

The WTSC Call for Test Participants:

The Wireless Number Portability Operations (WNPO) Team and its reporting committee the Wireless Test Sub-Committee (WTSC) is seeking additional test participants from both wireless and wireline carriers for the Local Number Portability May 24th, 2004 launch date. Testing is essential to ensure system efficiencies between trading partners during the porting process and to guarantee customer satisfaction.

The Wireless Operations Team provides a forum for the identification, discussion and resolution of issues affecting Service Provider Operational groups in their mandated implementations for Service Provider Local Number Portability (LNP) within their respective companies. The Team will give on-going support to LNP activities from an operations perspective. This includes the identification of existing or potential gaps between Service Provider implementation of regional and/or national guidelines and associated resolutions or remedies.

The Wireless Testing Subcommittee (WTSC) is focused on forming and implementing a testing framework that enables Service Provider Testing Representatives to work directly with each other to complete inter-carrier porting testing in a timely and efficient manner. The subcommittee will give on-going support to all LNP testing activities. This includes the identification of existing or potential gaps and/or conflicts in communication between Service Providers and/or the NPAC. The team will provide recommendations and/or solutions within its committee and to its reporting committee, the WNPO.

WTSC is currently reviewing lessons learned from the 11/24/03 launch date and will incorporate, as necessary, these items into new test cases or scenarios. **Based on past experience WTSC participants encourage carriers to begin making contacts and testing with trading partners as early as possible and no later than March 1st.**

Information for testing can be found at www.npac.com (locate the Wireless button in left column, then select WTSC in center of screen). This site contains all WTSC information regarding test planning, test scripts, schedules, points of contact and other pertinent information.

To get on the WTSC distribution list do the following:

- Type in <http://lists.neustar.biz>
- Click on link "mailing lists hosted on this server"
- Click on "wireless testing" link at bottom of page

In order to make participation efficient and affordable for everyone, the WTSC is currently meeting by conference call. The WTSC meets every Thursday from 11:00 AM– 12:00 PM EST on the following bridge: 1-888-899-2444 ID 957539 (follow prompts carefully). Interested parties should check the latest information on the NPAC website and join the above distribution list.

All wireless and wireline carriers not currently participating are urged to join the WTSC in preparation for Local Number Portability outside the top 100 MSA's. For any questions or concerns, please contact the WTSC or WNPO co-chairs listed below. Thank you in advance for consideration of the above mentioned concerns.

Julie Groenen
WTSC co-chair
Julie.Groenen@verizonwireless.com
425-603-2282

Maggie Lee
WNPO co-chair
malee@verisign.com

Sue Tiffany
WNPO co-chair
stiffa01@sprintspectrum.com