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From: North American Numbering Plan Administration (NANPA)

Subject: Suspension of 513/283 NPA Overlay (Ohio)

On September 28, 2000, the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission") issued an order in Case No. 99-668-TP-COI directing the implementation of an all services overlay for the relief of the 513 NPA. Under that order, NPA 283 was assigned to serve the same geographic area as the existing 513 NPA, and a permissive dialing period would commence on January 15, 2001 for an undetermined period of time (See PL-264, issued February 27, 2001). On June 21, 2001 the Commission issued a subsequent order indicating that mandatory ten or eleven-digit dialing in the 513 NPA would take effect on June 21, 2002. (See PL-286, issued June 29, 2001).

On March 14, 2002, the Commission announced that a decrease in the demand for NXX codes has delayed the need for area code relief in the 513 NPA, and has ordered that the rollout of the new 283 NPA and the corresponding implementation of ten-digit dialing be suspended indefinitely. The Commission has further directed that local telephone service providers must continue to maintain the existing permissive dialing protocol. The Commission also indicated that it would continue to monitor NXX code utilization and will attempt to provide local telephone service providers and the public with a minimum notice of six months prior to implementing mandatory ten-digit dialing in the 513 NPA. NANPA will issue another Planning Letter when the Commission makes a decision on relief of the 513 NPA.

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