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NPA 450 RELIEF PLANNING COMMITTEE - TIF REPORT

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WORKING GROUP: **NPA 450 Relief Planning Committee (Ad Hoc)**

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REPORT TITLE: **Relief Planning Committee (RPC) Recommendation for the NPA 450 Relief Implementation Plan**

OUTCOME: **Consensus**

RELATED TASK(s) #: **None**

BACKGROUND:

On 29 March 2007, the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA) announced that Number Plan Area (NPA) 450 had entered the relief planning window of 72 months. The CNA advised the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) and industry of this situation and conducted the July 2007 Relief Planning Numbering Resource Utilization Forecast (R-NRUF), which indicated NPA 450 would exhaust in September 2013. Subsequently, the January 2008 R-NRUF indicated that the Projected Exhaust Date (PED) had moved out to October 2014 and the July 2008 R-NRUF indicated that the Projected Exhaust Date had moved in to September 2012. The December 31, 2008 J-NRUF indicated that the Projected Exhaust Date had moved in to November 2010.

On 4 November 2008, the CRTC issued Telecom Public Notice CRTC 2008-17, *Establishment of a CISC ad hoc committee for area code relief planning in Quebec area code 450*, in which it established the CISC ad hoc Relief Planning Committee (RPC) for NPA 450. In the Public Notice, the CRTC requested the RPC to examine options for providing relief to area code 450. The Commission invited the public and Telecommunications Service Providers to participate in the activities of the RPC.

In addition, the Public Notice directed the RPC to set aside 7 CO Codes for initial code assignments and 10 CO Codes for initial code assignments for new entrants only. The directives in the Public Notice and additional R-NRUF forecast information caused the Projected Exhaust Date to move forward to December 2010, thereby contributing to a Jeopardy Condition in NPA 450.

On 11 February 2009, the RPC filed TIF Report #1, "Relief Planning Committee (RPC) Recommendation for the NPA 450 Planning Document" which included recommendations for the relief method and date. The Planning Document was followed, on 20 March 2009, by TIF Report #2, titled "Relief Planning Committee (RPC) Recommendation for the NPA 450 Relief Implementation Plan" which included detailed implementation measures and plans to provide relief in accordance with the recommendations contained in the Planning Document.

On 7 May 2009 the Commission released Telecom Decision CRTC 2009-255, *Code relief for Quebec area code 450*. In the Decision, the Commission identified the RPC's recommendation that CO Codes 249, 257, 273, 354, 365, 367, 382, 387, 428, 487, 639, 683, 851, 871, 873, 879, and 942, which correspond to future Canadian area codes, be made available for assignment in area code 450 starting from the date of a Commission decision. The Commission noted that area code 450 is currently in a Jeopardy Condition and as such the 17 CO Codes could be made available for assignment if needed. The Commission also determined that, given the Jeopardy Condition in NPA 450, the seven CO Codes set aside for initial code assignment to applicants in general could be made assignable in area code 450 starting from the date of the decision. The Commission also directed that relief for area code 450 be provided through a boundary extension overlay using existing area code 438 on the area served by area code 450 starting on 23 October 2010 and that the Relief Implementation Plan be updated to include the Commission's determinations.

The attached RIP was prepared in accordance with those directives. The RIP establishes a public framework and timeframe for implementing relief for area code 450. This RIP also addresses the activities, deliverables, and issues impacting more than one individual TSP. It does not cover activities internal to each TSP. In addition, this RIP does not cover areas for which there is already an established process for coordination between TSPs to establish service (e.g., interconnection agreements between carriers).

RECOMMENDATIONS:

The NPA 450 RPC hereby submits the attached revised NPA 450 Relief Implementation Plan for CRTC Interconnection Steering Committee (CISC) consideration and Commission approval.

ATTACHMENT:

Revised NPA 450 Relief Implementation Plan, dated XX July 2009

NPA 450 RELIEF PLANNING COMMITTEE

REVISED NPA 450 RELIEF IMPLEMENTATION PLAN (RIP)

Attach document here.