

STATEMENT OF COMMISSIONER
MICHAEL J. COPPS

RE: Rules and Regulation Implementing the Controlling the Assault of Non-Solicited Pornography and Marketing Act of 2003; Rules and Regulations Implementing the Telephone Consumer Protection Act of 1991 (NPRM).

Congress has given us aggressive schedule according to which we must adopt rules implementing the CAN-SPAM act by the end of September. So I'm eager to get the process started, and am glad we are doing so this morning with this NPRM.

To make this happen, we will have to be just as aggressive as Congress was in giving us this charge. There are tough definitional decisions to be made here and a complicated web of statutes to integrate. So we need a good, full record and a really rapid turn-around to get the job done. But the reward will be consumers empowered to better control what they receive and what they pay for. So thanks to the Bureaus for bringing the item to us and I look forward to seeing a final item before the 270 days elapse. It may require a long summer night or two!