

## Modified 2014 NANPA Performance Evaluation Survey

Each year, the North American Numbering Council (NANC) conducts a survey of regulators, service providers and any interested parties that interact with the NANPA concerning NANPA's performance.

As in previous years, the survey focuses on four primary areas: central office code administration, NPA relief planning, Numbering Resource Utilization/Forecast (NRUF) reporting and the administration of other NANP resources (e.g., Carrier Identification Codes, 555 line numbers, 5XX and 9YY NPAs).

Starting this year, there are fewer survey questions along with a modified rating scale. Respondents are requested to indicate if NANPA "Met" or "Not Met" performance requirements. A "Met" rating indicates NANPA's performance was competent and

reliable and its decisions and recommendations were within requirements. A "Not Met" rating indicates NANPA performance was unreliable, commitments were not met and its decisions and recommendations were inconsistent with requirements.

Respondents may also provide an overall assessment of NANPA's performance using the "Met/Not Met" rating scale. The NANC uses these surveys as input into their overall assessment of NANPA's performance for the year.

The survey is available on the NANPA website ([www.nanpa.com](http://www.nanpa.com)). Respondents that wish to download the survey and email the form may also do so by visiting the NANPA website. Survey responses are due January 30, 2015. ■

## NRUF Preparation Reminder List

With NRUF submissions due by COB, Monday, February 2, 2015, below are some reminders to assist service providers with their filing.

### General

- Confirm which central office codes and/or thousands-blocks are in your inventory.
- Review the Parent Company OCN(s) in your NAS profile. Any Parent Company OCN listed in the Parent Company OCN field of an NRUF must also be listed in the NAS user profile of the person who is:
  - Submitting the NRUF on-line in NAS,
  - Listed in the Email address field of the Form 502 Excel™ workbook, or
  - Listed in the Email address field of a file being submitted via FTP.

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## NAS and PAS User IDs Must Match

All service providers that participate in pooling and submit applications for central office codes (e.g., new assignments, changes, returns, Part 4s) through the Pooling Administration System (PAS) must make sure their NANP Administration System (NAS) Login ID matches their PAS Login ID. Please note that NAS and PAS passwords do not match.

In order for NAS to accept a CO code application that is submitted into PAS and then forwarded to NANPA via the NAS-PAS interface, the NAS Login ID (not passwords) must be active and identical to the PAS Login ID. Further, the NPA and OCN appearing on the code application must be included in the NAS user's profile.

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### Mark Your Calendar!

#### INC Calendar

INC 140                      January 27–29, 2015  
Sterling, VA

INC 141                      Week of March 23, 2015  
Washington, DC

INC 142                      May 4–8, 2015  
Atlanta, GA

#### NANC Calendar

March 5, 2015                      Washington, DC

June 4, 2015                      Washington, DC

September 30, 2015                      Washington, DC

December 1, 2015                      Washington, DC

## News Brief

Two new training videos have been posted to the NANPA website under Tools, NAS Training Videos ([http://www.nanpa.com/tools/nasTraining\\_videos.html](http://www.nanpa.com/tools/nasTraining_videos.html)). These videos address requesting code effective dates and the on-line submission of NRUF utilization and forecast data.

The Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines have been modified to state that requests for code assignments from NPAs not yet in service cannot be made more than 66 days prior to the effective date of the new NPA.

NANPA Planning Letter 472 concerning the 548 overlay of the 519/226 NPA complex in southwestern Ontario, Canada is available on the NANPA website.

NANPA Planning Letter 473 concerning the 825 overlay of the 403/587/780 NPA complex in Alberta, Canada is available on the NANPA website.

The October 2014 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.

With the New Year here, it is a great time to review and update your NAS profile. Make sure telephone numbers are up-to-date, your address matches your current location and you have included all the appropriate OCNs, NPAs, etc.

An index of NANPA newsletter articles dating back to 2010 has been added to the NANPA website (<http://www.nationalnanpa.com/newsletters/index.html>).

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## Area Code Relief Planning Activity

**Nova Scotia/Prince Edward Island 902/782 Overlay Completed** – On November 30, 2014, the new 782 NPA became effective (See PL-460R1). The 782 NPA serves the same geographic area served by the 902 area code.

**New York Orders Overlay of the 631 NPA** – On December 17, 2014, the New York Public Service Commission ordered an overlay of the 631 NPA. The new 934 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 631 NPA. All carriers providing local exchange service in the 631 area code shall, within 30 days of the date of the Order, file a joint plan outlining the steps necessary to activate a new area code as an overlay of the existing 631 area code.

**New Dates for Indiana 812/930 Overlay** – In July 2013, the Indiana Utility Regulatory Commission (IURC) approved an all-services overlay of the 812 NPA. The new 930 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 812 NPA. Permissive 10-digit dialing started on March 1, 2014. Mandatory 10-digit dialing was scheduled to begin on September 6, 2014, with an effective date for the new 930 NPA of October 6, 2014. However, on August 6, the IURC issued an order extending the permissive dialing period for the IN 812 NPA until further order of the Commission. On October 22, 2014, the IURC issued an order extending the deadline for the end of permissive dialing and start of mandatory 10-digit dialing to February 7, 2015. The new effective date for the 930 NPA is March 7, 2015. (See PL-470).

**Mandatory 10-Digit Dialing coming to Tennessee 615 NPA** – On October 23, 2013, the Tennessee Regulatory Authority approved an all-services overlay of the 615 NPA. The new 629 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 615 NPA. Permissive 10-digit dialing started on July 26, 2014. Mandatory 10-digit dialing will begin on February 28, 2015. The effective date for the new 629 NPA is March 28, 2015. (See PL-459).

**Implementation of California 415 NPA Overlay** – On December 19, 2013, the California Public Utilities Commission approved an all-services overlay as the relief method for the 415 NPA. The new 628 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 415 NPA. Permissive 1+10-digit dialing started on August 16, 2014. Mandatory 1+10-digit dialing is scheduled for February 21, 2015. The effective date for the new 628 NPA is March 21, 2015. (See PL-461).

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# NRUF Preparation Reminder List

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- Use only upper case letters (e.g., A) instead of lower case letters (e.g., a) when listing the Parent Company or Service Provider OCN in the NRUF if the OCN contains a letter.
- Take a “snapshot” of the status of your telephone number inventory on December 31, 2014 for use in assembling the utilization portion (U1, U2, etc.) of your NRUF.
- Include at least one completed forecast worksheet (F1a, F3b, etc.) if submitting a U1 or U2 per the NRUF Reporting Requirements.
- Complete the Rural Certification Form if submitting a U2 or U4 with the Geographic Form 502.
- Submit your NRUF to NANPA.
- The next day after receiving confirmation from NANPA that your NRUF has been accepted, run a Utilization Missing Report in NAS to see if you are missing any codes and/or thousands-blocks for your submission. Also, run a Donation Discrepancy Report in NAS to see if you are listing any thousands-blocks as “donated” when they are really assigned to you. Update your NRUF to add or correct any codes and/or thousands-blocks listed.

## For Email/Excel™ Filers

- Use the “Check the Data Before Submitting” button on each worksheet to avoid errors and leaving blank, uncompleted rows on the worksheet before submission. Note the gray shaded rows (row 21 on U1, row 22 on F2a) are the starting point for entering your data.

## For FTP Filers

- Ensure the file name used for each submitted file contains the date that the file is submitted. For example, 556Z.01232015.U1S.DAT corresponds to a service provider ‘556Z’ transmitting the U1 on January 23, 2015.

Additional reminders are available in the NRUF Preparation Checklist on the NANPA website: [http://www.nanpa.com/nruf/NRUF\\_Preparation\\_Checklist.pdf](http://www.nanpa.com/nruf/NRUF_Preparation_Checklist.pdf) ■

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## 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).

Entity and Access Provider semi-annual CIC reports covering the period from July 1 through December 31, 2014 (2H14) shall be submitted to NANPA after January 1, 2015 but no later than January 31, 2015 as specified in the CIC Assignment Guidelines. 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](mailto:nancy.fears@neustar.biz) or via fax to 208-694-5329.

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. ■

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## February 1, 2015 NRUF Reminder

NANPA reminds service providers that their NRUF Form 502 is due on or before close of business on Monday, February 2, 2015. Carriers are reminded to report utilization data as of December 31, 2014 and forecast data for the next 5 years, with Year 1 on all forecast forms referring to resources needed for 2015.

If a carrier needs to update the August 1, 2014 forecast between January 1 and January 31, the carrier must submit the February 1, 2015 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 2, 2015.

Please see the NANPA website, [www.nanpa.com](http://www.nanpa.com), through “Services” then “NRUF Data Collection & Analysis” for directions regarding methods of submission and to download the recently-updated NRUF 502 Geographic Job Aid and/or the Non-Geographic Job Aid.

Starting January 1, 2015, the NAS NRUF Utilization Missing Report and 5XX NPA Utilization Missing Report will not be available. These reports will be made available no later than January 9, 2015.

As a reminder, if you have not already registered to be a user of NAS, you must do so prior to submitting your NRUF. This applies to all reporting carriers who intend to submit NRUF information. Also, please be sure your NAS registration is still active (i.e., your NAS password has not expired). For assistance with NAS registration and password issues, please contact the NAS Customer Support Desk at 1-866-623-2282 or [nanpa-login@neustar.biz](mailto:nanpa-login@neustar.biz).

NRUF-specific questions regarding this reminder should be directed to 571-434-5789 or 571-434-4671. ■

## NAS and PAS User IDs Must Match

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Please contact the NAS Help Desk at 866-623-2282 to change your NAS Login ID if it differs from your PAS Login ID. Further, please ensure that the OCNs and NPAs included in your NAS and PAS user profiles are the same. Any differences can result in missing information on the Part 1/Part 3 reports sent to regulators. In addition, these differences may cause a delay in processing the application or a denial of the application per Section 5.2.1 of the Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines. ■

## Missing and Anomalous Notifications

As part of NRUF processing, NANPA identifies a central office code or thousands-block where NAS shows the code as “assigned,” but no utilization information was reported by the code/block holder via an NRUF submission. NANPA will send the following notifications to service providers within 90 days after the NRUF due date (February 1st or August 1st). Carriers may avoid receiving one of these notifications by running a Utilization Missing Report that is available under NRUF Reports in NAS and resolving the issue. The notifications are described as following:

- **Missing Utilization** – These notices are sent to service providers that have filed an NRUF for the current cycle, but failed to include a particular code or block in a utilization worksheet for their NRUF filing. These notifications will be sent within 45 days after the NRUF due date.
- **Anomalous** – These notices are sent to service providers that have not filed an NRUF for the current cycle. These notifications will be sent within 90 days after the NRUF due date.

If a carrier’s code assignment records need to be updated in NAS to show the proper OCN assignment, the carrier should file a Part 1 to change those records or contact NANPA for assistance. If a carrier’s thousands-block assignment records need to be updated in PAS to show the proper OCN assignment, the carrier should file a Part 1A to change those records or contact the Pooling Administrator for assistance.

As part of NANPA’s efforts to ensure the integrity of code and thousands-block assignment data, NANPA may send a Missing Utilization or Anomalous notification to a carrier if it appears an NRUF has not been properly filed. Such notifications will typically be distributed within 90 days of the submission deadline but may also occur at any time there is a need to address potential code or thousands-block assignment data discrepancies. ■

## 2014 Area Code Activity

Six new NPA codes were introduced in 2014, as shown in the table below.

Location	Area Codes	In-Service Date
Kentucky	NPA 364 overlays NPA 270	3/3/14
Non-Geographic	NPA 577 relieves NPAs 500, 533,544 & 566	3/27/14
Nevada	NPA 725 overlays NPA 702	6/3/14
Texas	NPA 346 overlays NPAs 281/713/832	7/1/14
Connecticut	NPA 959 overlays NPA 860	8/30/14
Nova Scotia/Prince Edward Island, Canada	NPA 782 overlays NPA 902	11/30/14

In addition, NANPA initiated the assignment of resources from the Nebraska 531 NPA which overlays the 402 area code. The 531 area code was assigned in 2009, with an in-service date of March 2011. Per regulatory directive, NANPA withheld the assignment of codes from this NPA until the quantity of remaining codes in the 402 NPA reached ten, which occurred in June 2014.

Two NPAs were assigned this past year. NPA 743 was assigned as the relief area code for the North Carolina 336 NPA. NPA 934 was assigned as the relief area code for the New York 631 NPA.

There are four NPA codes scheduled to go into service in the first half of 2015. In March, the 930 NPA will overlay the Indiana 812 area code, the 628 NPA will overlay the California 415 NPA and the 629 NPA will overlay the Tennessee 615 area code. In April, the 220 NPA will overlay the Ohio 740 area code. ■

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## News Brief

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As stated in a letter to NANPA from the SMS/800 Number Administration Committee (SNAC), an analysis conducted by the SMS/800, Inc. of toll-free number exhaust indicated that the next toll-free NPA (833) may be needed by June 2017. A copy of the letter is available on the NANPA website ([http://www.nationalnanpa.com/reports/reports\\_nruf.html](http://www.nationalnanpa.com/reports/reports_nruf.html)).

A new report entitled “Summary of Rate Center Consolidations” has been added to the NANPA website under Central Office Code Reports. The report provides a summary of rate center consolidation activity in the U.S. from 2005 to the present. ■

## Area Code Relief Planning Activity

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**Ohio 740 NPA Overlay** – On December 11, 2013, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio approved an all-services overlay of the 740 NPA. The new 220 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 740 NPA. Permissive 10-digit dialing started September 20, 2014. Mandatory 10-digit dialing begins March 21, 2015. The effective date for the new 220 NPA is April 22, 2015. (See PL-462).

**South Carolina 843 NPA Overlay** – On December 13, 2013, the South Carolina Public Service Commission approved an all-services overlay of the 843 NPA. The new 854 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 843 NPA. Permissive 10-digit dialing is scheduled to begin March 14, 2015 with mandatory 10-digit dialing starting September 19, 2015. The effective date for the new 854 NPA is October 19, 2015. (See PL-463).

**Extension of 786 NPA over the Florida Keys is Set** – On July 18, 2014, the Florida Public Service Commission issued an order mandating 10-digit dialing to begin April 18, 2015 in the Keys Rate Center. Permissive 10-digit dialing is already in place. The extension of the 786 NPA over the Florida Keys shall be implemented on June 1, 2015. (See PL-468).

**Relief Decision Pending for Indiana 317 NPA** – NANPA conducted a relief planning meeting for the 317 NPA on May 29, 2014. The industry reached consensus to recommend an all-services overlay. NANPA filed a petition on behalf of the industry with the Indiana Utilities and Regulatory Commission (IURC) on July 10, 2014. The IURC conducted public hearings to gather input on the recommended relief plan and has scheduled an evidentiary hearing for February 10, 2015.

**North Carolina 336 NPA** – On August 13, 2014, the North Carolina Utilities Commission (NCUC) approved an all-services overlay of the 336 NPA. The new 743 NPA will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 336 NPA. Permissive 10-digit dialing is scheduled to begin October 24, 2015 with mandatory 10-digit dialing starting April 23, 2016. The effective date for the new 743 NPA is May 23, 2016. (See PL-469). ■