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FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

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Renewal of North American Numbering Council Charter Through October 4, 1999; GSA Approval

AGENCY: Federal Communications

Commission. **ACTION:** Notice.

SUMMARY: On September 25, 1997, the Commission released a public notice announcing the General Services Administration (GSA) approval for the renewal of the North American Numbering Council (NANC) charter through October 4, 1999. The intended effect of this action is to make the public aware of the NANC's amended charter and its renewal.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

Marian Gordon, Designated Federal Official at (202) 418–2320 or via the Internet at mgordon@fcc.gov. The address is: Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission, 2000 M Street, NW, Suite 235, Washington, DC 20054. The fax number is: (202) 418–2345. The TTY number is: (202) 418–0484

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The North American Numbering Council (Council) charter has been renewed, through October 4, 1999, by the General Services Administration (GSA) to allow it to continue advising the Federal Communications Commission on evolving and competitively significant numbering issues facing the telecommunications industry. The Council's original charter was filed with Congress on October 5, 1995, and is scheduled to expire on October 4, 1997. See Attachments A and B for the NANC amended charter and current membership list.

Since its first meeting held on October 1, 1996, the Council has provided the Commission with critically important recommendations regarding numbering administration. On May 1, 1997, the Council issued recommendations regarding the implementation of telephone number portability. Specifically, the Council issued recommendations in the following areas: (1) What party or parties should be selected as Local Number Portability

Administrators (LNPAs); (2) whether one or multiple LNPA(s) should be selected; (3) how the LNPA(s) should be selected; (4) specific duties of the LNPA(s); (5) geographic coverage of the regional databases; (6) technical standards, including interoperability standards, network interfaces standards, and technical specifications for regional databases; (7) the sharing of numbering information between the North American Numbering Plan Administrator and the LNPA(s); and (8) the future role of the Council with respect to local number portability issues. On May 15, 1997, the Council issued recommendations regarding neutral entities to serve as North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) and NANPA Billing and Collection Agent, and recommended a mechanism for recovering the costs of numbering administration in the United States.

The continuation of the Council and its future recommendations to the Commission will facilitate establishment of a new foundation for numbering administration in North America that will ensure that numbering resources are provided to all telecommunications service providers on an equitable basis consistent with the requirements of the

Telecommunications Act of 1996.

Federal Communications Commission. **Geraldine A. Matise**,

Chief, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau.

Attachment A

Amended Charter for the North American Numbering Council

A. The Committee's Official Designation

The official designation of the advisory committee will be the "North American Numbering Council" (NANC or Council).

B. The Committee's Objectives and Scope of Its Activity

The purpose of the Council is to advise the Federal Communications Commission and to make recommendations, reached through industry consensus, that foster efficient and impartial number administration. The Council will continue to develop recommendations on numbering policy issues, initially resolve disputes, provide oversight guidance to the North American Numbering Plan (NANP) Administrator and the Local Number Portability Administrator(s) (LNPAs) to ensure fair and equitable access to numbering resources, and facilitate number conservation including identification of technical solutions to

numbering exhaust. The Council will further provide recommendations to the Commission on toll free database administration.

In carrying out its responsibilities, the Council shall assure that NANP administration supports the following policy objectives: (1) That the NANP facilitates entry into the communications marketplace by making numbering resources available on an efficient, timely basis to communications service providers; (2) that the NANP does not unduly favor or disfavor any particular industry segment or group of consumers; (3) that the NANP does not unduly favor one technology over another; (4) that the NANP gives consumers easy access to the public switched telephone network; and (5) that the NANP ensures that the interests of all NANP member countries are addressed fairly and efficiently, fostering continued integration of the NANP across NANP member countries.

C. Period of Time Necessary for the Committee to Carry Out Its Purposes

The Commission will seek advice from the Council regarding whether the NANC, after two years, should again renew this charter to continue as a Federal Advisory Committee.

D. Agency or Official to Whom the Committee Reports

The Council will report to the Chief, Common Carrier Bureau, Federal Communications Commission.

E. Agency Responsible for Providing Necessary Support

The Federal Communications
Commission will provide the necessary
staff support for the Council. The
Federal Communications Commission
will provide facilities needed to conduct
the meetings, if the Commission has
meeting facilities available. Otherwise,
private sector members will provide
facilities. Private sector members of the
Council will serve without any
government compensation, and will not
be entitled to travel expenses or per
diem subsistence allowances.

F. Description of the Duties for Which the Committee is Responsible

The duties of the Council are to gather and discuss information necessary to develop recommendations to the FCC related to the attainment of the objectives listed under (B). The Council will also advise the Commission on the following, which are not exclusive to its portfolio of duties: a plan to transfer responsibility for administering central office codes to the NANP Administrator; a plan to promote conservation of

numbering resources, including examination of ways to ensure efficient use of number resources, and a recommendation for the management of toll free database administration. The Council will also prepare for the Commission periodic and final reports to aid the Commission in its oversight responsibilities.

G. Estimated Annual Operating Costs in Dollars and Staff Years

Estimated staff years that will be expended by the Council are 3 for the Federal Communications Commission staff and 5 for private sector and other governmental representatives. The estimated annual cost to the FCC of operating the Committee is \$200,000. The FCC will not pay for private sector staff.

H. Estimated Number and Frequency of Committee Meetings

We expect that there will be approximately 12 Council meetings per year.

I. Charter's Termination Date

This charter will terminate on October 4, 1999, prior to which the Commission may seek its renewal.

J. Date Original Charter Filed October 5, 1995.

Attachment B

North American Numbering Council (NANC) Federal Advisory Committee

Designated Federal Official: Marian Gordon, Special Counsel, Network Services Division, Common Carrier Bureau, 2000 M Street, NW, Suite 235, Washington, DC 20554

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National Association of Regulatory Utility Commissioners (NARUC)

Honorable Commissioner, Vincent Majkowski, Colorado Public Utilities Commission, 1580 Logan Street, OL–2, Denver, CO 80203

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FEDERAL DEPOSIT INSURANCE CORPORATION

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request

AGENCY: Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

ACTION: Notice of information collection to be submitted to OMB to review and approval under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995.

SUMMARY: In accordance with requirements of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. Chapter 35), the FDIC hereby gives notice that it plans to submit to the Office of Management and Budget a request for OMB review and approval of the information collection system described below.

Type of Review: Renewal of currently approved collection.

Title: Application For Consent To Reduce or Retire Capital.

Form Number: None. OMB Number: 3064–0079. Annual Burden:

Number of applications: 120. Hours to prepare an application: 1. Total annual burden hours: 120.

Expiration Date of OMB Clearance: October 31, 1997.

OMB Reviewer: Alexander T. Hunt, (202) 395–7860, Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Washington, D.C. 20503

FDIC Contact: Steven F. Hanft, (202) 898–3907, Office of the Executive Secretary, Room F–4080, Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation, 550 17th Street N.W., Washington, D.C. 20429.

Comments: Comments on this collection of information are welcome and should be

submitted on or before November 3, 1997, to both the OMB reviewer and the FDIC contact listed above.

ADDRESSES: Information about this submission including copies of the proposed collection of information, may be obtained by calling or writing the FDIC contact listed above.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: This collection requires insured state nonmember banks that propose to change their capital structure to submit an application containing information about the proposed change in order to obtain FDIC's consent to reduce or retire capital. The FDIC evaluates the information contained in the letter application in relation to statutory considerations and makes a decision to grant or to withhold consent.

Dated: September 30, 1997. Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation.

Robert E. Feldman,

Executive Secretary.
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FEDERAL FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS EXAMINATION COUNCIL

Supervisory Policy Statement on Investment Securities and End-User Derivatives Activities

AGENCY: Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council.

ACTION: Notice and request for comment.

SUMMARY: The Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System (FRB), the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC), the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC), the Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS), and the National Credit Union Administration (NCUA) (collectively referred to as the agencies), under the auspices of the Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council (FFIEC), request comment on a Supervisory Policy Statement on Investment Securities and End-User Derivatives Activities (1997 Statement) to provide guidance on sound practices for managing the risks of investment activities. The agencies also are seeking comment on their intent to rescind the Supervisory Policy Statement on Securities Activities published on February 3, 1992 (1992 Statement). Many elements of that prior statement are retained in the 1997 Statement, while other elements have been revised or eliminated. Changes in generally accepted accounting principles, various developments in both securities and derivatives markets, and revisions to the regulators' approach to risk management

have contributed to the need to reassess the 1992 Statement. In particular, the agencies are proposing to eliminate the specific constraints on investing in 'high risk'' mortgage derivative products that were stated in the 1992 Statement. The agencies believe that it is a sound practice for institutions to understand the risks related to their investment holdings. Accordingly, the 1997 Statement substitutes broader guidance than the specific pass/fail requirements contained in the 1992 Statement. Other than for the supervisory guidance contained in the 1992 Statement, the 1997 Statement does not supersede any other requirements of the respective agencies' statutory rules, regulations, policies, or supervisory guidance.

DATES: Comments must be received by November 17, 1997.

ADDRESSES: Comments should be sent to Joe M. Cleaver, Executive Secretary, Federal Financial Institutions Examination Council, 2100 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Suite 200, Washington, D.C. 20037 or by facsimile transmission to (202) 634–6556.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

FRB: James Embersit, Manager, Financial Analysis, (202) 452–5249, Division of Banking Supervision and Regulation; Gregory Baer, Managing Senior Counsel, (202) 452–3236, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System. For the hearing impaired only, Telecommunication Device for the Deaf (TDD), Dorothea Thompson, (202) 452–3544, Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve System, 20th and C Streets, NW, Washington, DC 20551.

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