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From: Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA)

Subject: NPA 431 to Overlay NPA 204 (Manitoba, Canada)

Related Previous Planning Letters: None

In Telecom Decision CRTC 2010-526 dated 28 July 2010, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) directed that relief for Manitoba area code 204 be provided through a distributed overlay of a new area code 431 starting 3 November 2012.

New area code 431 has been assigned by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator and will be implemented on the Relief Date of 3 November 2012 as a distributed overlay over the geographic area of the province of Manitoba currently served by the 204 area code. The 204 area code consists of 244 Exchange Areas serving the province of Manitoba which includes the major communities of Brandon, Dauphin, Portage La Prairie, Selkirk, Steinbach Thompson, Winkler and Winnipeg. A map showing the location of the area served by NPA 204, and a list of the 244 Exchange Areas in the area are attached to this letter.

Commencing on 29 July 2012, many calls dialled with 7 digits will first be connected to a network announcement notifying them that the local number they have dialled must be preceded by its area code and that their call will now proceed, and then the call will be completed. Carriers operating in NPA 204 that opt to employ a network announcement will phase in this network announcement during the period 29 July – 5 August, 2012 and maintain it until mandatory 10-digit local dialling is introduced on 3 November 2012.

When mandatory local 10-digit dialling begins, many calls dialled with 7 digits will be connected to a network announcement informing the caller that the number they dialled must be preceded by its area code, their call cannot be completed as dialled, and to hang up and redial using the area code. Carriers operating in NPA 204 that opt to employ a network announcement will phase in this network announcement during the period 20 – 27 October 2012, and replace it by a standard network announcement starting between 1 February and 3 March 2013.

The dialling plan for the area served by NPA Codes 204 and 431 will be as follows:

- All local calls, including Extended Area Service calls, originating within the 204/431 overlay area must be dialled with 10-digits; i.e., NPA-NXX-XXXX.
- Toll and alternatively billed calls originating within the 204/431 overlay area will continue to be dialled with 10-digits after the appropriate prefix digit(s).

The currently existing 7-digit local dialling from the Creighton Exchange Area in Saskatchewan (area code 306) to the Flin Flon Exchange Area in Manitoba (area codes 204/431) will continue.

All international and domestic Telecommunications Service Providers (TSPs) should activate the new 431 NPA throughout their networks by the start date for network testing (30 April 2012).

The following test numbers for the new NPA 431 will be made available effective 30 April 2012. Routing of calls to NPA 431 can be verified by dialing the 8378 (TEST) numbers which do not provide answer supervision. Billing of calls to NPA 431 can be verified by dialling the 2455 (BILL) numbers which provide answer supervision.

Test Number	Exchange Area (Rate Center)	Carrier
431-610-8378	Winnipeg	MTS Allstream
431-610-2455	Winnipeg	MTS Allstream

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

"You have successfully completed a call to the 431 area code test number at [CARRIER NAME] in Manitoba, Canada."

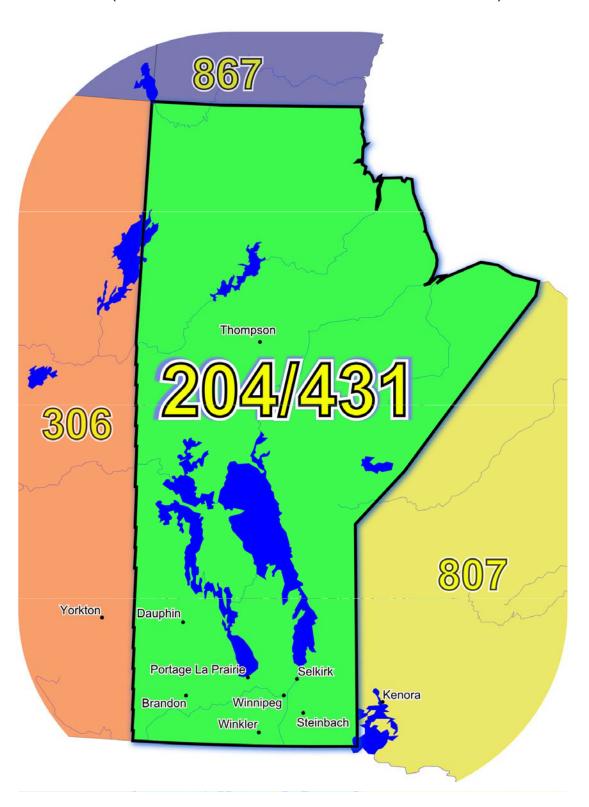
The disconnection dates for the test numbers will be between 3 December 2012 and 2 January 2013.

Central Office (NXX) Codes within NPA 431 may be assigned to TSPs starting from 3 June 2012, but cannot be activated in the PSTN prior to the Relief Date of 3 November 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 204/431 Area (After relief the NPA 204 area will be the NPA 204/431 area)



Exchange Areas in NPAs 204/431

Existing Exchange Areas in NPA 204; these will be in NPAs 204 and 431 after the overlay

Alexander Douglas Inwood Dugald Alonsa Jackhead Altona Easterville Kelwood Amaranth Eddystone Kenton Anola Eden Killarney Edwin Kleefeld Arbora Arden Elgin La Broquerie Ashern Elie Lac Brochet Austin Elkhorn Lac du Bonnet Baldur Elm Creek Landmark Basswood Elphinstone Langruth Leaf Rapids Beausejour Emerson Belmont Erickson Letellier Benito Eriksdale Libau

Berens River Ethelbert Little Grand Rapids

Beulah Falcon Lake Lockport Fisher Branch Lorette Binscarth Birch River Fisher River Lundar Birtle Flin Flon Lyleton Fork River Bissett Lynn Lake Bloodvein Foxwarren Macdonald Boissevain Macgregor Fraserwood Bowsman Garden Hill Mafeking Brandon Gilbert Plains Manigotagan Gillam Manitou Brochet Brokenhead Gimli Marquette Brookdale Gladstone McAuley Camperville Glenboro McCreary

Carberry Glenella Medora-Napinka

Gods Lake Narrows Melita Carman Cartwright Gods River Miami Churchill Goodlands Miniota Clanwilliam Grand Beach Minitonas Clear Lake Grand Rapids Minnedosa Clearwater Lake Grandview Minto Cormorant Gretna Moose Lake Grunthal Cowan Morden Cranberry Portage **Gull Lake** Morris Crandall Gypsumville Neepawa Cromer Hadashville Nelson House Cross Lake Hamiota Newdale Ninette Crystal City Hartney Cypress River Hazelridge Niverville Darlingford Norway House Hecla

Dauphin Holland Notre Dame de Lourdes

Deloraine Ilford Oak Lake
Dominion City Inglis Oak River

Oakbank Southport York Landing

Oakburn Sperling
Oakville Split Lake
Ochre River Sprague
Oxford House St. Adolphe
Pelican Rapids St. Claude

Petersfield St. Francois Xavier
Pierson St. Jean Baptiste
Pikwitonei St. Laurent
Pilot Mound St. Lazare
Pinawa St. Malo
Pine Dock St. Pierre

Pine Falls St. Theresa Point

Pine River Starbuck
Piney Ste. Agathe
Pipestone Ste. Anne

Plum Coulee Ste. Rose du Lac Plumas Steep Rock Pointe Du Bois Steinbach Poplar Point Stephenfield Poplar River Stonewall Poplarfield Stony Mountain

Portage La Prairie Strathclair
Pukatawagan Sundance
Rapid City Swan Lake
Rathwell Swan River
Red Sucker Lake Tadoule Lake

Rennie Teulon Reston The Pas

Rivers Thicket Portage
Riverton Thompson
Roblin Tilston
Roland Treherne
Rorketon Victoria Beach

Rossburn Vidir Russell Virden Sandy Lake Vita

Waasagamach Sanford Selkirk Wabowden Shamattawa Wanless Sherridon Warren Shilo Waskada Shoal Lake Waterhen Sidney Wawanesa Sifton Whitemouth Sinclair Winkler Snow Lake Winnipeg

Snowflake Winnipeg Beach
Somerset Winnipegosis
Souris Woodlands
South Indian Lake Woodridge