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Sent: Wednesday, March 23, 2011 12:38 PM
To: Paul Wright
Subject: For SC phone folder

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From: **Trevis Shealy** <Shealy.Trevis@doc.state.sc.us>
Date: Wed, Mar 23, 2011 at 8:50 AM
Subject: RE: [SPAM] Re: Follow-up re DOC inmate phone rates
To: stein <stein919@gmail.com>

H.3620 - 2007-2008 General Appropriations Bill

72.41. (GP: Pay Telephone Revenue) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, all state agencies, institutions, colleges and universities must remit to the general fund all revenues received and all monies retained above the cost of allowing the placement or location of pay telephones on public property. Each state agency, institution, college and university must annually report to the Office of State Budget the revenue received for allowing the placement or location of pay telephones on public property. This proviso includes any commission(s), state agencies, institutions, colleges and universities receive for allowing the placement or location of pay telephones on public property. Public property means any and all property occupied or under the control of a state agency, institution, college or university. Beginning April 1, 2008, and ending on the last day of Fiscal Year 2008, the State shall forego any commissions or revenues for the provision of pay telephones in institutions of the Department of Corrections and the Department of Juvenile Justice for use by inmates. The State Budget and Control Board shall ensure that the telephone rates charged by vendors for the use of those telephones must be reduced to reflect this foregone state revenue.

H.4800 - 2008-2009 General Appropriations Bill

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From: stein [mailto:stein919@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2011 6:22 PM

To: Trevis Shealy
Subject: Re: [SPAM] Re: Follow-up re DOC inmate phone rates
Importance: Low

Could you provide the bill number or SC code that made the change? I searched extensively on the SC legislative page, but found no legislation from 2006-present that dealt with prison phone rates or commissions.

Thanks!

- Alex

On Tue, Mar 22, 2011 at 4:15 PM, Trevis Shealy <Shealy.Trevis@doc.state.sc.us> wrote:

[legislation](#)

From: stein [mailto:stein919@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2011 5:14 PM

To: Trevis Shealy
Subject: Re: [SPAM] Re: Follow-up re DOC inmate phone rates
Importance: Low

That's very noteworthy! Do you know why the DOC decided to forgo commissions? (e.g., state legislation, or an administrative policy change?). We will be sure to mention this!

- Alex

On Tue, Mar 22, 2011 at 4:12 PM, Trevis Shealy <Shealy.Trevis@doc.state.sc.us> wrote:

[That is correct, we receive no commissions.](#)

From: stein [mailto:stein919@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2011 5:11 PM
To: Trevis Shealy
Subject: Re: [SPAM] Re: Follow-up re DOC inmate phone rates
Importance: Low

Many thanks -- this is just what we needed, so we can do a rate comparison.

SC gets no commission from its phone contract? That puts SC in with only a small handful of states that don't receive commissions. Could you please verify? Thanks!

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On Tue, Mar 22, 2011 at 3:43 PM, Trevis Shealy <Shealy.Trevis@doc.state.sc.us> wrote:

	Old Rates (Effective 1/2/06)				New Rates (Effective 4/1/08)				
Call Type	Sur-charge	Initial Minute	Addi-tional Minute	Total Charge for 15 Minute Call		Sur-charge	Initial Minute	Addi-tional Minute	Total Charge for 15 Minute Call
Local	0.760	0.000	0.000	0.76		0.50	0.00	0.00	0.50
IntraLATA	0.960	0.110	0.110	2.61		0.50	0.10	0.10	2.00
InterLATA	1.730	0.220	0.220	5.03		1.00	0.15	0.15	3.25
InterState	1.890	0.220	0.220	5.19		1.25	0.15	0.15	3.50

There is no commission.

From: stein [mailto:stein919@gmail.com]
Sent: Tuesday, March 22, 2011 3:24 PM
To: Trevis Shealy
Subject: [SPAM] Re: Follow-up re DOC inmate phone rates
Importance: Low

Sorry to bother you again, but in addition to the below clarification, can you also provide the commission rate received from Embarq under the SC DOC's inmate phone contract?

Many thanks!

- Alex

On Mon, Mar 21, 2011 at 4:09 PM, stein <stein919@gmail.com> wrote:

Many thanks, and very much appreciated! If I could impose further, when did those rates go into effect? They are different from the rates we had c. 2007-2008. Would it be possible to get the old rates for comparison purposes also?

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On Mon, Mar 21, 2011 at 3:48 PM, Trevis Shealy <Shealy.Trevis@doc.state.sc.us> wrote:

Call Type	Payment	Surcharge	Cost per minute
Local	Collect	\$0.50	\$0.00
Intra-LATA	Collect	\$0.50	\$0.10
Inter-LATA	Collect	\$1.00	\$0.15
Inter-State	Collect	\$1.25	\$0.15

From: stein [mailto:stein919@gmail.com]
Sent: Monday, March 21, 2011 12:27 PM
To: Trevis Shealy
Subject: Follow-up re DOC inmate phone rates

Dear Mr. Trevis,

Thank you for speaking with me. We are conducting a survey of inmate phone systems nationwide. We previously requested and received data regarding the SC DOC's inmate phone system, and are following-up to verify your phone rates.

We are seeking collect daytime rates for local, intrastate interLATA, and interstate calls, including surcharge and per-minute rates if applicable. Most of the other data we have collected is from 2008, so if the DOC's phone rates have changed since 2008, please advise. These are the

rates we have on file for the SC DOC: \$1.19 local, \$1.65+.35/min. interLATA, and \$3.30+.35/
min. interstate.

Many thanks for your assistance;

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