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To Whom It May Concern:

1) I oppose a **Federal No Call list! Telemarketing** companies like mine, as well as **my** employees, pay federal, state, and local taxes that are in the millions, or billions over time. I (we) also pay federal, state, and local **taxes** on **our** monthly phone bills.

2) Telemarketing provides to the **masses** of people who need or want, and, if they don't want, believe me they **know how** to say NO!. However, sometimes we make **the** call at a perfect time for them, as well as us! There are countless positive experiences that **come** from telemarketing. We help our **national** economy that is said to be **in** a recession. We also are helping when the economy is booming! More jobs for senior citizens and the disable who might not be able to stand. We help send young people to college. **This** is a billion dollar plus industry. Why do you want **to** disable it? Again, don't penalize **an** industry for the sake of some illegal individuals, and don't cripple us because we **call** someone during dinner.

3) Speaking of **annoying**, consider the other things **that would** fit in this category. Television is **mostly** filth, and it promotes **moral** decay. **Radio** shows **talk** about sex with extreme **vulgarity**. Is that **OK** for **your** children to hear in your home? Many billboards are offensive, **as** well as bumper stickers (i.e.: "it's a white thing, you wouldn't understand" or "its a black thing", etc.). Newspapers are offensive at **times** to me, as well as politicians and pollution. The solution to **this** might be don't watch TV, listen to radio, etc. For the people that **are** truly offended by telemarketers, let them **disconnect** their phone., If a person **disconnects** their phone, they **still** have access to 911 emergency, even from a disconnected phone line. **This** is possible because of the tax dollars individuals and businesses pay!

4) How **can** you be **sure** that inside scams **are** not **arranged** between John Doe and one of **my** employees that will result in my **business** being fined. You should not **infringe** on my freedom of speech and my right to **make a living**.

5) There are, at my guess, at least **millions** of testimonials available from people that do love **the** item or service received as a result of telemarketers. Examples, a new phone **service** with a better rate, credit **cards** with lower **finance** charges, new energy efficient windows, **new** siding for their homes, clean carpeting, **security systems**, time share vacations, buying club members, new lawn **service—the list** goes on. When someone is **boasting** of their **new** product, service, or **savings**, unfortunately for **our** industry, they rarely **start** out by **saying** "First the phone rang". But it had to happen **first**. **Any** thing negative to mention? Sure, but you **can** find negatives in any profession. **So** why cripple telemarketing?

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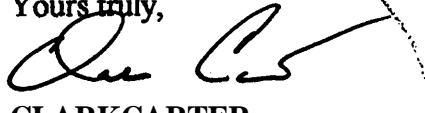
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6) Again, I would like to emphasize that ~~sometimes~~ the call is at a good time for both parties. If you stop and think, your response to that telemarketer has more to do with your current needs, wants, and whether or not you are busy. If you legislate a Federal No Call, all the people who currently are not concerned will become more annoyed because they will be receiving more calls than usual. By changing the numbers available for calling from a large ocean to a small pond of numbers, your chances of receiving a call have increased significantly. The more pressure you put on the thousands of businesses who use telemarketers, the more corporate and personal bankruptcies will result and unemployment will rise. Usually unemployment means more crime, thereby only continuing the cycle. In my opinion, this is not something our economy or our country needs. It is too simple for someone to just say "not now", "no, thank you" or "No!" or to simply hang up.

7) Our country's pledge states "I pledge allegiance to the flag of the United States of America and to the republic for which it stands. . ." If we are a republic, then you should defend my rights as a business owner, just as you would defend any other group, large or small. Please do what is right, not what is popular! We do not want a Federal No Call list!

Thank you for your time.

Yours truly,



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