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Establishment of a CISC ad hoc committee for area code relief planning in eastern Ontario area code 613

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In this Public Notice, the Commission announces the establishment of a CRTC Interconnection Steering Committee ad hoc committee to examine options for providing relief to area code 613 in eastern Ontario. The Commission invites the public and telecommunications service providers to participate in the activities of the ad hoc committee.

Introduction

1. On 30 August 2007, the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA) informed the Commission that the results of the latest Relief Numbering Resource Utilization Forecast indicated that area code 613 in eastern Ontario was projected to exhaust in May 2012.

Background

2. In Telecom Decision 2003-55, the Commission revised the Canadian NPA Relief Planning Guidelines (the Guidelines), which provide the framework for addressing area code exhaust in Canada. The Guidelines establish a step-by-step process to be followed by the CNA and relief planning committees (RPCs) and require relief planning activities to begin if code exhaust is projected to occur within the next 72 months.
3. The telecommunications industry conducts area code relief planning in a public manner through an ad hoc RPC within the CRTC Interconnection Steering Committee (CISC). Part of the role of an RPC is to encourage public awareness and participation. The CNA, in its role as area code relief planning coordinator, acts as the chair of the RPCs.

Area code 613 RPC

4. Since area code 613 is projected to exhaust in 66 months, the Commission considers that there is a need to begin the area code relief planning process. With this Public Notice, the Commission establishes the area code 613 Relief Planning Committee (the 613 RPC).
5. The scope of the relief planning activities of the 613 RPC is limited to the consideration of solutions for introducing new numbering resources within a geographical area. Since area code relief planning does not affect local and long distance calling areas or rates, these issues are outside the scope of this proceeding.
6. All relief options contemplated by the 613 RPC, as well as its recommendation, will be used by the Commission to render its decision on the relief option to be adopted.

7. The Commission notes that the 613 RPC may consider relief measures that would require some customers to change their telephone numbers. The Commission therefore encourages members of the public to participate in the activities of the 613 RPC.

Procedure

8. The CNA will announce the location and time of the 613 RPC's meetings and will make available all related documentation. In addition, information concerning area code 613 relief planning activities will be available from the CNA on its website, www.cnac.ca, or by phone, at 613-563-7242.
9. Parties interested in participating in the activities of the 613 RPC must notify the Commission of their intention to do so by filling out the online form, or by writing to the Secretary General, CRTC, Ottawa, Ontario, K1A 0N2, or by faxing at 819-994-0218 by **26 October 2007** (the registration date). Parties are to provide their email addresses, where available. If parties do not have access to the Internet, they are to indicate in their notice whether they wish to receive disk versions of hard copy filings.
10. The Commission will post on its website, as soon as possible after the registration date, a complete list of interested parties and their mailing addresses (including their email addresses, if available) identifying those parties who wish to receive disk versions.

Important notice

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Related document

- *CRTC Interconnection Steering Committee – Consensus items*, Telecom Decision CRTC 2003-55, 13 August 2003

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