



0000091506

ORIGINAL

19E



RECEIVED

20 DEC 20 A 8:24

AZ CORP COMMISSION
DOCUMENT CONTROL

VALLEY TELEPHONE COOPERATIVE, INC.

752 E. MALEY STREET
P.O. BOX 970
WILLCOX, AZ 85644
520-384-2231
FAX: 520-384-2831

Arizona Corporation Commission

DOCKETED

DEC 20 2001

DOCKETED BY	
-------------	--

FAX COVER SHEET

TO: MR. PAT WILLIAMS,
ACC. COMPLIANCE
MANAGER

FAX NUMBER: 602-542-2129

FROM: JUDY BRUNS

DATE: 12-19-01

PAGES INCLUDING COVER SHEET: 3

PLEASE C.C. - RICHARD BOYLES

COMMENT:

FAX COPY WILL BE FOLLOWED WITH ORIGINAL
BY CERTIFIED MAIL.

PRIVILEGE AND CONFIDENTIALITY NOTICE

The information in this telecopy is intended for the named recipients only. It may contain information that is privileged, confidential or otherwise protected from disclosure. If you are not the intended recipient, you are hereby notified that any disclosure, copying, distribution, or the taking of any action in reliance on the contents of this telecopied material is strictly prohibited. If you have received this telecopy in error, please notify us by telephone immediately and mail the original to us at the above address. Thank you.



ORIGINAL

Valley Telephone Cooperative · Copper Valley Telephone · Valley Connections, LLC
 Valley Telecommunications · Cellular · Internet · Business Systems

2001 DEC 20 A 8:24

AZ CORP COMMISSION
DOCUMENT CONTROL

December 19, 2001

Mr. Pat Williams, Compliance Manager
 Arizona Corporation Commission
 1200 West Washington
 Phoenix, AZ 85007

Arizona Corporation Commission

DOCKETED

DEC 20 2001

DOCKETED BY

Re: Docket # T-00000F-99-0641- Request for extension.

Dear Mr. Williams:

Valley Telecommunications Company, Inc. requests the Commission to extend the permissive dialing period for an additional 90 days in the Safford-Pima-Thatcher 928 NPA service area. This would be an extension from January 5, 2002 for a period of 90 days to April 5, 2002.

Due to the Geographic split of the NPA 928 crossing LATA boundaries, Qwest landline customers in this serving area when calling wireless customers of Valley Telecommunications Company, Inc. will be required to dial 1+10 digits to access these wireless phones. Valley feels that this gives our common customer the illusion that this call will be a toll call when in fact with our Wide Area Calling (WAC) agreements with Qwest it is actually a local call to a foreign NPA. Valley currently has three prefixes (NXX) in the 520 NPA and those are 508, 507 and 678 and cover the RSA area of Cochise, Graham and Greenlee Counties in Arizona. Valley was not allowed to grandfather these NXXs in the new 928 NPA because our switch was in the 520 NPA thus causing the unusual dialing pattern of Qwest tariff of 1+10 digit dialing that will go into effect permanently on January 5, 2002.

We have worked with Qwest on this dialing pattern and they have agreed to modify translations to extend permissive dialing for 90 days until Valley can implement a new NXX for this 928 area. Valley Telecommunications Company, Inc. filed for a new Central Office Code (NXX) on December 7, 2001. This code was granted on December 14, 2001 and Valley was notified by fax from Neustar Inc. on December 18, 2001 that it had been assigned a new code for the 928 NPA. That new code is 928-965. This code will not go into effect until February 18, 2002, which is 66 days from the date granted of December 14, 2001.

The request for extension of permissive dialing in the Safford service area only will enable Valley to implement the new code, notify all routing and rating information entities and provide customer education, number change and re-programming of phones in our wireless area to provide those customers a "local wireless number" thus eliminating the need for these landline customers to dial 1+ 10 digits to complete calls to the wireless phones in the Safford-Pima-Thatcher service area.

The Safford-Pima-Thatcher service area is served on the landline today by Qwest and is served by Valley Telecommunications Company, Inc. and Cellular One on the wireless side.

Please consider this request for an extension of permissive dialing for this area only until Valley can implement the new NXX and complete customer education. This extended date will be April 5, 2002. Qwest cannot extend this permissive dialing in this area or do the needed translations to their switch without an order from the Commission.

This request is for the Safford-Pima-Thatcher 928-NXX (428,348,485) area only.

Sincerely,



Judy Bruns, CEO/GM

Cc: Mr. Richard Boyles