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In Telecom Decision CRTC 2010-526 dated 28 July 2010, the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) directed that relief for Manitoba area code 204 be provided through a distributed overlay of a new area code 431 starting 3 November 2012.

New area code 431 has been assigned by the North American Numbering Plan Administrator and will be implemented on the Relief Date of 3 November 2012 as a distributed overlay over the geographic area of the province of Manitoba currently served by the 204 area code. The 204 area code consists of 244 Exchange Areas serving the province of Manitoba which includes the major communities of Brandon, Dauphin, Portage La Prairie, Selkirk, Steinbach Thompson, Winkler and Winnipeg. A map showing the location of the area served by NPA 204, and a list of the 244 Exchange Areas in the area are attached to this letter.

Commencing on 29 July 2012, many calls dialled with 7 digits will first be connected to a network announcement notifying them that the local number they have dialled must be preceded by its area code and that their call will now proceed, and then the call will be completed. Carriers operating in NPA 204 that opt to employ a network announcement will phase in this network announcement during the period 29 July – 5 August, 2012 and maintain it until mandatory 10-digit local dialling is introduced on 3 November 2012.

When mandatory local 10-digit dialling begins, many calls dialled with 7 digits will be connected to a network announcement informing the caller that the number they dialled must be preceded by its area code, their call cannot be completed as dialled, and to hang up and redial using the area code. Carriers operating in NPA 204 that opt to employ a network announcement will phase in this network announcement during the period 20 – 27 October 2012, and replace it by a standard network announcement starting between 1 February and 3 March 2013.

The dialling plan for the area served by NPA Codes 204 and 431 will be as follows:

- All local calls, including Extended Area Service calls, originating within the 204/431 overlay area must be dialled with 10-digits; i.e., NPA-NXX-XXXX.
- Toll and alternatively billed calls originating within the 204/431 overlay area will continue to be dialled with 10-digits after the appropriate prefix digit(s).

The currently existing 7-digit local dialling from the Creighton Exchange Area in Saskatchewan (area code 306) to the Flin Flon Exchange Area in Manitoba (area codes 204/431) will continue.

All international and domestic Telecommunications Service Providers (TSPs) should activate the new 431 NPA throughout their networks by the start date for network testing (30 April 2012).

The following test numbers for the new NPA 431 will be made available effective 30 April 2012. Routing of calls to NPA 431 can be verified by dialing the 8378 (TEST) numbers which do not provide answer supervision. Billing of calls to NPA 431 can be verified by dialling the 2455 (BILL) numbers which provide answer supervision.

| Test Number | Exchange Area (Rate Center) | Carrier |
|--------------------|--|----------------|
| 431-610-8378 | Winnipeg | MTS Allstream |
| 431-610-2455 | Winnipeg | MTS Allstream |

Calls successfully completed to test numbers will receive the following announcement:

"You have successfully completed a call to the 431 area code test number at [CARRIER NAME] in Manitoba, Canada."

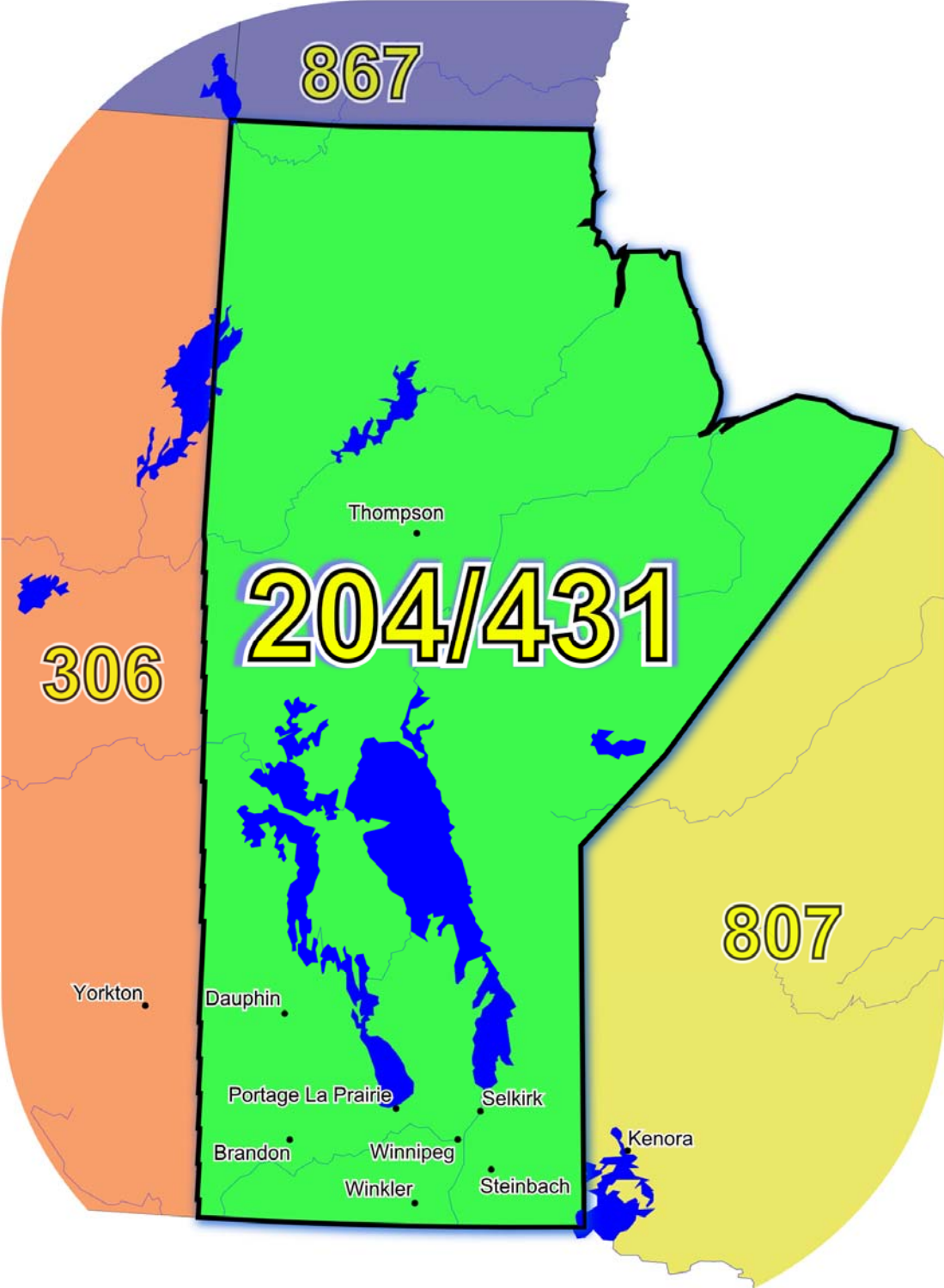
The disconnection dates for the test numbers will be between 3 December 2012 and 2 January 2013.

Central Office (NXX) Codes within NPA 431 may be assigned to TSPs starting from 3 June 2012, but cannot be activated in the PSTN prior to the Relief Date of 3 November 2012.

General questions about this relief activity may be directed to Glenn Pilley or Suresh Khare, of the Canadian Numbering Administrator (CNA), at 613-563-7242. Specific questions related to telecommunications services and network routing should be directed to the appropriate TSP.

Attachments

Map of the NPA 204/431 Area
(After relief the NPA 204 area will be the NPA 204/431 area)



Exchange Areas in NPAs 204/431

Existing Exchange Areas in NPA 204; these will be in NPAs 204 and 431 after the overlay

| | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Alexander | Douglas | Inwood |
| Alonsa | Dugald | Jackhead |
| Altona | Easterville | Kelwood |
| Amaranth | Eddystone | Kenton |
| Anola | Eden | Killarney |
| Arborg | Edwin | Kleefeld |
| Arden | Elgin | La Broquerie |
| Ashern | Elie | Lac Brochet |
| Austin | Elkhorn | Lac du Bonnet |
| Baldur | Elm Creek | Landmark |
| Basswood | Elphinstone | Langruth |
| Beausejour | Emerson | Leaf Rapids |
| Belmont | Erickson | Letellier |
| Benito | Eriksdale | Libau |
| Berens River | Ethelbert | Little Grand Rapids |
| Beulah | Falcon Lake | Lockport |
| Binscarth | Fisher Branch | Lorette |
| Birch River | Fisher River | Lundar |
| Birtle | Flin Flon | Lyleton |
| Bissett | Fork River | Lynn Lake |
| Bloodvein | Foxwarren | Macdonald |
| Boissevain | Fraserwood | Macgregor |
| Bowsman | Garden Hill | Mafeking |
| Brandon | Gilbert Plains | Manigotagan |
| Brochet | Gillam | Manitou |
| Brokenhead | Gimli | Marquette |
| Brookdale | Gladstone | McAuley |
| Camperville | Glenboro | McCreary |
| Carberry | Glenella | Medora-Napinka |
| Carman | Gods Lake Narrows | Melita |
| Cartwright | Gods River | Miami |
| Churchill | Goodlands | Miniota |
| Clanwilliam | Grand Beach | Minitonas |
| Clear Lake | Grand Rapids | Minnedosa |
| Clearwater Lake | Grandview | Minto |
| Cormorant | Gretna | Moose Lake |
| Cowan | Grunthal | Morden |
| Cranberry Portage | Gull Lake | Morris |
| Crandall | Gypsumville | Neepawa |
| Cromer | Hadashville | Nelson House |
| Cross Lake | Hamiota | Newdale |
| Crystal City | Hartney | Ninette |
| Cypress River | Hazelridge | Niverville |
| Darlingford | Hecla | Norway House |
| Dauphin | Holland | Notre Dame de Lourdes |
| Deloraine | Ilford | Oak Lake |
| Dominion City | Inglis | Oak River |

Oakbank
Oakburn
Oakville
Ochre River
Oxford House
Pelican Rapids
Petersfield
Pierson
Pikwitonei
Pilot Mound
Pinawa
Pine Dock
Pine Falls
Pine River
Piney
Pipestone
Plum Coulee
Plumas
Pointe Du Bois
Poplar Point
Poplar River
Poplarfield
Portage La Prairie
Pukatawagan
Rapid City
Rathwell
Red Sucker Lake
Rennie
Reston
Rivers
Riverton
Roblin
Roland
Rorketon
Rossburn
Russell
Sandy Lake
Sanford
Selkirk
Shamattawa
Sherridon
Shilo
Shoal Lake
Sidney
Sifton
Sinclair
Snow Lake
Snowflake
Somerset
Souris
South Indian Lake

Southport
Sperling
Split Lake
Sprague
St. Adolphe
St. Claude
St. Francois Xavier
St. Jean Baptiste
St. Laurent
St. Lazare
St. Malo
St. Pierre
St. Theresa Point
Starbuck
Ste. Agathe
Ste. Anne
Ste. Rose du Lac
Steep Rock
Steinbach
Stephenfield
Stonewall
Stony Mountain
Strathclair
Sundance
Swan Lake
Swan River
Tadoule Lake
Teulon
The Pas
Thicket Portage
Thompson
Tilston
Treherne
Victoria Beach
Vidir
Virden
Vita
Waasagamach
Wabowden
Wanless
Warren
Waskada
Waterhen
Wawanesa
Whitemouth
Winkler
Winnipeg
Winnipeg Beach
Winnipegosis
Woodlands
Woodridge

York Landing