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Subject: Notification of Assignment of 882 NPA for Inbound Foreign Billed Calls to Toll-Free Numbers

The Industry Numbering Committee (INC), a standing committee of the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS), reached consensus that the 882 Numbering Plan Area (NPA) code should be assigned for the provisioning of international inbound "foreign billed" 800 type service. This service provides for calls originating in one North American Numbering Plan (NANP) country and terminating in another country in the NANP area. NANPA, therefore, assigns the 882 NPA for this purpose. This assignment follows the same type of assignment that 880 and 881 NPAs provided for the provisioning of 800 and 888 toll free service; NPA 882 provides relief for Toll Free NPA 877 implemented April 4, 1998.

Identical to the 880 and 881 NPAs, the 882 NPA may be used when placing calls originating from countries in the Caribbean that terminate to 800 numbers in the United States or Canada. In such cases, the international portion of the call will be paid by the caller. The 882 NPA may also be used when placing calls originating from Canada that terminate to 800 numbers in the U.S. In this case, the caller pays for the Canadian portion of the call.

The industry agreed to the assignment at the INC meeting on March 19, 1998, contingent upon the formation of a team, led by Alfred Oyog of Cable and Wireless Cayman Island, and Doug Birdwise of Stentor. This team's charge is to develop a plan to provide for reclamation of Paid 800 Service for NPAs 880, 881 and newly assigned 882. Mr. Oyog and Mr. Birdwise are seeking volunteers in the industry who would like to participate on this team. Barring presentation of a reclamation plan, there was no consensus to permit another NPA code to open in this manner. Industry members who are interested in participating on this team are encouraged to contact either Alfred Oyog on 770-529-0271 or Doug Birdwise on 613-781-0680.

Questions concerning the contents of this letter may be referred to Rose Breidenbaugh, on 202 756-5779.

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