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**From:** Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA)  
**Subject:** NPA 613 & NPA 819 Relief Phase One (Dial Plan Change)  
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**This Planning Letter supersedes PL-340, dated August 19, 2004**

**Dial Plan Change**

In Order CRTC 2001-841, dated 28 November 2001, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) directed a two-phased approach for the purpose of implementing NPA relief in the geographic areas covered by NPA 613 (eastern Ontario) and NPA 819 (northern and western Quebec). On 28 February 2003, the CRTC issued Telecom Decision CRTC 2003-10, *Deferral of relief dates for area codes 613 and 819*, in which it approved deferring the phase one relief date for area codes 613 and 819 from the fourth quarter of 2004 to the fourth quarter of 2006, and suspending phase two relief for area code 613 indefinitely.

This Planning Letter addresses the introduction of 10-digit local dialing for all local calls, from, to and within area codes 613 and 819. Exchange areas in neighbouring NPAs 418, 450 and 705 that currently have 7-digit local dialing into NPAs 613 and 819 will be affected by this relief activity.

To accommodate the provisions of Order CRTC 2001-841 and Telecom Decision CRTC 2003-10, permissive 10-digit dialing will begin on 17 June 2006 at 00:01 a.m. Eastern Daylight Time (EDT). During the permissive dialing period, subscribers making local calls from, to and within area codes 613 and 819 may dial either 7- or 10-digits but are encouraged to dial 10-digits (NPA + NXX + XXXX) for all local and Extended Area Service calls. All Canadian carriers operating in NPAs 613 and 819 will begin introducing the 10-digit dialing automatic announcement between 17 June and 19 June 2006, and will maintain the announcement for calls dialed on a 7-digit basis until mandatory 10-digit dialing is introduced on 21 October 2006 at 00:01 a.m. Eastern Standard Time (EST). After the beginning of mandatory 10-digit dialing on 21 October 2006, an announcement will be activated for 7-digit calls, informing the subscriber that 10-digit dialing is required. The mandatory dialing announcement will be phased-in over the period from 21 October 2006 through 28 October 2006.

Order CRTC 2001-841 requires that the six CO Codes assigned to the federal government in area code 819 (City of Gatineau, formerly Hull) are to remain protected in NPA 613 to maintain the current dual-dialable codes to ensure that long distance calls to government numbers in the City of Gatineau that are dialed using either area code 613 or 819 will reach the proper government office. At this time, five CO Codes have been activated as dual-dialable codes for the Government of Canada in NPAs 819 and 613 (i.e., 953, 956, 994, 997 and 934). One additional CO Code has been allocated for the exclusive use of the Government of Canada as dual-dialable codes (i.e., 939), and will be activated as required.

All domestic carriers should ensure that 10-digit local dialing capability has been implemented throughout their networks in the affected area codes prior to 17 June 2006.

The dial plan for calls originating from NPAs 613 and 819 will change as follows:

| NPA | Local Dial Plan | Local Dial Plan  | Toll Dial Plan | Toll Dial Plan |
|-----|-----------------|------------------|----------------|----------------|
|     | Current         | Future           | Current        | Future         |
| 450 | 7 digits        | <b>10 digits</b> | 1 + 10 digits  | 1 + 10 digits  |
| 613 | 7 digits        | <b>10 digits</b> | 1 + 10 digits  | 1 + 10 digits  |
| 819 | 7 digits        | <b>10 digits</b> | 1 + 10 digits  | 1 + 10 digits  |

The dial plan for calling from Canadian exchange areas outside of NPAs 613 and 819 that currently have 7-digit local dialing into NPAs 613 and 819 will change as follows:

| NPA        | Local Dial Plan   | Local Dial Plan  | Toll Dial Plan | Toll Dial Plan |
|------------|---|--|----------------|----------------|
|            | Current   | Future   | Current        | Future         |
| 418<br>705 | 7 digits for all local calls except for 10-digit local dialing into NPA 514 | <b>7 digits for all local calls except for 10-digit local dialing into NPAs 514, 613 and 819 (and NPA 438, when implemented)</b> | 1 + 10 digits  | 1 + 10 digits  |
| 450        | 7 digits for all local calls except for 10-digit local dialing into NPA 514 | <b>10-digit local dialing into NPAs 514, 613 and 819 (and NPA 438, when implemented)</b>   | 1 + 10 digits  | 1 + 10 digits  |

General questions about this relief activity or CO Code Administration may be directed to Glenn Pilley or Suresh Khare, CNA, at 613-563-7242. Technical questions should be directed to the appropriate service provider.

**NPAs 613 and 819**

