STATE OF NEW YORK PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

CASE 24-C-0314 - Petition of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator on Behalf of the New York Telecommunications Industry for Relief of the 347/718/917/929 Numbering Plan Area.

NOTICE SOLICITING COMMENTS

(Issued July 3, 2024)

On May 22, 2024, the North American Numbering Plan Administrator, on behalf of the New York telecommunications industry, filed a petition for relief of the 347/718/917/929 numbering plan area (NPA). The petition requests authorization to overlay a new telephone area code within the 347/718/917/929 NPA, which includes the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island, and the Marble Hill Section of Manhattan. The petition seeks approval of the proposed new area code in time for it to be implemented six months prior to the NPA's currently projected exhaust date, which is the fourth quarter of 2026. Per the petition, all existing wireline and wireless telephone customers in the overlay area would retain their current ten-digit telephone numbers (area code and seven-digit telephone number) and the new area code would be assigned in response to requests for new phone numbers once the 347/718/917/929 area codes are fully exhausted.

Please refer to the attached Fact Sheet for more information. The full text of the petition and the full record of the proceeding may be reviewed on the Department of Public Service's website, found here, or by visiting www.dps.ny.gov (click on "File Search" (located under the heading "Commission")

Files"), and enter "24-C-0314" in the "Search by Case Number" field).

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE, that comments evaluating the requested area code relief method of overlaying an additional area code in the existing 347/718/917/929 NPA are requested by September 3, 2024. Comments shall refer to "Case 24-C-0314" and be submitted to the Secretary by e-filing, through the Department's Document and Matter Management System. Those unable to file electronically, may submit comments by U.S. Mail to the Hon. Michelle L. Phillips, Secretary, Three Empire State Plaza, Albany, New York 12223-1350. All filed documents will be posted on the Department's website and will become part of the record in this case.

If you have any questions, contact Paul Esmond at paul.esmond@dps.ny.gov, or at 518-473-2939.

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¹ Filing electronically is strongly encouraged.

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FACT SHEET

- By petition filed May 22, 2024, the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) notified the Commission that the 347/718/917/929 numbering plan area (NPA or area code), that serves the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island, and the Marble Hill Section of Manhattan, is projected to exhaust its supply of assignable telephone numbers (also known as central office codes or NNX codes) by the fourth quarter of 2026.
- The petition requests approval to implement an "all-services overlay" as the recommended method to provide the needed area code relief. Under the all-services overlay, all existing wireline and wireless telephone customers in the overlay area would retain their current 347/718/917/929 telephone numbers (3-digit area code plus the 7-digit telephone number), i.e., the new area code would be assigned in requests for new phone numbers once the 347/718/917/929 NPA is fully exhausted. The projected life of this relief method is eleven (11) years.
- Implementation of the new area code and its three-digit identification would occur following Commission approval. The petition identifies a nine-month period with various implementation phases, including customer education, network preparation and activation. Activation of the new area code would occur no later than six (6) months prior to exhaust of the 347/718/917/929 NPA.
- The proposed "all-services overlay" is the same form of relief that has been previously implemented in recent area code relief cases in the area.