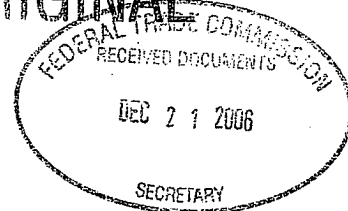


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Federal Trade Commission
Office of the Secretary, Project No. R411001
Room H-159 (Annex K)
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W
Washington, D.C. 20580

Re: TSR Prerecorded Call Prohibition and Call Abandonment Standard
Modification, Project No. R411001

To Whom it May Concern:

As a consumer, I think you are making a mistake by lumping all pre-recorded phone calls together. I don't mind getting calls from the businesses I have a relationship with. If I don't want to receive calls from them, they offer a feature where I can simply press a single key to prevent any future calls. I would much rather do this than talk with a live person.

The problem you should address is when some companies call with whom I have no relationship. Clearly, these are the bad apples in the bunch and you should go after them without harming the companies that offer responsible voice services that benefit consumers.

I am opposed to the FTC's proposal that would require written authorization to receive pre-recorded telemarketing calls from the businesses or charities with which I have an Established Business Relationship (EBR). I believe the burden this would place on them would be so great that they would have to discontinue these voice services that are a benefit to consumers like me.

I would ask the Commission to either adopt the EBR exception contained in the TCPA that creates an exception for pre-recorded sales calls sent by companies that have an EBR with the person they are calling or continue beyond January 2, 2007 to forbear from enforcement actions against businesses that deliver pre-recorded sales messages to customers with whom there is an EBR so other options can be considered.

Sincerely,

Shazan Ashroff