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Honorable Betty Anne Kane Chairman Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia 1325 G Street, 8th Floor Washington, DC 20005

RE: The NANC's Role in the LNPA Transition Process

Chairman Kane:

The purpose of this letter is clarify with the NANC members the roles of the NANC in the LNPA transition process. As you are aware, in the updated North American Portability Management (NAPM) LLC Transition Oversight and Education Plan (TOEP) filed with Commission on August 31, 2015, the TOEP referred to roles for the NANC, which we understand would include the following:

- 1. Outreach and Education. The primary outreach functions will be performed through the LNPA Transition Outreach (LTO), a component of the Transition Oversight Manager, or TOM. However, the NANC public meetings offer a unique opportunity for further outreach since they are open to the public and easily accessed through a conference bridge. We anticipate that a portion of NANC meetings during the transition will include a presentation by the NAPM, along with the TOM, about the status of the transition and current issues being addressed. Such a public presentation to the NANC membership, and the broader public attending NANC meetings, will allow NANC members and the public to better evaluate the extent to which potential transition risks have been identified and addressed. The NANC meetings also offer the TOM an important opportunity to engage with many stakeholders directly in a single forum, including service providers of all sizes and across all industries, state regulators, public safety and law enforcement agencies and consumers. Of course, stakeholders may also be involved with the transition by attending other outreach meetings sponsored by the LTO and TOM.
- 2. *Technical Expertise*. As noted in the TOEP, we anticipate that the LNPA Working Group will continue with its tasks of discussing technical requirements related to the LNPA and evaluating specific test use cases that will ensure that the LNPA operations are functioning properly. We anticipate that any test use cases recommended by the LNPA Working Group, especially as they relate to the transition, will be presented to the full NANC for its review and confirmation or for any modifications that the NANC as a whole considers appropriate to facilitate the transition.

When discussing any non-confidential issues, transition-related or otherwise, the LNPA Working Group may want to allow non-working group members to observe or hear those discussions. If the Working Group desires that any of its meetings be open to the public, it must announce the meeting in advance on the NANC website and provide call-in numbers and a brief description of the agenda. Our understanding is that this is consistent with the practice that this Working Group has previously followed. However, if such a meeting is opened to the public, non-working group members may make statements or ask questions only with the permission of the Working Group chair, and may not otherwise participate at such meetings. Full participation (including voting) is reserved for those appointed as working group members.

As the transition progresses, we expect that individual members of the NANC's LNPA Working Group may be involved in certain testing. If that is the case, the results of these individual company tests should be shared with the full NANC, both through the posting of any test results provided to the LTO, the TOM, or the new administrator and through updates at the NANC meetings. Such sharing of results will keep the NANC membership, and the public more generally, abreast of transition developments and the NANC's involvement. Further, the sharing of any test results with the full NANC will permit the NANC membership to evaluate this technical information (along with any recommendations it may receive from the Working Group) and propose to the TOM such general advice or recommendations the NANC considers appropriate, based on the individual company test results and recommendations or reports it receives from the LNPA working group.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Sincerely,

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