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Carol Lancaster
15200 Brandywine Dr. SW

November 2, 2005 7:20 PM

Senator Barbara Mikulski
U.S. Senate
503 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Mikulski:

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cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

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Senator Wayne Allard
U.S. Senate
521 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Allard:

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Representative Randy Neugebauer
U.S. House of Representatives
429 Cannon House Office Bldg.
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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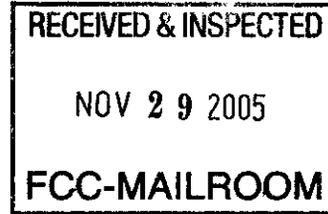
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Rona Ronquillo
804 W Jefferson St , Pecos, Texas 79772



November 17, 2005 01:25 PM

The Federal Communications Commission Agency
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear The Federal Communications Commission Agency:

The flat-fee Universal Service Fund proposal is unfair. I urge you to oppose this plan. I am one of the millions of consumers that will be unfairly taxed at a higher rate under the flat fee plan. The flat-fee would mean a tax hike for people like me -- consumers that use prepaid cellular phones or make few long distance calls.

I support the Keep USF Fair Coalition, and monitor this issue on their website. Stopping the flat fee tax is important to my family - not to mention my pocket book. You will hear from me again, until this issue is resolved fairly! The flat-fee is unfair, and un-American.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as high-volume residential or business customers. I urge you to reject this flat-fee proposal.

Thank you.

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

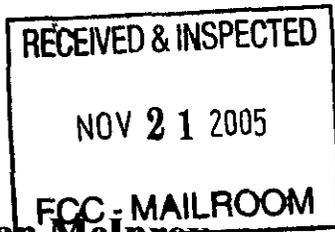
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Senator Kay Hutchison
Representative Henry Bonilla
Senator John Cornyn

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~~Susan McInroy~~

8538 Main St. , Campbell, New York 14821

September 14, 2005 10:11 AM

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445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

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Susan McInroy

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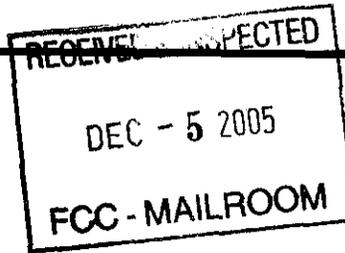
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Kenneth Early

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Senator Sam Brownback
U.S. Senate
303 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001



November 4, 2005 4:39 PM

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Brownback:

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Sincerely, Kenneth

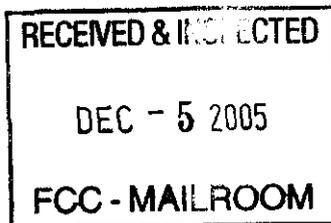
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Steven G. Kunkel

1939 Haughton Ave , North Mankato, MN 56003-1437

Senator Norm Coleman
U.S. Senate
320 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001



November 1, 2005 4:39 PM

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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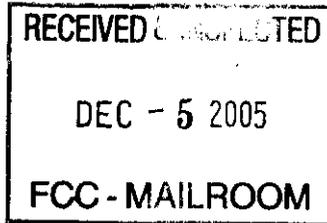
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Sharon Carter

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Senator Patty Murray
U.S. Senate
173 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001



November 1, 2005 2:31 PM

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Murray:

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November 1, 2005 5:29 PM

Senator Dianne Feinstein
U.S. Senate
331 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Feinstein:

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November 1, 2005 2:46 PM

Senator Richard Lugar
U.S. Senate
306 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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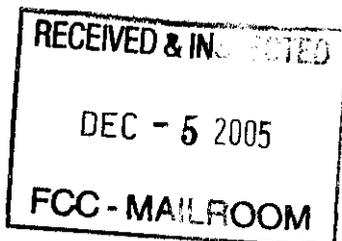
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Thomas Hoesman

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November 1, 2005 11:08 AM

Senator George Voinovich
U.S. Senate
524 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001



Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Voinovich:

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Marissa Vargas

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November 15, 2005

Senator Evan Bayh
U.S. Senate
463 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Bayh:

As a voter and a cell phone and house telephone user, I strongly oppose this tax system.

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Frank Bachman
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November 15, 2005 12:23 PM

Representative Tim Murphy
U.S. House of Representatives
322 Cannon House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-0001

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Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Murphy:

I have serious concerns regarding the Federal Communications Commissions' (FCC) position to change the Universal Service Fund (USF) collection method to a monthly flat fee.

On a personal basis, I myself am disabled and receive SSD as my only income. This added tax burden, at a time when heating costs will force me to freeze this winter, is unjustified. Perhaps you would personally, out of YOUR own pocket, increase my income by the SAME percentage that this tax would decrease my income.

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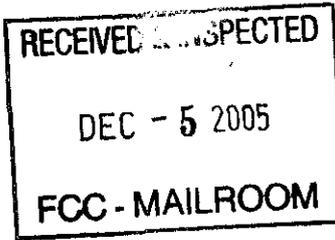
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Andrew Badall

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November 1, 2005 2:15 PM

Senator Bill Nelson
U.S. Senate
716 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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I am currently a prepaid cell phone customer with TracFone, and I am pretty new to this. Throughout the six months I have been using the phone, I enjoyed the benefits of affordable phone service, being a low-volume user; and that there was no credit checks or checking accounts required. With this flat fee tax, I may not be able to afford using the phone anymore, and may end up having to quit using the phone altogether.

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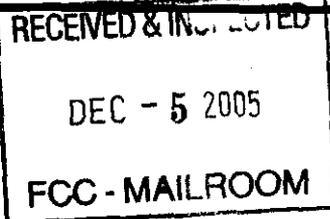
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November 15, 2005 7:47 PM

Senator Richard Burr
U.S. Senate
217 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Burr:

Currently, USF is currently collected on a revenue basis. People who use more pay more into the system.

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AND I WILL CANCEL MY SERVICE!!!

ENSURING THE GOVERNMENT WILL NOT COLLECT MY PORTION OF THE USF

HUNDREDS OF THOUSANDS OF OTHER AMERICANS WILL CANCEL ALSO

WE DONT NEED A PHONE TO SURVIVE.

according to top FCC officials, the FCC has plans to change to a flat fee system soon and without legislation.

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Sincerely,

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November 4, 2005 2:07 PM

Senator Wayne Allard
U.S. Senate
521 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Allard:

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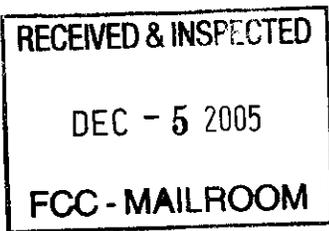
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Beverly Wiles

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November 1, 2005 2:22 PM

Representative John Olver
U.S. House of Representatives
1111 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Olver:

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Senator Kay Hutchison
U.S. Senate
284 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Some of my family are low income or elderly and really need thier phone if this increase takes place they will not be able to afford to keep thier phone and with out that they (the elderly ones) lose thier independance and they and the ones with small children have no way to call for help in case that the have an emergency.

I think that this would be more costly because of lose of service to poor people. Please use your brains here.

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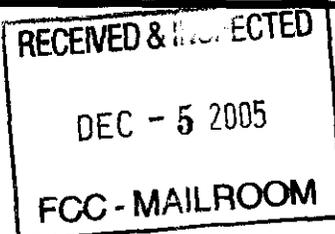
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Ria Faber

2759 Alger , Grand Rapids, MI 49546



November 1, 2005 11:48 AM

Representative Vernon Ehlers
U.S. House of Representatives
1714 Longworth House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Ehlers:

I have an emergency cell phone that I use very infrequently. I do not want to pay extra charges for this phone.

I do not even carry long-distance service on my home phone because of the ridiculous service charges.

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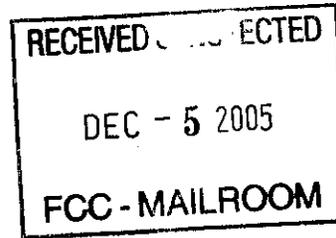
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Elaine Manning

260 Madison Road , Parsippany, NJ 07054

November 1, 2005 10:54 AM

Senator Jon Corzine
U.S. Senate
502 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001



Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Corzine:

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As a single mother on a very limited income, I use a pre-paid wireless phone for emergencies. It is reassuring to have it with me in case of car trouble. I buy the lowest amount of minutes possible to keep this affordable for me. To have to pay a flat-fee for something I rarely use would make this a financial burden I would need to give up. Why should consumers have to pay for something they aren't using? A phone should not be a luxury item.

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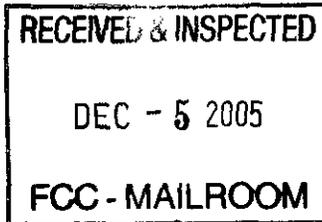
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Wanda Vanderpool

838 Tamarack Drive , Willard, OH 44890



November 1, 2005 11:52 AM

Senator George Voinovich
U.S. Senate
524 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Voinovich:

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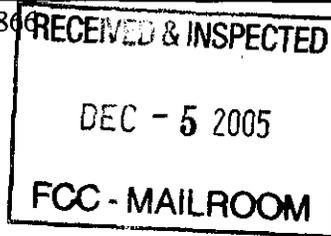
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James Maher

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November 1, 2005 11:38 AM

Senator Harry Reid
U.S. Senate
528 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Senator Reid:

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A flat fee tax could cause many low-volume long distance users, like students, prepaid wireless users, senior citizens (of which I am one) and low-income residential and rural consumers, to give up their phones due to unaffordable monthly increases on their bills. I personally would at that point seriously consider an alternate long distance communication method, such as the use of the Internet voice communication systems. Shifting the funding burden of the USF from high volume to low-volume users is radical and unnecessary, and should the Internet alternative method be taken, would not provide the forecasted revenue. In addition, it would have a highly detrimental effect on small businesses all across America.

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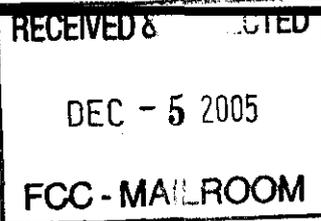
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Harold Schultz

515 Aquarius St. , Mission, TX 78572



November 1, 2005 5:20 PM

Senator Kay Hutchison
U.S. Senate
284 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

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Sincerely,

Harold Schultz

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November 1, 2005 4:10 PM

Representative James Sensenbrenner
U.S. House of Representatives
2449 Rayburn House Office Building
Washington, DC 20515-0001

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear Representative Sensenbrenner:

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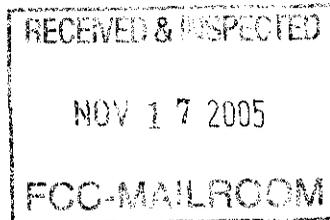
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Audrey Hoerle

14 Morning Hill Drive , Manchester, Missouri 63021



November 08, 2005 08:19 PM

The Federal Communications Commission
445 12th Street, SW
Washington, DC 20554

Subject: Re: Federal-State Joint Board on Universal Service CC Docket 96-45

Dear The Federal Communications Commission:

The flat-fee Universal Service Fund proposal is unfair. I urge you to oppose this plan. I am one of the millions of consumers that will be unfairly taxed at a higher rate under the flat fee plan. The flat-fee would mean a tax hike for people like me -- consumers that use prepaid cellular phones or make few long distance calls.

I support the Keep USF Fair Coalition, and monitor this issue on their website. Stopping the flat fee tax is important to my family - not to mention my pocket book. You will hear from me again, until this issue is resolved fairly! The flat-fee is unfair, and un-American.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as high-volume residential or business customers. I urge you to reject this flat-fee proposal.

Thank you.

cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Audrey Hoerle".

Audrey Hoerle

cc:

Senator Christopher Bond
Senator Jim Talent
Representative Todd Akin

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