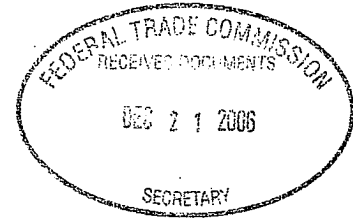


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Federal Trade Commission  
Office of the Secretary  
Room H-159 (Annex K)  
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W  
Washington DC 20580



**RE: Prerecorded Call Prohibition EBR Telemarketing, Project No. R411001**

To whom it may concern:

I just received a pre-recorded message from a local department store. I pressed a number that connected me to live person. While making my purchase the representative told me about this new FCC new proposal. I find it shameful that the commission would attempt to interfere with my rights to make purchases via pre-recorded phone calls sent by those I do business with. I have been doing business with this company for many years. The representative told me that the signature requirement is unrealistic and that they would simply stop making calls if this proposal is passed. I also live in Michigan a state that has been hit hard by the economy and I am sick of proposals that hurt businesses, even worse hurt the consumer.

I am opposed to the FTC's proposal that would require written authorization to receive pre-recorded telemarketing calls from the businesses and Non profit organizations that I have an Established Business Relationship with. I am aware of the burden this would place on these businesses and I believe this burden would cause most of if not all of the businesses that call me to simply discontinue sending these calls.

Pre recorded sales calls provide a great benefit to businesses and consumers and it is outrageous that the FTC would even consider interfering with the relationship between a business and its customers.

I would ask the Commission to either adopt the EBR exception contained in the TCPA that creates an exception for pre-recorded calls sent by companies that have an EBR with the person they are calling or continue its forbearance towards businesses that send pre-recorded messages to those with an EBR beyond January 2, 2007.

Sincerely,

Stephanie Long