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PSC'S BOYLE APPOINTED TO FCC ADVISORY COMMITTEE

LINCOLN – Nebraska Public Service Commission Chair Anne Boyle of Omaha was notified December 11, 2003, that she has been appointed to the Federal Communications Commission's (FCC) advisory committee, the North American Numbering Council (NANC).

The Council was established July 13, 1995, as a new model for administration of the North American Number Plan (NANP). NANC provides the FCC with advice and recommendations to foster efficient and impartial number administration. "I have had a long time interest in efforts to delay implementation of additional area codes and/or local call 10 digit dialing. Hopefully, improved technology and optimal resourcefulness will eliminate such a need," Boyle said. Continued growth of an economy increasingly dependent upon technology and telecommunications requires efficient use of numbering resources so customers will have access to those services.

Boyle's first meeting will be January 13, 2004, at the FCC's offices in Washington, DC. The term, which begins immediately, continues until October 4, 2005. Don Gray, Nebraska Public Service Commission telecommunications analyst, will serve as Boyle's alternate for the FCC position.