LNP Problem/Issue Identification and Description Form

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**(NOTE: Submitting Company(s) is to complete this section of the form along with Sections 1, 2 and 3.)**

1. **Problem/Issue Statement:** (Brief statement outlining the problem/issue.)

The lack of standards regarding the routing and charging of calls to ported numbers is causing the CLECs to assign an inordinate number of LRNs to each switch site.

1. **Problem/Issue Description:** (Provide detailed description of problem/issue.)

A. Examples & Impacts of Problem/Issue:

In certain areas we are being told by the ILEC that they are unable to distinguish between routing based on the LRN and rating based on the dialed digits. This has caused us to build an LRN in every rate center.

The impact arises in the Number Pooling arena. If Number Pooling is to be done through LNP then we must have an LRN to port to. If we don't already have numbers in the rate center then we have no LRN, with no LRN we can not port. Catch 22n.

B. Frequency of Occurrence: Frequency: More than 5 times a month

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1. NPAC Regions Impacted:

 Mid Atlantic \_\_\_ Midwest\_\_\_ Northeast\_\_\_ Southeast\_\_\_ Southwest\_\_\_ Western\_\_\_

 West Coast\_\_\_ ALL X

D. Rationale why existing process is deficient:

I believe that although Number Pooling was intended to resolve a problem caused by the proliferation of CLECs and Cellular companies, it was designed from the ILEC point of view. The ILECs already have numbers in all rate centers and have had for at least one hundred years.

E. Identify action taken in other committees / forums:

I attended a Telcordia workshop and brought this question to them. They agreed that the need for an LRN for each rate center was wrong and would impact our ability to do business in the Number Pooling environment.

F. Any other descriptive items:

1. **Suggested Resolution:**

 Establish industry standards that address where and when a new LRN is requires. For example should it be one per switch, one per lata within a switch, one per tandem we interconnect with per lata per switch, etc.

1. **Final Resolution:**

PIM was closed due to lack of occurrence by US LEC.

**LNPA WG:** (only) Final Resolution Date: 07/10/2001

Item Number: PIM # 010 v2 Related Documents:

Issue Resolution Referred to:

Why Issue Referred: