

**Semi-Annual Report of Americell PA-3 LP )  
on efforts toward compliance with requirements )  
for the availability and labeling of hearing aid )  
compatible digital wireless handsets )**

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The Filer, Americell PA-3 LP (Americell PA-3), is the license holder of Cellular Radiotelephone License KNKN850. This report is submitted pursuant to the requirements of Paragraph Nos. 89-91 of the Commission's Report and Order (WT Docket No. 01-309), FCC 03-168, released August 14, 2003 ("R&O").

By way of background information, the filer is a small, Tier III Commercial Mobile Radio Service Licensee, as defined in the Commission's E-911 Order to Stay, FCC 02-210, released July 26, 2002. The filer provides Frequency Block A cellular service in the Pennsylvania-3 (Potter) RSA. The digital portion of the filer's system employs the TDMA (Time Division Multiple Access) and GSM (Global System for Mobiles) air interfaces. Service to home subscribers is provided only on the TDMA air interface.

The filer is exempt from the implementation requirements of the order, being covered under the *de minimus* provisions included therein in paragraph 69. Americell PA-3 offers only two handset choices to our customers, which are the Nokia 2260 and the Morotola C353. Upon information and belief, neither of the handsets offered to our customers meets a U3 rating under ANSI Standard C63.19.

- 1) **Digital Wireless Phones Tested:** Americell PA-3 has not tested any digital wireless telephones for HAC compliance. All testing will be performed by the handset manufactures.
- 2) **Laboratory Used:** None: See response to item 1.
- 3) **Test Results for Each Phone Tested:** Not applicable. See response to item 1.
- 4) **Identification of Compliant Phone Models and Ratings According To ANSI C63.19:** Upon information and belief, none of the handsets offered for sale to our customers meet a U3 (or M3) rating under ANSI C63.19.
- 5) **Report on the Status of Product Labeling:** None. It is anticipated that handset manufacturers will provide product labeling.
- 6) **Report on Outreach Efforts:** If and when, in the future, Americell PA-3 begins offering a handset model with hearing-aid compatibility, Americell PA-3 will develop point-of sale materials which will allow the customer to easily determine which model provides this compatibility, and the U-rating of the model in question.
- 7) **Information Related to Retail Availability of Compliant Phones:** Upon information and belief, there are no TDMA handsets commercially available that meet a U3 (or M3) or U3T (or M3T) rating under ANSI Standard C63.19.
- 8) **Information Related to Incorporating Hearing Aid Compatibility Features into Newer Models of Digital Wireless Phones:** Americell PA-3 has no information on this topic. This information can only be supplied by the handset manufacturers.
- 9) **Any Activities Related to ANSI C63.19 or Other Standards Work Intended to Promote Compliance with The Requirements of The Commission's Report and Order:** None.
- 10) **Total Number of Compliant and Non-Compliant Phone Models Offered as of The Date of This Report:** Compliant Phone Models: 0. Non-compliant phone models: 2
- 11) **Differences in handset offerings among regions in service areas, if any:** There are no differences in handset offerings among regions in Carrier's service area. Carrier's handset offerings are presently consistent in all markets.
- 12) **Ongoing Efforts for Interoperability Testing with Hearing Aid Devices:** None