

Number: PL-234
Date: July 11, 2000
From: North American Numbering Plan Administration (NANPA)
Subject: NPA 774 To Overlay NPA 508;
NPA 857 To Overlay NPA 617;
NPA 339 To Overlay NPA 781; and
NPA 351 To Overlay NPA 978 (Massachusetts)

In Docket No. 99-11 & 99-99, the Massachusetts Department of Telecommunications and Energy (DTE) ordered an all-services overlay relief for the 508, 617, 781 and 978 NPAs. NANPA has assigned NPA codes 774, 857, 339 and 351 for this purpose. The overlay NPAs will be in service as of May 2, 2001, the earliest effective date for central office codes in the overlay NPAs, as published in the LERG. Maps showing the areas served by the new NPAs are attached.

In preparation for the new overlay NPAs, permissive 10-digit dialing of local calls will begin on September 15, 2000 and mandatory dialing will begin at 12:01 AM Eastern on April 2, 2001. After the introduction of mandatory 10-digit dialing, the following dialing plan will apply:

- All local calls may be dialed as 10 digits (NPA-NXX-XXXX) or as 1+10 digits (1-NPA-NXX-XXXX).
- All toll calls must be dialed as 1+10 digits (1-NPA-NXX-XXXX).
- Operator assisted, third party, and credit card calls must be dialed as 0 + 10 digits (0-NPA-NXX-XXXX).

Test numbers will be available from January 2, 2001 to August 2, 2001. Calls successfully completed to a test number will receive a recorded announcement. The test numbers are as follows:

774-355-8378 857-355-8378 339-355-8378 351-355-8378

All international and domestic service providers should ensure that the new NPA code has been activated throughout their networks prior to January 2, 2001.

The intercept period reminding customers with a brief recorded announcement to dial 10 digits or 1 + 10 digits ends on June 30, 2001.

Pursuant to industry consensus and in an effort to address pent-up demand for numbering resources, NANPA will set aside a 45-day period for the collection of industry requests

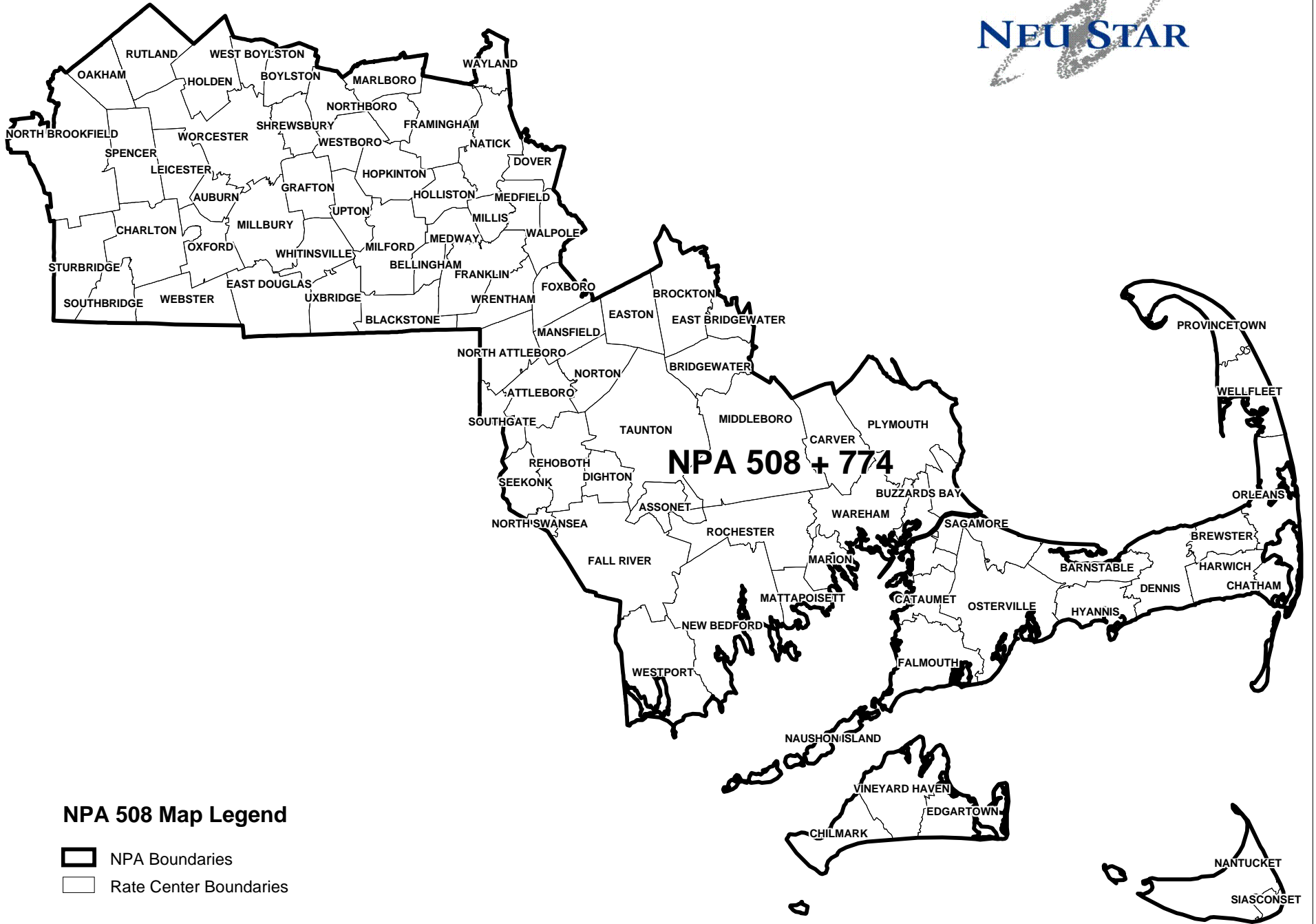
for central office codes in the new NPAs. The collection period will begin 150 days before May 2, 2001 (one month following the beginning of mandatory). No central office code assignments will be made during the collection period.

The disposition of remaining unassigned codes in the 781 NPA and 978 NPA following the implementation of the new NPAs will be discussed on an industry conference call approximately 90 days before May 2, 2001.

Please refer any general questions about this relief activity to Pamela Kenworthy, NANPA, 973-267-7812. Please direct any specific questions to the appropriate service provider.

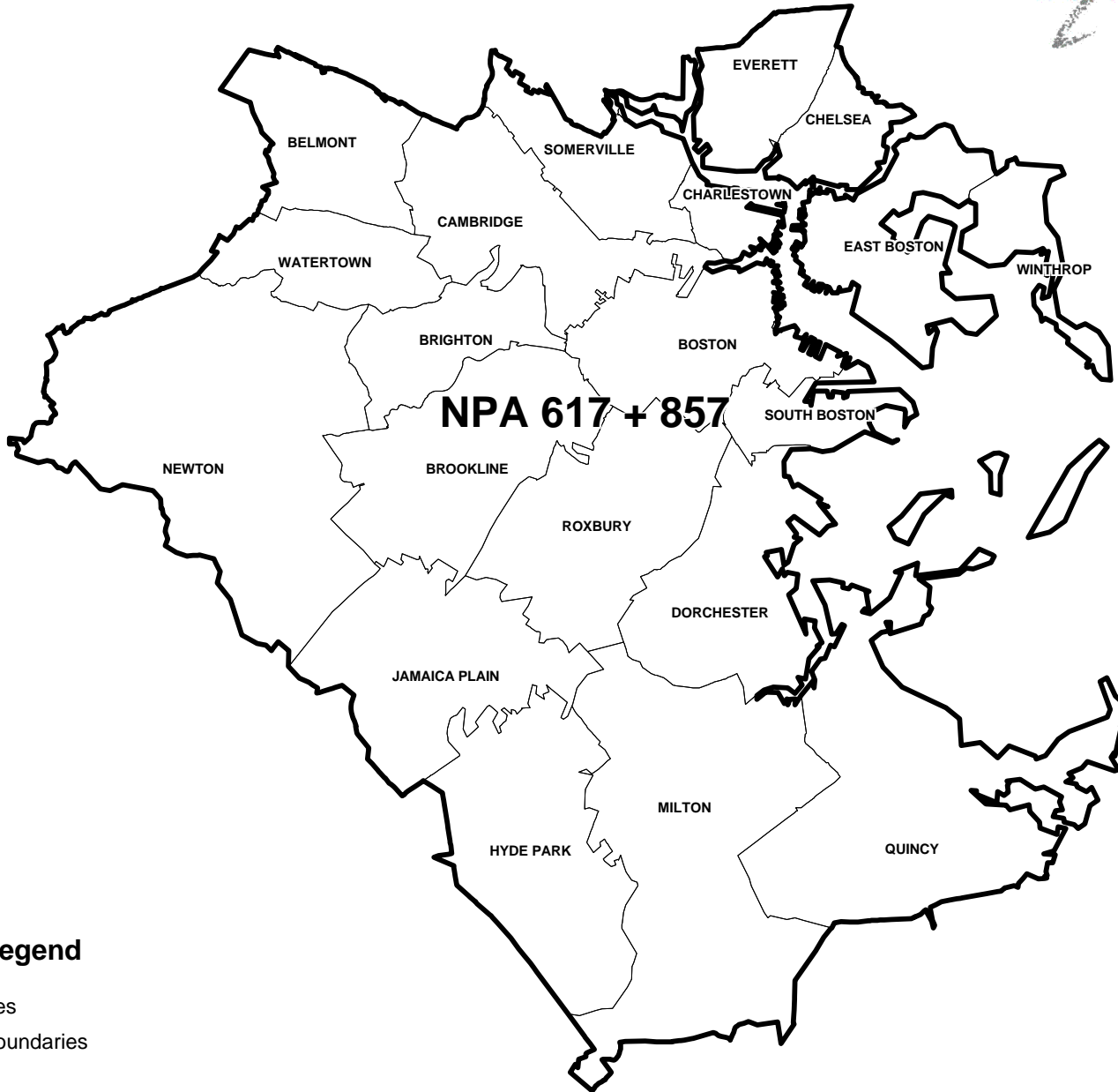
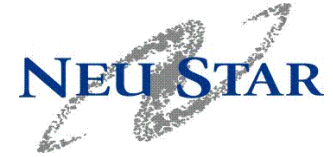
NPA 508 Rate Center Map

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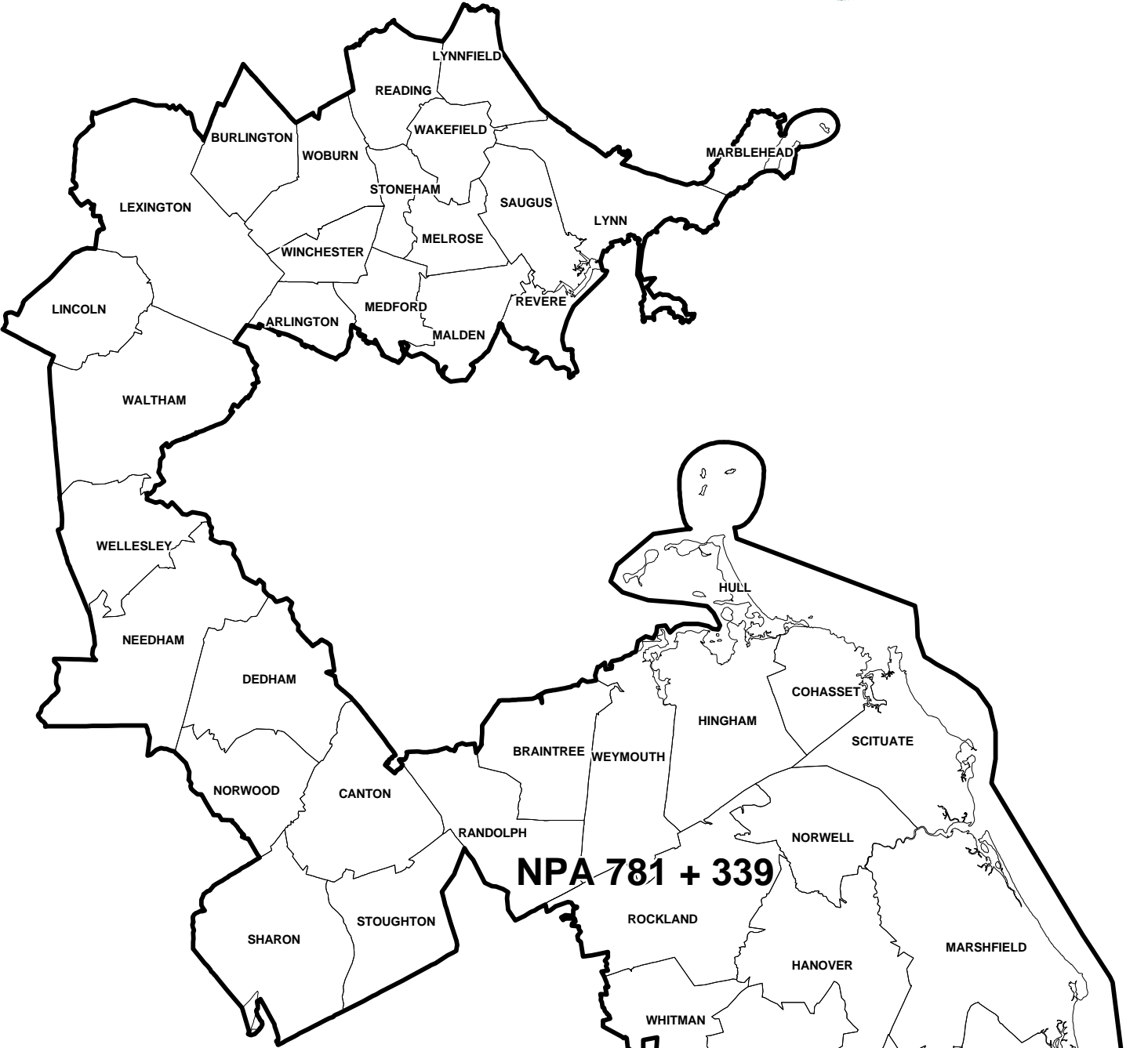
NPA 617 Rate Center Map



NPA 617 Map Legend

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NPA 781 Rate Center Map



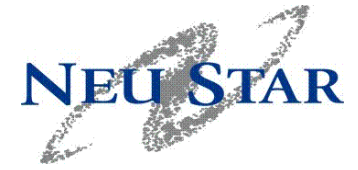
NPA 781 + 339

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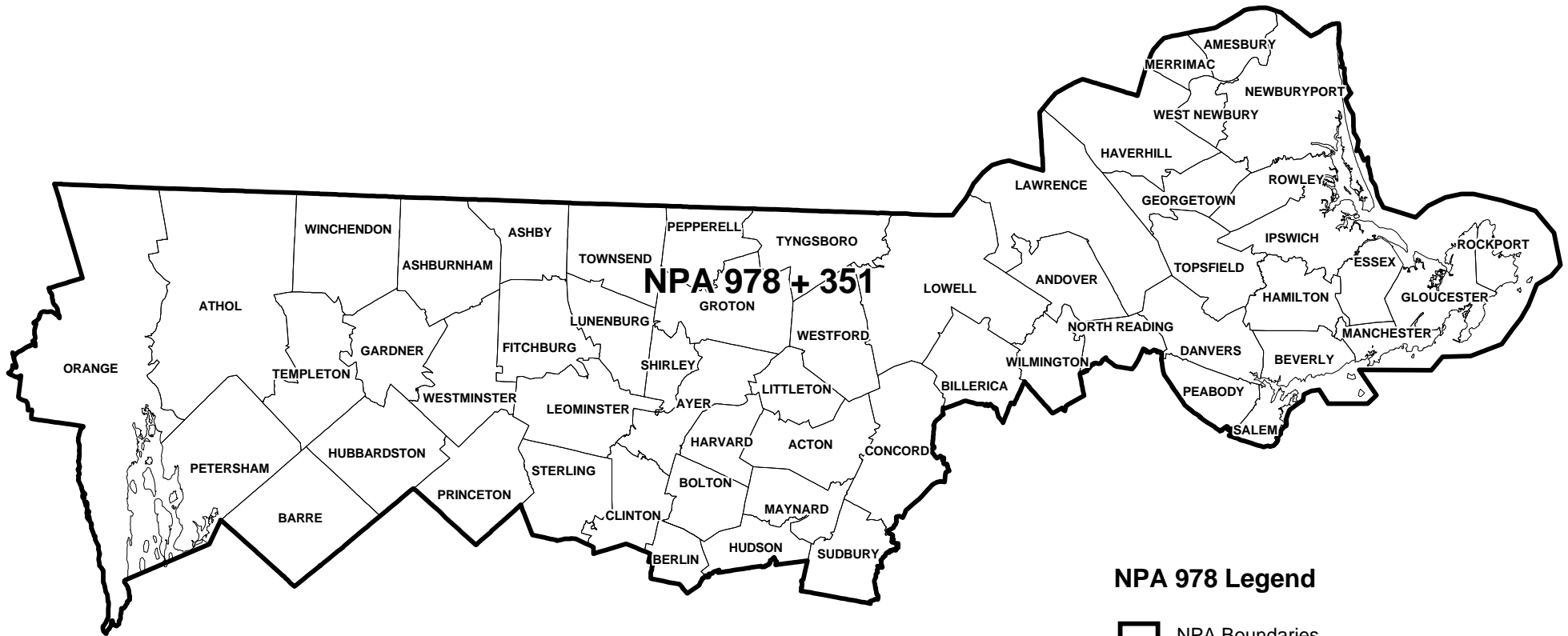
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Rate Center Map



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