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COMMISSION RELEASES REQUEST FOR QUOTATION FOR CONTRACTOR TO BUILD AND OPERATE CENTRALIZED DATABASE FOR INTERNET BASED TELECOMMUNICATIONS RELAY SERVICE NUMBERING SYSTEM

CG Docket No. 03-123 WC Docket No. 05-196

On June 24, 2008, the Commission released a Report and Order adopting a system for assigning North American Number Plan (NANP) ten-digit telephone numbers to Internet-based Telecommunications Relay Service (TRS) users. In this Order, the Commission determined that a neutral third-party administrator will build, maintain, and operate a centralized numbering directory mechanism to map the NANP telephone numbers assigned to Internet-based TRS users to an appropriate Internet address (or other appropriate endpoint identifier). As set forth in the Order, the neutral database administrator must be selected, and must construct the database, work with industry to populate the database, test the functionality of the database, and be prepared to support ten-digit numbers for Internet-based TRS users no later than December 31, 2008. On June 25, 2008, the Commission posted a Sources Sought Announcement on the Government Wide Point of Entry (*FedBizOpps*), seeking a contractor capable of implementing and operating the centralized numbering directory.

Based on the results of the Sources Sought Announcement, on July 28, 2008, the Commission posted a Combined Synopsis/Solicitation as a Request for Quotation (Solicitation Number: RFQ08000022) on *FedBizOpps*, available at https://www.fbo.gov. Responses to the Combined Synopsis/Solicitation must be e-mailed to Arnett Rogiers, Administrative Operations, Office of the Managing Director, arnett.rogiers@fcc.gov on August 11, 2008 by 12:00 pm.³ Any questions regarding the Combined Synopsis/Solicitation must be e-mailed to Arnett Rogiers by 5:00 pm EDT August 1, 2008. For further information, refer to the Combined Synopsis/Solicitation, available at https://www.fbo.gov.

¹ See Telecommunications Relay Services and Speech-to-Speech Services for Individuals with Hearing and Speech Disabilities; E911 Requirements for IP-Enabled Service Providers, CG Docket No. 03-123, WC Docket No. 05-196, Report and Order and Further Notice of Proposed Rulemaking, FCC 08-151 (rel. June 24, 2008).

² See Commission Releases Sources Sought Announcement Seeking Contractor to Build and Operate Centralized Database for Internet Based Telecommunications Relay Services Numbering System, CG Docket No. 03-123, WC Docket No. 05-196, Public Notice, DA 08-1483 (rel. June 25, 2008).

³ As set forth in the Combined Synopsis/Solicitation, the original response due date of August 6, 2008 was modified to August 11, 2008.