

COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY
BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

In the Matter of:

ELECTRONIC APPLICATION OF THE NORTH)	
AMERICAN NUMBERING PLAN)	CASE NO.
ADMINISTRATOR FOR RELIEF OF THE 502)	2024-00333
NUMBERING PLAN AREA)	

ORDER

The Commission, on July 31, 2025, issued an Order in this docket that, *inter alia*, ordered an all-services overlay for the 502 Numbering Planning Area (502 NPA) and established an implementation schedule for the new NPA.¹ The implementation schedule contained several steps that telecommunications providers were to take, the first step to begin no later than June 30, 2026, and the last step estimated to be no later than July 5, 2027.² The Commission's implementation schedule was based upon the anticipated exhaust date for the 502 NPA during the third quarter of 2027.³

The North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA), on December 30, 2025, filed with the Commission a recommendation that the implementation schedule be suspended. The NANPA asserted that the exhaust date for the 502 NPA had been revised from the third quarter of 2027 to the second quarter of 2028, due to reduced

¹ Order (Ky. PSC July 31, 2025) at 6-8.

² Order (Ky. PSC July 31, 2025) at 7.

³ Order (Ky. PSC July 31, 2025) at 1.

demand.⁴ The NANPA and telecommunications providers asserted that delaying the implementation schedule until the exhaust date was stable is advisable because it would avoid customer confusion caused by the early adoption of an implementation plan. The NANPA and telecommunications providers recommended that implementation schedule be delayed until the next publishing of NPA exhaust dates in April 2026, or if the available central office codes reach 40 or less. At that point the NANPA and telecommunications carriers will propose a revised implementation schedule.⁵

The Commission, on its own motion, finds that the implementation schedule established in the July 31, 2025 Order should be suspended and that the NANPA and the telecommunications providers should file a new proposed implementation schedule at the earlier occurrence of either the publication of revised exhaust dates in April 2026, or if the available central office codes reach 40 or less.


IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that:


1. The implementation schedule established in the July 31, 2025 Order is suspended.
2. The NANPA and the telecommunications providers shall file a new proposed implementation schedule at the earlier occurrence of either the publication of revised exhaust dates in April 2026 or if the available central office codes reach 40 or less.


⁴ Letter from the Florence Weber, Vice-President of the NANPA to Executive Director Bridwell (filed Dec. 30, 2025) at 1.

⁵ Letter from the Florence Weber, Vice-President of the NANPA to Executive Director Bridwell at 2.

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION


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ATTEST:


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