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**Public Service Commission**

DATE: January 31, 1997  
TO: Parties of Record  
FROM: Blanca S. Bayó, Director *BSB*  
Division of Records and Reporting  
RE: Docket No. 961153-TL - Petition for numbering area relief for 904 area code,  
by BellSouth Telecommunications, Inc.

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This is to inform you that Commissioner Garcia has reported the following communication in the above-referenced docket.

- Letter from Councilman King Holzendorf, dated January 27, 1997.

The letter from Councilman Holzendorf, a copy of which is attached, is 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.

BSB/cp

~~Attachments~~

cc: Rob Vandiver/w/letter



## OFFICE OF THE CITY COUNCIL

January 27, 1997

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Ms. Susan Clark, Chairman  
Public Service Commission  
Gerald L. Gunter Building  
2540 Shumard Oak Boulevard  
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0865

Dear Commissioner Clark:

I am writing in regard to the Public Service Commission's recent decision to change the area codes for North Florida and to assign a new area code in the Jacksonville area. I respectfully request that the PSC reconsider this decision and reopen the matter for further discussion in light of the evidence that can be marshaled on behalf of retaining the 904 area code for the Jacksonville area.

As the largest city, largest economy, largest port and primary business center of North Florida, a change of area codes will be a substantial disadvantage to the economic progress of Jacksonville, which depends more heavily than other North Florida cities on interstate and international phone calls to transact business in its multi billion dollar economy. The disruption caused by the changeover, particularly with regard to our many companies doing business with Latin America, Europe and the Far East where language barriers may make notification about the changed area code difficult, will be extremely costly.

Within the past year we celebrated the growth of the Jacksonville metropolitan statistical area past the one million mark in population. We are the primary business, trade, distribution and medical center for North Florida. Our companies do more business overseas than other North Florida cities. For these and other reasons that we would like to bring to your attention, a change of area codes will be a significant detriment to the Jacksonville area and will work a greater hardship on Northeast Florida than would be the case in other parts of the state.

I would very much appreciate having the opportunity to present relevant evidence for your consideration, and ask the Public Service Commission to reconsider this decision. Please let me hear from you as soon as possible regarding possible reconsideration of this item.

Sincerely,

  
Councilman King Holzendorf  
District 10

Joe Garcia  
Commissioner

State of Florida



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MEMORANDUM

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TO: Blanca Bayó  
Director, Division of Records and Reporting

FROM: Commissioner Joe Garcia *(Signature)*

RE: Written Communication Regarding Docket 96115311

DATE: January 28, 1997

Please place the attached written communication(s) in the file for the above proceeding. The communication(s) may be considered ex parte under Chapter 350, Florida Statutes.

Please give notice of the communication(s) to all parties to the docket and inform them they have ten (10) days from receipt of the notice to file a response.

- No response was made to this communication.
- A copy of the response is attached.

BLB:ks