



FEDERAL COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION
WASHINGTON

OFFICE OF
THE CHAIRMAN

August 11, 2015

The Honorable Tammy Baldwin
United States Senate
717 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Baldwin:

Thank you for your letter of August 5, 2015, regarding the Telephone Consumer Protection Act Declaratory Ruling and Order the Commission adopted last month. We appreciate your commitment to protecting consumers from unwanted telemarketing calls and texts, a commitment which we at the Commission share. As your letter correctly notes, unwanted disruptive and privacy-invading robocalls are the leading source of consumer complaints to the FCC. Our action in July embraces and encourages both regulatory and private sector approaches to curb these abuses and makes clear in particular that phone companies may implement robocall blocking technologies.

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The Honorable Richard Blumenthal
United States Senate
702 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Blumenthal:

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The Honorable Al Franken
United States Senate
309 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Franken:

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The Honorable Amy Klobuchar
United States Senate
302 Hart Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Klobuchar:

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The Honorable Edward J. Markey
United States Senate
218 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Markey:

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The Honorable Jeff Merkley
United States Senate
107 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

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The Honorable Elizabeth Warren
United States Senate
C2 Russell Senate Office Building
Washington, D.C. 20510

Dear Senator Warren:

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The Honorable Ron Wyden
United States Senate
223 Dirksen Senate Office Building
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Dear Senator Wyden:

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