

MEMORANDUM

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Date: February 23, 2000

Subject: NXX Code Assignments

At the February 22-23, 2000 NANC meeting, the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) advised the NANC that the Arizona Corporation Commission has requested the NANPA to suspend all central office code requests of 5 or more codes in a single submission and forward these requests to the Arizona Commission for approval/disapproval. The NANPA indicated that it agreed to honor the state's request. The attached letter describes the process that NANPA is currently following in response to the Arizona Commission's request.

The issue of states imposing requirements on the NANPA with respect to central office code assignments generated a great deal of discussion at the February NANC meeting. A primary concern was that the Arizona Commission's request appears to be outside the scope of the Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines that NANPA is required to follow. The consensus at NANC was that the NANPA should, when requested or ordered by a state to deviate from these national assignment guidelines (such as in the Arizona situation), seek direction from the FCC before responding to the state commission.

Accordingly, NANPA and NANC hereby request the FCC to advise whether NANPA should continue to suspend code requests for five or more codes in Arizona and forward these requests to the Arizona Commission for approval/disapproval or whether NANPA should follow the assignment process as set forth in the Central Office Code (NXX) Assignment Guidelines unless otherwise directed by the FCC.

Attachment