

Number: PL- 425
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From: Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA)
Subject: NPA Code 873 to Overlay NPA Code 819 (Western Québec, Canada)
Related Previous Planning Letters: [405](#)

This Planning Letter supersedes [Planning Letter 405](#) dated June 25, 2010.

This revision makes changes to the Relief Date for Québec area code 819 as indicated in [Telecom Decision CRTC 2011-432](#), dated 20 July 2011. The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) approved a new relief implementation date which has been advanced to 15 September 2012. The Relief Method will remain a distributed overlay of new area code 873 over NPA 819.

New area code 873 has been assigned by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator and will be implemented on the Relief Date of **15 September 2012** as a distributed overlay over the geographic area of western Québec currently served by the 819 area code. The area served by NPA code 819 and the new 873 area code includes the major communities of Hull, Drummondville, Gatineau, Shawinigan, Sherbrooke, Trois Rivières, Val D'Or and Victoriaville. A map showing the location of the area served by area code 819, and a list of the 819 Exchange Areas in the area are attached to this letter.

When the new 873 area code is introduced, no changes will take place in the dialling plans in the area that is served by area code 819 and will be served by area code 873. The dialling plan in this area will be:

- all local calls will be dialled with 10 digits
- toll and alternatively billed calls will be dialled with 10 digits after the appropriate prefix digit(s)

All international and domestic Telecommunications Service Providers (TSPs) should activate the new 873 area code throughout their networks by the start date for network testing ([17 June 2012](#)).

The following test numbers for the new area code 873 will be made available effective **17 June 2012**. Routing of calls to area code 873 can be verified by dialing the 8378 (TEST) numbers which do not provide answer supervision. Billing of calls to area code 873 can be verified by dialling the 2455 (BILL) numbers which provide answer supervision.

Test Number	Exchange Area (Rate Center)	Carrier
873-410-8378 and -2455	Trois Rivières	TELUS Québec
873-510-8378 and -2455	Ottawa/Hull	Rogers Communications Inc.
873-610-8378 and -2455	Ottawa/Hull	Bell Canada
873-710-8378 and -2455	Val d'Or	Télébec
873-810-8378 and -2455	Ottawa/Hull	MTS Allstream

Calls successfully completed to test numbers will receive the following announcement:

"La communication a été établie avec succès au numéro de vérification de l'indicatif régional 873, à [NOM DUTÉLÉCOMMUNICATEUR], Québec, Canada. You have successfully completed a call to the 873 area code test number at [CARRIER NAME] in Québec, Canada."

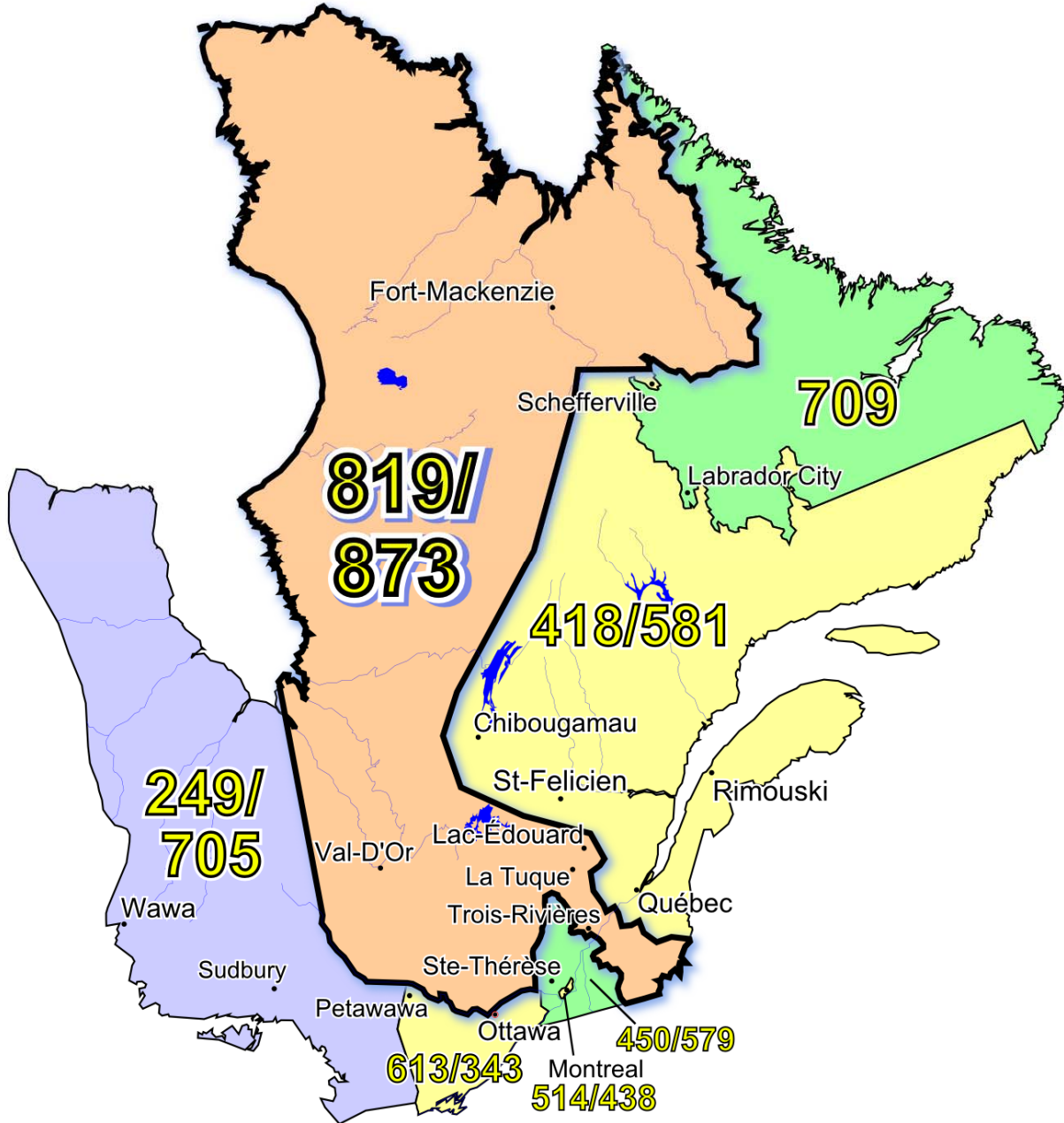
The disconnection dates for the Test numbers will be between **15 October 2012 and 14 November 2012**.

Central Office (NXX) Codes within area code 873 may be assigned to TSPs starting from **15 March 2012**, but cannot be activated in the PSTN prior to the Relief Date of **15 September 2012**.

General questions about this relief activity may be directed to Glenn Pilley or Suresh Khare, of the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA), at 613-563-7242. Specific questions related to telecommunications services and network routing should be directed to the appropriate TSP.

Attachments

Map of the NPA 819/873 Area
(After relief the NPA 819 area will be the NPA 819/873 area)



Exchange Areas in NPA Code 819/873

Existing Exchange Areas in NPA 819; these will be in NPA 819 and 873 after the overlay

Akulivik	Eastmain	Louvicourt
Amos	Eastmain 1	Low
Angliers	Fabre	Luskville
Arthabaska	Ferme-Neuve	Lyster
Arundel	Fort-Coulonge	Macamic
Asbestos	Fortierville	Magog
Aston-Jonction	Fugèreville	Malartic
Aupaluk	Gatineau	Maniwaki
Ayer's Cliff	Gentilly	Manouane
Aylmer	Gracefield	Manseau
Barraute	Grand'Mère	Maskinongé
Béarn	Grand-Remous	Matagami
Beaucanton	Grenville	Mont-Laurier
Bécancour	Ham-Nord	Montebello
Belleterre	Inukjuak	Nantes
Bishopton	Ivujivik	Nédelec
Bouchette	Joutel	Némaska
Bromptonville	Kangihsualujjuaq	Nicolet
Buckingham	Kangihsujuaq	Nomingue
Bury	Kangirsuk	Norbertville
Cadillac	Kazabazua	Normétal
Campbell's Bay	Kingsey Falls	North Hatley
Champlain	Kuujjuaq	Notre-Dame-du Bon- Conseil
Chapeau	Kuujjuaraapik	Notre-Dame-de-la-Paix
Charette	L'Annonciation	Notre-Dame-de-la-Salette
Chartierville	L'Avenir	Notre-Dame-de-Lourdes
Chelsea	La Corne	Notre-Dame-du-Laus
Chénéville	La Minerve	Notre-Dame-du-Nord
Chesterville	La Patrie	Obedjiwan
Chisasibi	La Reine	Ottawa-Hull
Cléricky	La Sarre	Palmarolle
Clova	La Tuque	Papineauville
Coaticook	Labelle	Parc de la Vérendrye
Compton	Lac-des-Écorces	Parent
Cookshire	Lac-Drolet	Perkins
Danville	Lac-du-Cerf	Plessisville
Daveluyville	Lac-Édouard	Princeville
Deauville	Lac-Mégantic	Puvirnituk
Deschaillons	Laforge	Quaqtaq
Drummondville	Latulipe	Quyong
Dubuisson	Laurierville	Radisson
Duparquet	Laverlochère	Rémigny
Dupuy	Lebel-sur-Quévillon	Richmond
East Angus	Lorrainville	Rivière-Héva
East Hereford	Louiseville	

Rochebaucourt	Ste-Monique-de-Nicolet
Rock Island	Ste-Sophie-de-Lévrard
Rouyn-Noranda	Stoke
Saint-Ludger	Taschereau
Salluit	Tasiujaq
Sanmaur	Temiscaming
Sawyerville	Thurso
Scotstown	Tingwick
Senneterre	Trois-Rivières
Shawinigan	Umiujaq
Shawville	Val David
Sherbrooke	Val-D'Or
South Durham	Val-des-Bois
St-Adolphe-d'Howard	Victoriaville
St-Adolphe-de-Dudswell	Ville-Marie
St-Albert	Villeroy
St-Alexis-de-Monts	Wakefield
St-Andre-Avellin	Warwick
St-Barnabe	Waskaganish
St-Boniface-de-	Waswanipi
Shawinigan	Waterville
St-Bruno-de-Guigues	Weedon
St-Célestin	Wemindji
St-Cyrille	Wickham
St-Donat-de-Montcalm	Windsor
St-Émile-de-Suffolk	Woburn
St-Eugène-de-Guigues	Wotton
St-Faustin	Yamachiche
St-Felix-de-Kingsey	
St-Germain-de-Grantham	
St-Grégoire	
St-Guillaume	
St-Jovite	
St-Léonard-d'Aston	
St-Malo	
St-Mathieu	
St-Nazaire	
St-Paulin	
St-Pierre-de-Wakefield	
St-Pierre-les-Becquets	
St-Roch-de-Mekinac	
St-Sébastien	
(Frontenac Co.)	
St-Sylvère	
St-Wenceslas	
Ste-Agathe	
Ste-Angèle	
Ste-Anne-du-Lac	
Ste-Eulalie	
Ste-Gertrude	
Ste-Marie-de-Blandford	