

## DESCRIPTION & JUSTIFICATION

Cincinnati Bell Telephone (CBT) proposes with this filing to cease assessment of the Local Number Portability (LNP) end-user charge. Pursuant to the Commission's Third Report and Order<sup>1</sup> Local Exchange Carriers (LECs) were permitted to recover LNP costs through assessment of an end-user charge. The Commission allowed this cost recovery over a 60-month period. CBT introduced its end-user LNP charge in Transmittal No. 733 which became effective February 1, 1999. CBT is proposing to cease assessment of the LNP end-user charge in compliance with the Commission's 60-month mandate.

CBT is also removing the LNP element from the monthly computation of Universal Service Fund end-user charges.

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<sup>1</sup> In the Matter of Telephone Number Portability, Third Report and Order, CC Docket 95-116, released May 12, 1998.