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Abstract

This IL provides industry notification of the impending split of the 301 Numbering Plan Area (NPA) including:

1. the announcement that the 301 NPA (Maryland) will split effective October 6, 1991,
2. the coincident introduction of the new 410 NPA code in Maryland,
3. a permissive dialing period extending until November 1, 1992,
4. a map illustrating the configuration for the 301 and new 410 NPAs, and
5. Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Maryland and Bellcore contacts for information.

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We have been advised by the Chesapeake and Potomac Telephone Company of Maryland (C&P of Maryland) that substantial telephone number growth in Maryland necessitates splitting the existing 301 NPA (Area Code) and the simultaneous introduction of a new 410 NPA.

The new 410 NPA will include the Baltimore metropolitan area, all of Maryland's Eastern Shore, all of Harford and Calvert Counties, and most of Howard and Anne Arundel Counties. The 301 NPA will continue to include the remainder of the state, including southern Maryland counties west of the Patuxent River, Prince George's and Montgomery Counties, the majority of Frederick County, and all of western Maryland. A toll-free number (1-800-477-4704) provides additional information.

The attached map illustrates the 301 and 410 NPA configurations after the split.

The split of the 301 NPA is scheduled for 2:00 A.M. Eastern Daylight Saving Time, Sunday, October 6, 1991. In order to maximize call completions and to provide a period for increasing public awareness of the NPA split, C&P of Maryland advises that there will be a permissive dialing period starting from the above date and time and ending at 2:00 A.M., Eastern Standard Time, Sunday, November 1, 1992. During the permissive dialing period either 301 or 410 will be acceptable in a dialed number terminating in the new NPA. After the end of the permissive dialing period, calls dialed with incorrect NPA codes, as defined in the NPA split information published in the Local Exchange Routing Guide (LERG), will be routed to intercept.

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Test calls to verify routing to the new NPA can be made by calling (410) 321-9952. This test number will become available July 1, 1991, and will remain operational through December 1, 1992 (30 days after the end of the permissive period).

Changes in the local exchange routing information regarding the 301/410 NPA split, based on data provided by C&P of Maryland, will be incorporated into the LERG and be available May 1, 1991.

Customers with multifunctional premises switching systems should be made aware that equipment or routing changes may be required if they have least cost routing, special routing, or have toll restrictions. The implementation of this new NPA would also be of interest to customers with Foreign Exchange service and private networks which dial off network in the 301 NPA.

Central offices in the area to be served by the 410 NPA will be modified on a progressive basis to transmit "410" in the NPA portion of the calling number Automatic Number Identification (ANI) between November 17, 1991 and January 31, 1992. C&P of Maryland will convert all pertinent records to 410 the weekend of February 15-17, 1992. This includes customer service records and associated NPA information in other systems. After February 17, 1992 all inquires must refer to the correct NPA code.

Operational questions concerning the split of the 301 NPA and introduction of the new 410 NPA may be referred to Charlie Taylor, C&P of Maryland, on 301-393-3299 or Bernie Mullin, C&P of Maryland, on 301-393-2000.

Copies of this letter are being forwarded to achieve the widest possible industry distribution and may be reproduced by recipients as necessary. Any questions concerning the contents of this letter may be referred to Bob McAleese, Bellcore, on (201) 740-4592.



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*Coming fall of '91...
Maryland's 410 Area Code*

