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April 21, 1999

TO: DIVISION OF RECORDS AND REPORTING

FROM: DIVISION OF LEGAL SERVICES (McKINNEY) *JCM*

RE: DOCKET NO. 990223-TL - In re: Request for review of proposed numbering plan relief for the 941 area code.

DOCKET NO. 990184-TL - In re: Investigation into boundary issues in South Sarasota and North Charlotte Counties (Englewood area).

DOCKET NO. 981941-TL - Investigation into telephone exchange boundary issues in South Polk County (Ft. Meade area).

Attached are **FIVE CONSUMER CORRESPONDENCE (LETTER (1), FAX (1), EMAILS (3))** to be filed on the correspondence side in the above-referenced docket.

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cc: Division of Communications (Ileri)

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To: Ms. June McKinney, Esq.
<u>Florida Public Service Commission</u>
<u>2540 Shumard Oak Blvd.</u>
<u>Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0850</u>
Phone: _____
Fax Phone: <u>800-511-0809</u>

From:
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Remarks

Dear Ms. McKinney

Nokomis is an unincorporated community of approximately 10,000 residences (15,000 voters) within a 36 square mile area south of the city of Sarasota and north of Venice, on the Gulf of Mexico.

There are 32 Nokomis area neighborhood homeowners associations under the NACA umbrella which provides the focus for our strong community voice to improve our quality of life.

We clearly support the Sarasota County Commission's voted position shown on page 2 of this fax.

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**NOKOMIS AREA CIVIC ASSOCIATION****A Network of Homeowners Associations**

Proposed Solution to the Sarasota County Area Code Issue

The Sarasota County Commission voted to:

1. Oppose an overlay (this is an area code that is laid over the current area code service area) with current residents retaining the current code and any new residents or phone lines being assigned a new area code; meaning that your new next door neighbor would have a different area code from yours and you would have to dial 10 digits to reach each other.
2. Recommend that Manatee, Sarasota and Charlotte counties be kept in the same area code.
3. Support a new area code for the three-county area *only* if it would provide for a 50% longer exhaust period than keeping the 941 code; otherwise support keeping the 941 area code. (It is estimated that number availability in the proposed split 941 area code will be exhausted in 4 to 5 years. If a new area code would allow a longer exhaust period of 6 years or longer, then support the new code.)

The Nokomis Area Civic Association respectfully requests the Florida Public Service Commission to implement the above solution to the area code problem.

Sincerely,

Don Lewis President

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Name Helen L. Becker

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If you want to let the Public Service Commission know how you feel about this case, please fill out this comment form and return it by mail. It will be placed in a correspondence file.

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CUSTOMER COMMENTS

I attended the PSC meeting @ Suncoast Auditorium in Englewood and today I attended the PSC meeting in Sarasota. As I stated before - Englewood area encompasses Gasparilla Island (locally called Boca Grande) the other barrier islands - Knight + Palm Island. Placida, the collection of Gulf Cores - the original one along side of the Myakka River where I live) gardens of Gulf Core - Gulf Core Point + South Gulf Core - Grove City - Rotunda Area - Cape Haze area on Cape Haze peninsula - Village of Holiday Lakes - East Englewood - the other areas to the South east + North of Englewood, including Japanese Gardens which for us is a toll call. we all need to retain the current area code! No to the 10 digit phone numbers. No how in the world can small preschool + school children remember all those numbers to dial for assistance whenever necessary? Let alone seniors and emergency personnel. It is down right dangerous! Another suggestion - make all of Cape Haze peninsula one phone company. Let GT2 or Sprint buy the other company out. It would go a long way to solving the complicated problems. you stated it's illegal to change our area code - were only 1/2 way through the allotted years the Federal Government gives us. you know in reality the 10 digit number is in reality 11 numbers as we have to dial a 1 (one) before any long distance call. I also want to state that the Automated phone answering system sounds - it's next to impossible to follow the directions with hand-held phone. Takes time to find proper number if you're not already confused by - Press this number for this - Press that number for that place or service. Is this an exercise in futility like the 1993 meeting in Charlotte County about relief for long distance dialing - It took 10 more years before it became a reality. Last but not least - Keep Charlotte County - Sarasota County + Manatee County in one area code district. By the way - my husband + I have lived here 20 years. we see changes but this is the most disastrous

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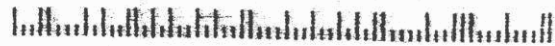


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Let's use our brains for a change. Instead of giving 10 counties one new code and doing it again in a couple years give Collier, Lee and Monroe with about 730,000 people and a high growth rate one code and give Charlotte, DeSoto, Glades, Hardee, Hendree, Highlands and Okeechobee with 675,000 people another code which can last for a while with Charlotte's growth rate.

It really is a pain to keep changing area codes.

Let's plan ahead for a change.

Arthur LJ Blaney
Stay well
Artie and Bruna Blaney
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ATTENTION: JOHN PLESCOW, Regulatory Consultant

I am aware that the Commission will be holding hearings this week on the 941 area code issue, and since I may not be able to attend, I wanted to provide input in writing.

My wife and I, and our law office, have lived and worked in the same place for five years. During that time, our area code has changed, our basic phone number has changed, our zip code has changed, and the county changed our street address. My family in Arkansas thinks I'm a vagabond and the credit bureau thinks I'm an itinerant laborer. Change of that kind is to be expected to some degree in a rapidly growing state like Florida, but I think in this case it is unnecessary.

First, the press has made us aware that number conservation efforts are possible which would result in a substantial postponement of the need to split or do anything else to the 941 area code, by reclaiming blocks of unassigned numbers and reissuing them in blocks of 1000 rather than 10,000. That makes a lot of sense, and in the age of computers I am amazed it wasn't done long ago. I think you are going to hear the usual nasty things about government bureaucracy in this matter, especially since a protest from a few citizens has brought to light an effective alternative that you all should have been working on already.

Second, even in a rapidly changing population, you should be able to project growth patterns sufficiently that area codes should not have to change more often than ten years.

We strongly oppose any plan, such as overlays, which would require dialing extra digits just to maintain the same area code.

In terms of the burden on us personally, it is not so much the cost of stationery or the like but just more confusion with those we need to communicate with, both clients, colleagues and friends. The less of that the better.

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We do appreciate that the Commission is holding hearings, and the only other suggestion in that regard I will make is that you should publish how to submit comments by e-mail. In case you hadn't noticed, a large number of businesses and homes now use that mode of communication.

Sincerely,

Douglas L. Wilson
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Naples, FL 34120

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my support for keeping our 941 area code in Fort Myers as a computer programmer will result in a mess both personally and business wise for many as well as in city offices

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