**CRTC INTERCONNECTION STEERING COMMITTEE**

**TIF REPORT**

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**WORKING GROUP: NPA 204/431 Relief Planning Committee**

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**REPORT TITLE**: NPA 204/431 RPC Planning Document and Relief Implementation Plan #1

**OUTCOME: CONSENSUS**

**RELATED TASK(s) #:**

**BACKGROUND:**

On 24 March 2020, the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA) advised the Commission that, based on the results of the January 2020 Numbering Resource Utilization Forecast (NRUF), area codes 204 and 431 were projected to exhaust by January 2025. On 11 January 2021, the CRTC released Telecom Notice of Consultation CRTC 2021-6 - *Establishment of a CISC ad hoc committee for relief planning for area codes 204 and 431 in Manitoba*.

The following table summarizes the Projected Exhaust Dates (PED) based on the indicated NRUF results:

| **NPA** | **Type of C-NRUF** | **Date of Publication** | **Projected Exhaust Date** |
| --- | --- | --- | --- |
| 204/431 | G-NRUF January 2020 | 24 March 2020 | January 2025 |
| 204/431 | R-NRUF July 2020 | 18 August 2020 | June 2024 |
| 204/431 | R-NRUF January 2021 | 23 February 2021 | April 2024 |
| 204/431 | R-NRUF July 2021 | 19 August 2021 | October 2023 |

On 19 August 2021, the CNA published the July 2021 R-NRUF results, which indicated that the PED had advanced to October 2023 and NPA 204/431 had entered into a Jeopardy Condition.

On 26 August 2021, the CNA issued the NPA 204/431 Proposal for Relief of an Overlay NPA Complex (PROC).

On 2 September 2021, Contributions were submitted to the Relief Planning Committee (RPC).

On 2 September 2021 the CNA announced the date of the Initial Relief Planning Committee (RPC) conference call.

On 16 September 2021 the RPC met to review the PROC and contributions on the Planning Document (PD) and Relief Implementation Plan (RIP).

**CONCLUSIONS:**

The RPC makes the following recommendations in the NPA 204/431 Planning Document:

1. The Relief Method should be a Distributed Overlay of a new NPA Code on Manitoba NPA 204/431 in accordance with the *Canadian NPA Relief Planning Guideline*;
2. The Relief NPA Code for NPA 204/431 should be NPA 584 as per Telecom Decision CRTC 2017-38; and
3. The Relief Date should be 29 October 2022 to provide Carriers and customers with advanced notification and sufficient lead-time to implement relief in NPA 204/431.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The NPA 204/431 Relief Planning Committee recommends that the Commission approve the attached Planning Document and Relief Implementation Plan for NPA 204/431.

The RPC notes that the recommended Relief Date is 29 October 2022 (i.e. 12 months before PED)

The RPC requests that the CISC and CRTC render an expedited Decision concerning the relief of NPA 204/431 due to the proposed shortened timeline and the Jeopardy Condition.

**ATTACHMENTS:**



NPA 204/431 Planning Document



NPA 204/431 Relief Implementation Plan