memoranda summarizing the presentations must contain summaries of the substance of the presentations and not merely a listing of the subjects discussed. More than a one or two sentence description of the views and arguments presented is generally required. Other rules pertaining to oral and written *ex parte* presentations in permit-but-disclose proceedings are set forth in § 1.1206(b) of the Commission's rules.

Federal Communications Commission.

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## FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

[DA04-1041]

### NeuStar, Inc. Request To Allow Certain Transactions Without Prior Commission Approval and To Transfer Ownership

**AGENCY:** Federal Communications Commission.

**ACTION:** Notice; solicitation of comments.

**SUMMARY:** Comment is sought on NeuStar's request to allow certain transactions without prior commission approval and to transfer ownership. We seek comment on the potential impact on NeuStar's ability to perform its numbering administration responsibilities in a neutral manner. We also seek specific comment on the potential impact of an initial public offering (IPO) on NeuStar's ability to maintain its neutrality.

**DATES:** Comments are due on or before May 12, 2004. Reply comments are due on or before May 24, 2004.

**ADDRESSES:** Federal Communications Commission, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for further filing instructions.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Pam Slipakoff, Attorney, Wireline Competition Bureau, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, (202) 418-7400, TTY (202) 418-0484.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** This is a summary of the Commission's public notice, CC Docket No. 92-237, DA 04-1041, released April 20, 2004. On April 15, 2004, NeuStar, Inc. (NeuStar), the current North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA), national Pooling Administrator (PA) and Local Number Portability Administrator, filed a letter with the Federal Communications Commission (Commission) seeking a ruling that it need not seek prior Commission neutrality review and approval for certain types of transactions that it believes does not affect its ability to be a neutral administrator for the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). In addition, in anticipation of a potential IPO, NeuStar seeks Commission approval for a transfer of control of the company from the current majority shareholder, a voting trust, to a broad shareholder base.

Specifically, NeuStar contends that the types of changes that should not be subject to prior Commission approval fall into the following three general

categories: (1) Corporate changes that do not increase the rights of any entity affiliated with a telecommunications service provider (TSP); (2) transactions that do not increase any interests of a TSP or a TSP affiliate in NeuStar; and (3) transactions that permit NeuStar to become a public company (including an IPO) and subsequent sales of NeuStar equity, subject to several limitations on TSP ownership. In addition, NeuStar notes that prior agency approval would continue to be required for all other changes within the existing scope of the prior approval requirement. NeuStar also notes that all other oversight mechanisms would remain in place.

Pursuant to applicable procedures set forth in §§ 1.415 and 1.419 of the Commission's rules, interested parties may file comments on or before May 12, 2004, and reply comments on or before May 24, 2004. All filings should refer to CC Docket No. 92-237. Comments may be filed using the Commission's Electronic Comment Filing System (ECFS) or by filing paper copies. See *Electronic Filing of Documents in Rulemaking Proceedings*, 63 FR 24121, May 1, 1998.

Comments filed through the ECFS can be sent as an electronic file via the Internet to <http://www.fcc.gov/e-file/ecfs.html>. Generally, only one copy of an electronic submission must be filed. If multiple docket or rulemaking numbers appear in the caption of this proceeding, however, commenters must transmit one electronic copy of the comments to each docket or rulemaking number referenced in the caption. In completing the transmittal screen, commenters should include their full name, U.S. Postal Service mailing address, and the applicable docket or rulemaking number. Parties may also submit an electronic comment by Internet e-mail. To get filing instructions for e-mail comments, commenters should send an e-mail to [ecfs@fcc.gov](mailto:ecfs@fcc.gov), and should include the following words in the body of the message, "get form <your e-mail address>." A sample form and directions will be sent in reply.

Parties who choose to file by paper must file an original and four copies of each filing. If more than one docket or rulemaking number appears in the caption of this proceeding, commenters must submit two additional copies for each additional docket or rulemaking number. Filings can be sent by hand or messenger delivery, by commercial overnight courier, or by first-class or overnight U.S. Postal Service mail (although we continue to experience delays in receiving U.S. Postal Service mail).

The Commission's contractor, Natek, Inc., will receive hand-delivered or messenger-delivered paper filings for the Commission's Secretary at 236 Massachusetts Avenue, NE., Suite 110, Washington, DC 20002. The filing hours at this location are 8 a.m. to 7 p.m. All hand deliveries must be held together with rubber bands or fasteners. Any envelopes must be disposed of before entering the building.

Commercial overnight mail (other than U.S. Postal Service Express Mail and Priority Mail) must be sent to 9300 East Hampton Drive, Capitol Heights, MD 20743. U.S. Postal Service first-class mail, Express Mail, and Priority Mail should be addressed to 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Washington, DC 20554. All filings must be addressed to the Commission's Secretary, Marlene H.

Dortch, Office of the Secretary, Federal Communications Commission.

Parties also must send three paper copies of their filing to Sheryl Todd, Telecommunications Access Policy Division, Wireline Competition Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Room 5-B540, Washington, DC 20554. In addition, commenters must send diskette copies to the Commission's copy contractor, Qualex International, Portals II, 445 Twelfth Street, SW., Room CY-B402, Washington, DC 20054.

Pursuant to § 1.1206 of the Commission's rules, 47 CFR 1.1206, this proceeding will be conducted as a permit-but-disclose proceeding in which *ex parte* communications are permitted subject to disclosure.

Federal Communications Commission.  
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**FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION**

**Sunshine Act Meeting; Open Commission Meeting, Thursday, May 13, 2004**

May 6, 2004.  
 The Federal Communications Commission will hold an Open Meeting on the subjects listed below on Thursday, May 13, 2004, which is scheduled to commence at 9:30 a.m. in Room TW-C305, at 445 12th Street, SW., Washington, DC.

| Item no. | Bureau   | Subject  |
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| 1 .....  | Wireless Tele-Communications, Wireline Competition, and Consumer & Governmental Affairs. | The Wireless Telecommunications Bureau, Wireline Competition Bureau and the Consumer & Governmental Affairs Bureau will present a progress report on number portability implementation.  |
| 2 .....  | Wireline Competition   | <i>Title:</i> Access Charge Reform (CC Docket No. 96-262); Reform of Access Charges Imposed by Competitive Local Exchange Carriers; and Petition of Z-tel Communications, Inc. for Temporary Waiver of Commission Rule 61.26(d) to Facilitate Deployment of Competitive Service in Certain Metropolitan Statistical Areas.<br><i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider an Eighth Report and Order and Fifth Order on Reconsideration concerning amendments to and clarification of the rules governing the tariffing of interstate switched exchange access services provided by competitive LECs. |
| 3 .....  | Wireline Competition   | <i>Title:</i> The Use of N11 Codes and Other Abbreviated Dialing Arrangements (CC Docket No. 92-105).<br><i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking seeking comment on various abbreviated dialing arrangements that could be used by state "One Call" notification systems in compliance with the Pipeline Safety Improvement Act of 2002.  |
| 4 .....  | International .....  | <i>Title:</i> AT&T Corp. Emergency Petition for Settlements Stop Payment Order and Request for Immediate Interim Relief (IB Docket No. 03-38); and Petition of WorldCom, Inc. for Prevention of "Whipsawing" on the U.S.-Philippines Route.<br><i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider an Order on Review that will address petitions for review of the March 10, 2003 Order finding that the Philippine carriers named in that Order "whipsawed" U.S. carriers, and ordering the suspension of payments for termination services to the Philippine carriers pending restoration of circuits.     |
| 5 .....  | Office of Engineering and Technology.  | <i>Title:</i> Unlicensed Operation in the TV Broadcast Bands; Additional Spectrum for Unlicensed Devices Below 900 MHz and in the 3 GHz Band (ET Docket No. 02-380).<br><i>Summary:</i> The Commission will consider a Notice of Proposed Rulemaking concerning unlicensed operation in the TV broadcast bands.  |

Additional information concerning this meeting may be obtained from Audrey Spivack or David Fiske, Office of Media Relations, (202) 418-0500; TTY 1-888-835-5322.

Audio/Video coverage of the meeting will be broadcast live over the Internet from the FCC's Audio/Video Events Web page at <http://www.fcc.gov/realaudio>.

For a fee this meeting can be viewed live over George Mason University's Capitol Connection. The Capitol Connection also will carry the meeting

live via the Internet. To purchase these services call (703) 993-3100 or go to <http://www.capitolconnection.gmu.edu>. Audio and video tapes of this meeting can be purchased from CACI Productions, 341 Victory Drive, Herndon, VA 20170, (703) 834-1470, Ext. 19; Fax (703) 834-0111.

Copies of materials adopted at this meeting can be purchased from the FCC's duplicating contractor, Qualex International (202) 863-2893; Fax (202) 863-2898; TTY (202) 863-2897. These copies are available in paper format and

alternative media, including large print/type; digital disk; and audio tape. Qualex International may be reached by e-mail at [Qualexint@aol.com](mailto:Qualexint@aol.com).

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