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 Subject: NPA 854 to Overlay NPA 843 (South Carolina)
 Related Previous Planning Letters: None

General Description

On December 13, 2013 the South Carolina Public Service Commission in Decision 2013-872 approved an all-services overlay as the relief method for the 843 NPA. The 843 NPA generally covers the Coastal Counties and principally serves the communities of Charleston, Hilton Head Island, Myrtle Beach, and Florence.

The new **854 NPA** will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 843 NPA.

Implementation of Relief Plan

Implementation of the overlay of the 854 NPA is as follows:

	Time	Date
Start network preparation and customer education for overlay no later than		September 13, 2014
Start of permissive 10-digit dialing	12:01 AM ET	March 14, 2015
End of permissive dialing and start of mandatory 10-digit dialing	12:01 AM ET	September 19, 2015
Earliest new NPA central office code activation date*	-	October 19, 2015
Earliest date central office codes in the new NPA may be ordered through NANPA	-	April 19, 2015

* Effective Date of the New 854 NPA

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 the permissive period ends, all local calls must be dialed using 10-digits.

Central Office Code Listings and NPA Map

A map of the 843/854 NPA overlay is attached. Since NXX information may change over time, please consult the NANPA website at www.nanpa.com, iconectiv's LERG Routing Guide or the NPA NXX Activity Guide for updated information. Information in the LERG Routing Guide and NPA NXX Activity Guide is available by license contract from Telecom Routing Administration, at 732-699-6700.

Dialing Plan

Coincident with the introduction of mandatory 10-digit dialing on September 19, 2015, the dialing plan for the 843 and 854 NPAs will be as follows:

Type of call	Call terminating in	Dialing plan
Local call	Home NPA (HNPA) or Foreign NPA (FNPA)	10-digits (NPA-NXX-XXXX)*
Toll call	HNPA or FNPA	1 + 10-digits (1 + NPA-NXX-XXXX)
Operator Services Credit card, collect, third party	HNPA or FNPA	0 + 10-digits (0 + NPA-NXX-XXXX)

*1+10 digit for all HNPA and FNPA calls permissible at each service provider's discretion

Network Testing

All international and domestic carriers should ensure that the new 854 NPA has been activated throughout their networks prior to October 19, 2015. A test number to verify the routing to the new NPA will be in service beginning July 19, 2015 through November 19, 2015. The test number to verify the routing to the 854 NPA is (854) 854-1854. A recorded announcement will indicate that the test call has been successfully completed.

General Information

The information in this planning letter reflects detailed information about NPA relief activities. The information has been derived from commission orders and from industry implementation decisions. The implementation of the plan described in this letter is the responsibility of individual service providers, and NANPA does not guarantee that the activities and plans will occur exactly as described herein.

Contact Information

General questions regarding the relief of the NPA 843 should be directed to Thomas C. Foley, Senior Manager Data Analysis - NANPA, on (571) 434-5726. Questions of a technical nature should be directed to the NPA coordinator of the appropriate service provider.

Attached is a list of service provider and contact information that is provided to assist in the implementation of the relief plan described herein. Because this information is subject to change, NANPA cannot guarantee the completeness or the accuracy of the attached list.

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SOUTH CAROLINA 843 & 854 AREA CODE OVERLAY

