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DCPSC seeks public comment in 202 area code plan

(Washington, D.C.) The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia (Commission) has [issued a public notice](#) scheduling a virtual community hearing to receive comments on the Petition of the North American Numbering Plan Administrator (NANPA) for relief for the 202 numbering plan area code ([Formal Case No. 1165](#)). The virtual community hearing for the formal case is scheduled for September 1, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

To ensure that the District of Columbia has enough telephone numbers for wireline and wireless telecommunications service customers, the Commission is requested to approve an implementation schedule to transition to a second area code in the District. The new area code would be implemented six months prior to the exhaust of the 202 area code numbers as required by industry guidelines.

Those who wish to testify at either or both portions of the virtual community hearing should contact the Commission Secretary by the close of business, five business days prior to the date of the hearing by [sending an email](#). Representatives of organizations shall be permitted a maximum of five minutes for oral presentations. Individuals shall be permitted a maximum of three minutes for oral presentations. Additional instructions will be provided before the hearing to persons who have provided notice of their intent to participate.

If an organization or an individual is unable to offer comments at the virtual community hearing, written statements can be submitted electronically [by email](#) or on the [Commission's website](#) by September 4, 2020.

For special accommodations and interpretation services, please call the Commission Secretary's Office at 202-626-5150 by close of business on August 25, 2020.

The Public Service Commission of the District of Columbia is an independent agency established by Congress in 1913 to regulate electric, natural gas, and telecommunications companies in the District of Columbia.

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