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

I am a musician and I receive prerecorded messages inviting me to purchase tickets to musical events, concerts, and shows. These are welcome prerecorded sales calls. I very much prefer these prerecorded sales calls to junk mail and or a live telesales person because they are easy to deal with and easy to disconnect. These calls are welcomed because they are sent to me by those who I have a relationship with. I know without a doubt that these organizations that send pre-recorded calls would never be able to effectively get written authorization from each recipient and therefore they would be forced into not sending these calls. That means I would not get the calls that I want to get so I can easily purchase these preferred tickets to these wonderful events.

I am very much 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,

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