

**Number:** PL- 392  
**Date:** August 10, 2009  
**Subject:** NPA 872 to Overlay NPAs 312 and 773 (Illinois)  
**Related Previous Planning Letters:** PL-195, PL-390

**General Description**

On June 30, 1999 the Illinois Commerce Commission (ICC) in Docket No. 98-0847, approved an all-services distributed overlay as the relief method for the 312 and 773 NPAs. The 312 NPA and 773 NPA serve the City of Chicago; the 773 NPA also serves O’Hare International Airport and Midway International Airport. The new **872 NPA** will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 312 and 773 NPAs.

**Implementation of Relief Plan**

Implementation of the overlay of the 872 NPA is as follows:

	<b>Time</b>	<b>Date</b>
Start of permissive 1+10-digit dialing	-	August 7, 2009
End of permissive dialing and start of mandatory 1+10-digit dialing	12:01 AM Central	November 7, 2009
Earliest new NPA central office code activation date	-	November 7, 2009

The unique implementation intervals provided by the Commission required all NXX codes to be assigned from the 773 NPA before assignments could be made from the 872 NPA. On June 25, 2009, NANPA notified the ICC regarding the status of the 773 NPA with only three remaining codes available for assignment to comply with at least a thirty-day notice prior to the assignment of the first code from the 872 NPA. The last available 773 NPA-NXX code was assigned on July 9, 2009. On August 7, 2009, NANPA notified the ICC that the first code was assigned from the new 872 NPA. This date serves as the start of a ninety-day permissive dialing period and allows service providers to notice their customers.

During the permissive dialing period, subscribers may dial local calls within the overlay area on either a 7-digit or 1 plus 10-digit basis, but will be encouraged to dial 1 plus 10-digits. After the permissive period ends, all calls must be dialed using 1 plus 10-digits.

When preparing for overlay area code relief, carriers are strongly encouraged to prepare their switches to begin sending 10 digits prior to the mandatory 1 plus 10-digit dialing conversion date for customers.

**Central Office Code Listings and NPA Map**

A map of the 312-773/872 NPA overlay is attached. Since NXX information may change over time, please consult the NANPA website at [www.nanpa.com](http://www.nanpa.com) or the Local Exchange Routing

Guide (LERG) or the NXX Activity Guide (NNAG) for updated information. Information in the LERG and NNAG is available by license contract from Telcordia Routing Administration (TRA), at 732-699-6700.

### **Dialing Plan**

Coincident with the introduction of mandatory 1 plus 10-digit dialing, the dialing plan for the 312, 773 and 872 NPAs will be as follows:

Type of call	Call terminating in	Dialing plan
Local call	Home NPA (HNPA) or Foreign NPA (FNPA)	1 + 10-digits (1 + NPA-NXX-XXXX)
Toll call	HNPA or FNPA	1 + 10-digits (1 + NPA-NXX-XXXX)
Operator Services Credit card, collect, third party	HNPA or FNPA	0 + 10-digits (0 + NPA-NXX-XXXX)

### **Network Testing**

All international and domestic carriers should ensure that the new 872 NPA has been activated throughout their networks. The test number to verify the routing to the new 872 NPA is 872-872-1872 and will be available starting October 14, 2009 until December 7, 2009. A recorded announcement will indicate that the test call has been successfully completed.

### **General Information**

The information in this planning letter reflects detailed information about NPA relief activities. The information has been derived from commission orders and from industry implementation decisions. The implementation of the plan described in this letter is the responsibility of individual service providers, and NANPA does not guarantee that the activities and plans will occur exactly as described herein.

### **Contact Information**

General questions regarding the relief of the 312 & 773 NPAs should be directed to Joe Cocke, Senior NPA Relief Planner NANPA, on 805-520-1945. Questions of a technical nature should be directed to the NPA coordinator of the appropriate service provider.

Attached is a list of company and contact information that is provided to assist in the implementation of the relief plan described herein. Because this information is subject to change, NANPA cannot guarantee the completeness or the accuracy of the attached list.

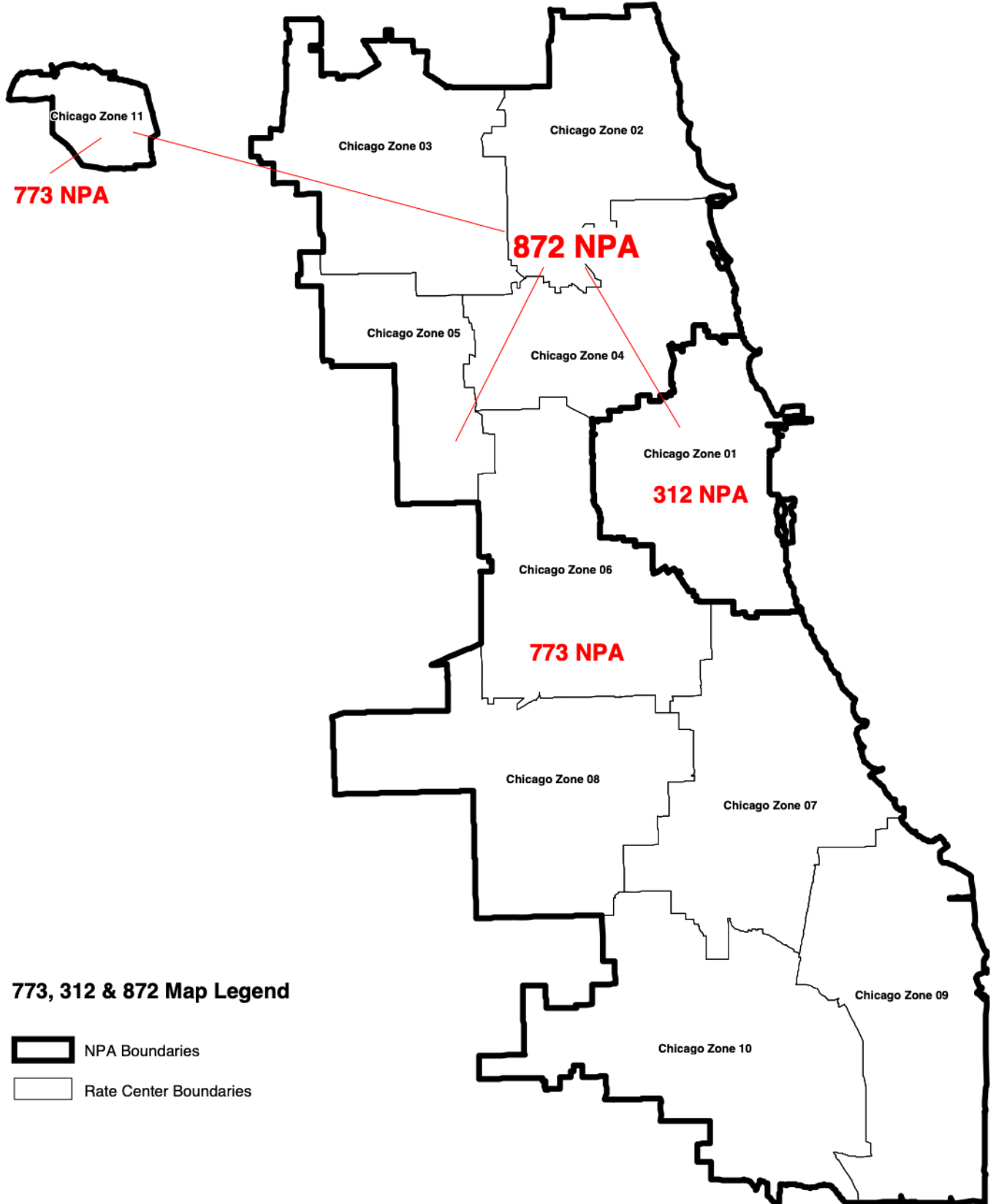
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# 773, 312 & 872 NPA Overlay Rate Center Map



## 773, 312 & 872 Map Legend

- NPA Boundaries
- Rate Center Boundaries