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Public Service Commission

DATE: November 15, 2000
TO: Parties of Record
FROM: Blanca S. Bayó, Director *BSB*
Division of Records and Reporting
RE: Docket No. 990517-TL - Request for review of proposed numbering plan relief for the 904 area code.

This is to inform you that the Commission is reporting the following communication in the above-referenced docket.

- Letters from Mr. Tim Smith, Mayor of the City of Palatka and Mr. Allen R. Bush, City Manager of the City of Palatka, dated October 31, 2000.

The letters, copies of which are attached, will be made a part of the record in this proceeding. Pursuant to Section 350.042, F.S., any party who desires to respond to these communications may do so. The response must be received by the Commission within 10 days after receiving notice that the communications have been placed on the record. You may send your response to the Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida, 32399-0870.

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Attachment

cc: Cathy Bedell-w/letter

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COMMISSIONER JABER

The Honorable Lila A. Jaber, Commissioner
Florida Public Service Commission
Capital Circle Office Center
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
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Dear Commissioner Jaber:

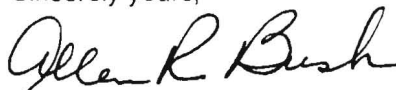
We met and spoke with Governor Jeb Bush here in Palatka on Monday, October 2, while he was making an appearance at our downtown waterfront amphitheater. While speaking with him, we expressed our deep concerns over our county's being assigned three different area codes with the new area code assignment. In Putnam County, all areas east of the St. Johns River with the 692 exchange are remaining with the 904 exchange, all areas in the 'center' of the county are being assigned the new 386 area code, while some areas of west Putnam County were assigned 352 some time ago.

Governor Bush agreed with us it is a shame that our county will now be divided by three differing area codes, and urged us to write to you, his appointee, to express our concern with the new area code assignments. As stated before, West Putnam has already been split away into the 352 area code; if these plans remain unchanged, Putnam County will have 3 different area codes. Neighbors may be forced to make a long-distance call to someone who lives a block away.

We urge you to leave the remainder of Putnam County (that part which is not already 352) in the 904 area. This is not New York City, where people living next door to each other can expect to have different area codes. This is Putnam County, a rural area where life is somewhat less complicated and slower-paced than in our larger, more urban neighboring cities. Palatka and Putnam County considers itself a part of the "Florida's First Coast Coalition" and wish to remain with Duval County, Nassau County, Clay County and St. Johns County as part of the 904 area code.

Governor Bush assured us that you will give every consideration to our request. We pray that you will reconsider the area code boundaries. We understand the necessity of assigning more area codes, and hope this change can be made more palatable to the citizens of Palatka and Putnam County.

Sincerely yours,



Allen R. Bush
City Manager

Arb/bjd/s

Cc: Putnam County Chamber of Commerce
Putnam County BOCC

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Dear Commissioner Jaber:

The Palatka City Commission wishes to express its deep concerns over our community's being split into three differing area codes by the new 386 area code assignment.

Governor Bush agrees with us that it is a shame that our community will now be divided by differing area codes, and asked us to write to you, his appointee, to express our concern with the new area code assignments. West Putnam has already been split away into the 352 area code; if these plans remain unchanged, Putnam County will have 3 different area codes. The Public Service Commission has voted to assign the 'center' of our county with the new 386 area code, while areas east of the St. Johns River with the 692 area code will remain with the 904 area code.

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Sincerely yours,



Tim Smith
Mayor

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Cc: Putnam County Chamber of Commerce
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RECORDS AND REPORTING

DATE: November 8, 2000
TO: Blanca Bayo, Director, Division of Records and Reporting
FROM: Melinda Butler, Assistant to Commissioner Jacobs *MB*
RE: Communication From an Interested Person Received in
Docket No. 990517

This office has received the attached letter from the office of Commissioner Jabor on November 7, 2000. The letter was signed by Tim Smith, the Mayor of the City of Palatka. Because the letter addresses matters relevant to a pending proceeding and because Commissioner Jacobs has viewed it, in an abundance of caution, I am requesting that it be placed on the record of the above-referenced proceeding pursuant to section 350.042, Florida Statutes. Please give notice of this communication to all parties of the docket and inform them that they have 10 days from the receipt of the notice to file a response.

cc. Bill Berg
Joanne Chase
Diana Caldwell

11/9/00*****5:21 PM*****Carol Purvis*****1

Carol Purvis

To: Bill Berg; Melinda Butler; JoAnn Chase; Ignacio Ortiz
Cc: Kathleen Stewart; Kay Posey; Maria Woodward
Subject: Ex Parte

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11/14/00*****2:10 PM*****Carol Purvis*****1

Carol Purvis

From: Bill Berg
Sent: Tuesday, November 14, 2000 1:57 PM
To: Carol Purvis
Cc: Mary Macko
Subject: RE: Ex Parte

Commissioner Deason did receive and read the letter you described.

-----Original Message-----

From: Carol Purvis
Sent: Thursday, November 09, 2000 5:25 PM
To: Bill Berg; Melinda Butler; JoAnn Chase; Ignacio Ortiz
Cc: Kathleen Stewart; Kay Posey; Maria Woodward
Subject: Ex Parte
Importance: High

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11/13/00*****9:21 AM*****Carol Purvis*****1

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From: Kathleen Stewart
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2000 8:23 AM
To: Carol Purvis
Cc: Ignacio Ortiz
Subject: RE: Ex Parte

To date, no.

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From: JoAnn Chase
Sent: Monday, November 13, 2000 7:32 AM
To: Carol Purvis
Cc: Maria Woodward
Subject: RE: Ex Parte

Yes, Commissioner Jaber received the original of the letter. It was addressed to her. Since Commissioner Jaber is not assigned to that docket, we have just acknowledged receipt of the letter and forwarded copies to Commissioners Jacobs and Deason. The original of the letter was retrieved by Bob Casey to put in the docket file. A copy was also give to Legal staff.

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