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From: North American Numbering Plan Administration (NANPA)

Subject: Suspension of 614/380 NPA Overlay (Ohio)

On June 27, 2001, the Public Utility Commission of Ohio ("Commission") issued an order in Case No. 00-1260-TP-COI directing the implementation of an all services overlay for the relief of the 614 NPA. Under that order, NPA 380 was assigned to serve the same geographic area as the existing 614 NPA. A thirteen-month permissive dialing period began on August 18, 2001, and was to continue until the start of mandatory dialing on September 21, 2002. (See PL-290, issued August 2, 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 614 NPA, and has ordered that the rollout of the new 380 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 614 NPA. NANPA will issue another Planning Letter when the Commission makes a decision on relief of the 614 NPA.

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