

## MEMORANDUM FOR INDUSTRY INFORMATION

DATE: May 12, 2010

FROM: WUTC Staff/Telecommunications

RE: **UT-100224**  
**Rate Center Consolidation Notice Requirements**

When there is a rate center consolidation, the FCC's North American Number Plan Administrator (NANPA) is required:

- to be notified a minimum of 90 days in advance for this type of change.
- The changes also must be in the LERG 90 days before the effective date.
- Once NANPA verifies the changes with the regulatory (UTC) agency the necessary updates will be made in NAS and notices to the industry.

The COCAG only mentions if a Service Provider (SP) initiates a Rate Center Consolidation (RCC)

- ✓ NANPA also requires the 90 days if the RCC is initiated by a commission/ regulator.

Relevant section from the COCAG (ATIS-0300051) on rate center consolidations:

Section 6.3.4

### 6.3.4 Rate Center Consolidation/Changes

SPs that file tariffs for a rate center consolidation/split must notify NANPA and the PA when the tariff is approved by the appropriate regulatory authority. NANPA will verify the rate center consolidation/split with the regulatory authority. SPs that file tariffs for a rate center change are advised to adhere to the minimum timeframe of ninety (90) days when planning this type of change.<sup>[1]</sup> NANPA will issue a NANP notification to the industry as soon as NANPA has verified the rate center change and the timeframe with the regulatory authority, and make appropriate change(s) in the NAS on the effective date of the change(s). SPs are not required to submit Part 1 forms to NANPA for these types of changes.

- When it becomes apparent that an existing tariff was not properly implemented, and is not part of a current consolidation or mandated state order, the SP that filed the tariff must provide NANPA with a copy of the previously approved tariff, the code(s) affected, and the effective date the change(s)<sup>[2]</sup> are to be implemented. NANPA will verify the changes with the appropriate regulatory authority and make necessary updates in NAS. NANPA will issue a notification when the updates have been made, identifying the codes in the affected rate centers. SP(s) are not required to submit Part 1 forms to reflect this change. Any SP disputing the change must contact NANPA, the PA, the SP initiating the change(s), and the appropriate regulatory authority with the code(s) involved in the dispute. NANPA will reverse the changes to the disputed code(s) until the regulatory authority has resolved the dispute.

In those cases where pooling has been implemented, the PA will make appropriate changes in the PAS on the effective date of the changes.

In a rate center consolidation an SP must update its NRUF forecast and Appendix 1 in the new rate center(s) in order to receive resources in that rate center. Forecasts in the old rate center(s) will be deleted on the effective date of the consolidation. In the case of a rate center consolidation with a consolidation effective date that falls between June 30 and August 1 or December 31 and February 1, SPs should submit their NRUF and Appendix 1 forecasts for the rate center that is in effect at the time of the SP's NRUF and Appendix 1 submissions to avoid submission errors.

Footnotes:

<sup>[1]</sup> See the Next Generation Interconnection Interoperability Forum's "Recommended Notification Procedures to the Industry for Changes in Access Network Architecture (ATIS-0300046), Attachment B. "

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See item 2 in Attachment B – its 90 days before the LERG effective date of the rate center consolidation.

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