

Number: PL-331
Date: June 2, 2003
Subject: Recovery of NPA Codes 880, 881, 882 (Paid Toll-Free Service) Scheduled for April 1, 2004
Related Previous Planning Letters: 119, Bellcore ILs 96/03-001 and 95/12-007

At the direction of the Industry Numbering Committee (INC), NANPA assigned NPA codes 880, 881, and 882 on a temporary basis for the provision of “paid toll-free service.” This service allows callers in a NANP-member country to access toll-free numbers in another NANP country under an arrangement in which the caller pays for the international leg of the call and the called party pays for the domestic leg of the call. The caller invokes the service by dialing NPA 880 in place of 800, 881 in place of 888, or 882 in place of 877, followed by the remaining seven digits of the toll free number.

INC reached consensus that the paid toll-free codes would be discontinued as of April 1, 2004. Details may be found in the documentation for INC Issue 131, which may be found on the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions website, www.atis.org.

This planning letter provides notice that NPA codes 880, 881, and 882 will be reclaimed effective April 1, 2004. Service providers should plan to withdraw paid toll-free services using these NPA codes in advance of that date. Upon return, NPA codes 880, 881, and 882 will be reserved for use as future toll-free codes.

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