

Number: PL-361
Date: June 22, 2007
From: Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA)
Subject: Code relief for area code 250 – British Columbia - NPA 778 Boundary
Realignment (British Columbia, Canada)
Related Previous Planning Letters: None

In Telecom Decision CRTC 2007-38 (the Decision), Code relief for area code 250 – British Columbia, dated 7 June 2007 the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) approved the realignment of the area code 778 boundary to cover the entire province of British Columbia, Canada. Additionally, the CRTC permitted the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA) to resume assigning area code 604 Central Office (CO) Codes in the area presently served by area code 778 which currently overlays a portion of area code 604. In the Decision, the CRTC approved the Relief Date of 4 July 2007 for the area code 778 boundary realignment, and the resumption of assignment of CO Codes from area code 604 in the area presently served by area code 778.

The Decision also directed the introduction of mandatory 10-digit local dialing in the area served by area code 250, which consists of Vancouver Island and the mainland of British Columbia, Canada, excluding the lower mainland.

Prior to mandatory 10-digit local dialing, callers dialing local calls with 7 digits will hear a network announcement notifying them to dial local calls with 10-digits in the future, after which their calls will be completed. Canadian carriers operating in NPA 250 will start providing this network announcement no earlier than 23 June 2008 and no later than 27 June 2008, and maintain it until mandatory 10-digit local dialing is introduced no earlier than 8 September 2008 and no later than 12 September 2008.

When mandatory 10-digit local dialing is introduced, a caller dialling a local call with 7 digits will hear a network announcement informing the caller that local 10-digit dialing is required and directing the caller to hang up and redial using the area code plus the 7-digit number they are calling.

The dialing plan for the NPA 250/778 area will be as follows:

- All local calls, including Extended Area Service calls, originating within the NPA 250/778 area must be dialed with 10-digits; i.e., NPA-NXX-XXXX.
- Toll and alternately billed service calls within the NPA 250/778 area will continue to be dialed with 10-digits after the appropriate prefix digit(s).

From 7 June 2007, CO Codes from the 778 area code may be assigned to Telecommunications Service Providers (TSPs) for use throughout British Columbia including the NPA 250 and 604 regions, however assigned codes in the NPA 250 region cannot be activated in the PSTN prior to 4 July 2007.

From 7 June 2007, remaining CO Codes from the 604 area code may be assigned to TSPs for use in the present NPA 778 region, however assigned codes cannot be activated in the PSTN prior to 4 July 2007.

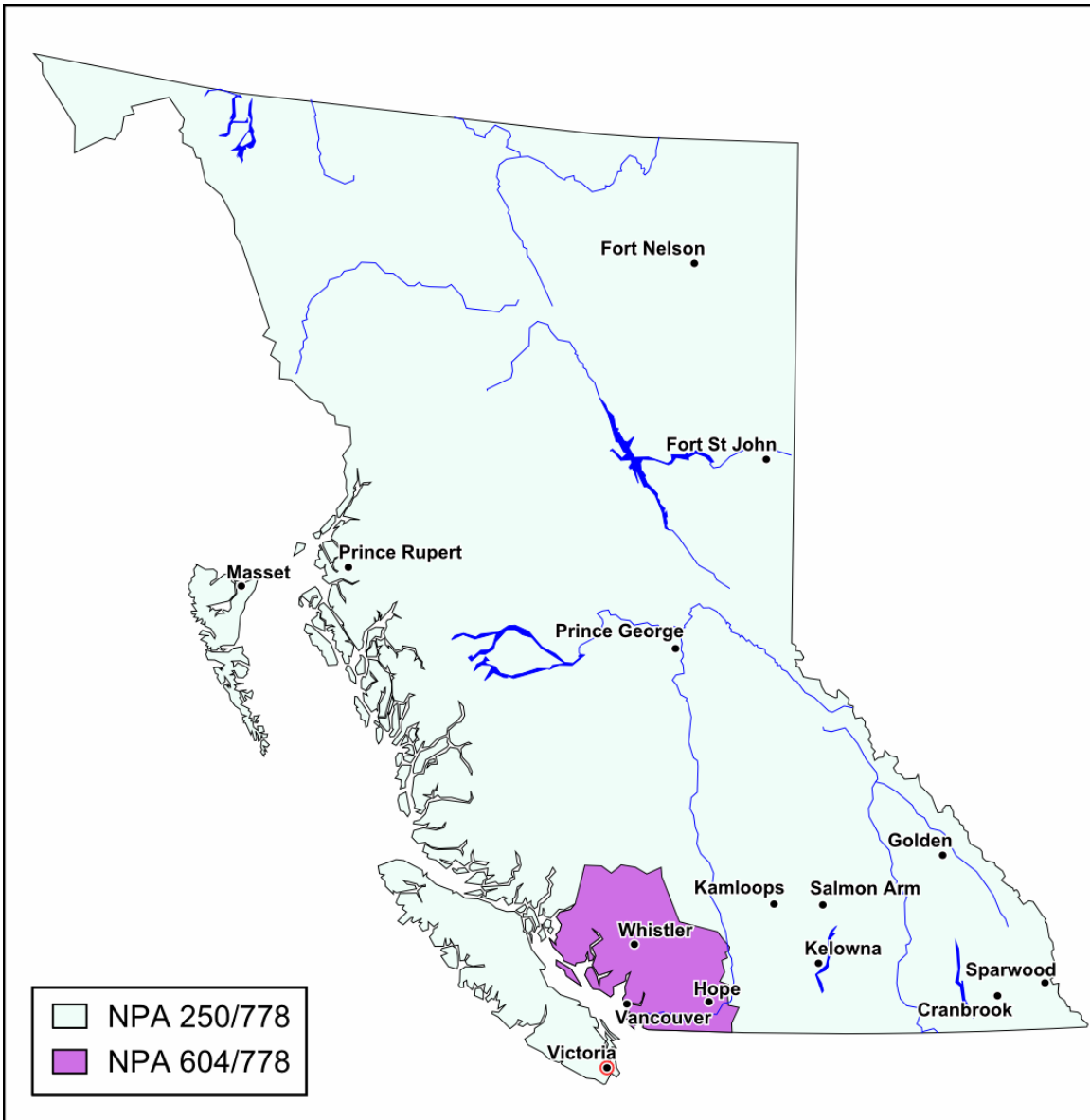
Lists of exchange areas in each area code in British Columbia are attached to this letter.

General questions about this relief activity or Central Office Code Administration may be directed to Glenn Pilley or Suresh Khare, CNA, at 613-563-7242. Technical questions should be directed to the appropriate TSP.

Map of British Columbia Before NPA 250 Relief



Map of British Columbia After NPA 250 Relief



Exchange Areas in NPA 250

100 MILE HOUSE	CORTES ISLAND	GREENWOOD
108 MILE HOUSE	COURTENAY	GULF ISLANDS
150 MILE HOUSE	CRANBROOK	HAGENSBORG
70 MILE HOUSE	CRAWFORD BAY	HANSARD
AHOUSAT	CRESTON	HARTLEY BAY
AIYANSH	CUMBERLAND	HARTWAY
ALERT BAY	DALLAS	HAZELTON
ALEXIS CREEK	DAWSON CREEK	HEDLEY
ALKALI LAKE	DEASE LAKE	HENDRIX LAKE
ARMSTRONG	DECKER LAKE	HIXON
ASHCROFT	DONALD	HOLBERG
ASPEN PARK	DOUGLAS LAKE	HORSEFLY
ATLIN	DRAGON LAKE	HOUSTON
AVOLA	DUNCAN	HUDSONS HOPE
BALFOUR	DUNCAN LAKE	INVERMERE
BAMFIELD	DUNSTER	ISKUT
BARRIERE	EAST PINE	JAFFRAY
BEAR LAKE	ELKFORD	JORDAN RIVER
BEAVER COVE	ELKO	KASLO
BEAVER VALLEY	ENDERBY	KELOWNA
BEAVERDELL	FAIRMONT HOT SPRINGS	KEMANO
BELLA BELLA	FALKLAND	KEREMEOS
BELLA COOLA	FAUQUIER	KIMBERLEY
BLUE RIVER	FERNIE	KINCOLITH
BOAT BASIN	FIELD	KITIMAT
BOB QUINN LAKE	FLATROCK	KITKATLA
BOSWELL	FOREST GROVE	KITSAULT
BOUCHIE LAKE	FORT FRASER	KITWANGA
BOWSER	FORT NELSON	KLEMTU
BRIDGE LAKE	FORT ST JAMES	KYUQUOT
BURNS LAKE	FORT ST JOHN	LAC LA HACHE
CACHE CREEK	FORT WARE	LADYSMITH
CAMPBELL RIVER	FRANCOIS LAKE	LAKE COWICHAN
CANAL FLATS	FRASER LAKE	LAKELSE
CASSIAR	FRUITVALE	LAKEVIEW HEIGHTS
CASTLEGAR	FULFORD HARBOUR	LANTZVILLE
CEDAR	GABRIOLA ISLAND	LASQUETI ISLAND
CELISTA	GANGES	LIKELY
CHASE	GENELLE	LILLOET
CHEMAINUS	GISCOME	LITTLE FORT
CHETWYND	GOLD BRIDGE	LOGAN LAKE
CHIEF LAKE	GOLD RIVER	LOOS
CHILAKO	GOLDEN	LOWER POST
CHRISTINA LAKE	GRAND FORKS	LUMBY
CLEARWATER	GRANISLE	LYTTON
CLINTON	GRASMERE	MACKENZIE
CLUCULZ LAKE	GRASSY PLAINS	MANNING PARK
COBBLE HILL	GREENVILLE	MASSET
COMOX		MCBRIDE

**Exchange Areas in
NPA 250**

MCLEESE LAKE
MCLEOD LAKE
MERRITT
MICA CREEK
MIDWAY
MONTNEY
MOYIE
MUNCHO LAKE
NAKUSP
NANAIMO
NANOOSE
NARAMATA
NELSON
NEW DENVER
NIMPO LAKE
NORTH KAMLOOPS
NORTH NELSON
OCEAN FALLS
OKANAGAN FALLS
OKANAGAN MISSION
OLIVER
OSOYOOS
OYAMA
OYSTER BAY
PARKSVILLE
PARSON
PEACHLAND
PENDER ISLAND
PENTICTON
PINEVIEW
PORT ALBERNI
PORT ALICE
PORT CLEMENTS
PORT EDWARD
PORT HARDY
PORT MCNEILL
PORT RENFREW
PORT SIMPSON
POUCE COUPE
PRESPATOU
PRINCE GEORGE
PRINCE RUPERT
PRINCETON
PRITCHARD
PROPHET RIVER
PUNTZI
QUADRA ISLAND
QUALICUM
QUEEN CHARLOTTE
QUESNEL

RADIUM
RED ROCK
REVELSTOKE
RIONDEL
RISKE CREEK
ROCK CREEK
ROLLA
ROSSLAND
RUTLAND
SAANICH
SALMO
SALMON ARM
SALMON VALLEY
SANDSPIT
SAVONA
SAYWARD
SHALALTH
SICAMOUS
SKOOKUMCHUCK
SLOCAN
SMITHERS
SOINTULA
SOOKE
SORRENTO
SOUTH KAMLOOPS
SOUTH SLOCAN
SPARWOOD
SPENCES BRIDGE
SPILLIMACHEEN
STEWART
SUMMERLAND
SUMMIT LAKE
TACHIE
TAHSIS
TAPPEN
TATLA LAKE
TAYLOR
TELEGRAPH CREEK
TELKWA
TERRACE
THRUMS
TOAD RIVER
TOFINO
TOPLEY
TRAIL
TROUT LAKE
TSAY-KEH-DENE
TUMBLER RIDGE
UCLUELET
UNION BAY

VALEMOUNT
VALLICAN
VANDERHOOF
VANWAY
VAVENBY
VERNON
VICTORIA
WELLINGTON
WELLS
WESTBANK
WESTSYDE
WESTWOLD
WILDWOOD
WILLIAMS LAKE
WILLOW POINT
WILLOWBROOK
WINFIELD
WINTER HARBOUR
WONOWON
WOSS LAKE
WYNNDEL
YAHK
YOUBOU
ZEBALLOS

**Exchange Areas in
NPA 604**

ABBOTSFORD
AGASSIZ
ALDERGROVE
BLACK POINT
BOSTON BAR
BOWEN ISLAND
BRITANNIA BEACH
CHILLIWACK
CLOVERDALE
D ARCY
FORT LANGLEY
GIBSONS
HANEY
HEMLOCK VALLEY
HOPE
LADNER
LANGLEY
MISSION
NEWTON
NEWWTMNSTR
NORTH
VANCOUVER
PEMBERTON
PENDER
HARBOUR
PITT MEADOWS
PORT COQUITLAM
PORT MELLON
PORT MOODY
POWELL RIVER
RICHMOND
ROSEDALE
SARDIS
SECHELT
SQUAMISH
VANANDA
VANCOUVER
WEST
VANCOUVER
WESTVIEW
WHALLEY
WHISTLER
WHITE ROCK
WHONNOCK
YALE
YARROW

Exchange Areas in NPA 778

100 MILE HOUSE	CHILLIWACK	GIBSONS
108 MILE HOUSE	CHRISTINA LAKE	GISCOME
150 MILE HOUSE	CLEARWATER	GOLD BRIDGE
70 MILE HOUSE	CLINTON	GOLD RIVER
ABBOTSFORD	CLOVERDALE	GOLDEN
AGASSIZ	CLUCULZ LAKE	GRAND FORKS
AHOUSAT	COBBLE HILL	GRANISLE
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CHILAKO	GENELLE	LANGLEY

Exchange Areas in NPA 778

LANTZVILLE	PITT MEADOWS	SOINTULA
LASQUETI ISLAND	PORT ALBERNI	SOOKE
LIKELY	PORT ALICE	SORRENTO
LILLOOET	PORT CLEMENTS	SOUTH KAMLOOPS
LITTLE FORT	PORT COQUITLAM	SOUTH SLOCAN
LOGAN LAKE	PORT EDWARD	SPARWOOD
LOOS	PORT HARDY	SPENCES BRIDGE
LOWER POST	PORT MCNEILL	SPILLIMACHEEN
LUMBY	PORT MELLON	SQUAMISH
LYTTON	PORT MOODY	STEWART
MACKENZIE	PORT RENFREW	SUMMERLAND
MANNING PARK	PORT SIMPSON	SUMMIT LAKE
MASSET	POUCE COUPE	TACHIE
MCBRIDE	POWELL RIVER	TAHSIS
MCLEESE LAKE	PRESPTOU	TAPPEN
MCLEOD LAKE	PRINCE GEORGE	TATLA LAKE
MERRITT	PRINCE RUPERT	TAYLOR
MICA CREEK	PRINCETON	TELEGRAPH CREEK
MIDWAY	PRITCHARD	TELKWA
MISSION	PROPHET RIVER	TERRACE
MONTNEY	PUNTZI	THRUMS
MOYIE	QUADRA ISLAND	TOAD RIVER
MUNCHO LAKE	QUALICUM	TOFINO
NAKUSP	QUEEN CHARLOTTE	TOPLEY
NANAIMO	QUESNEL	TRAIL
NANOOSE	RADIUM	TROUT LAKE
NARAMATA	RED ROCK	TSAY-KEH-DENE
NELSON	REVELSTOKE	TUMBLER RIDGE
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NEWTON	RIONDEL	UNION BAY
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NIMPO LAKE	ROCK CREEK	VALLICAN
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NORTH VANCOUVER	ROSSLAND	VANDERHOOF
OCEAN FALLS	RUTLAND	VANWAY
OKANAGAN FALLS	SAANICH	VAVENBY
OKANAGAN MISSION	SALMO	VERNON
OLIVER	SALMON ARM	VICTORIA
OSOYOOS	SALMON VALLEY	WELLINGTON
OYAMA	SANDSPIT	WELLS
OYSTER BAY	SARDIS	WEST VANCOUVER
PARKSVILLE	SAVONA	WESTBANK
PARSON	SAYWARD	WESTSYDE
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