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NMPRC Makes Decision on Area Code...

Implementing 575 Area Code

- Twelve month permissive dialing begins October 7, 2007
- Recorded announcement dialing period will begin October 5, 2008
- Full implementation of the new 575 area code by January 11, 2009

Additional Information about the new area code implementation plan is available at:

www.nmprc.state.nm.us

www.nm575.info

New code in effect by 2009

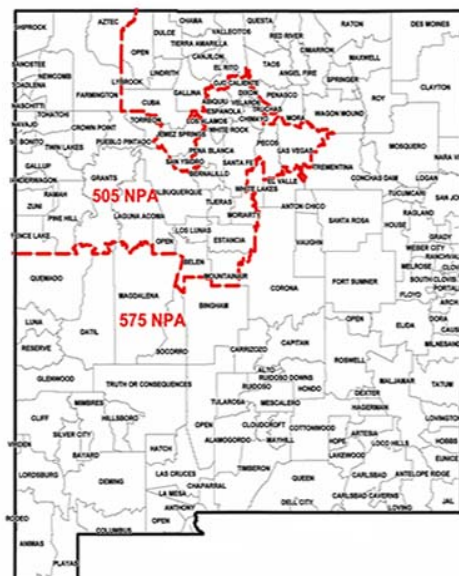
The New Mexico Public Regulation Commission has voted to have Area B--a roughly five county area that includes Albuquerque, Santa Fe, Gallup, Farmington, Las Vegas, Espanola and most of the Navajo Nation—to retain the 505 area code and Area A, which includes the southern and eastern portions of the state to get the new 575 area code.

Permissive Dialing Begins Oct. 7, 2007...

Callers in New Mexico will have a twelve month "permissive dialing" period to become accustomed to using the new 575 area code. Under the 27-month area code implementation plan, the network preparation and customer education periods will be concurrent and begin immediately. Permissive dialing begins Oct. 7, 2007.

The recorded announcement mandatory dialing period begins Oct. 5, 2008 and ends on January 11, 2009. During the permissive dialing period, callers can use either the 505 area code, or the 575 area code, when calling into the locations in the state that have been assigned the new 575 area code.

During the recorded announcement/mandatory dialing period, all calls into the new area code area must be dialed using the 575, and calls which are made with the wrong area code will get a special recorded message advising the caller to redial using "575". After the end of the recorded announcement period, telephone companies will be able to assign the same seven-



digit telephone numbers in both area codes, so calls without the proper area code may be connected to an unintended party. If the mis-dialed call is not connected to another line, the caller will get a generic message.

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Foster, D.	278 - 2026
La Mesa Ranch	278 - 2704
McDonald, Dale	278 - 2557
Rainbow Ranch Bunk House	278 - 3197
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Vigil, Rosa	278 - 2244

Maxwell

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Bacca, Billie Jo	375 - 2606
Brandfas, Robert	375 - 2183
Garrett, Pat	375 - 2301

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Area Code Decision...cont.

Vice-chairman Jason Marks requested the long permissive dialing period because of the many public comments concerning the expense of changing stationery supplies and advertising products. "This longer than recommended permissive dialing period will give customers in the 575 area the flexibility to begin using the new 575 sooner, or continue using the 505 until more of their stationery and advertising products are expended," said Vice-chairman Marks. "The long permissive dialing period will also enable everyone in New Mexico to become more accustomed to the new 575 area code."

Full Implementation by Jan. 11, 2009

Telecommunications companies will begin to notify their customers between one to two months before the beginning of the permissive dialing period (August or September, 2007) and again at least one to two months before the beginning of the mandatory dialing period (August or September 2008).

Telecommunications companies will include in their Customer Education materials and notices the implementation schedule dates, detailed definitions concerning the implementation dates and procedures; dialing procedures within and between the two area codes; maps that show the two different area codes and a reference to the PRC Website.

Are you Prepared?

If the recent blizzards caught you a little less than prepared you are not alone. Massive amounts of snow and very strong winds made roads impassable. Major highways were closed and all area travel was extremely dangerous. These storms were harsh reminders of the importance of being prepared.

There are several sources of information for emergency preparedness. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) website, www.fema.gov, is one source that offers guidelines for preparing for winter storms and other types of emergencies. Being prepared can reduce fear, anxiety, and losses that accompany disasters.

Remember, in case of power outages, it is important to have at least one telephone in your home that is not a cordless phone. Cordless telephones must have electricity and will not work during a power outage. Sometimes, being able to make a phone call can make all the difference in the world.

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Proof of Income

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