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## General Description

On August 11, 2021, the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA), after the Industry reached consensus at a meeting on July 7, 2021, sent a letter to the Illinois Commerce Commission (Commission), stating an all-services distributed overlay would be implemented over the 309 NPA unless the Commission directs the Illinois telecommunications industry otherwise within 90 calendar days from the submission of the letter. The letter was received by the Commission on August 13, 2021, and the Commission took no action within the 90 calendar days, which expired on November 11, 2021. NANPA is therefore proceeding with implementation of the new overlay NPA after communication with Commission staff.

The 309 NPA serves the west-central portion of Illinois. It serves the counties of Bureau, Dewitt, Fulton, Hancock, Henderson, Henry, Knox, Marshall, Mason, McDonough, McLean, Mercer, Peoria, Rock Island, Schuyler, Stark, Tazewell, Warren, Whiteside, and Woodford. The 309 serves cities including, but not limited to, Bloomington, Canton, Galesburg, Macomb, East Moline, East Peoria, Galesburg, Moline, Normal, Pekin, Peoria, and Rock Island in addition to many smaller communities. The new **861 NPA** will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 309 NPA. Additionally, central office codes in the 861 NPA will be available for assignment only when all assignable prefixes in the 309 NPA have been assigned.

## Implementation of Relief Plan

Implementation of the 309/861 NPA overlay is as follows:

	Time	Date
Network preparation and customer education begins	NA	5/24/2022
Network preparation and customer education period ends	NA	02/24/2023
Earliest new 861 central office code activation date*	-	02/24/2023
Earliest date central office codes in the new 861 NPA may be ordered through NANPA**	-	12/20/2022

\* In service Date of the New 861 NPA Overlay

\*\* Central office codes in the 861 NPA are available only when all assignable central office codes in the 309 NPA are assigned.

## Central Office Code Listings and NPA Maps

A rate center map of the 309/861 NPA overlay is attached. Since NXX information may change over time, please consult the NANPA website at [www.nanpa.com](http://www.nanpa.com), iconectiv's LERG Routing Guide or the NPA NXX Activity Guide for updated information. Information in the LERG Routing Guide and NPA NXX Activity Guide is available by license contract from Telecom Routing Administration, at 732-699-6700.

## Dialing Plan

The dialing plan for the 309/861 NPA overlay is as follows:

Type of call	Call terminating in	Dialing plan
Local call	Home NPA (HNPA) or Foreign NPA (FNPA) (including Extended Area Service (EAS) calls)	10-digits (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)

\*1+10 digit permissible at each service provider's discretion

## Network Testing

All international and domestic carriers should ensure that the new 861 NPA has been activated throughout their networks prior to February 24, 2023. The test number to verify the routing to the 861 NPA will be in service beginning November 24, 2022, through March 24, 2023. The test number to verify the routing to the 861 NPA is: 861-861-0861. A recorded announcement will indicate 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 309/861 NPA should be directed to Cecilia McCabe – NANPA, at 925-420-0130. Questions of a technical nature should be directed to the NPA coordinator of the appropriate service provider.

Attached is a list of service provider 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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# Illinois 309/861 NPA Overlay Rate Center Map

