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Miss Horte

This is a public comment for W.C.ockett Prison Mail #10075.

I would first like to take the time to thank you for investigating this well over ~~two~~ ~~due~~ dilemma about how we the inmates have been taken full advantage of ~~being~~ by being unable to stay in contact with our love ones, because of the outrageous phone rates. Miss Horte I don't understand how I was being charged \$5.00 for a 15 minute phone call while being housed at Camp Hill which is located in Harrisburg, I'm now in Huntingdon 2 hours closer to Pittsburgh and I'm still being charged \$5.00. How is that possible? I'm being charged \$2.00 just to be connected and I'm not sure how much per minute, all I know is that when its all said and my phone call is over its a \$5.00 dollar phone call.

Miss Horte at least three to four times if the phone detects a loud ~~noise~~ noise if the gate to ^{the} entrance of my block if it slams shut my phone call will be disconnected, if I should try to call back, once again I'll be charged for the connection. I would like to be able to call and speak to my children more often but with the outrageous phone rate that is impossible. It's a shame because my 5 year old son we miss each other so much and its not often I can speak to him. Free calls would be outstanding, but if that wouldn't be possible, if we weren't charged \$2.00 for the connection fee and 3¢ a minute that would make everyman grateful. Some men were transferred from PA to Detroit and the call's ~~were~~ ^{were} \$1.68 for 15 minutes and they could call anywhere in the U.S. and be charged the same, when the men were transferred back to Huntingdon once again they were charged \$5.00 or more depending where ~~they~~ their family lived. It seems as though the system ~~is~~ takes every opportunity possible to profit off the prisoners of the P.A. system. I surely appreciate the help that you are offering. I hope and pray that you can help us in our own due struggle with the phone situation. Thank you for your time and effort

Grateful for your help
James Jackson KR6636.

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FCC Mail Room

Dear Secretary Dortch,

This is a Public comment for WC-Docket Number 12-3 and I wish to have cheaper phone rates, and a 10 minute free call for all inmate daily also no connection fees and no commissions, and AT&T has a 15 minute phone call for \$1.00. I hope that you can help make this happen for us inmates because it's hard to make phone calls to our family when the phone call costs almost \$5.00 and the first min is like 2\$. Some inmate never get on the phone because they can't afford the cost of the call and when we do buy phonecard and make call sometime the phone cut off and the jail don't want to pay for the phone we just got Rob for. If I was to buy a 10\$ phonecard I would be allowed 1 phone call and half and we allow 15 min per call and if we had AT&T at 15 minute at 1.00 I could call my family more. I know a lot of inmate maybe writing you with the same problem but this is a problem we been having for a long time and it's getting harder for me to stay in touch with my family and friend because I can't afford to pay the phone rating and my family can't afford to send me money to use the phone and the jail only pay me 10¢ a hour so I can't really afford to pay the cost myself so I ask you please if you can help us stay in touch with our family you will do something to help this problem we are having.

Thanks!

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Dear Secretary Datch,

FCC Mail Room

"This is a public comment for WC-Docket number 12-375." The following is a list of 5 things to help inmates keep in contact with their families. They go as followed:

- 1) Cheaper Phone Rates
- 2) A 10 Minute free call for all inmates daily.
- 3) No Connection fees
- 4) No Commissions
- 5) At&t has a 15 Minute phone call for \$1.00

The rest of the inmates & myself will greatly appreciate it if you would make these changes for us. We have children & other family members that would love to hear from us more often. Thank you in advance for your time & consideration.

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Very Truly Yours,

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I have one suggestion and it is that the exhortation/call to prisoners and their families, to get involved in the endeavor to have the telephone prices for prisoners be taken to the highest level of communication. The internet. There is no way that the number 700 was used in a count of people who participated across the united states of America. For almost any event, that event would necessarily seem futile with a count of people so small as more than 700.

What I have done is that I wrote a letter unaddressed and gave it to a few people whether known to me or not. I know that there has to be far greater a number of interested people who may not know of the FCC's present endeavors.

Enclosed is a copy of the letter that I wrote. Again the main purpose of ~~both~~ of this letter's subjects is that the word be put out to families and prisoners on a much larger scale. The internet seems to be the perfect mechanism. I want to ask my relatives to get involved but maybe it would be easier and more far reaching that the FCC do so. Even letters to the prisoners may be very effective. I am almost certain that had the entire population of American prisoners who use the monopoly prices phone calls, that are essential to them, only knew that there was an opportunity for their phone calls to be lower they would have spoken up. No man or woman can find logic in paying a price for phone calls that their budget doesn't necessarily cover.

Among other topics that I feel the need to bring up are the one lane commissary ordeal. Sometimes they can't even supply the demand so one must go without. Privatization of the health and of the food programs. Low pay rates, with the excuse that there are only a certain fixed amount of people who are allowed to earn top pay. This is so although a great number of these people who are denied these pay rates that have been working for years, in the same prison, some in the same spot if that spot allows it. So these are some of the many monopolies that the prisoner suffers.

The main reason that I brought up the monopolies is so that there can be light shed on the present state of the prisoner. Prey for the bloodsucking affect of the people in charge of it all. They see it as a business lane, not as humans with sentiments, interests, and families and lives to live.

One vital issue is the carriage of justice. Understand my angle. The administration of justice is best assisted, in this present circumstance, if phone prices are lowered, or given, at a certain amount monthly, free. This is because when you are able to communicate then you can better assist your attorney or defense group - of whatever kind - in your defense.

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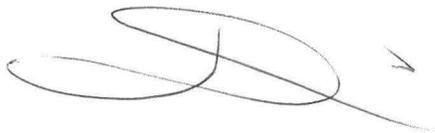
a term coined often in courts and it is " although innocent ". So those convicted and sentenced although innocent can maintain such innocence if they are able to communicate. If not then they remain in their present state although innocent. This amounts to a miscarriage of justice. So it assists in the (proper) carriage of justice that more communication is afforded.

Family is a key element in life. With my family by my side I will prevail; whether in a physical spiritual or mental dual. I won't, but want to kill myself when I don't have my family near. I want others to die horrible deaths when I have been away from my mom too long. Although I am not contemplating, I do hate the world and don't care whenever I am held away from my family. They visit. But visits aren't the only way to communicate. So why am I - and we - deprived of family by stifled ways of communication? So I hope that isn't too crazy for you, although it is for me. We can blame what is blame-worthy. The unreasonable basis for the preclusion of any more communication than what presently are afforded United States Prisoners- namely those affected - or the want of better for all.

So again I speak on the internet situation. Had you all put the word on the internet the result would have been more. Still the reason I bring the internet into the conversation here is so that I can present it as an efficient means of communication. I have never even so much as been charged with internet relatde pffenses. Some sour apples seek to spoil the bunch but should be prevented. Security is simple with the streamlining of what prisoners can do. So why can't I contact my family, why can't I contact my defense team, by way of internet; and more primarily, by way of lower and some free prison phone calls.

I hope that opening up to you all did not result in any misperception, any undue label or any of the bad things that come about when you let people know what is inside. I am fully intelligent and hope that you view me as such and understand my interest here today.

THANK YOU
Dave Williams FY 3994
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Join the fight for Prison Phone Justice

Recently, there has been an endeavor to lower prison phone prices by the Federal Communications Commission (FCC). This endeavor afforded prisoners the opportunity to speak up. Still, somehow, out of the entire nation of the U.S. only 700+ letters were said by the FCC to have been received. This is unacceptable and shows a lack of a necessary concern on the part of any man with wife and/or kids and family. So in case it was due to a lack of knowledge on behalf of concerned individuals this is an endeavor to open eyes to what is necessary that be known.

So this is a chance for any concerned prisoner to do his part in making his circumstance better, by having the phone prices lowered and by having free calls allotted to him while stuck in prison unable to communicate in ways that he has no choice but to. So send two letters and better your entire life by changing your present situation into what you know benefits you in your present state most.

Letter #1 The impact of high prison call prices on you/your family;

At the top of the letter, to Chairman Genachowski, it must state "This is a public comment for the Wright Petition (CC ~~Docket~~ **DOCKET** #96-128)." Make clear the types of problems you and family have experienced to the fault of the high phone prices. Address it to: Chairman Julius Genachowski, Federal Communications Commission, Public Comments, 445 12th Street, SW, Washington DC, 20554. (ASAP)

Letter #2 Making Phone Rates just an reasonable;

At the top of the letter, to Secretary Dortch, it must state "This is a public comment for WC Docket Number 12-375." Address any of the following topics;

Costs and experiences, Call Charges (how much you actually pay), Dropped Calls (unprecedented ending of your calls has happened how many times?), Call Frequency (how often you make calls), Free Calls (should prisoners have a certain amount of free calls allotted?), and Disability Access (are the rates and access the same as for those who aren't disabled?).

Address this letter to Marlene H. Dortch, Federal Communications Commission, 445 12th Street, SW, Rm. TW-B204, Washington DC, 20554.....by 03-25-2013!

Again, it is more than significant. This is a chance to make the prisoner's circumstances better by ending one of the many monopoly plagues that we suffer as those without a voice. Stand for something or fall for everything. Two letters is all it takes. Send them today. There are more than a mere 700 individuals who are suffering from this and therefore there are more than a mere 700 who should speak up.

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Dear Secretary ~~Abraham~~ Room

I to, have the same trouble
as others, especially being
disconnected, on a regular
basis, and I have to pay
connection fee again
meaning twice. I use the
phone here on a regular
basis, not so much as I
like because the rates are
too high. I would love to
talk to my family more often
free calls would be great
as well. Thank you for
your time and cooperation

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Reginald Blossingale
Ever Please

My family had to set up an account, and pay up front in order for me to call because the phone provider, the jail use, stop my collect call from going through. When I purchase phone time from Inet, the cost is \$3.15 for 15 min, to too high, please change this as soon as possible. Again Thank you
R. Blossingale

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