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From: North American Numbering Plan Administration (NANPA)
Subject: NPA 667 to Overlay NPAs 410 and 443 (Maryland)

On January 3, 2001, the Public Service Commission of Maryland in Case No. 8853 issued Order No. 76681 approving an all-services distributed overlay as the relief method for the 410 and 443 NPAs that serve eastern Maryland. NANPA has assigned the 667 NPA code for this purpose. A map depicting the area to be served by the 667, 410 and 443 NPAs is attached.

In accordance with industry consensus, all network preparation for the implementation of the 667 NPA should be completed by September 1, 2001 at 12:01 a.m. (EST). Ten-digit dialing is already mandatory in the area served by these codes, so no permissive dialing period is required in preparation for this overlay. The in-service date for the 667 NPA, and the earliest code activation date for central office codes assigned in the 667 NPA, will be the date of exhaust of the 410/443 NPAs. That date is currently anticipated to be December 1, 2001. The date certain is to be set three months before exhaust.

The current Maryland dialing plan will not change with the activation of the 667 NPA.

- All local calls may be dialed as 10-digits (NPA+NXX+XXXX) or, permissively, as 1+10digits.
- All toll calls must be dialed as 1+10 digits (1+NPA+NXX+XXXX).
- Operator assisted, third party, and credit card calls must be dialed as 0 + 10 digits (0+NPA+NXX+XXXX).

Verizon has volunteered to provide a telephone number in the 667 NPA for testing purposes. Beginning August 1, 2001, test calls to verify routing can be made by dialing 667-999-TEST (8378). The test number will be available until two months after the activation of the 667 NPA. A recorded announcement will indicate successful completion of the call. Additionally, all international and domestic carriers should ensure that the new 667 NPA can be translated throughout their networks prior to August 1, 2001.

General questions concerning relief of the 410 and 443 NPAs may be directed to Sandra Boclair, NeuStar – NPA Relief Planning – Eastern Region, on 804 730-3772. Questions of a technical nature should be directed to the NPA project coordinator of each respective service provider.

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