

Number: PL-213
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From: North American Numbering Plan Administration (NANPA)
Subject: NPA 234 to Overlay NPA 330 (Ohio)

In Docket Numbers 99-669-TP-COI and 97-884-TP-COI, Opinion and Order, October 28, 1999, the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio approved a full services distributed overlay to relieve the 330 NPA that serves northeastern Ohio, including the cities of Akron, Canton and Youngstown. The 234 NPA code has been assigned for this purpose, and will be introduced on October 30, 2000. A map showing this area served by the 330 NPA and by the new 234 NPA is attached.

In preparation for the overlay, permissive 10-digit dialing of local calls will begin at 12:01 AM EST on April 1, 2000 and will continue until 12:01 AM EDT October 1, 2000. On October 1, 2000 mandatory 10-digit local dialing will commence.

The dialing plan described below applies to the 330 NPA after the beginning of mandatory on October 1, 2000 and to the 234 NPA after its introduction.

- All intra-NPA local dialing in the 330 and the 234 NPAs is 10 digit (NPA-NXX-XXXX).
- Operator-assisted, third-party and credit card calls must be dialed as 0+ ten digits (0-NPA-NXX-XXXX).

On January 6, 2000 the Public Utilities Commission of Ohio adopted a statewide dialing plan that provides for additional dialing patterns.¹

All international and domestic carriers should ensure that the new 234 NPA code has been activated throughout their networks prior to April 1, 2000. After April 1, 2000, test calls to verify routing to the new 234 NPA can be made by dialing 234-333-1234 (Akron, Ohio Rate Center, switch CLLI is AKRNOH2525F). Calls successfully completed to the test number will receive a recorded announcement. The test number will be disconnected after October 30, 2000.

Central office codes in the 234 NPA may not be assigned with effective dates that are prior to October 30, 2000.

Refer general questions about this relief activity to Ben Childers, NANPA, at 573-442-7721. Direct specific questions to the appropriate service provider.

¹ Details of this plan can be found at: <http://www.puc.state.oh.us/DOCKET/ORDERS/2000/0102/99-669.pdf>. Specifically, paragraph (6), page 4, orders the following:

1. 10 and 11-digit dialing capability for all basic local (flat and measured rate) and non-optional (flat and measured rate) extended area service interNPA calls,
2. No changes to CMRS dialing,
3. Optional local calling plans must be dialed using 11-digits, and cannot be dialed using only 10-digits.



On February 17, 2000 the Commission granted a waiver to certain sections of the dialing plan.



Ohio 330 and new 234 Area Code Overlay



NPA 330 Legend

-  NPA Boundaries
-  Rate Center Boundaries