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Subject: Mandatory Dialing Date Established for NPAs 847 and 224 (Illinois)

On June 30, 1998, NANPA issued Planning Letter 127 announcing the assignment of NPA code 224 to overlay the 847 NPA. The overlay was in accordance with a relief plan approved by the Illinois Commerce Commission (“ICC”) in Consolidated Docket 97-0192/97-0211. Permissive 1 + 10 digit dialing of calls in the 847 NPA began on May 11, 1998.

Since the original order, number conservation efforts have made it possible to delay the start of mandatory 1+10 digit dialing in the 847 NPA and the introduction of the 224 NPA. On October 4, 2001, the ICC notified NANPA that mandatory 1+10-digit dialing in the 847 and 224 NPAs would begin on January 5, 2002. As of that date, the dialing plan for the 847 and 224 NPAs will be as follows:

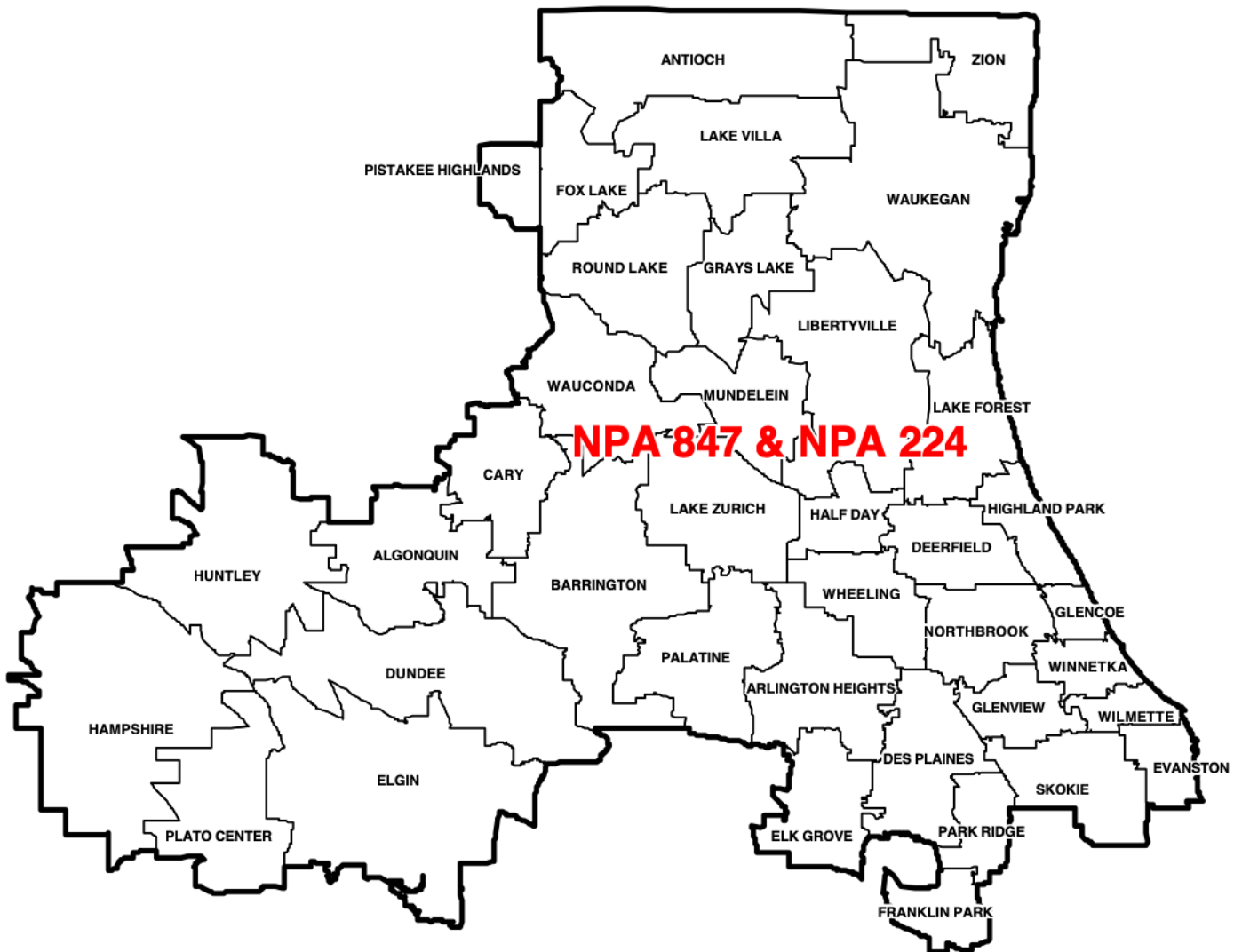
- All local and toll calls will be dialed with a prefix “1” and 10-digits (1+NPA+NXX+XXXX).
- All operator-assisted calls, including credit card, collect, and third party calls, will require the prefix “0” and 10 digits (0+NPA+NXX+XXXX).

International and domestic carriers should ensure that the new 224 NPA has been activated throughout their networks. Test calls to verify routing to the 224 NPA can be made by dialing 224-444-1234. The test number is currently in service, and will remain in effect through January 5, 2003. A recorded announcement will indicate that the test call has been successfully completed to the new NPA.

General questions concerning the relief of the 224 NPA should be directed to Frank Colaco, Senior NPA Relief Planner – Central Region NANPA, at (973) 740-9100. Questions of a technical nature should be directed to the NPA coordinator of the appropriate service provider.



Overlay Relief for NPA 847



NPA 847/224 Map Legend

- NPA Boundaries
- Rate Center Boundaries