

**Before the
FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
Washington, D.C. 20554**

In the Matter of)	
)	WC Docket No. 12-260
Petition to Change)	CC Docket No. 95-155
the Composition of SMS/800, Inc.)	

**JOINT COMMENTS OF THE SMS/800, INC. TRANSITION COMMITTEE
CONSISTING OF REPRESENTATIVES FROM ATL COMMUNICATIONS, GRANDE
COMMUNICATIONS, VERIZON, WINDSTREAM CORPORATION, TELESMA
RT NETWORKS, 800 RESPONSE INFORMATION SERVICES, HAWAIIAN TELCOM
AND LEVEL 3 COMMUNICATIONS, LLC**

October 1, 2012

The SMS/800, Inc. Transition Committee consisting of members from ATL Communications, Grande Communications, Verizon, Windstream Corporation, Telesmart Networks, 800 Response Information Services, Hawaiian Telcom and Level 3 Communications, LLC in their sole capacity as the SMS/800, Inc. Transition Committee (the “Transition Committee”), and in their sole capacity to advise on the change in composition of SMS/800, Inc., hereby submit these comments in support of the SMS/800, Inc. Petition to Change the Composition of SMS/800, Inc.¹

The Transition Committee is comprised of individuals who represent a group of carriers, responsible organizations (“RespOrgs”), businesses and other industry parties with a vested interest in the distribution, database administration and use of the national toll free numbering resources. Over the past year, the Transition Committee has worked diligently with SMS/800, Inc. to put in place a plan to change the composition of SMS/800, Inc. from an organization operated and overseen primarily by the Bell Operating Companies (“BOCs”) to one more representative of the toll free industry. The culmination of this work was included in the SMS/800, Inc. Petition that triggered the start of this docket.

The Applicants have demonstrated that the Petition provides a plan to smoothly transition the services and change the organization in a manner that serves the public interest, convenience, and necessity. Accordingly, the Wireline Competition Bureau should release approve the Petition.

¹ See *Wireline Competition Bureau Seeks Comment on SMS/800, Inc. Petition to Change the Composition of SMS/800, Inc.*, Public Notice CC Docket No 95-155, WC Docket No. 12-260 (rel. Sept. 17, 2012).

Respectfully submitted,

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