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**Re: Routing Number Authority (RNA) for pseudo Automatic
Number Identification (pANI) Codes Used for Routing
Emergency Calls**

Dear Chairman Atkinson:

On behalf of the Emergency Services and Interconnection Forum (ESIF), I am writing to update the NANC on ESIF's work pertaining to the Routing Number Authority (RNA) and to ask for the NANC's feedback on this work.

Status of ESIF's Work on RNA for pANIs used for Routing Emergency Calls. The ESIF has done extensive work on this issue, including the creation of *pANI Assignment Guidelines and Procedures* that define the RNA's responsibilities and the principles to be used by the RNA to assign pANI. In addition, ESIF has been working with the ATIS Industry Numbering Committee (INC) on technical matters related to pANIs, which has resulted in a revision to the Central Office Code Assignment Guidelines to avoid potential conflicts in the proper routing of calls to emergency services systems. Copies of ESIF correspondence with INC and the current draft of the ESIF *pANI Assignment Guidelines and Procedures* document are attached.

Expedited ESIF Process for Temporary RNA. The ESIF is taking steps to ensure that the RNA is in place to meet industry needs for pANI assignment in support of the FCC's recent VoIP/E9-1-1 decision.¹ The ESIF Management Team will work with parties interested in becoming the Temporary RNA and will make the Temporary RNA selection by August 15, 2005. It should be noted that several interested parties have indicated (at least preliminarily) that they are willing to serve in the Temporary RNA role individually or as part of a "consortium" (or other type of partnership or entity). ESIF has an expedited proposal request posted on the ESIF web site: <http://www.atis.org/esif/pANladmin.asp>.

¹ *First Report and Order and Notice of Proposed Rulemaking*, WC Docket No. 04-36, released June 3, 2005.

Should you have any adjustments or objections to the work and process outlined here, ESIF requests your feedback on or before August 5, 2005. In addition, any guidance regarding the permanent appointment of the RNA would be appreciated.

If you have any comments, questions, or concerns, please contact me via e-mail, or phone me at (617) 743-0008.

Best regards,



Maureen Napolitano
ESIF Chair

Attachments:

- ESIF Issue 25: The Use of Pooled or Ported Numbers as ESRKs
- INC Issue 429: Non-Dialable ESRDs or ESRKs
- 091203-002: Initial Correspondence from ESIF to INC re: Issue Number 25 on the Use of Pooled or Ported Numbers as ESRKs (9/12/03)
- 022304-011: Correspondence from INC to ESIF re: INC Issue 429, Non-Dialable ESRDs or ESRKs, and ESIF Issue 25, The Use of Pooled or Ported Numbers as ESRKs (2/23/04)
- 070704-010: Correspondence from ESIF to INC re: Issue Number 25 on the Use of Pooled or Ported Numbers as ESRKs (7/7/04)
- *ATIS-500003: Routing Number Authority (RNA) for pANIs Used for Routing Emergency Calls - pANI Assignment Guidelines and Procedures (7/25/05)*

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