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Mr. John Cutting
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, Fla. 32399-0850

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Dear John:

The Daytona Beach/Halifax Area Chamber of Commerce has been working in conjunction with other Chambers in Volusia County on the issue of a single area code. We have also worked closely with the Volusia Council of Governments.

On July 22, our Board of Directors approved the following recommendation:

- the creation of a single new area code that will encompass all of Volusia County;
- maintaining current telephone numbers;
- uniting with neighboring counties in support of a single area code;
- maintaining 7-digit dialing as long as possible to lessen confusion when 10-digit dialing arrives.

We would like to stay in contact with your office in reference to this issue. We would also like to be notified of any Public Service Commission meetings concerning the future of the 904 area code.

Our recommendation is to let Duval and other counties in that vicinity maintain the 904 code. We would like a new code but only with sufficient advanced notice. We understand that the 904 code will last for another 2 to 2.5 years. Our businesses need ample time to prepare in terms of notifying out of county customers, replenish their letterhead needs, and so forth.

In the meantime, please call me at 255-0981 ext 226 if you have any questions.

*Re telephone conversation
with Jim Cameron on 8/11/99
mailing address
P.O. Box 2475
Daytona Beach, FL 32115*

Sincerely,

Jim Cameron
Vice President
Government Relations

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