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Mr. Livingston, I am writing in regards to the recent notice of area code changes. I am frustrated by what appears to be more inconvenience being forced on the general public by the new change in the area code system; ie that of making new subscribers and also upon all of the current 801 area code area in the near future to start dialing 801 or 385 (the new area code) or a full 10 digits to call local areas or even to call my next door neighbors. I know that there is a need for more area codes because of the growth along the Wasatch front, but I would suggest that just like a few years ago when the 435 area code was added to the outlying areas of the state and the original 801 area was shrunk to the Wasatch front, that you shrink again and just make the Salt Lake valley and or possible Davis county all 801 and leave the rest of the areas to the new 385 or another area code. That will not be as much of an adjustment or inconvenience as having to dial ten (10) digits EVERY TIME you want to call your neighbor 3 houses away or the pizza store 1/2 mile away or your assistent in the next office down the hall or next office building from you. That makes more sense to me to have all of Utah Valley & points south in the existing 801 area to be one area code and / or all of the Ogden, Roy, Layton, Morgan, Huntsville and points north etc areas be one area code (maybe their own seperate area code and thus making more room WAY in advance for the expected growth along the Wasatch front) and thus still able to dial normal 7 digits for ALL LOCAL AREA calls. I don't do alot of business calls to SL area, but when I do I expect it to be long distance and accept it. It will be very inconvenient for me and my business to have to dial 10 digit numbers every time in the local area (even tho they are NOT LONG DISTANCE). Please consider this information and any adjustments that can be made before the actual act of installing this new ruling that effects all of us in a very personal way. Thank you for your time.

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