



## NORTH AMERICAN NUMBERING PLAN PLANNING LETTER

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Lockheed Martin IMS-NANPA publishes this PL as an update of Bellcore Letter IL – 94/01-002 dated January 3, 1994. The 710 NPA was assigned in 1983 to the U.S. Government for emergency services. The Office of the Manager, National Communications System (OMNCS) of the United States has notified the industry that the non-geographic 710 area code should allow unrestricted and ubiquitous access in all international and domestic carriers for authorized users of the 710 NPA. The 710 NPA will be treated as non-geographic with per-call compensation provided by the National Communications System (NCS).

The OMNCS notes that the 710 NPA has provided successful access to the Government Emergency Telecommunications Service (GETS) in most U.S. local exchange and cellular/PCS networks. GETS became operational on September 30, 1994, but the service and its dialing procedures have evolved from the description in the Bellcore letter. To augment the information provided in the earlier letter, the following dialing procedure also applies:

- Dialing 0/1+710-NXX-XXXX provides access to an emergency service for authorized users. The 710 NPA provides access to a tariffed service of the GETS interexchange carriers (AT&T, MCI WorldCom, and Sprint) and the call is billed to the U.S. Government.

In order to provide universal 710 accessibility in the appropriate service mode, owners and managers responsible for user-to-network access need to ensure their switching systems are programmed to accommodate the 710 NPA. Accordingly, the 710 area code will be unblocked to network access, including equal access. 710 access will be provided from any cellular/PCS phone, whether or not the phone is subscribed in the cellular/PCS area where the call is placed.

To the extent that the above requirements are different than those previously identified by OMNCS, they are subject to negotiation between individual service providers and OMNCS.

The OMNCS intends to achieve wide recognition for the non-geographic, government-paid status of the 710 NPA by drawing attention to this letter on the NANPA website [<http://www.nanpa.com/>]. Questions concerning the 710 area code and operational questions about GETS should be directed to Mr. Frank J. Suraci, GETS Technical Director - OMNCS, at 703-607-4800 or [suracif@ncs.gov](mailto:suracif@ncs.gov).

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