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In Telecom Decision CRTC 2013-575 dated 30 October 2013, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) directed that relief for Ontario area codes 226/519 be provided through a distributed overlay of a new area code 548 starting 4 June 2015.

New area code 548 has been assigned by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator and will be implemented on the Relief Date of 4 June 2015 as a distributed overlay over the geographic area of southwestern Ontario currently served by the 226 and 519 area codes. The area served by NPA Codes 226/519 and the new 548 NPA Code comprises Exchange Areas in southwestern Ontario. A map showing the location of the area served by NPAs 226 and 519 is attached to this letter.

When the new 548 NPA is introduced, no changes will take place to the dialling plans in the area that is served by NPAs 226/519 and will be served by NPA 548. The dialling plan in this area will continue to be:

- all local calls including Extended Area Service calls will be dialled with 10 digits; and,
- 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 548 NPA throughout their networks by the start date for network testing (4 March 2015).

The following test numbers for the new NPA 548 will be made available effective 4 March 2015. Routing of calls to NPA 548 can be verified by dialling the 8378 (TEST) numbers which do not provide answer supervision. Billing of calls to NPA 548 can be verified by dialling the 2455 (BILL) numbers which provide answer supervision.

Test Number	Exchange Area (Rate Center)	Carrier
548-610-8378 and -2455	London	Bell Canada
548-810-8378 and -2455	London	Allstream

548-999-8378 and -2455	Brantford	TELUS Mobility
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Calls successfully completed to test numbers will receive the following announcement:

"You have successfully completed a call to the 548 area code test number at [CARRIER NAME] in Ontario, Canada."

The disconnection dates for the test numbers will be between 4 July 2015 and 3 August 2015.

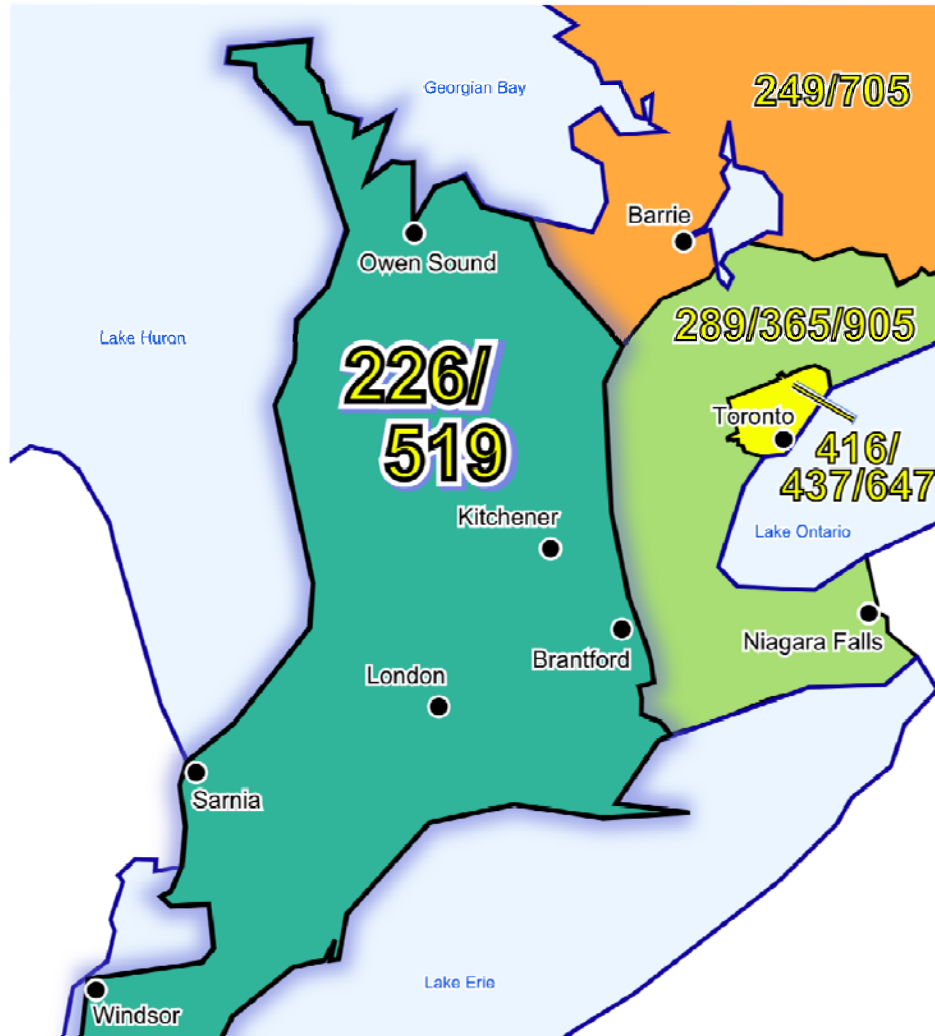
Central Office (NXX) Codes within NPA 548 may be assigned to TSPs starting from 4 December 2014, but cannot be activated in the PSTN prior to the Relief Date of 4 June 2015.

General questions about this relief activity may be directed to Glen Brown 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 226/519 area

(After relief the NPA 226/519 area will be the NPA 226/519/548 area)



**Exchange Areas in  
NPA 226/519/548**

Aberarder
Acton
Ailsa Craig
Alvinston
Alvinston Independant
Amherstburg
Arkona
Arthur
Atwood
Auburn
Aylmer
Ayr
Ayton
Baden
Bayfield
Beachville
Belle River
Belmont
Blenheim
Blyth
Bothwell
Brantford
Breslau
Brigden
Bright
Bright's Grove
Brownsville
Brussels
Burford
Burgessville
Caledon
Cargill
Centralia
Chatham
Chatsworth
Chesley
Clifford
Clinton

Clinton Independent
Comber
Corunna
Cottam
Courtright
Crediton
Dashwood
Delhi
Dorchester
Drayton
Dresden
Drumbo
Dublin
Dundalk
Dungannon
Durham
Dutton
Dyer's Bay
Eastwood
Elmira
Elora
Embro
Emeryville
Erin
Essex
Exeter
Fergus
Feversham
Fingal
Flesherton
Forest
Galt
Glencoe
Goderich
Gorrie
Grand Bend
Grand Valley
Granton

Guelph
Hanover
Harrietsville
Harriston
Harrow
Hensall
Hensall Independent
Hepworth
Hespeler
Hickson
Highgate
Hillsburgh
Holstein
Ilderton
Ingersoll
Innerkip
Inwood Independent
Jarvis
Kerwood
Kincardine
Kingsville
Kintore
Kirkton
Kitchener-Waterloo
La Salle
Lambeth
Langton
Leamington
Linwood
Lions Head
Listowel
London
Lucan
Lucknow
Lynden
Maidstone
Markdale
McGregor

Meaford
Melbourne
Merlin
Mildmay
Milverton
Mitchell
Monkton
Mount Brydges
Mount Forest
Mount Pleasant
Nairn
Neustadt
New Dundee
New Hamburg
Norwich
Norwich Independent
Ohsweken
Oil Springs
Orangeville
Otterville
Owen Sound
Paisley
Palmerston
Paris
Parkhill
Pelee Island
Petrolia
Plattsville
Pleasant Park
Port Burwell
Port Dover
Port Elgin
Port Franks
Port Lambton
Port Rowan
Port Stanley
Preston
Princeton
Ridgetown
Ripley

Rockwood
Rodney
Sarnia
Sauble Beach
Scotland
Seaforth
Seaforth Independant
Sebringville
Shakespeare
Shedden
Shelburne
Simcoe
Sombra
Southampton
Sparta
St. Clements
St. George
St. Jacobs
St. Marys
St. Thomas
Stokes Bay
Stoney Point
Straffordville
Stratford
Strathroy
Tara
Tavistock
Tecumseh
Teeswater
Thamesford
Thamesville
Theford
Thornbury
Thorndale
Tilbury
Tillsonburg
Tiverton
Tobermory
Uniondale
Walkerton

Wallaceburg
Wardsville
Waterford
Watford
Watford Independent
Wellesley
West Lorne
Wheatley
Warton
Windsor
Wingham
Woodslee
Woodstock
Woodstock Independent
Wyoming
Zurich