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Public Service Commission

DATE: January 30, 1998
TO: Parties of Record
FROM: Blanca S. Bayó, Director *BSB*
Division of Records and Reporting
RE: DOCKET NO. 980048-TL - Request for review of proposed numbering plan relief for 813 area code.

This is to inform you that the Commission has reported the following communications in the above-referenced docket.

- Letter from Representative Mike Fasano dated January 7, 1998.
- Letter from Senator Jack Latvala dated December 31, 1997.
- Letter from Representative Larry Crow dated January 16, 1998.
- Letter from Senator Charlie Crist dated January 21, 1998.

The letters, copies of which are attached, are being made a part of the record in these proceedings. Pursuant to Section 350.042, F.S. any party who desires to respond to an ex parte communication may do so. The response must be received by the Commission within 10 days after receiving notice that the ex parte communication has been placed on the record. Please mail your response to the Division of Records and Reporting, 2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0870.

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Public Service Commission FPSC - Records/Reporting

January 22, 1998

MEMORANDUM

TO: Blanca Bayo
Director of Records and Reporting

FROM: Chairman Julia Johnson

SUBJECT: Correspondence received re Docket No 980048-TL

Please find attached a copy of a letter from Representative Mike Fasano. Please place this memorandum and attachments on the record of the above-referenced proceeding. Also, please give notice of this communication to all parties to the docket, and inform them that they have 10 days from receipt of the notice to file a response.

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Attachments:



97-0481 JAN 22

Florida House of Representatives

Mike Fasano

Representative, 45th District
Majority Whip

Reply to:

■ 8217 Massachusetts Avenue
New Port Richey, FL 34653-3111
(813) 848-5885

□ 323 The Capitol
402 South Monroe Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300
(850) 488-8528

Committees

Vice Chair, Community Colleges
& Career Prep
Finance & Taxation
Governmental Operations
Regulated Services

January 7, 1998

Julia Johnson, Chairman
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Chairman Johnson:

I am asking the Public Service Commission to act in regard to a proposal by GTE that a new telephone service area code number be overlaid in the Tampa Bay area. The proposal by GTE would create a 727 area code to be overlaid with the existing 813 area code. The effect of such action would be detrimental to the people of Pasco County, a large segment of the existing 813 area code.

An overlay of a new area code in the 813 market would create great confusion and inconvenience for the thousands of people I represent. People who live on the same street could conceivably have different area codes. People who have additional phone lines installed in their own home could be assigned different area codes. The difficulty this would create for my constituents, especially elderly people and those who live alone, would be tremendous.

While I understand that there is a need to address the limited number of phone numbers available in the existing 813 area code, I believe that there are other options which need to be explored. Limiting the 813 area code to Pasco and Pinellas Counties, and creating the new area code outside of those boundaries, would be one approach. Another approach would be to require that non-residential services such as pagers and cellular phones utilize the new area code. This action would not create the confusion that would occur if the new area code was required for residential consumers.

I would greatly appreciate the Commission's involvement in what could be a very non-consumer friendly action if the proposed area code overlay takes place. Thank you in advance for your consideration.

Yours truly,

Mike Fasano
State Representative, District 45

MF/gg

From: Carol Purvis
To: Curtis Williams, Braulio Baez, Billy Stiles, Bill Berg
Subject: Ex Parte

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-----NOTE-----
BCC: Robby Cunningham

Chairman Johnson has reported receiving a letter from Representative Mike Fasano dated January 7, 1998, concerning Docket No. 980048-TL, 813 Area Code. We are preparing to distribute this letter to the parties to this docket. Would you please let me know if your Commissioner also received this letter from Representative Fasano.

From: Carol Purvis
To: Bill Berg, Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Curtis Williams
Subject: fwd: Ex Parte

---NOTE-----1/26/98-12:47pm-----
Chairman Johnson has reported receiving a letter from Representative Mike Fasano dated January 7, 1998, concerning Docket No. 9A0048 TL, 813 Area Code. We are preparing to distribute this letter to the parties to this docket. Would you please let me know if your Commissioner also received this letter from Representative Fasano.

Fwd-by:=-Braulio-Baez=-1/26/98-12:48pm-----
Fwd to: Carol Purvis

Our office has not received this letter.

STATE OF FLORIDA



Public Service Commission

January 22, 1998

MEMORANDUM

TO: Blanca Bayo
Director of Records and Reporting

FROM: Chairman Julia Johnson

SUBJECT: Correspondence received re Docket No. 980048-TL.

Please find attached a copy of a letter from Senator Jack Latvala. Please place this memorandum and attachments on the record of the above-referenced proceeding. Also, please give notice of this communication to all parties to the docket, and inform them that they have 10 days from receipt of the notice to file a response.

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Attachments



THE FLORIDA SENATE

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100

97-0180 JAN 22

COMMITTEES:
Natural Resources
Chairman
Education
Executive Business, Ethics and Elections
Rules and Calendar
Transportation
Ways and Means
Sub E (Finance and Tax)

SENATOR JACK LATVALA
19th District

December 31, 1997

Ms. Julia Johnson
Chairman
Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Ms. Johnson:

To accommodate the rapid growth now occurring in telephone service in the Tampa Bay area, GTE, Inc. has proposed creating a new area code--727--overlying the region that presently uses the 813 area code. When this overlay becomes effective, all new telephone lines will be installed with a new area code.

I believe this is a bad idea. It would have at least three harmful consequences. First, it would create a situation in which next door neighbors would have different area codes. Second, it would force many individual homeowners to employ more than one area code within their own homes--one for a new fax line and the present area code for preexisting voice service, for example. The most harmful consequence is that it would present serious and unnecessary confusion to many of the elderly people who live in the Tampa Bay area, many thousands of whom are my constituents.

I ask that the Public Service Commission avert these consequences by ordering GTE not to create the overlay code and to explore alternatives. One alternative is to divide the existing area among the two area codes, preferably with Pinellas and Pasco Counties retaining the 813 code. Another is to use the overlay but to assign the new code only to such non-traditional services as cellular phones and pagers.

When the citizens of Monroe County recently objected to a similar proposal, you acted quickly and decisively in their favor. I hope you can announce similar action to help my constituents during the public hearing you plan for Clearwater January 8.

Thank you for your kind attention to this matter. As always, if I can be of service in any way, please feel free to call on me.

Sincerely,

Jack Latvala
Senator
19th District

cc: Members of the Pinellas and Pasco Legislative Delegations
The Media

REPLY TO:

□ 35111 U.S. Highway 19 North, Suite 105 Palm Harbor, Florida 34684 (813) 787-8991
□ 302 Senate Office Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100 (904) 487-5062

TOM JENNINGS
President

ROBERTO CASAS
President Pro Tempore

From: Carol Purvis

Confirm receipt

To:

Bill Berg, Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Curtis Williams, Catherine
Bedell

Subject: Ex Parte

NOTE

BCC: Robby Cunningham

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From: Carol Purvis

To:
Bill Berg, Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Catherine Bedell, Curtis
Williams

Subject: fwd: Ex Parte

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Fwd-by:=-Catherine-Bed=1/26/98--4:33pm-----
Fwd to: Carol Purvis, Shirley Jeff

As far as we are aware Commissioner Jacobs, who was not in office at the time this letter is dated, did not receive a copy of this letter. If a copy was addressed to former Commissioner Kiesling, it was not circulated to her.



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FPSC - Records/Reporting

Public Service Commission

January 26, 1998

MEMORANDUM

TO: Blanca Bayo
Director of Records and Reporting

FROM: Chairman Julia Johnson *JJ*

SUBJECT: Correspondence received re 813 Area Code Relief Plan - Docket 980048-TL

Please find attached a copy of a letter from State Representative Larry Crow. Please place this memorandum and attachments on the record of the above-referenced proceeding. Also, please give notice of this communication to all parties to the docket, and inform them that they have 10 days from receipt of the notice to file a response.

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97-0489 JAN 26

Florida House of Representatives

Larry Crow
Representative, District 49

Reply to:

□ 1102 Pinckney Road
Dunedin, Florida 34698
(813) 298-1674
□ 308 House Office Building
Tallahassee, FL 32399-1300
(904) 488-9260

Committees

Real Property & Probate - Chair
Justice Council
Environmental Protection
Governmental Responsibility Council
Transportation & Economic Development
Fiscal Responsibility Council

January 16, 1998

Julia Johnson
Chairman, Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0850

Dear Ms. Johnson:

Recently I have learned of the plans of General Telephone Company (GTE) to place an overlay on our area and require 10 digits dialing for all local calls.

To say that this is a great inconvenience to both individuals and businesses, specially senior citizens is greatly understated. I believe I owe it to my constituents to fight this proposal and would enlist your aide in this regard.

Please let me know what steps I can take to object to this item as it moves through the process.

Very truly yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Larry Crow".

Larry Crow
State Representative

LDC/kw

cc: Senator Jack Latvala

From: Carol Purvis

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To:
Bill Berg, Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Catherine Bedell, Curtis
Williams

Subject: fwd: Ex Parte

NOTE**1/27/98-11:38am*****
Chairman Johnson has reported receiving a letter from Representative Larry
Crow dated January 16, 1998, concerning Docket No. 980048-TL - 813 Area Code
Relief Plan. We are preparing to distribute this letter to the parties to
this docket. Would you please let me know if your Commissioner also
received this letter from Representative Crow.

Fwd-by: Bill Berg-----1/27/98-11:57am-----
Fwd to: Carol Purvis

Commissioner Deason's office has not received a copy of the letter.

From: Carol Purvis

To:
Bill Berg, Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Catherine Bedell, Curtis
Williams

Subject: fwd: Ex Parte

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Fwd-by:-Braulio-Baez--1/27/98--1:00pm-----
Fwd to: Carol Purvis

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Our office has not received this letter.

From: Carol Purvis

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To:

Bill Berg, Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Curtis Williams, Catherine
Bedell

Subject: Ex Parte

-----NOTE-----

BCC: Robby Cunningham

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JAN 27 1998

Public Service Commission SC - Records/Reporting

January 26, 1998

MEMORANDUM

TO: Blanca Bayo
Director of Records and Reporting

FROM: Chairman Julia Johnson

SUBJECT: Correspondence received re 813 Area Code Relief Plan - Docket 980048-T1.

Please find attached a copy of a letter from State Senator Charlie Crist. Please place this memorandum and attachments on the record of the above-referenced proceeding. Also, please give notice of this communication to all parties to the docket, and inform them that they have 10 days from receipt of the notice to file a response.

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THE FLORIDA SENATE

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100

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COMMITTEES:
Executive Business, Ethics and Elections,
Chairman
Criminal Justice
Governmental Reform and Oversight
Judiciary
Ways and Means,
Sub D (Criminal Justice)

SENATOR CHARLIE CRIST
20th District

January 21, 1998

Julia Johnson, Chairwoman
Florida Public Service Commission
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850

Dear Chairwoman Johnson:

I am writing in regard to an issue that pertains to telephone service in the Tampa Bay area. It has recently come to my attention that GTE is proposing the creation and implementation of a second area code in the Tampa Bay region that will be added on to the already existing "813" area code, without dividing the region geographically. It is further my understanding that as a result of this additional area code, many residents would be required to dial up to ten digits in order to communicate telephonically with others, including comm. ...icating with other people who live within the very same region.

At this time, I would like to express my concerns about the this proposal. As you could imagine, in addition to its obvious complexities, the implementation of such a proposal could present a great inconvenience to many citizens. Therefore, I am hoping that you and the other members of the Public Service Commission would explore other options and alternatives to this ten-digit dialing proposal that may be available.

I appreciate your time and consideration, and hope that you will please continue to keep me up to date and informed as to any future developments with this pending matter. As always, if I can ever be of service to you, please feel free to call me.

Sincerely,

Charlie Crist
Florida Senator

CC/mjm

REPLY TO

- 1 360 Central Avenue, Suite 1210, St. Petersburg, Florida 33701 (813) 893-5463
- 1 One Tampa City Center, Suite 1700, Tampa, Florida 33602 (813) 229-2800
- 1 304 Senate Office Building, Tallahassee, Florida 32399-1100 (904) 487-5071

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ROBERTO CASAS
President Pro Tempore

From: Carol Purvis

CONFIRMED

To: Bill Berg, Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Catherine Bedell, Curtis Williams

Subject: fwd: Ex Parte

-----NOTE-----1/27/98-11:39am-----
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Fwd-by:-Bill-Berg-----1/27/98-11:57am-----
Fwd to: Carol Purvis

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Commissioner Deason's office has not received a copy of the letter.

From: Carol Purvis

To:
Bill Berg, Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Catherine Bedell, Curtis
Williams

Subject: fwd: Ex Parte

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Fwd-by: =Braulio=Baez=-1/27/98--1:00pm-----
Fwd to: Carol Purvis

Our office has not received this letter.

From: Carol Purvis

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To:

Bill Berg, Billy Stiles, Braulio Baez, Curtis Williams, Catherine
Bedell

Subject: Ex Parte

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BCC: Robby Cunningham

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