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From: North American Numbering Plan Administration (NANPA)

Subject: NPA 564 to Overlay NPAs 206, 253, 360, and 425 (Washington)

The Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission (WUTC), in decision UT-990219, has ordered a single all-services overlay over the existing 206, 253, 360, and 425 NPAs in western Washington.

The new 564 NPA will serve the geographic area currently served by the existing 206, 253, 360, and 425 NPAs. Some of the communities to be served by NPA 564 include Aberdeen, Arlington, Auburn, Bellingham, Bellevue, Bremerton, Camas, Everett, Federal Way, Ferndale, Kirkland, Long Beach, Neah Bay, Olympia, Port Angeles, Puyallup, Redmond, Seatac, Seattle, Stevens Pass, and Tacoma, Vancouver, and Vashon Island,. A map of the overlay area is included.

In preparation for the introduction of the overlay and mandatory 10-digit dialing, the WUTC ordered all service providers to introduce a permissive dialing period, beginning September 1, 2000. During the permissive dialing period, subscribers may dial local calls within the overlay area on either a 7-digit or 10-digit basis, but will be encouraged to dial 10 digits. After 2:00 AM Pacific Time on October 20, 2001, 10 digit dialing for all local and extended area service calls will be mandatory. Central office codes in the 564 NPA may be activated any time after 2:00 AM on October 20, 2001.

After the beginning of mandatory 10-digit dialing on October 20, 2001, the dialing plan for the overlay area will be as follows:

- All local calls will be dialed with 10 digits (NPA + NXX + XXXX).
- All toll calls will be dialed with prefix "1" and 10 digits (1 + NPA + NXX + XXXX).
- All operator-assisted calls, including credit-card, collect, and third-party calls, will be dialed with prefix "0" and 10 digits (0 + NPA + NXX + XXXX).

International and domestic carriers should ensure that the 564 NPA has been activated throughout their networks prior to October 20, 2001. Test calls to verify routing to the new NPA code can be made by dialing:

564-200-0564 for Bellingham (provided by Qwest) 564-201-0564 for Olympia (provided by Qwest)

564-300-0564	for Bremerton (provided by Qwest)
564-301-0564	for Vancouver (provided by Qwest)
564-400-0564	for Aberdeen (provided by Qwest)
564-401-0564	for Port Angeles (provided by Qwest)
564-500-0564	for Monroe (provided by GTE)
564-501-0564	for Mount Vernon (provided by GTE)

These test numbers will be effective October 21, 2000. Calls successfully completed to the test number will receive a recorded announcement. The test numbers will be disconnected on or about November 30, 2001.

The special use NXX codes (555 for directory assistance, 700 for intraLATA presubscription, 958 and 959 for universal test numbers, 950 for Feature Group B, and 976 for information services) will be made available in the new 564 NPA.

An updated list of NXX codes assigned to the area may be found in the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG) or the NPA NXX Activity Guide (NNAG). The NNAG is free of charge and the LERG is available by license contract from Telcordia Technologies' Traffic Routing Administration (TRA), which can be contacted through the TRA hotline, 732-699-6700.

This Planning Letter replaces replaces Planning Letter 196.

General questions concerning the overlay may be directed to Joe Cocke NPA Relief Planning – Western Region at 805-520-1945. Questions of a technical nature should be directed to the NPA project coordinator of each respective service provider.

