**CRTC INTERCONNECTION STEERING COMMITTEE**

**TIF REPORT**

**Date Submitted:                 8 April 2021**

**WORKING GROUP: NPA 249/705 Relief Planning Committee**

**REPORT #:        1                                                                 File ID: 249-705RE01A**

**REPORT TITLE**: NPA 249/705 RPC Planning Document and Relief Implementation Plan #1

**OUTCOME: CONSENSUS**

**RELATED TASK(s) #:**

**BACKGROUND:**

The CRTC released Telecom Notice of Consultation CRTC 2020-36 - *Establishment of a CISC ad hoc committee for relief planning for area codes 249 and 705 in Ontario*. The January 2021 R-NRUF results were published on 23 February 2021 and showed that the PED had advanced to April 2023. On 26 February 2021, in consultation with CRTC staff, the CNA notified the NPA 249/705 RPC and CSCN that NPA 249/705 is in a Jeopardy Condition. Contributions were submitted to the Relief Planning Committee (RPC) on 3 March 2021.

**Historical NRUF Results**

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| **NRUF** | **Projected Exhaust Date (PED)** |
| G‑NRUF January 2018 | February 2024 |
| R-NRUF July 2018 | July 2025 |
| R-NRUF January 2019 | July 2025 |
| R-NRUF July 2019 | March 2026 |
| R-NRUF January 2020 | April 2026 |
| R-NRUF July 2020 | May 2025 |
| R-NRUF January 2021 | April 2023 |

**FACTORS:** Jeopardy Condition in exhausting NPA 249/705

**ALTERNATIVES:** n/a

**ANALYSIS:**

Based on the Jeopardy Condition in NPA 249/705, the RPC notes that an accelerated implementation schedule should be executed with a shortened timeline.

**CONCLUSIONS:**

The RPC makes the following recommendations in the NPA 249/705 Planning Document:

1. The Relief Method should be a Distributed Overlay of a new NPA Code on Central and Northeastern Ontario NPA 249/705;
2. Relief NPA Code for NPA 249/705 should be NPA 683 as per Telecom Decision CRTC 2017-38 and;
3. The Relief Date should be 18 June 2022 to provide Carriers and customers with advanced notification and sufficient lead-time to implement relief in NPA 249/705.

**RECOMMENDATIONS:**

The RPC notes that the recommended Relief Date is 18 June 2022 (i.e. 15 months away) and a significant Jeopardy Condition exists in NPA 249/705. Consequently, the RPC recommends that the CRTC approves the attached Planning Document and Relief Implementation Plan on an expedited basis due to the proposed shortened timeline.

**ATTACHMENTS:**

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NPA 249/705 Planning Document



NPA 249/705 Relief Implementation Plan