

**Report for January 2014 R-NRUF – NPAs 226/519/548 and 403/587/780/825 to the  
Canadian Steering Committee on Numbering (CSCN)**

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## 1. Purpose of R-NRUF

The purpose of the General Numbering Resource Utilization Forecast (G–NRUF) is to provide an annual forecast to aid in projecting Numbering Plan Area (NPA) and North American Numbering Plan (NANP) exhaust. The G–NRUF requires current and prospective Code Holders to submit actual and forecast annual data regarding their current and prospective future use of Central Office (CO) Codes to the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA) on an annual basis.

In accordance with the Canadian Numbering Resource Utilization Forecast (C-NRUF) Guideline (the Guideline), approved by the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) in Telecom Decision CRTC 2012-524 dated 28 September 2012:

When an NPA is entering the timeframe for NPA Relief Planning (e.g., within or about 72 months before the Projected Exhaust Date), an initial R-NRUF is conducted to obtain actual and forecast annual data at the Exchange Area level of detail. The purpose of the initial R-NRUF is to validate the Projected Exhaust Date for an exhausting NPA, and to provide the CNA with detailed information to be used to identify a potential Relief Date and to prepare the Initial Planning Document as outlined in the Canadian NPA Relief Planning Guideline. Typically, the initial R-NRUF will utilize Format 2 in Appendix A. In general, the CNA will conduct the initial R-NRUF when needed; however, the CNA should attempt to choose dates for the initial and subsequent R-NRUFs that will coincide with the annual G-NRUF and mid-year R/S-NRUF dates (e.g., as of January 1 and July 1 each year).

Subsequent R-NRUFs will be conducted semi-annually in order to monitor CO Code forecast changes prior to implementing relief. These R-NRUFs shall be conducted until three months of when relief is implemented, or until they are replaced by S-NRUFs or J-NRUFs.

Based on the January 2012 NRUF results, the CNA determined that NPAs 226/519 and 403/587/780 were within the 6-year window for NPA relief planning. On 16 December 2013 the CNA requested R-NRUFs from current and prospective Canadian CO Code (NXX) Holders in those NPAs.

## 2. High Level Summary

The results from the January 2014 R-NRUF are different from the July 2013 R-NRUF results due to various Telecommunications Service Providers (TSPs) submitting a set of data to the CNA that is different from the July 2013 R-NRUF

data. The CNA has verified the input from various TSPs and the variance from previous inputs can be rationalized.

Specific changes are listed below:

- NPA 226/519 Projected Exhaust Date is now forecast for May 2018, which moves the Projected Exhaust Date out by two (2) years and eight (8) months from the July 2013 R-NRUF result of September 2015.
- NPA 403/587/780 Projected Exhaust Date is now forecast for January 2017, which moves the Projected Exhaust Date out by six (6) months from the July 2013 R-NRUF result of August 2016.

**NPA 226/519**

<b>NPA 226-519-548 - January 2014 R-NRUF Aggregate Results</b>						
<b>Actual</b>	<b>Forecast</b>					
Total quantity of existing CO Codes assigned & reserved as of	Total quantity of existing and future CO Codes forecast to be assigned & reserved as of					
2014-01-01	2015-01-01	2016-01-01	2017-01-01	2018-01-01	2019-01-01	2020-01-01
1234	1389	1449	1517	1578	1656	1716
<b>Projected Exhaust Date</b>				<b>May 2018</b>		
Relief Date June 4, 2015 iaw Telecom Decision CRTC 2013-575.						

NRUF data, including the most recent results, is summarized in the following chart.

<b>NPA 226/519 Summary of Projected Exhaust Dates</b>			
<b>NPA</b>	<b>Type of C-NRUF</b>	<b>Date of Publication</b>	<b>Projected Exhaust Date</b>
226/519	January 2011 G-NRUF	5 April 2011	September 2022
226/519	January 2012 G-NRUF	10 April 2012	November 2017
226/519	July 2012 R-NRUF	5 October 2012	January 2017
226/519	January 2013 R-NRUF	10 April 2013	October 2017
226/519	July 2013 R-NRUF	4 October 2013	September 2015
226/519	January 2014 R-NRUF	2 April 2014	May 2018

**NPA 403/587/780**

<b>NPA 403-587-780-825 - January 2014 R-NRUF Aggregate Results</b>						
<b>Actual</b>	<b>Forecast</b>					
Total quantity of existing CO Codes assigned & reserved as of	Total quantity of existing and future CO Codes forecast to be assigned & reserved as of					
<b>2014-01-01</b>	<b>2015-01-01</b>	<b>2016-01-01</b>	<b>2017-01-01</b>	<b>2018-01-01</b>	<b>2019-01-01</b>	<b>2020-01-01</b>
<b>2006</b>	2213	2317	2394	2486	2568	2652
<b>Projected Exhaust Date</b>			<b>January 2017</b>			
Relief Date April 9, 2016 iaw Telecom Decision CRTC 2013-574.						

NRUF data, including the most recent results, is summarized in the following chart.

<b>NPA 403/587/780 Summary of Projected Exhaust Dates</b>			
<b>NPA</b>	<b>Type of C-NRUF</b>	<b>Date of Publication</b>	<b>Projected Exhaust Date</b>
403/587/780	January 2011 G-NRUF	5 April 2012	August 2020
403/587/780	January 2012 G-NRUF	10 April 2012	June 2018
403/587/780	July 2012 R-NRUF	5 October 2012	June 2017
403/587/780	January 2013 R-NRUF	10 April 2013	August 2017
403/587/780	July 2013 R-NRUF	4 October 2013	July 2016
403/587/780/825	January 2014 R-NRUF	02 April 2014	January 2017

**3. Schedule of Future R- NRUF Activities in this Year**

<b>Due Date</b>	<b>NRUF Type</b>	<b>NRUF Format</b>	<b>NPAs</b>
August 4	R-NRUF	Format 2	226/519/548
August 4	R-NRUF	Format 2	403/587/780/825

**4. R-NRUF Assumptions**

The assumptions used for the January 2014 R-NRUF for NPAs 226/519/548 and 403/587/780/825 are the assumptions that were provided on 9 October 2013 to the CNA by the Canadian Steering Committee on Numbering (CSCN) for conducting the 2014 G-NRUF.

## **5. Summary of Challenges Encountered During the R-NRUF Process**

One TSP continues to remain unaware of the significance and schedule for completing R-NRUFs. The CNA started contacting companies on 27 January 2014 to remind them of the 3 February 2014 due date. Several R-NRUF submissions were late.

## **6. Conclusion**

In accordance with Section 4 of the Canadian Numbering Resource Utilization Forecast (C-NRUF) Guideline, the CNA has conducted an assessment, at a total aggregate level, to determine whether the January 2014 R-NRUF results are reasonable and the Projected Exhaust Dates for NPAs 226/519/548 and 403/587/780/825 are realistic.

Numbering resource requirements for some Carriers in both the wireless and CLEC services have been volatile over the last few years resulting in only moderately accurate short term and long term NRUF submissions. LTE/4G and CLEC growth has been responsible for a good part of the demand however there is also the issue of machine-to-machine market demand. With machine-to-machine's potential to touch so many areas of life, including health care, transportation, security and energy, the potential for increased demand in CO Codes is not easy to quantify. In the CNA's opinion the January 2014 R-NRUF results for NPAs 226/519 and 403/587/780 are as reasonable as they can be and, therefore, the Projected Exhaust Dates for the NPAs are generally realistic, based on the information provided by those current and prospective CO Code Holders that submitted data.