

I support the National Association of the Deaf and other consumer organizations' proposal to require that all relay service providers provide 10 digit geographic telephone numbers to videophone users that can be reached from the public switched telephone network (PSTN).

I strongly believe that all video phone users should be part of the same system as voice phone users. By connecting all devices and services (videophones, voice phones, captioned telephones, and various forms of relay services) to the 10 digit phone numbering system and database, all users will be able to connect directly to each other without any extensions or special telephone numbers or IP addresses. This brings deaf and hard of hearing callers closer to functional equivalency!

Please adopt this proposal as soon as possible!