



SUPER 8 MOTELS, INC.

Robert N. Weller
President

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Acting Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
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Washington, DC 20554
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Dear Mr. Caton:

As President of Super 8 Motels, Inc. and as a consumer, I oppose the implementation of Billed Party Preference (BPP) by the Federal Communications Commission.

Super 8 is a hotel chain which hosts thousands of guests and long distance consumers each night and proposed implementation of BPP is not in their best interest. I am convinced that the \$1 billion implementation expenses plus the \$250-300 million in annual operating expenses would be passed on directly to the consumer in the form of higher costs. In addition, the time required for call set and various other necessary functions associated with BPP would be significantly increased to over 90 seconds. This is hardly in the best interest of our guests and consumers!

Other reasons I oppose the implementation of BPP include that BPP would be obsolete before it is implemented because of rapid changes in technology. It would also inhibit competition and innovation by placing control processing and verification in the hands of the local operating company. This would definitely hamper the delivery of new services.

Consumers would be better served by the FCC's continuing to enforce existing regulations such as unblocking and TOCSIA. Unblocking, branding, and accurate signage provide all the information our guests need to reach their carrier of choice. Educational advertising done by the major carrier continues to be an effective method of informing the consumer on how to reach their carrier.

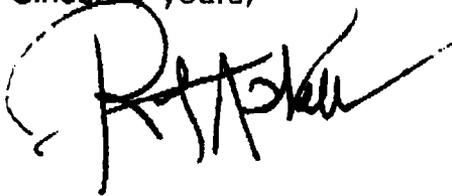
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In summary, in its current form, BPP does not provide sufficient benefit to consumers to warrant its implementation. I want to encourage the FCC to reject this proposal and recognize the burden that will be placed on our guests and consumers. Instead, please continue to expedite and enforce the unblocking of access codes and mandate clear standardized signage.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be "R. A. P. K. U.", written over a large, faint circular stamp or watermark.