

1                   10/1/2024 - North American Numbering Plan  
2                                   Administrator - 24-C-0314  
3   STATE OF NEW YORK  
4   PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION  
5           Petition of the North American Numbering Plan  
6                   Administrator on Behalf of the New York  
7           Telecommunications Industry for Relief of the  
8                                   347/718/917/929 Numbering Plan Area  
9   Public Statement Hearing

10           DATE:                   10-01-2024  
11           LOCATION:                Webex  
12           BEFORE:                ALJ Nicholas Planty  
13                                   ALJ James Costello

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Reported by Michelle Morales-Bonilla

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3 (The hearing commenced at 1:00 p.m.)

4 A.L.J. PLANTY: I call case 24-C-0314,  
5 Petition of the North American Numbering Plan  
6 Administrator on Behalf of the New York  
7 Telecommunications Industry, for Relief of the  
8 347/718/917/929 Numbering Plan Area.

9 Good afternoon and welcome. My name  
10 is Nicholas Planty and I am an administrative law  
11 judge with the New York State Department of Public  
12 Service. Assisting me is administrative law judge  
13 James Costello, as well as Joseph White, Esmin Brown-  
14 Anderson, and Sangeetha Kailas from the Department's  
15 Office of Consumer Services.

16 We are here today for a public  
17 statement hearing that was noticed on September 11th,  
18 2024. The hearing concerns a petition to the New  
19 York State Public Service Commission, which consists  
20 of seven members: the chairperson, Rory Christian,  
21 and Commissioners James Alesi, David Valesky, John  
22 Maggiore, Uchenna Bright, Denise Sheehan and Radina  
23 Valova. We are fortunate this afternoon to have  
24 Commissioner Valova with us.

25 Commissioner Valova, would you like to

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3 make any comments?

4 MS. VALOVA: Thank you so much for  
5 having me with you this afternoon. The public  
6 statement hearings are a very important part of the  
7 regulatory process, and I look forward to hearing  
8 from stakeholders who will be speaking today. Thank  
9 you very much.

10 A.L.J. PLANTY: Thank you,  
11 Commissioner.

12 The petition here was filed by the  
13 North American Numbering Plan Administrator, which I  
14 will refer to as NANPA, and requests approval to  
15 overlay a new telephone area code within the  
16 347/718/917/929 numbering plan area, which includes  
17 the Bronx, Brooklyn, Queens, Staten Island, and the  
18 Marble Hill section of Manhattan. NANPA seeks  
19 approval of the proposed new area code in time for it  
20 to be implemented six months prior to the numbering  
21 plan area's currently projected exhaust date, which  
22 is the fourth quarter of 2026.

23 Just before this hearing began,  
24 Department of Public Service staff conducted an  
25 information session explaining exactly what is at

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3 issue in this case. Briefly, the proposed relief for  
4 the forecasted exhaustion is an overlay, which would  
5 result in an additional area code being used for new  
6 telecommunication services throughout the entire  
7 affected geographic area. According to the petition,  
8 all existing wireline and wireless telephone  
9 customers in the overlay area would retain their  
10 current ten-digit telephone numbers, and the new area  
11 code would be assigned in response to requests for  
12 new phone numbers after the 347/718/917/929 area  
13 codes are fully exhausted.

14 As indicated in the September 11th,  
15 2024 notice, this hearing is being held to receive  
16 public comment on whether the Public Service  
17 Commission should grant NANPA's request to proceed  
18 with an overlay. This is not the only opportunity  
19 for comment. You may submit comments via the  
20 Department's website, by regular mail, or by  
21 telephone. All comments will be given equal  
22 consideration regardless of how they are submitted.  
23 To ensure that these comments are given adequate  
24 consideration, we request that they be provided no  
25 later than October 8th, 2024.

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3 Turning back to this hearing. This is  
4 not an evidentiary hearing, but instead an  
5 opportunity for the public to offer their comments on  
6 the petition filed by NANPA. Any statements made  
7 here will become part of the administrative record.  
8 We have a court reporter on the line who will prepare  
9 a transcript of the hearing, and the transcript will  
10 be publicly available on the Department of Public  
11 Service website.

12 With that, I believe that we are ready  
13 to begin. We will therefore open up the hearing to  
14 anyone in attendance who would like to speak. If you  
15 would like to make a statement, please click the  
16 raise hand icon in the bottom right corner of your  
17 screen. Or if you have called in, press star three  
18 on your telephone. Either option will enable us to  
19 recognize you and unmute you so that you may make  
20 your statement. When you are recognized, we please  
21 ask that you please state and spell your name for the  
22 record.

23 MR. WHITE: No raised hands, Your  
24 Honor.

25 A.L.J. PLANTY: Thank you.

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3 MR. WHITE: No raised hands, Your  
4 Honor. We do have one call-in user. If you're  
5 wishing to speak, you called in. You can hit star  
6 three on your telephone, and it should raise your  
7 hand.

8 A.L.J. PLANTY: Thank you. I'm going  
9 to give a few more minutes, see if we have any raised  
10 hands or call-in users indicating they would like to  
11 speak.

12 This is Judge Planty. I do not see  
13 any raised hands or any indication that anyone would  
14 like to comment. I would just like to confirm that.

15 Mr. White, is that your understanding?

16 MR. WHITE: That's correct, Your  
17 Honor. No response.

18 A.L.J. PLANTY: Okay. Thank you. For  
19 the record, I would like to reiterate that the notice  
20 of public statement hearing was issued on September  
21 11th, 2024. We have opened up the floor to people in  
22 attendance and have received no indication that  
23 anyone would like to provide a statement, so I am  
24 going to close the hearing. I would like to thank  
25 everyone for their interest here today, and remind

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3 anyone listening that you may also submit comments by  
4 the other means described earlier and in the notice  
5 of public statement hearing. Again, to ensure that  
6 these comments are given adequate consideration, we  
7 request that they be provided no later than October  
8 8th, 2024.

9 A reminder that at 6 p.m., we will  
10 have another information session and public statement  
11 hearing. This public statement hearing is now  
12 concluded. Off the record, please.

13 (The hearing concluded at 1:18 p.m.)

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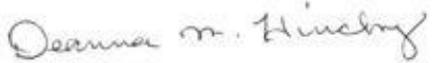
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4 I, DEANNA HINCHY, do hereby certify that the  
5 foregoing was reported by me, in the cause, at the  
6 time and place, as stated in the caption hereto, at  
7 Page 1 hereof; that the foregoing typewritten  
8 transcription consisting of pages 1 through 7, is a  
9 true record of all proceedings had at the hearing.

10 IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto  
11 subscribed my name, this the 3rd day of October,  
12 2024.

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14 DEANNA HINCHY, Reporter

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