

**PENNSYLVANIA PUBLIC UTILITY COMMISSION  
HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA 17120**

**Petition of the North American  
Number Plan Administrator on  
behalf of the Pennsylvania  
Telecommunications Industry for  
Approval of Numbering Plan Area  
Relief Planning for the 814 NPA**

**Public Meeting April 26, 2012  
2112925-LAW  
Docket No. P-2009-2112925**

**STATEMENT OF  
VICE CHAIRMAN JOHN F. COLEMAN, JR.**

In the end, the regulatory process worked here, and I am obviously pleased that we were able to dismiss the area code relief petition in the 814 NPA. Since the last update in October 2011, the new projected exhaust date for 814 has moved back over two years to the second quarter of 2018, which is six years away. This is certainly great news, as I recognize that any form of area code relief has an impact on the industry and the public. Today's action certainly helps minimize that impact.

As stated in the Commission's order, the 814 area code has experienced a significant decrease in the demand for numbering resources and has experienced a more efficient use of telephone numbers since the filing of the area code relief petition in June 2009. In particular, number conservation efforts such as 1,000-block pooling have helped prolong the life of the 814 area code to reach the point where we are today, which is a dismissal of the 814 relief petition. Our number conservation efforts will continue, and we expect the decrease in code demands to also continue in 814. Nevertheless, the Commission will continue to diligently monitor NXX code activity and projected exhaust data for 814.

The public input process established after petitions for reconsideration were filed sought to provide interested parties with another meaningful opportunity to be heard in this matter and was to aid the Commission in making a fully informed decision. I want to thank the public for participating and for providing good information that would have been critical in deciding the appropriate form of area code relief. I also want to thank the public for its patience while this process unfolded. As we previously cautioned, there was no guarantee that the updated exhaust data would show adequate numbering resources in 814 to discontinue area code relief, even though the exhaust data trending was favorable. Fortunately, for all parties involved, adequate numbering resources are projected to exist for the foreseeable future, and area code relief is no longer needed in 814 at this time.

**Date: April 26, 2012**

  
**JOHN F. COLEMAN, JR.  
VICE CHAIRMAN**