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In Telecom Decision CRTC 2011-451 dated 28 July 2011, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) directed that relief for British Columbia area codes 250/604/778 be provided through a distributed overlay of a new area code 236 starting 1 June 2013.

New area code 236 has been assigned by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator and will be implemented on the Relief Date of 1 June 2013 as a distributed overlay over the province of British Columbia currently served by the 250, 604 and 778 area codes. A map showing the location of the area served by area codes 250, 604 and 778, and a list of the 314 Exchange Areas in the area are attached to this letter.

When the new NPA Code 236 is introduced, no changes will take place in the dialling plans in the area that is served by NPAs 250/604/778 and that will be served by NPA Code 236. The dialling plan in this area will continue to be:

- all local calls including Extended Area Service calls will be dialled with 10 digits
- toll and alternatively billed calls will be dialled with 10 digits after the appropriate prefix digit(s).

All international and domestic Telecommunications Service Providers (TSPs) should activate the new NPA Code 236 throughout their networks by the start date for network testing (3 March 2013).

The following test numbers for the new NPA Code 236 will be made available effective 3 March 2013. Routing of calls to NPA 236 can be verified by dialling the 8378 (TEST) numbers which do not provide answer supervision. Billing of calls to NPA 236 can be verified by dialling the 2455 (BILL) numbers which provide answer supervision.

<b>Test Number</b>	<b>Exchange Area (Rate Centre)</b>	<b>Carrier</b>
236-410-8378 and -2455	Kelowna	TELUS
236-510-8378 and -2455	Vancouver	Rogers Communications
236-610-8378 and -2455	Vancouver	TELUS
236-710-8378 and -2455	Victoria	TELUS
236-810-8378 and -2455	Vancouver	MTS Allstream

Calls successfully completed to test numbers will receive the following announcement:

"You have successfully completed a call to the 236 area code test number at [CARRIER NAME] in British Columbia, Canada."

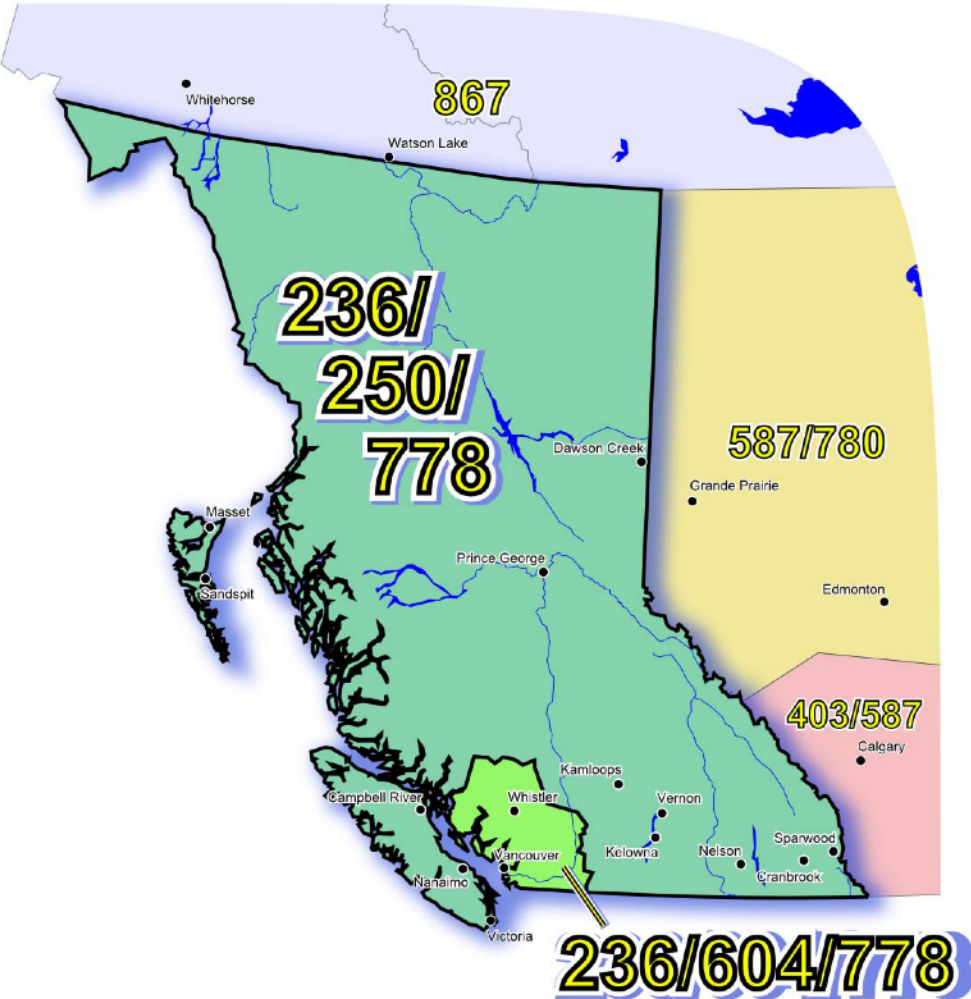
The disconnection dates for the test numbers will be between 1 July 2013 and 1 August 2013.

Central Office (NXX) Codes within NPA 236 may be assigned to TSPs starting from 1 December 2012, but cannot be activated in the PSTN prior to the Relief Date of 1 June 2012.

General questions about this relief activity may be directed to Glenn Pilley or Suresh Khare, of the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA), at 613-563-7242. Specific questions related to telecommunications services and network routing should be directed to the appropriate TSP.

Attachments

**Map of the NPA 250/604/778 area**  
(After relief the NPA 250/604/778 area will be the NPA 236/250/604/778 area)



**Exchange Areas in NPAs 250/604/778**

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100 Mile House	Cluverdale	Grasmere
108 Mile House	Cluculz Lake	Grassy Plains
150 Mile House	Cobble Hill	Greenville
70 Mile House	Comox	Greenwood
Abbotsford	Cortes Island	Gulf Islands
Agassiz	Courtenay	Hagensborg
Ahousat	Cranbrook	Haney
Aiyansh	Crawford Bay	Hansard
Aldergrove	Creston	Hartley Bay
Alert Bay	Cumberland	Hartway
Alexis Creek	Dallas	Hazelton
Alkali Lake	D'Arcy	Hedley
Armstrong	Dawson Creek	Hemlock Valley
Ashcroft	Dease Lake	Hendrix Lake
Aspen Park	Decker Lake	Hixon
Atlin	Donald	Holberg
Avola	Douglas Lake	Hope
Balfour	Dragon Lake	Horsefly
Bamfield	Duncan	Houston
Barriere	Duncan Lake	Hudson's Hope
Bear Lake	Dunster	Invermere
Beaver Cove	East Pine	Iskut
Beaver Valley	Elkford	Jaffray
Beaverdell	Elko	Jordan River
Bella Bella	Enderby	Kaslo
Bella Coola	Fairmont Hot Springs	Kelowna
Black Point	Falkland	Keremeos
Blue River	Fauquier	Kimberley
Blueberry	Fernie	Kincolith
Bob Quinn Lake	Field	Kitimat
Boston Bar	Flatrock	Kitkatla
Boswell	Forest Grove	Kitsault
Bouchie Lake	Fort Fraser	Kitwanga
Bowen Island	Fort Langley	Klemtu
Bowser	Fort Nelson	Kyuquot
Bridge Lake	Fort St. James	Lac La Hache
Britannia Beach	Fort St. John	Ladner
Burns Lake	Fort Ware	Ladysmith
Cache Creek	Francois Lake	Lake Cowichan
Campbell River	Fraser Lake	Lakelse
Canal Flats	Fruitvale	Lakeview Heights
Castlegar	Fulford Harbour	Langley
Cedar	Gabriola Island	Lantzville
Celista	Ganges	Lasqueti Island
Chase	Genelle	Likely
Chemainus	Gibsons	Lillooet
Chetwynd	Giscome	Little Fort
Chief Lake	Gold Bridge	Logan Lake
Chilako	Gold River	Loos
Chilliwack	Golden	Lower Post
Christina Lake	Good Hope Lake	Lumby
Clearwater	Grand Forks	Lytton
Clinton	Granisle	Mackenzie

Manning Park  
Masset  
McBride  
McLeese Lake  
McLeod Lake  
Merritt  
Mica Creek  
Midway  
Mission  
Montney  
Mould Creek  
Moyie  
Muncho Lake  
Nakusp  
Nanaimo  
Nanoose  
Naramata  
Nelson  
New Denver  
New Westminster  
Newton  
Nimpo Lake  
North Kamloops  
North Nelson  
North Vancouver  
Ocean Falls  
Okanagan Falls  
Okanagan Mission  
Oliver  
Osoyoos  
Oyama  
Oyster Bay  
Parksville  
Parson  
Peachland  
Pemberton  
Pender Harbour  
Pender Island  
Penticton  
Pineview  
Pitt Meadows  
Port Alberni  
Port Alice  
Port Clements  
Port Coquitlam  
Port Edward  
Port Hardy  
Port Mcneill  
Port Mellon  
Port Moody  
Port Renfrew  
Port Simpson

Pouce Coupe  
Powell River  
Prespatou  
Prince George  
Prince Rupert  
Princeton  
Pritchard  
Prophet River  
Puntzi  
Quadra Island  
Qualicum  
Queen Charlotte  
Quesnel  
Radium  
Red Rock  
Revelstoke  
Richmond  
Riondel  
Riske Creek  
Rock Creek  
Rolla  
Rosedale  
Rossland  
Rutland  
Saanich  
Salmo  
Salmon Arm  
Salmon Valley  
Sandspit  
Sardis  
Savona  
Sayward  
Sechelt  
Shalalth  
Sicamous  
Skookumchuck  
Slocan  
Smithers  
Sointula  
Sooke  
Sorrento  
South Kamloops  
South Slocan  
Sparwood  
Spences Bridge  
Spillimacheen  
Squamish  
Stewart  
Summerland  
Summit Lake  
Tachie  
Tahsis

Tappen  
Tatla Lake  
Taylor  
Telegraph Creek  
Telkwa  
Terrace  
Thrms  
Toad River  
Tofino  
Topley  
Trail  
Trout Lake  
Tsay Keh Dene  
Tumbler Ridge  
Ucluelet  
Union Bay  
Valemount  
Vallican  
Vananda  
Vancouver  
Vanderhoof  
Vanway  
Vavenby  
Vernon  
Victoria  
Wellington  
Wells  
West Vancouver  
Westbank  
Westsyde  
Westview  
Westwold  
Whalley  
Whistler  
White Rock  
Whonnock  
Wildwood  
William Head  
Williams Lake  
Willow Point  
Willowbrook  
Winfield  
Winter Harbour  
Wonowon  
Woss Lake  
Wynndel  
Yahk  
Yale  
Yarrow  
Youbou  
Zeballos