Subject: Dang 800 Numbers
Posted by gofar99 on Sun, 01 Sep 2013 22:46:13 GMT
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Hi, My beef of the week. Just because I have a phone doesn't mean I want everyone with an 800 number to call it. It is on the do not call registry (seems now to be mostly a joke)plus I lodge complaints against repeaters. Still you can't stop ones that claim to be non-profits or political. Worse if you have ever dealt with many companies they sell the number to "affiliates" who then apparently can call as well. Pollsters are another of my favorites. If by mistake I answer one.... I always ask who they represent. Then tell them I'm because of their intrusion on my life I will vote for their opposition. It's usually good for a few grins here. Same with anyone else that gets through. I am automatically for the opposite cause. That's of course when I choose to be polite. When not all bets are off

All I can say is thank goodness for caller ID.

Subject: Re: Dang 800 Numbers
Posted by AudioFred on Tue, 03 Sep 2013 00:57:23 GMT
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It's a shame how the number of telemarketing calls has increased in the last year or so. When the do not call laws went into effect the telemarketer calls to our phone all but stopped. For some reason they have started again, and this time they're mostly robocalls. I checked and my number is still on the do not call list. I'm getting so many I no longer answer the phone, and just let it roll over to the answering machine.

Subject: Re: Dang 800 Numbers
Posted by gofar99 on Tue, 03 Sep 2013 16:07:05 GMT
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Yeah, Robocalls the bane of society. I have a device on line that sends back an out of service signal to them. It used to be 100% effective, now about 50%. The biggest offenders now seem to be the ones that slave cell phones to PCs. Unlimited calls as fast as the pc can dial the phone. The device doesn't recognize them as robocalls. As I said thank goodness for caller ID. The ones in our phones speak the ID of the caller. It is rather comical what it does with some.