



Our File: NPA 780 Relief

8 October 2004

To: INTERESTED PARTIES IN NPA 780

Subject: **NPA 780 RELIEF PLANNING MEETING**

The most recent telephone number growth projections submitted in the NPA 780 Relief Planning Numbering Resource Utilization Forecast (R-NRUF) to the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA) by prospective and current Central Office (CO) Code Holders indicate that the 780 Number Plan Area (NPA) is expected to exhaust in January 2012.

NPA 780 consists of 195 exchanges, including the rapidly growing exchanges of Edmonton, Bonnyville, Sherwood Park, Drayton Valley and St. Albert, located in the northern part of the province of Alberta in Canada.

In accordance with the current Canadian Radio-television & Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) approved Canadian NPA Relief Planning Guidelines (the Guidelines), dated 13 August 2003, when an NPA is projected to exhaust within the next 72 months, the CNA is required to convene an Initial NPA Relief Planning meeting to facilitate the development of an NPA Relief Plan. NPA 780 is not currently in the relief planning window, but the Canadian Steering Committee on Numbering (CSCN) has requested that relief planning for this NPA be advanced to enable consideration of relief plans and methods for NPAs 403 and 780 on a province-wide basis in Alberta. NPA 403 is expected to exhaust in the 4th Quarter of 2009.

Accordingly, you are invited to attend the Initial NPA 780 Relief Planning Meeting hosted by the CNA as follows:

Location: Delta Edmonton Centre Suite Hotel
10222 102 Street
Edmonton, Alberta
Ph: 780-429-3900
Fax: 780-428-1566

Dates: Thursday and Friday, November 25 and 26, 2004

Time: November 25 - 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.
November 26 - 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

A copy of the Guidelines can be obtained from: http://www.cnac.ca/npa_data.htm.

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In accordance with the Canadian NPA Relief Planning Guidelines, the CNA, acting in its role as NPA 780 Relief Coordinator, has prepared the attached Initial Planning Document (IPD). During the preparation of the IPD, all code relief methods were considered but only several were included in the base IPD. The Relief Planning Committee may use this IPD as a base line document to prepare the Relief Plan for NPA 780.

The date of the Initial NPA 780 Relief Planning Meeting was selected to allow sufficient time for Interested Parties and the CRTC to analyze the Relief Options identified in the IPD from the perspectives of the effects on their customers, economics, and technological and operational impacts. At the Initial NPA Relief Planning Meeting, Interested Parties may provide contributions proposing Relief Options. The NPA Relief Planning Committee shall establish a schedule for subsequent Relief Planning Meetings (or conference calls) to discuss the proposed Relief Options and develop a Relief Plan via a consensus process.

The CNA hereby requests proposals for Relief Options for NPA 780 from all Interested Parties. To assist in developing contributions, the aggregate forecast from the July 2004 R-NRUF, including a list of the Exchange Areas for NPA 780, is available from the CNA website at: http://www.cnac.ca/npa_data.htm#NPA780. Please submit your contributions for Relief Options to me no later than Thursday, November 11, 2004 and bring sufficient copies (about 30) to be distributed to all participants at the Initial NPA Relief Planning Meeting.

If you have any questions or require additional information please contact me or Fiona Clegg at 613-563-7242.

In addition, please confirm your attendance by contacting Fiona Clegg at cleggf@saiccanada.com, no later than November 11, 2004.

Sincerely,

Original Signed by:

Suresh Khare
NPA 780 Relief Coordinator

Attachment

c.c.: CSCN Chair
CRTC Staff