**6 April 2023**

**Review of January 2023 NRUF Results**

**Joint CSCN & RPCs Conference Call**

**Participants:** David Comrie - COMsolve Inc. (CNA)

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Suresh Khare - COMsolve Inc. (CNA)

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Alexander Pittman - CRTC staff

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Gloria Kapuku - FGL Telecom

Gerry Thompson - Rogers

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Diane Dolan - Teksavvy

Martin Laroche - TELUS

Olena Bilozerska - TELUS

Priyantha Kumara - Wightman Telecom

**Welcome:**

Kelly Walsh, as CSCN Chair and RPC Chair, welcomed the attendees.

**Discussion:**

Kelly Walsh noted that he will be sending an email to the CSCN and CRTC to notify both groups that the CNA will be applying for NPA 633 for relief of NPA 622.

Kelly Walsh noted that while there is more than 1 exhaust of non-geographic codes in the next 4 years, the CNA is only going to ask for the next 1 currently but noted that the relief process for non-geographic codes is much simpler than for geographic codes.

Fiona Clegg noted that her understanding is that NPA 622 needs to be fully exhausted before the CNA can begin assigning CO codes from NPA 633. Kelly Walsh noted that a cursory review of the non-geographic assignment guideline does not say anything about exhausting one NPA before being able to assign from the next one.

Suresh Khare presented the January 2023 NRUF results.

Suresh Khare asked if the CSCN would like to continue to see the chart of Admin Codes in the NRUF results. He does not believe it is necessary for publication though the CNA will continue to have the information on-hand if requested.

Action Item: CSCN Chair will have a discussion item at the next CSCN plenary meeting to ask if the CSCN would like to continue to have the Admin Codes published with the NRUF results.

Excerpt of January 2023 NRUF Results

(for full results, see attachment)

| **GEOGRAPHIC NPAs** |
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| **NPA Complex** | **Most Recent 2022 NRUF** | **January 2023 NRUF** | **Change in PED between Most recent 2022 NRUF and January 2023 NRUF** |
| **NPA Complex** | **PED** | **PED** | **Months Advanced** | **Months Delayed** |
| 204/431/584 | Aug-2034 | Oct-2032 | 22 |   |
| 226/382/519/548 | Mar-2025 | May-2024 | 10 |   |
| 236/250/604/672/778 | Mar-2027 | Dec-2025 | 15 |   |
| 249/683/705 | May-2032 | Jan-2029 | 40 |   |
| 263/438/514 | Jun-2035 | Sep-2033 | 21 |   |
| 289/365/742/905 | May-2029 | Oct-2028 | 7 |   |
| 306/474/639 | Jan-2038 | Sep-2032 | 64 |   |
| 343/613/753 | Oct-2033 | Apr-2029 | 54 |   |
| 354/450/579 |   | Feb-2037 |   |   |
| 367/418/581 | Jul-2033 | Jun-2027 | 73 |   |
| 368/403/587/780/825 | Feb-2028 | Jun-2028 |   | 4 |
| 416/437/647 | Mar-2026 | Nov-2025 | 4 |   |
| 428/506 | Oct-2024 | Jul-2024 | 3 |   |
| 468/819/873 | Sep-2034 | Jun-2032 | 27 |   |
| 709/879 | Nov-2028 | Dec-2024 | 47 |   |
| 782/902 | Apr-2029 | Feb-2028 | 14 |   |
| 807 | Jan-2156 | Aug-2040 | 1385 |   |
| 867 | Oct-2079 | Oct-2072 | 84 |   |

| **Based on January 2023 NON-GEOGRAPHIC NPAs** |
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| **Non-GEO NPAs** |  **Relief Date** | **Forecast Growth** | **NPAs Added** | **Remarks** |
| **622** |  |   |   | **Existing NPA** |
| **633** | May-23 | Forecast | 1 | Reserved for Canada |
| **644** | Mar-26 | 1 | Reserved for Canada |
| **655** | Jul-27 | 1 | Reserved for Canada |
| **677** | Apr-29 | 1 | Reserved for Canada |
| **688** | Jun-30 |   | 1 | Reserved for Canada |
| **TBD -** | May-31 |  Six Year Average  | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | Apr-32 | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | Mar-33 | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | Feb-34 | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | Jan-35 | 2 |   |
| **TBD -** | Oct-36 | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | Jul-37 | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | May-38 | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | Feb-39 | 2 |   |
| **TBD -** | Aug-40 | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | May-41 | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | Jan-42 | 2 |   |
| **TBD -** | Jun-43 | 1 |   |
| **TBD -** | Oct-44 | 2 |   |

Suresh Khare noted that Canada is projected to require 25 new geographic NPAs and 24 non-geographic NPAs over the next 20 years.

Agreement was reached that the January 2023 G- and R-NRUF results seem reasonable.

Gerry Thompson noted that NoC 2023-92 is currently outstanding and asked if there have been any Canadian studies about the potential impact of thousand-block pooling.

Olena Bilozerska noted that she appreciates the new tabs included in the NRUF results.

Gerry Thompson asked what the next steps for NRUFs would be. Suresh Khare noted that because NPA 709 is in Jeopardy, there will be a J-NRUF request going out in April and then quarterly until relief is implemented or the Jeopardy Condition is lifted. Suresh Khare noted that R-NRUFs will be requested in June.

Kelly Walsh asked if the committee would like the CNA to begin conducting R-NRUFs in NPA 289/365/742/905. Marie-Christine Hudon, Olena Bilozerska and Gerry Thompson agreed that they would like to begin conducting R-NRUFs in NPA 289/365/742/905.

Agreement was reached to direct the CNA to conduct an R-NRUF for NPA 289/365/742/905 in July 2023.

**Post meeting note:** Suresh Khare noted that since the NRUF guideline has not been updated to align with the Canadian NPA Relief Plannning Guidline, the CNA is to conduct R-NRUFs within approximately 6 years of the Projected Exhaust Date.

Gerry Thompson asked if the forecasting requirements for non-geographic codes would be changed or continue with the same frequency (i.e., annually). Kelly Walsh reviewed section 9.2 of the Non-geographic code assignment guideline.

Gerry Thompson noted that he would like to see a new forecast for non-geographic numbers based on July 1 actuals. Suresh Khare noted that he would also like to see a July non-geographic forecast and noted that the CSCN can direct the CNA to conduct a one-time July NRUF of the non-geographic (6YY) codes. Olena Bilozerska agreed that she would also like to see a July NRUF for non-geographic codes.

Agreement was reached to direct the CNA to conduct a July 2023 non-geographic (6YY) NRUF.

Action Item: The CSCN Chair will include an agenda item about conducting a July 2023 non-geographic (6YY) forecast to the next CSCN plenary meeting.

**Summary of Agreements Reached:**

1. Agreement was reached that the January 2023 G- and R-NRUF results seem reasonable.
2. Agreement was reached to direct the CNA to conduct an R-NRUF for NPA 289/365/742/905 in July 2023.
3. Agreement was reached to direct the CNA to conduct a July 2023 non-geographic (6YY) NRUF.

**Summary of Action Items:**

1. The CSCN Chair will have a discussion item at the next CSCN plenary meeting to ask if the CSCN would like to continue to have the Admin Codes published with the NRUF results.
2. The CSCN Chair will include an agenda item about conducting a July 2023 non-geographic (6YY) forecast to the next CSCN plenary meeting.

**Attachments:**

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January 2023 NRUF results