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Abstract

This IL announces the introduction of dialing procedure changes in the Washington, DC Metropolitan Exchange Area (WMEA), which includes the 202 (Washington, DC) NPA and portions of the 301 (Maryland) and 703 (Virginia) NPAs, effective October 1, 1990.

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We have been advised by Bell Atlantic that in the WMEA the last of the available codes in the NXX format (where N = digits 2 through 9, and X = digits 0 through 9) will be assigned as a central office code during the second half of 1990, necessitating the elimination of "protected" central office codes in the WMEA. The elimination of the "protected" codes will enable a deferment in the date when a split of the NPAs will ultimately become necessary by making additional central office codes available for assignment. Code protection is an arrangement wherein a central office code assigned in one NPA is excluded from assignment in an adjacent NPA, to permit 7-digit dialing rather than 1 + 10-digit dialing across the common NPA boundary. The elimination of the protected codes will make additional codes in the NXX format available for assignment as central office codes.

The elimination of the protected codes will require changes in the current dialing procedures within the WMEA. On April 1, 1990 the following dialing plan will become available on a permissive basis in the entire WMEA and will be made mandatory effective October 1, 1990:

- All Home NPA (HNPA) "local" calls (generally calls that do not incur a charge) will be dialed on a 7-digit basis with no prefix, i.e., NXX + XXXX.

- All Home NPA (HNPA) direct dialed "toll" calls (generally calls that incur a charge) will be dialed with a prefix "1" and 10 digits; i.e., 1 + HNPA + NXX + XXXX.

- All Foreign NPA (FNPA) "local" calls (generally calls that do not incur a charge) to adjacent NPAs within the WMEA will be dialed on a 10 digit basis with no prefix i.e., FNPA + NXX + XXXX. Dialing of 1 + 10 digits on such "local" calls to adjacent NPAs within the WMEA will also be allowed. Dialing of 7 digits on "local" calls to adjacent NPAs within the WMEA will be denied after October 1, 1990.

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- All Foreign NPA (FNPA) direct dialed calls to NPAs outside the WMEA must be dialed with a prefix "1" and 10 digits; i.e., 1 + FNPA + NXX + XXXX.

- All operator assisted calls (both Home NPA and Foreign NPA) will be dialed with a "0" prefix and 10 digits; i.e., 0 + NPA + NXX + XXXX.

These new dialing procedures will be of particular interest to customers with Foreign Exchange service and private networks that dial off-network calls in the WMEA area of the 202, 301 and 703 NPAs.

Any operational questions concerning the introduction of the dialing procedure changes in the 202, 301 and 703 NPAs may be referred to Ms. Lillian Lester, Bell Atlantic, on (202) 392-6222 or Mr. John Manning, Bell Atlantic, on (703) 974-8160.

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