

NPA 902:

Commission Directives

On 24 May 2012 the Commission released Telecom Notice of Consultation CRTC 2012-309, *Establishment of a CISC ad hoc committee for relief planning for area code 902 in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island* in which it established a CISC ad hoc Relief Planning Committee (RPC) to examine options for providing relief to area code 902 in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island. The Commission noted that area code 902 is now in a Jeopardy Condition.

In developing its recommendations, the NPA 902 RPC was directed by the Commission to set aside seven CO Codes for initial assignments for carriers already providing service in area code 902. The Commission also directed the 902 RPC to set aside ten CO Codes for initial code assignments exclusively for new entrants, and to ensure that this pool of CO Codes remains in place for a period of two years after the introduction of the new area code in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island or until the pool is depleted, whichever occurs first.

On 1 October 2012, the Commission issued Telecom Decision CRTC 2012-528, *Area code relief for area code 902 in Nova Scotia and Prince Edward Island*. In the Decision the Commission determined that area code relief for NPA 902 is to be provided by implementing a distributed overlay using new area code 782, effective 30 November 2014. The Commission also approved the NPA 902 Relief Implementation Plan in the same Decision.

Status Report

The January 2011 G-NRUF indicated that NPA 902 was just within the NPA Relief Planning window. At the request of the CSCN, the CNA conducted an R-NRUF in July 2011. At this time, it is anticipated that the CNA will conduct one more R-NRUF (in January 2012) after which the CNA may request a Notice of Consultation from the CRTC.

On 8 March 2012, after analysis of the January 2012 R-NRUF results, the CNA requested that the Commission issue a Notice of Consultation to form an ad hoc Relief Planning Committee for NPA 902.

Although an NPA 902 Relief Planning Committee had not yet been formed an invitation was sent to Industry Stakeholders on 16 May 2012 to attend the Initial NPA 902 Relief Planning meeting which will be held in Halifax on 12, 13 & 14 June 2012.

The CNA issued the Initial Planning Document for NPA 902 on 28 May 2012.

A face-to-face meeting was held on 12, 13 & 14 June 2012, and several subsequent conference calls were held to discuss the Planning Document and Relief Implementation Plan.

On 23 July 2012 NPA 902 TIF Report #1 (Relief Planning Committee (RPC) Recommendation for NPA 902 Relief (Planning Document and Relief Implementation Plan)) was submitted to the CISC for approval. It was approved by the CISC on 8 August 2012 and has been forwarded to the Commission for a decision.

After release of Telecom Decision CRTC 2012-528, the CNA requested that NPA 782 be assigned to the geographic area served by NPA 902 in accordance with the Commission's Decision. NANPA granted the request on 4 October 2012.

NPA 902 Relief Planning Committee conference calls have been held to discuss J-NRUF results. Kick-off meetings of the Network Implementation and Consumer Awareness (Telecommunications Alliance) Task Forces have been held and the first of the Consumer Awareness and Network Implementation Task Force Progress Reports were sent to Commission staff on 4 July 2013.

The original May 2013 Planning Letter for NPA 782/902 was revised twice in January 2014 to add some additional Test Codes for carriers that had not previously indicated they would apply for Test Codes. The latest revised Planning Letter is dated 24 January 2014.

As of 25 September 2014, the Jeopardy Contingency Plan for NPA 902 was no longer in effect as it was within 66 days of the 30 November 2014 Relief Date.

Relief was implemented 30 November 2014 with no significant issues.

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
902	January 2011 G-NRUF	5 April 2011	May 2017
902	July 2011 R-NRUF	7 October 2011	April 2017
902	January 2012 R-NRUF	10 April 2012	January 2016
902	July 2012 J-NRUF	12 August 2012	June 2015 (V-1) May 2014 (V-2)
902	October 2012 J-NRUF	3 December 2012	June 2015 (V-1) July 2014 (V-2)
902	January 2013 J-NRUF	28 March 2013	October 2014 (V-1) December 2013 (V-2)
902	April 2013 J-NRUF	4 June 2013	December 2014 (V-1) February 2014 (V-2)
902	July 2013 J-NRUF	30 August 2013	January 2015 (V-1) January 2014 (V-2)
902	October 2013 J-NRUF	5 December 2013	January 2015 (V-1) April 2014 (V-2)
902	January 2014 J-NRUF	24 March 2014	December 2014 (V-1) June 2014 (V-2)
902	April 2014 J-NRUF	4 June 2014	November 2014 (V-1) June 2014 (V-2)