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MEMORANDUM

April 5, 2004

TO:

Vicki Elliott, Assistant Director, Consumer Affairs

Betty Young, Compliance Specialist, Business Practices Investigations

FROM:

Sally G. Johnston

Sr. Assistant Attorney General

RE:

Special Accounts Billing Group, Inc.

Non-Response to Penalty Assessment

Docket No. UT-040063

I have received your letter dated March 24, 2004, regarding Special Accounts Billing Group, Inc.'s failure to respond to the Notice of Penalties issued by the Commission on January 15, 2004, in the amount of \$100.00 and failure to respond to Christopher Swanson's letter dated March 4, 2004. I have reviewed the matter and I recommend that the Commission flag the file or write-off the debt.

After reviewing the documents it is my recommendation that the Commission not bring an action in Superior Court to recover the \$100.00 penalty amount from Special Accounts Billing Group, Inc. because the costs associated with bringing such an action in Superior Court far exceed the outstanding penalty.

Please contact me if you have any questions.