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From: North American Numbering Plan Administration (NANPA)

Subject: Suspension Relief in the 816 NPA (Missouri)

On February 15, 2001, the Missouri Public Service Commission ("Commission") issued an order in Case No. TO-2000-374 directing the implementation of an all services overlay for the relief of the 816 NPA. Under that order, NPA 975 was assigned as the relief area code for the area currently served by the existing 816 NPA. Accordingly, a four-month permissive dialing period was scheduled to begin on October 20, 2001 (See PL-262, issued February 20, 2001), which was later postponed in a subsequent order until May 5, 2002 (See PL-280, issued May 9, 2001).

On September 25, 2001, the Commission announced that based upon the current number of available NXX codes in the 816 NPA, coupled with current code utilization requirements, it has determined that there is no immediate need for area code relief in the 816 NPA and ordered that implementation of the new 975 NPA be suspended indefinitely. In its order the Commission indicated that implementation of the new relief NPA will be taken up upon by the Commission Staff's motion, the motion of Technical Implementation Committees, or alternatively, the motion of any party presenting information showing that exhaust is imminent or is likely to occur within six months. NANPA will issue another Planning Letter when the Commission makes a decision on relief of the 816 NPA.

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