

NPA 250/604/778:

Commission Directives

On 3 November 2010 the Commission released Telecom Notice of Consultation CRTC 2010-815, Establishment of a CISC ad hoc committee for relief planning for area codes 250, 604, and 778 in British Columbia. The purpose of the Relief Planning Committee is to examine options for providing numbering relief to the area served by area codes 250, 604 and 778.

In developing its recommendations, the 250, 604, and 778 RPC was directed by the Commission to set aside, at a minimum, 7 Central Office (CO) Codes for initial code assignments from area code 778 for Carriers already providing service in the areas served by area codes 250, 604, and 778, and 10 CO Codes from area code 778 for initial code assignments exclusively for new entrants.

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Status Report

In the latest G-NRUF the projected Exhaust Date has moved inward by almost 3.5 years from December 2019 to July 2016. Commission staff will be requested to issue a Telecom Notice of Public Consultation to form a Relief Planning Committee as soon as the CNA reviews the R-NRUF data due in August.

The CNA is in the process of developing an NPA 250, 604, 778 Initial Planning Document (IPD), and will be releasing it shortly.

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A number of NPA 250/604/778 RPC conference calls have been held to discuss R-NRUF results. In addition, conference calls for the NPA 250/604/778 NITF and CATF (Telecommunications Alliance) have been held to discuss their progress.

NPA 236 was successfully implemented in the NPA 250/604/778 geographic area on 1 June 2013.

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

Summary of Projected Exhaust Dates

NPA	Type of C-NRUF	Date of Publication	Projected Exhaust Date
250/604/778	G – NRUF	01 April 2010	July 2016
250/604/778	R – NRUF	25 August 2010	July 2016
250/604/778	R – NRUF (January 2011)	5 April 2011	November 2014
250/604/778	R – NRUF (July 2011)	7 October 2011	September 2014
250/604/778	R – NRUF (January 2012)	10 April 2012	February 2014
250/604/778	R – NRUF (July 2012)	5 October 2012	March 2014
250/604/778	R – NRUF (January 2013)	28 March 2013	April 2014