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From: North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA)
Subject: Suspension of 205/659 NPA Relief (Alabama)

On April 2, 2001, the Alabama Public Service Commission (“Commission”) issued an order in docket number 27749, directing the implementation of an all service overlay for the relief of the 205 NPA. In response to that order, NANPA assigned NPA code 659 to overlay the existing area currently being served by the 205 NPA. A three-month permissive 10-digit dialing period was scheduled to begin on December 1, 2002. Permissive 10-digit dialing would continue until the level of available NXX codes reached 100, at which time mandatory 10-digit dialing was scheduled to begin. (refer to PL-284, issued June 8, 2001).

On July 10, 2001 the Commission issued an order in docket number 27749, to rescind its previous order for relief of area code 205 and hold this matter in abeyance for further consideration. Reasons for rescinding relief order for the 205 NPA included the June, 2001, Number Resource Utilization Forecast (“NRUF”) report, which extended the projected exhaust of the 205 NPA from 2nd Quarter 2003, to 3rd Quarter, 2004, and implementation of thousand block number pooling. NANPA will issue another Planning Letter when the commission makes a decision on the relief of the 205 NPA.

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