

Wholesale Markets

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Carrier Notification – GN122008

Date: July 31, 2008
To: CenturyTel Wholesale Customers
Subject: Four Field Requirement for Number Port

Description of the Change

On November 8, 2007, the FCC issued a declaratory ruling (FCC 07-188) clarifying certain obligations for all entities required to provide local number portability. The FCC specifically concluded that LNP validation for a simple port should be based on “no more than” or “up to” four fields: (1) 10-digit telephone number; (2) customer account number; (3) 5-digit zip code; and (4) pass code, if applicable. As of today, the order is effective 7/31/08.

As of the effective date of the Order, July 31, 2008, CenturyTel (as the OSP) will comply with the order by eliminating all customer port-out validation edits outside the (10) necessary edits and the (4) customer validation edits mentioned in the order for simple port LSRs.

CenturyTel will validate on (1) 10-digit telephone number; (2) customer account number; and (3) 5-digit zip code. The pass code will not be required at this time; however, CenturyTel may implement this validation field at a future date. Appropriate notice will be given when pass code implementation occurs. Each simple port request must be submitted using the SPSR (Simple Port Service Request) form. CenturyTel will maintain the existing process and procedures for editing non-simple local number portability orders.

Questions? Contact Ronnie Lenard at 256-705-4901 or your account administrator.