

Acquiring a desired vanity toll-free number has been a very difficult, if not impossible feat. A large, technologically-savvy telecom company immediately hoarded a toll-free number we were interested in within .01 seconds of the number becoming available. Every time I call the number (even 9 months after the large resporg hoarded it) it's a dead line-no rings, no answers; nothing. The company holds on to the number and does absolutely nothing with it, which is illegal. Furthermore, they are not accountable-calls to the company that own the line are directed to a random voicemail box.

We have a legitimate business interest in using the number to conduct business and the hoarding of toll-free numbers handcuffs businesses across America who want to use numbers legitimately. If President Obama really wants to help small businesses, we really need a temporary daily cap on the amount of 855 numbers that can be taken per day, to revert a few vanity number businesses from hoarding a huge amount of the 855 numbers that real customers need to build their businesses.

Thank you.