

WTSC Meeting Minutes

April 2-3, 2002

Reston, VA

HOST:**Nextel Communications****Attendees:**

Mark Wood	Cingular Wireless
Meredith Cummings	Nextel
Jeremy Hui	Nextel
Ron Whitson	Sprint
Janet Bishop	AWS
Stephen Sanchez	AWS
Ron Wuesthoff	AWS
Gene Perez	Telecommunication Solutions Inc.
Viresh Gulati	Telecorp PCS
Joe Charles	Cingular
Marlene Nolan	U.S. Cellular

On Bridge –

Charlie Case	Alltel
John Weeks (sp?)	Qwest Wireless
David Alexander	Sprint PCS
Jim Grasser	Cingular
Farid Zaffar	Nightfire

Tuesday, April 2nd**Logistics –**

Our co-chair, Jennifer Chartraw, has left AT&T Wireless and will no longer be involved in the WTSC.

We initially discussed replacing Jennifer with a new co-chair by June, but since we are condensing our meetings and merging within the WNPO (see below), only one chair will be necessary for now.

The WTSC agreed that we could condense our general meeting to a few hours instead of 2 – half-day meetings. Therefore, for now we will meet within the monthly WNPO agenda starting in May in Seattle (Redmond).

We will meet for 1-2 hours for our regular meeting on Monday, May 13th and then have a separate full day “break-out” session on Tuesday, May 14th. Please see below for next month’s meeting.

WNPO Report – from Jim Grasser – WNPO co-chair

WNPO Meeting – April 8-9 in Kansas City, MO

- FCC doc 02-73 – Reconsideration of 3rd report and order was sent on March 14. The FCC asked for comments on its previous request in December 2001 to mandate all codes in the top 100 MSAs to be open for porting without a BFR, expanding the original top 100 MSA list to include CMSA boundaries and any new markets from the 2000 census, and whether all carriers should be mandated to participate in number pooling even if they are not LNP capable.
- Puerto Rico LNP for wireline carriers will start either May or June this year. PRTC has stated that it will not be able to support the traffic created by wireless default queries for wireline ported ranges. Wireless carriers that are in Puerto Rico should check with their company on their readiness.

There are 2 wireline carriers in Puerto Rico – PRTC and Centennial

- Type I Number Guidelines are being developed and will be discussed at the next WNPO meeting. Type I numbers are numbers that go over Type I trunks – meaning the numbers are truly in the wireline switch and are routed to the wireless carrier per call. When a customer ports a type I number, it would have to be done under the wireline guidelines since the wireline company is the code/block holder.

There are three main situations that carriers have to deal with –

- 1) A wireless carrier uses all 1K of the 10K block. The wireless carrier can contact the LERG to become the code holder
- 2) A wireless carrier uses some of the 1K blocks in the 10K block. The wireless carrier could pool these 1K blocks from the wireline carrier to itself and then be the block holder.
- 3) A percentage of 1K blocks are used by wireless. The wireless carrier could pool the 1K block and then port the wireline numbers back to the wireline carrier.

These guidelines are subject to revision but the actual decision on how to convert the numbers will ultimately be decided between the specific wireline/wireless carrier.

- A draft letter to NAPM (the LLC that represents Neustar) is being developed to confirm the timers, help desk hours, and maintenance windows for WLNP.
- The process and strategy for opening codes in the LERG for live porting is being developed in WNPO. Telcordia (LERG) and Neustar (NPAC) want to phase in the code openings to alleviate the traffic that would be created if all codes were opened on 11/24/02.
- T1S1 & TR-45 committees will speak at WNPO about standards for Cause Code 26, OTA, and SMS
- There will be a Wireless Workshop at the next OBF meeting in Denver, CO on May 6-8. The agenda/registration details can be found at www.atis.org – click on “OBF” at bottom of the page.

NENA

NENA/CTIA will hold a meeting on April 16-17 at Neustar office in Washington D.C. to discuss the issues that WLNP creates with 911. They will review the 20-some concerns they have listed as well as reviewing/updating the 911 test cases in the WTSC test plan.

CTIA

CTIA will hold a Critical Issues Forum on WLNP in Washington D.C. on May 22-23. This forum will be focused primarily to small carriers. The agenda can be found at www.wow-com.com – click on “Events” Then click on “Events Calendar” and click on May 22-23 dates for WLNP.

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Action Items

Merge with WNPO was confirmed (see above) for details

We reviewed Inter-carrier test schedule – we have 8 wireless and 1 wireline carrier with dates submitted.

We asked carriers to review their flexibility so we can test with as many carriers in one market since there are so many markets right now with only one carrier listed. We also asked for carriers to submit the Rate Center of the MSAs they plan to test in.

Wednesday, April 3

Test Plan Review

Revision 1.4 is near completion and a new 1.5 version with changes approved will be sent out shortly. (pending NENA review of 911 test cases)

Ron Whitson will update Appendix H to reflect new test cases and Mark Wood will update appendix B.

Janet Bishop will update the condensed test plan, which will be sent out separately from the original test plan.

Other documents-

AWS submitted a draft of a testing agreement for WLNP that could be used between carriers as a preliminary agreement until live porting occurs. Sprint PCS has also sent a similar request out to some carriers. I have sent out the AWS draft and am waiting to get the Sprint PCS draft to send out

Ron Whitson submitted a 911 test script that could be used by carriers when calling PSAPs. This was revised to reflect the information for wireless as well. For example – “Type of Service” is a wireline field. We also listed fields to reflect which E-911 phase (0,1, or 2) would be used and the data returned from the PSAP.

Other Issues

The question was raised as to the LSOG version (wireline porting) to be used during testing. The version 5 includes fields for wireless ports but some carriers may use older versions. This issue will be presented to the WNPO by myself. The LSOG and related documents are handled at OBF.

Next Meeting –

We will hold our regular monthly meeting during the WNPO meeting starting in May.

We will meet sometime Monday afternoon, May 13 for appx 90 minutes.

Below is a list of future WNPO meetings for 2002.

This is updated on the www.npac.com website – under “LNPA WG” and then “LNPA-WG Meetings”

May 13-16	Redmond, WA
June 10-13	Atlanta, GA
July 8-11	Chicago, IL
August 12-15	Vancouver, BC
Sept 16-19	Baltimore, MD
Oct 14-17	Denver, CO
Nov 11-14	Atlanta, GA
Dec 9-12	Las Vegas, NV

IN ADDITION – we will be holding a “Break-out session” on Tuesday, May 14. This will be an all day meeting facilitated mostly by the test SPOCS to coordinate details for inter-carrier testing. This will include items such as ICC and network interface, testing areas, test cases, dates, etc.

A separate notice will be sent out next week providing more details. In addition to the test SPOC, you should invite people from your respective departments (IT, network, etc) that can provide specific information.

The agenda and travel information for the May 13-14 meeting will be sent out shortly.