

Area Code Relief Planning Activity

Pennsylvania 215/267 Overlay Complex – On November 9, 2016, the Pennsylvania Public Utility Commission approved the addition of a new area code to the 215/267 overlay complex. The 445 NPA will be added to the overlay complex on March 3, 2018. (See PL-499).

California 916 NPA Overlay – On February 9, 2017, the California Public Utilities Commission approved an all-services overlay of the 916 area code. The new 279 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 916 NPA. Permissive 1+10-digit dialing started August 12, 2017. Mandatory 1+10-digit dialing will begin on February 10, 2018. The in service date for the new 279 NPA is March 10, 2018. (See PL-502).

California 619/858 Boundary Elimination – On April 27, 2017, the California Public Utilities Commission approved a boundary elimination overlay as the relief method for the 619 NPA. Permissive 1+10-digit dialing started November 11, 2017. Mandatory 1+10-digit dialing begins May 19, 2018. The effective date of the boundary elimination is June 19, 2018. (See PL-507).

California 805 NPA Overlay – On May 25, 2017, the California Public Utilities Commission approved an all-services overlay of the 805 area code. The new 820 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 805 NPA. Permissive 1+10-digit dialing started December 1, 2017. Mandatory 1+10-digit dialing begins June 2, 2018. The in service date for the new 820 NPA is June 30, 2018. (See PL-509).

New Jersey 609 NPA Overlay – On April 21, 2017, the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities approved an all-services overlay of the 609 area code. The new 640 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 609 NPA. Permissive 10-digit dialing is scheduled to begin January 20, 2018, with mandatory 10-digit dialing starting August 18, 2018. The in service date for the new 640 NPA is September 17, 2018. (See PL-508).

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New Area Code Assignments

Nine new NPA codes were introduced in 2017, as shown in the table below.

Location	Area Codes	In-Service Date
New York	NPA 680 overlays NPA 315	3/11/17
Non-Geographic	Toll-Free NPA 833	6/3/17
New York	NPA 332 added to NPA 212/646/917 complex	6/10/17
Washington	NPA 564 overlays NPA 360	8/28/17
Idaho	NPA 986 overlays NPA 208	9/5/17
New York	NPA 838 overlays NPA 518	9/19/17
Non-Geographic	NPA 521 added to 5XX NPA series	9/21/17
Pennsylvania	NPA 223 overlays NPA 717	9/26/17
Texas	NPA 726 overlays NPA 210	10/23/17

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Mark Your Calendar!

INC Calendar

INC 158 Jan 23-24, 2018
Temple Terrace, FL

INC 159 March 20-21, 2018
(Date Tentative)
Washington DC

INC 160 April 20-May 4, 2018
Kansas City, MO

NANC Calendar

March 2018 Washington DC
(Date TBD)

Hurricane Orders & Aging Numbers

In September, 2017, the FCC issued orders affecting how service providers report aging numbers for the NRUF (FCC Form 502) due February 1, 2018, due to hurricanes. The orders may be found at the following two links:

- <https://www.fcc.gov/document/bureau-waives-number-porting-rules-providers-affected-irma>
- <https://www.fcc.gov/document/wcb-waives-numbering-rules-providers-affected-maria-jose>

Service providers are encouraged to review the orders to see if they affect their reporting of aging numbers for the NRUF due February 1, 2018.

The orders temporarily waive section 52.15(f)(ii) of the Commission's rules that require service providers to age numbers for no more than 90 days before making the numbers available for reassignment in areas declared states of emergency (e.g., Puerto Rico, Florida, U.S. Virgin Islands, and Alabama).

Per the NRUF instructions, aging numbers are defined as "disconnected numbers that are not available for assignment to another end user or customer for a specified period of time."

The temporary waivers in both orders expire in June, 2018.

The orders only affect the aging of numbers previously assigned to residential customers since, per the NRUF instructions, only numbers previously assigned to residential customers are affected by the 90-day aging limit. Since numbers assigned to business customers can be aged up to 365 days, and the waivers expire within 365 days, numbers previously assigned to business customers are unaffected by the waivers. ■

NANC Re-chartered

The North American Numbering Council (NANC) met on December 7, 2017 and announced a new organization focused on specific numbering issues.

The NANC is chaired by the Honorable Travis Kavulla, Commissioner, Montana Public Service Commission. Diane Griffin Holland, Vice President, Law and Policy, USTelecom, serves as Vice Chair. In addition, the following working groups assist the NANC in carrying out its work:

- Numbering Administration Oversight Working Group
- Call Authentication Trust Anchor Issues Working Group
- Toll Free Number Modernization Issues Working Group
- Nationwide Number Portability Issues Working Group

The Numbering Administration Oversight Working Group will be the only standing working group. The remaining working groups are task-specific and will lapse at the conclusion of their assigned work. In addition to participation by NANC members on the Working Groups, the Commission also welcomes participation by parties that are not NANC members but have an interest in specific issues in a working group.

The purpose of the Council is to advise the Commission and to make recommendations that foster efficient and impartial North American Numbering Plan (NANP) administration. The Council advises the Commission on numbering policy and technical issues in areas of responsibility the Commission has entrusted to the NANC, with a focus on examining numbering in the changing, modern world of communications. ■

CIC Reports Due

Submission of semi-annual Entity and Access Provider Carrier Identification Code (CIC) reports is a requirement of the CIC Assignment Guidelines (ATIS-0300050).

Semi-annual CIC reports covering the period from July 1 through December 31, 2017 (2H17) shall be submitted to NANPA after January 1, 2018, but no later than January 31, 2018. (NOTE: 2H17 reports submitted prior to January 1, 2018 shall not be accepted by NANPA). These reports may be submitted as Word™, Excel™ or PDF™ document attachments to an email or by fax. The reports should be submitted to Nancy Fears at nancy.fears@neustar.biz or via fax to 208-694-5329.

The format of these reports, to include sample reports, can be found in the appendix to the CIC Assignment Guidelines. Note that there are unique forms for access providers, entities with CIC assignments and B&C Clearinghouses. Submission of handwritten CIC reports is discouraged.

CIC assignees are also reminded to review and update CIC contact information as required by the CIC Assignment Guidelines. To provide the above information, assignees should submit a CIC application form (CIC Part A) via NANP Administration System (NAS).

NANPA encourages all companies submitting CIC reports via email to be sure that the name of the reporting company appears in the subject line of the email.

Please ensure the accuracy of the reports before they are submitted as information in these reports is considered to be certified. Semi-annual CIC reports are the sole tool used by NANPA to confirm if a CIC is being used in accordance with the CIC Assignment Guidelines or to determine if a CIC is subject to reclamation by NANPA.

Questions regarding this notification or any other questions relating to semi-annual CIC reporting may be directed to Nancy Fears at 830-632-5979. ■

News Brief

The October 2017 NPA, NANP and 5XX NPA exhaust projections were posted on the NANPA website at the end of October. Notice of their availability was provided via the NANP Notification System.

NANPA Planning Letter 513 announced the sunset of the International Inbound NPA (INT/NPA/NXX) Assignment Guidelines. NPA 456 has been returned to the NANP NPA inventory and will not be available for assignment for five years.

When attempting to use NAS, users are reminded that NAS User Guides are available to assist them in taking full advantage of the capabilities of the system. These User Guides are available on the NANPA website at https://www.nationalnanpa.com/tools/nasUser_guide.html.

Two NANPA public website review sessions were conducted in October. Over 50 individuals participated.

In December 2017, NANPA conducted a NAS NRUF training session. Forty-five (45) individuals from 41 companies participated. A copy of the training presentation is available on the NANPA website (https://www.nationalnanpa.com/nruf_resources/index.html).

NANPA makes available both Geographic and Non-Geographic NRUF Job Aids to assist users with the NRUF submission process. These and other NRUF-related documents, including the updated NRUF Form 502, can be found on the NANPA website (https://www.nationalnanpa.com/nruf_resources/index.html).

NANPA welcomes Kirsten Bacher-Perez to the NANPA Code Administration staff. Kirsten has assumed Help Desk responsibilities. ■

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Newfoundland & Labrador, Canada 709 NPA Overlay – On February 2, 2017, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) approved an overlay of the 709 NPA. The new 879 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 709 NPA. The in service date for the 879 NPA is November 24, 2018. (See PL-503).

Eastern Quebec, Canada 418/581 Overlay Complex – On February 2, 2017, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) approved the addition of a new area code to the 418/581 overlay complex. The 367 NPA will be added to this overlay complex on November 24, 2018. (See PL-504).

Jamaica 876 NPA Overlay – On September 15, 2016, the Office of Utilities Regulation approved an all-services overlay as the relief method for the 876 NPA. The 876 NPA covers the entire island of Jamaica. The new 658 NPA overlay will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 876 NPA. Permissive 10-digit dialing is scheduled to begin May 31, 2018. Mandatory 10-digit dialing starts October 30, 2018. The in service date for the 658 NPA is November 30, 2018. (See PL-510).

California 510 NPA – On June 20, 2016, NANPA conducted a relief planning meeting for the 510 NPA. Industry consensus was reached to recommend an all-services overlay. On May 19, 2017, an application for relief was filed with the California Public Utilities Commission recommending an all-services overlay. The forecasted exhaust date is 2Q2019.

California 909 NPA – On October 7, 2016, NANPA conducted a relief planning meeting for the 909 NPA. The industry reached consensus to recommend an all-services overlay. An application for relief recommending an all-services overlay was filed with the California Public Utilities Commission on June 23, 2017. The forecasted exhaust date is 1Q2020.

Ohio 937 NPA – On September 28, 2017, NANPA conducted a relief planning meeting for the 937 NPA. The industry reached consensus to recommend an all-services overlay. On November 9, 2017, NANPA filed a petition on behalf of the industry with the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio recommending an all-services overlay of the 937 area code. The forecasted exhaust date is 3Q2020.

South Carolina 803 NPA – On November 29, 2017, NANPA conducted a relief planning meeting for the 803 NPA. The industry reached consensus to recommend an all-services overlay. NANPA expects to file a petition on behalf of the industry with the South Carolina Public Service Commission in January 2018. The forecasted exhaust date is 4Q2020. ■

How to Avoid the “Email Address present in company information is invalid on Company Info” NRUF Error

This error is one of the top NRUF errors. If you receive this error, your submission is totally rejected and your NRUF data is not on file. You must correct this error immediately and resubmit. NANPA validates the contact listed within the form, not the sender. To avoid receiving this error, a service provider should:

1. Ensure the contact listed within the form is a registered NAS user. If not, visit www.nanpa.com, select NAS Login and then “New Registration”. Once approved, you may submit your filing.
2. Ensure your NAS password has not expired prior to submitting the NRUF. To renew the password, please contact the NAS help desk at 866-623-2282.
3. Ensure the email address within the form matches your NAS profile. To update your NAS profile, login to NAS and select “Edit User Profile” to update your email address. Once approved, you may submit your filing with the new email address. ■

New Area Code Assignments

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Seven NPAs were assigned this past year. NPA 879 was assigned as the relief area code for the Newfoundland, Canada 709 NPA. NPA 367 was assigned as the relief area code for the Quebec, Canada 418/581 overlay complex. NPA 279 was assigned as the relief code for the California 916 NPA. NPA 640 was assigned as the relief code for the New Jersey 609 NPA. NPA 820 was assigned as the relief code for the California 805 NPA. NPA 658 was assigned as the relief code for the Jamaica 876 NPA. And NPA 521 was assigned as the relief NPA for the non-geographic 5XX NPAs.

As a result of the closure of INC Issue 841, which recommended the sunset of the International Inbound NPA (INT/NPA/NXX) Assignment Guidelines, NPA 456 was returned in November 2017. The 456 area code was assigned to enable the routing of inbound international calls for carrier-specific services to and between countries served by the NANP.

Three NPA codes are scheduled to go into service in the first half of 2018. In March, the 445 NPA will be added to the Pennsylvania 215/267 overlay complex and the 279 NPA will overlay the California 916 NPA. In June, the 820 NPA will overlay the California 805 NPA. ■

February 1, 2018 NRUF Reminder

NANPA reminds service providers that their NRUF Form 502 is due on or before close of business on Thursday, February 1, 2018. Carriers are reminded to report utilization data as of December 31, 2017 and forecast data for the next 5 years, with Year 1 on all forecast forms referring to resources needed for 2018.

Service providers using the email/spreadsheet filing method must use the June 2016 Form 502 in .xlsm or .xlsx Excel™ format. Submissions in .xls format and/or using prior versions of Form 502 are not permitted.

February 1, 2018 NRUF submissions will be accepted no earlier than January 2, 2018, and updates/corrections to the August 1, 2017 NRUF will be accepted through Friday, December 29, 2017. If a carrier needs to update the August 1, 2017 forecast between January 1 and January 31, the carrier must submit the February 1, 2018 NRUF. If the carrier has not yet finished the utilization reporting at that time, the carrier can submit the new NRUF for February 1, and then must update the NRUF to include the utilization portion(s) on or before February 1, 2018.

Please see the NANPA website, www.nanpa.com, through “NRUF” then “Submission Methods and Resources,” for instructions regarding methods of submission and to download the recently-updated NRUF Geographic Job Aid and/or the Non-Geographic Job Aid. ■

