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June 30, 1999

Mr. Yog R. Varma
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Sent by fax and by mail

Dear Mr. Varma:

On April 15, 1999 you requested that the North American Numbering Council (NANC) provide, by June 30, 1999, a final report detailing the NANC s recommendation for a new data collection and reporting model for forecasting central office code and Numbering Plan Area exhaust. The NANC is pleased to submit the attached report containing its recommendation for replacing the existing Central Office Code Utilization Survey (COCUS).

The NANC recommendation is based on the diligent work of the Numbering Resource Optimization Work Group (NRO WG) that was established by the NANC. As detailed in the attached report, the NANC adopted the recommendation of the NRO WG at its June 1999 meeting with two amendments that are detailed on the first page of the report.

Although the attached report comprises the NANC s final recommendation on a replacement for the COCUS, the NANC intends to supplement this report with a more detailed estimated timeline required to implement the recommended COCUS replacement. NANC intends to provide the more detailed estimated timeline to the Commission by August 30, 1999.

Sincerely,

Ronald J. Binz Co-chair, North American Numbering Council

Attachment

cc: NANC Members by email