**23 August 2023**

**Review of July 2023 R- & S-NRUF Results**

**Joint CSCN & RPC Conference Call**

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Diane Dolan - Teksavvy

Lucie Pugliese - Telecommunications Alliance

**Welcome:**

Kelly Walsh, as CSCN Chair and RPC Chair, welcomed the attendees.

David Comrie reviewed the list of attendees.

**Discussion:**

Suresh Khare presented the July 2023 R- & S-NRUF results.

Summary of exhaust date changes from July 2023 R- & S-NRUF results:

| **GEOGRAPHICAL NPAs** | | | | | |
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| **NPA Complex** | **July 2023 NRUF** | **Months Advanced** | **Months Delayed** | **Remarks** | **Comment** |
| 236/250/604/672/778 | Nov-25 | 1 |  | Relief **24 May 2025** iaw Telecom Decision CRTC 2023-135. | **Approved NPA - 257** |
| 249/683/705 | Jun-2029 |  | 5 |  | **In R-NRUF window** |
| 289/365/742/905 | Jul-2028 | 3 |  |  | **In R-NRUF window** |
| 343/613/753 | Mar-2029 | 1 |  |  | **In R-NRUF window** |
| 367/418/581 | Jun-2027 |  |  |  | **In Relief Planning window** |
| 368/403/587/780/825 | Apr-2028 | 2 |  |  | **In R-NRUF window** |
| 416/437/647 | Dec-2025 |  | 1 | Relief **26 April 2025** iaw Telecom Decision CRTC 2023-135. | **Approved NPA - 942** |
| 709/879 | Oct-2024 | 2 |  | **19 May 2023 TIF Report # 5 Relief Date 17 February 2024** | **Approved NPA - 879** |
| 782/902 | Feb-2028 | 0 | 0 |  | **In R-NRUF window** |

| **NON-GEOGRAPHIC NPAs** | | | | | |
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| Non-GEO NPAs | **Forecast Growth** | **NPAs Added** | **January 2023  G-NRUF** | **Remarks** | **Comment** |
| 622 |  | 1 |  | **Existing NPA** | In service 2015-06-15 |
| 633 | Forecast | 1 | **Sep-23** | **Existing NPA** | In service 2023-05-15 |
| 644 | 1 | **Jul-25** | Reserved for Canada |  |
| 655 | 1 | **Sep-26** | Reserved for Canada |  |
| 677 | 1 | **Jan-28** | Reserved for Canada |  |
| 688 |  | 1 | **Jun-29** | Reserved for Canada |  |
| TBD - | Six Year Average | 1 | **May-30** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Mar-31** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Jan-32** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Nov-32** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Sep-33** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Jun-34** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Apr-35** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Jan-36** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Oct-36** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Jul-37** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Mar-38** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Nov-38** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Aug-39** |  |  |
| TBD - | 1 | **Apr-40** |  |  |
| TBD - |  | 1 | **Dec-40** |  |  |
| TBD - |  | 1 | **Aug-41** |  |  |
| TBD - |  | 1 | **Mar-42** |  |  |
| TBD - |  | 1 | **Nov-42** |  |  |
| TBD - |  | 1 | **Jul-43** |  |  |
| TBD - |  | 1 | **Feb-44** |  |  |
| TBD - |  | 1 | **Sep-44** |  |  |

Suresh Khare noted that due to inconsistencies between the NRUF guideline and the Relief Planning guideline, NRUFs were conducted in 5 NPAs based on requirements of the NRUF guideline (within 72 months to exhaust). These R-NRUFs were unnecessary if the requirements in the Relief Planning guideline had been applied (within 36 months to exhaust).

Marie-Christine Hudon asked if a TIF should be created to set aside the remaining 3 NPAs for future relief in specific NPAs. Suresh Khare noted that he suggested that when the committee was working on the last TIF that set aside future NPAs but the committee wanted to only address the NPAs required in the next 10 years.

Suresh Khare noted that the next NPA assigned that has not been previously set aside will be for NPA 367/418/581 and the PROC will need to be started in March 2024 so the next NPA will need to be recommended for that.

Suresh Khare noted that the PED for NPA 709/879 advanced by 2 months but it was because some carriers increased their forecast for the time period after the proposed Relief Date.

Lucie Pugliese asked if the CNA knows when the Decision is coming. Alex Pittman noted that work on the Decision is underway but he cannot comment on when it is coming out.

Suresh Khare noted that if we want to minimize the work required for the July NRUF, the NRUF guideline needs to be updated to align with the Relief Planning guideline.

Agreement was reached that the July 2023 R- & S-NRUF results appear reasonable.

Kelly Walsh noted that 5 out of the 9 NPAs included in the July NRUF were conducted because of the disconnect between the NRUF guideline and the Relief Planning guideline and encouraged participants to submit a contribution to get the ball rolling.

**Summary of Agreements Reached:**

Agreement was reached that the July 2023 R- & S-NRUF results appear reasonable.

**Summary of Action Items:**

None.

**Attachments:**

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July 2023 NRUF results