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To: FCC

Re: Proceeding CG Docket 02-278,
Petition for Forbearance from The Direct Marketing Association (DMA)

The TCPA and FCC requirement for obtaining prior written consent before marketers make or deliver automated or prerecorded calls should not be changed or weakened in response to the Petition by the DMA.

Telemarketing calls made by autodialing is a plaque upon anyone who owns any phone, whether landline or cell phone, and even people who have put their phone numbers on the national do not call list registry can not escape from the plague.

The prior consent to call issue also arises in debt collection calls. I represent a person called by a collector based on the "implied" permission supposedly given not to the collector, but supposedly years earlier to the original creditor. The requirement for clear written permission should not be weakened for any potential callers.

The FCC should deny and reject industry attempts to rewrite or weaken the rules. Thank you for considering these comments.

Sincerely,
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