

## 2024 Current Fiscal Year Report: North American Numbering Council

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### 1. Department or Agency

Federal Communications  
Commission

### 2. Fiscal Year

2024

### 3. Committee or Subcommittee

North American Numbering Council

### 3b. GSA Committee

No.

2048

### 4. Is this New During Fiscal Year?

### 5. Current Charter

### 6. Expected Renewal Date

### 7. Expected Term Date

No 09/08/2023 09/08/2025

### 8a. Was Terminated During Fiscal Year?

No

### 8b. Specific Termination Authority

Agency decision

### 8c. Actual Term Date

### 9. Agency Recommendation for Next Fiscal Year

Continue

### 10a. Legislation Req to Terminate?

Not Applicable

### 10b. Legislation Pending?

Not Applicable

### 11. Establishment Authority

Agency Authority

### 12. Specific Establishment Authority

Agency decision

### 13. Effective Date

08/22/1995

### 14. Committee Type

Continuing

### 14c. Presidential?

No

### 15. Description of Committee

National Policy Issue Advisory Board

### 16a. Total Number of Reports

No Reports for  
this Fiscal Year

### 17a. Open

0

### 17b. Closed

0

### 17c. Partially Closed

0

### Other Activities

0

### 17d. Total

0

### Meetings and Dates

No Meetings

Current Next  
FY FY

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|---|--------|--------|
| <b>18a(1). Personnel Pmts to<br/>Non-Federal Members</b>                  | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>18a(2). Personnel Pmts to<br/>Federal Members</b>                      | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>18a(3). Personnel Pmts to<br/>Federal Staff</b>                        | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>18a(4). Personnel Pmts to<br/>Non-Member Consultants</b>               | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>18b(1). Travel and Per Diem to<br/>Non-Federal Members</b>             | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>18b(2). Travel and Per Diem to<br/>Federal Members</b>                 | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>18b(3). Travel and Per Diem to<br/>Federal Staff</b>                   | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>18b(4). Travel and Per Diem to<br/>Non-member Consultants</b>          | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>18c. Other(rents,user charges,<br/>graphics, printing, mail, etc.)</b> | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>18d. Total</b>   | \$0.00 | \$0.00 |
| <b>19. Federal Staff Support Years<br/>(FTE)</b>                          | 0.00   | 0.00   |

**20a. How does the Committee accomplish its purpose?**

The purpose of the NANC is to advise the Federal Communications Commission on numbering matters and to make recommendations, reached through consensus, that foster efficient and impartial administration of the North American Numbering Plan (NANP). To accomplish its purpose, the NANC facilitates its work through Working Groups, which report their activities and recommendations to the full membership of the NANC. The NANC met twice during FY23 to discuss and vote on the recommendations from its Working Groups and provided the following reports to the Commission: (1) Report and Recommendations on the Feasibility of Individual Telephone Number Pooling Trials and Alternative

Means for Conserving Numbering Resources. At the February 28, 2023 meeting, the NANC adopted a report and recommendations from the Numbering Administration Oversight Working Group on the Feasibility of Individual Telephone Number Pooling Trials and Other Options for Numbering Resource Conservation. (2) Report and Recommendations for the North American Numbering Plan Fund Size Projections and Contributions Factor. In support of the Wireline Competition Bureau's responsibility to determine the annual costs of numbering administration under 47 CFR §52.17(a), on June 28, 2023, the NANC approved a recommendation by its Numbering Administration Oversight Working Group of a budget and contribution factor by telecommunications providers for the funding period of October 2023 through September 2024. (3) Numbering Administration Performance Review. As part of its responsibilities under 47 CFR §52.11(h) to monitor the performance of the Billing and Collection Agent on at least an annual basis, on June 28, 2023, the NANC approved an evaluation conducted by its Numbering Administration Oversight Working Group that concluded that the Billing and Collection Agent successfully met all of its performance requirements. (4) Routine Status Reports. At each meeting, the NANC heard routine status reports, including updates from the North American Portability Management, LLC, the Secure Telephone Identity Governance Authority, and the Billing and Collection Agent, Welch LLP. All FY2023 Reports and Recommendations available at <https://www.fcc.gov/about-fcc/advisory-committees/north-american-numbering-council/general/n>

**20b. How does the Committee balance its**

**membership?**

The NANC achieved a well-balanced membership by soliciting, through public notice, and including representatives from every sector of the telecommunications industry, as well as representatives of state regulators, consumer and community organizations and other stakeholders and interested parties with relevant experience. Industry representatives come from competitive local exchange carriers, incumbent local exchange carriers, wireless carriers, cable service providers, toll free service providers, interconnected voice over internet service providers and Internet Protocol-enabled service providers, telecommunications equipment manufacturers, and industry trade and standards associations.

**20c. How frequent and relevant are the Committee Meetings?**

We expect that there will be approximately two council meetings per year with additional meetings scheduled as needed. Meetings address current number administration issues that have competitive or consumer significance to the telecommunications industry.

**20d. Why can't the advice or information this committee provides be obtained elsewhere?**

The Commission needs consensus advice from the industry on number administration issues so that it can make timely, informed decisions affecting competition and consumer issues in the telecommunications industry. The NANC is important to this process in that it facilitates industry consensus on complex numbering matters and provides initial dispute resolution. By developing a reliable technical record on difficult numbering issues, the Council can greatly expedite the Commission's policy and rulemaking

functions.

## **20e. Why is it necessary to close and/or partially closed committee meetings?**

The portion of a meeting that involves the disclosure of trade secrets and commercial or financial information obtained from a person that is privileged or confidential, is subject to the Government in the Sunshine Act (GISA), which permits closure of meetings. Otherwise, all NANC meetings are open to the public. See GISA Section 552b(c)(4).

## **21. Remarks**

The NANC is currently supported by four working groups. Their work is critical to the NANC recommendation process, which assists the Commission with its goals as outlined in the Administration of the North American Numbering Plan, Report and Order, CC Docket 92-237 and Local Number Portability, CC Docket 95-116, Second Report and Order. The working groups include the following: Numbering Administration Oversight Working Group; Call Authentication Trust Anchor Working Group; Internet of Things Numbering Usage Working Group; and Toll Free: Future Utilization of Numbers Working Group. The NANC charter was renewed on September 8, 2023. Letters were mailed to the appropriate congressional officials, informing them that the charter is renewed through September 8, 2025.

## **Designated Federal Officer**

Christi Shewman Special Counsel

| <b>Committee Members</b>       | <b>Start</b> | <b>End</b> | <b>Occupation</b>            | <b>Member Designation</b> |
|--------------------------------|--------------|------------|------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Adams (ALT),<br>Dyan           | 09/08/2023   | 09/08/2025 | Verizon                      | Representative<br>Member  |
| Alexander<br>White,<br>Bridget | 09/18/2017   | 09/08/2025 | US Connect<br>Holdings, Inc. | Representative<br>Member  |

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|-------------------------|------------|------------|---|-----------------------|
| Barrows, Heather        | 09/16/2019 | 09/08/2025 | 800 Response Information Services, LLC                | Representative Member |
| Bender, Amy             | 08/11/2022 | 09/08/2025 | CTIA-The Wireless Association                         | Representative Member |
| Bercu, Joshua           | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | USTelecom   | Representative Member |
| Bernstein, Joel         | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | SOMOS, Inc.   | Representative Member |
| Blevins, Allyson        | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | Sinch   | Representative Member |
| Casem, David            | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | Telnyx LLC  | Representative Member |
| Charles, Karen          | 09/16/2019 | 09/08/2025 | NARUC - Massachusetts                                 | Representative Member |
| Clepper, Glenn          | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | Charter Communications                                | Representative Member |
| Crandall, Dana          | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | Verizon   | Representative Member |
| Drake, Chris            | 05/25/2018 | 09/08/2025 | iconectiv   | Representative Member |
| Ford, Brian             | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | NTCA - The Rural Broadband Association                | Representative Member |
| Frascella, Chris        | 03/30/2022 | 09/08/2025 | Electronic Privacy Information Center                 | Representative Member |
| Freeman (ALT), Lisa     | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | Bandwidth Inc.  | Representative Member |
| Freiermuth (ALT), Scott | 07/23/2020 | 09/08/2025 | T-Mobile USA, Inc.                                    | Representative Member |
| Gately, Susan           | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | Ad Hoc Telecommunications Users Committee             | Representative Member |
| Goode (ALT), Thomas     | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions    | Representative Member |
| Guerra (ALT), George    | 05/25/2018 | 09/08/2025 | AT&T Services, Inc.                                   | Representative Member |
| Halko (ALT), Sarah      | 09/16/2019 | 09/08/2025 | Telnyx LLC  | Representative Member |
| Howley Walt, Lara       | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia | Representative Member |
| Johnson, Michael        | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | Maine Public Utilities Commission                     | Representative Member |
| Lanning, Jeff           | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | Brightspeed   | Representative Member |
| Leist, Rosemary         | 07/23/2020 | 09/08/2025 | T-Mobile USA, Inc.                                    | Representative Member |
| Lennon, Craig           | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | Google Inc.   | Representative Member |
| Linse, Phil             | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | Lumen   | Representative Member |
| Maxson, Lisa            | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | 10x People  | Representative Member |

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|--------------------------------|------------|------------|---|--------------------------|
| Mays (ALT),<br>Alexandra       | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | Competitive Carrier<br>Association (CCA)                          | Representative<br>Member |
| McMahon<br>(ALT), Cathy        | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | iconectiv   | Representative<br>Member |
| Nakamura<br>(ALT), John        | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | 10x People  | Representative<br>Member |
| Nayer, Tracy                   | 04/20/2022 | 09/08/2025 | National Association<br>of Attorneys<br>General                   | Representative<br>Member |
| Nejedlo, Paul                  | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | TDS<br>Telecommunications<br>Corporation                          | Representative<br>Member |
| O'Donnell<br>(ALT), Beth       | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | Comcast<br>Corporation  | Representative<br>Member |
| Obasuyi,<br>Thomson            | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | Comcast<br>Corporation  | Representative<br>Member |
| Oyefusi, Ola                   | 01/22/2019 | 12/01/2023 | AT&T Services, Inc.   | Representative<br>Member |
| Phipps,<br>Patrick             | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | Peerless Network,<br>Inc.   | Representative<br>Member |
| Ray (ALT),<br>Tamber           | 09/16/2019 | 09/08/2025 | NTCA - The Rural<br>Broadband<br>Association                      | Representative<br>Member |
| Ripperger<br>(ALT), Mike       | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | New Mexico Public<br>Regulation<br>Commission                     | Representative<br>Member |
| Rogers, Greg                   | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | Bandwidth Inc.  | Representative<br>Member |
| Schmaltz<br>(ALT),<br>Geraldyn | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | North Dakota Public<br>Service Commission                         | Representative<br>Member |
| Schock,<br>Victor              | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | North Dakota Public<br>Service Commission                         | Representative<br>Member |
| Sheridan,<br>Barrett           | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | National Association<br>of State Utility<br>Consumer<br>Advocates | Representative<br>Member |
| Shipley,<br>Christopher        | 09/16/2019 | 09/08/2025 | INCOMPAS  | Representative<br>Member |
| Shockey,<br>Richard            | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | SIP Forum   | Representative<br>Member |
| Simpson,<br>Angela             | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | Competitive Carrier<br>Association (CCA)                          | Representative<br>Member |
| Tolleson,<br>Brady             | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | New Mexico Public<br>Regulation<br>Commission                     | Representative<br>Member |
| Troughton<br>(ALT), Kathy      | 09/08/2023 | 09/08/2025 | Charter<br>Communications   | Representative<br>Member |
| Weber (ALT),<br>Florence       | 09/13/2021 | 09/08/2025 | SOMOS, Inc.   | Representative<br>Member |
| Wentz (ALT),<br>Amanda         | 06/26/2023 | 09/08/2025 | State Government<br>Association                                   | Representative<br>Member |
| Wohlgemuth,<br>Jackie          | 09/18/2017 | 09/08/2025 | Alliance for<br>Telecommunications<br>Industry Solutions          | Representative<br>Member |

## **Number of Committee Members Listed: 50**

### **Narrative Description**

The Federal Communications Commission (Commission) is responsible to Congress and the American people for ensuring that an orderly framework exists within which communications products and services can be quickly and reasonably provided to consumers and businesses. In support of this mission, one of the Commission's goals is to support the Nation's economy by ensuring that there is a comprehensive and sound competitive framework for communications services. The North American Numbering Plan (NANP) is the basic numbering scheme that permits interoperable telecommunications service within the United States, Canada, Bermuda, and most of the Caribbean. The NANP provides a framework for assigning the telephone numbers upon which those services depend for permitting calls throughout the U.S. and international calls among member countries to be completed without the need to dial international access codes and international country codes. These numbers are a public resource, and are not the property of the carriers or their subscribers. Access to numbering resources is critical to entities desiring to participate in the telecommunications industry. An adequate source of telephone numbers, available through a uniform numbering plan, is essential to provide consumers with efficient access to new telecommunications services and technologies and to support continued growth of an economy increasingly dependent upon those services and technologies. Telephone numbers are the means by which businesses and consumers gain access to, and reap the benefits of, the public switched telephone network. These benefits cannot be fully realized, however, unless numbering resources of the NANP are administered in a fair and efficient manner. The purpose of the North American Numbering Council (NANC) is to advise the Commission and to make recommendations, reached through consensus, that foster efficient and impartial NANP administration. The NANC advises the Commission on numbering policy and technical issues, initially resolves disputes as directed by the Commission, and provides guidance to the North American Numbering Plan Administrator



(NANPA), the Local Number Portability Administrator (LNPA), and the Pooling Administrator (PA), as directed by the Commission. In carrying out its responsibilities, the Council assures that NANP administration supports the following policy objectives: (1) that the NANP facilitates entry into the communications marketplace by making numbering resources available on an efficient, timely basis to communications service providers; (2) that the NANP does not unduly favor or disfavor any particular industry segment or group of consumers; (3) that the NANP does not unduly favor or disfavor one technology over another; (4) that the NANP gives consumers easy access to the public switched telephone network; and (5) that the NANP ensures that the interests of all NANP member countries are addressed fairly and efficiently, fostering continued integration of the NANP across NANP member countries.

**What are the most significant program outcomes associated with this committee?**

Checked if  
Applies

|   |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------------|
| Improvements to health or safety                  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Trust in government                               | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Major policy changes                              | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Advance in scientific research                    | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Effective grant making                            | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Improved service delivery                         | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Increased customer satisfaction                   | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Implementation of laws or regulatory requirements | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Other   | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

**Outcome Comments**

NA

**What are the cost savings associated with this committee?**

Checked if Applies

|                     |                                     |
|---------------------|-------------------------------------|
| None                | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Unable to Determine | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Under \$100,000     | <input type="checkbox"/>            |

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|----------------------------|--------------------------|
| \$100,000 - \$500,000      | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$500,001 - \$1,000,000    | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$1,000,001 - \$5,000,000  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| \$5,000,001 - \$10,000,000 | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Over \$10,000,000          | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Cost Savings Other         | <input type="checkbox"/> |

### **Cost Savings Comments**

NA

**What is the approximate Number of recommendations produced by this committee for the life of the committee?**

130

### **Number of Recommendations Comments**

At least 130 recommendations have been produced by the committee for the life of the committee.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Fully implemented by the agency?**

45%

### **% of Recommendations Fully Implemented Comments**

It is difficult to estimate without undertaking an extensive review. However, based on the last 4-5 years of annual reporting, we believe that the percentage of the recommendations implemented is 40-50%.

**What is the approximate Percentage of these recommendations that have been or will be Partially implemented by the agency?**

15%

### **% of Recommendations Partially Implemented Comments**

It is difficult to estimate without undertaking an extensive review. However, based on the last 4-5 years of annual reporting, we believe that the percentage of the recommendations partially implemented is 10-20%.

**Does the agency provide the committee with feedback regarding actions taken to implement recommendations or advice offered?**

Yes ☒ No ☐ Not Applicable ☐

### Agency Feedback Comments

Agency feedback provided at meetings through statements by FCC leadership and staff briefings. Information about meetings is available to the public at

<https://www.fcc.gov/about-fcc/advisory-committees/general/north-american-numbering-council>

### What other actions has the agency taken as a result of the committee's advice or recommendation?

Checked if Applies

|                                   |                          |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Reorganized Priorities            | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Reallocated resources             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Issued new regulation             | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Proposed legislation              | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Approved grants or other payments | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Other                             | <input type="checkbox"/> |

### Action Comments

Modifications to the NANPA and PA contract are implemented pursuant to NANC recommendations.

### Is the Committee engaged in the review of applications for grants?

No

### Grant Review Comments

NA

### How is access provided to the information for the Committee's documentation?

Checked if Applies

|                           |                                     |
|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Contact DFO               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Agency Web Site    | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online Committee Web Site | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Online GSA FACA Web Site  | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Publications              | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Other                     | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

### Access Comments

Federal Register; FCC North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) web site -

[www.fcc.gov/about-fcc/advisory-committees/general/north-american-numbering-council](http://www.fcc.gov/about-fcc/advisory-committees/general/north-american-numbering-council);  
and <https://nanc-chair.org/>