

ONTARIO COUNTY

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Hon. Jaclyn A. Brillling
Secretary to the Commission
New York State Public Service Commission
Agency Building 3
Albany, NY 12223-1350

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RE: Ontario County Recommendations on 315 Area Code

Dear Ms. Brillling:

On behalf of the Board of Supervisors for Ontario County, I provide the following official comment for the record as you deliberate on creation of a new area code and propose to establish boundaries that will affect Ontario County.

Ontario County desires to have its entire geographic area placed within one area code. The majority of the county is currently identified as "585." Although our populous eastern city, Geneva, and surrounding areas in the north of the county are "315," this has historically presented many problems for families and businesses and tourism within the county. The new addition of another area code presents an excellent opportunity to fix these long standing problems for our citizens. We are prepared to support the creation of a 10-digit dialing requirement, if it will facilitate a single area code for the county.

We would be happy to meet with you and your staff to develop a specific, appropriate plan for implementing these changes as they affect our citizens. It is most important that any change is well publicized and that individuals affected be given every opportunity to adjust comfortably.

Please feel free to contact me to arrange our next discussion. Thank you.

Sincerely,



Geoffrey C. Astles
County Administrator