



Carrier Customer Bulletin

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Audience: CLEC, Reseller
Subject: Area Code Overlay for the Alabama 205 NPA
Effective Date: Mandatory 10-Digit Dialing Begins 10/12/2019

As previously [communicated](#) the Alabama Public Service Commission approved an all-services overlay as the relief method for the 205 NPA. Some of the communities served by the 205 NPA include Birmingham, Tuscaloosa, Bessemer and Jasper. The new **659 NPA** will serve the same geographic area currently served by the existing 205 NPA.

Beginning October 12, 2019:

10-digit signaling is required for all calls terminating in all Frontier Communications end offices, access tandems, and intraLATA tandems in the existing 205 NPA. Failure to comply with the required 10-digit signaling will result in call failures.

A [sample customer letter](#) has been developed to assist with communicating mandatory dialing time frames to end user customers. Please adjust the contact information accordingly. Notification to your customers is recommended to occur 30 days prior to the mandatory dialing effective date.

The **205/659** overlay will not affect existing local calling areas or rates. No existing 205 NPA numbers will be changed and all existing 205 NPA numbers will retain the existing NPA.

If you have questions regarding the information provided in this notice, please contact your Frontier Account Manager.

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