



Robocall Mitigation Plan for Sostratus Voice

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Introduction

This document details the reasonable steps and actions taken by Sostratus to mitigate and eliminate illegal robocalling. Sostratus has an ongoing commitment to scan for and help alleviate illegal robocalling by pre-qualifying prospective customers, monitoring existing customers for traffic patterns indicative of prohibited robocalls, and working with other providers and regulatory agencies in combating fraudulent voice activity.

Sostratus provides resold Voice over Internet Protocol ("VoIP") calling services. All telecom services are provided on a resale-only basis. As a telecom reseller, Sostratus is dependent on our underlying provider's assistance with monitoring their networks for fraudulent voice calling patterns. Our underlying VoIP provider is White Label Communications, LLC.

Know Your Underlying Provider

Sostratus has a master service agreement with White Label Communications, LLC and has received written assurances from their officials that it has and will continue to sign calls submitted to Sostratus and will abide by the FCC's STIR/SHAKEN and robocall mitigation rules in all respects when providing voice services to Sostratus. Sostratus and its upstream providers have agreed to work together diligently to mitigate all illegal robocalls, including cooperating fully when receiving traceback requests.

Know Your Customer

For new clients, screening interviews are performed to understand potential customer business models and the potential, or lack thereof, for involvement in fraudulent robocalling schemes. All present VoIP subscribers are also current IT clients whose entire IT network is managed by Sostratus, so we already have a close relationship with our current VoIP clients.

In our research of prospective subscribers, Sostratus does not activate prospects that provide anonymous information or where data mismatches are found. Additionally, prospects are required to agree to Sostratus' strict policies and contractual terms prohibiting the act of fraudulent voice activity as a condition of doing business with Sostratus.

Individuals associated with prospects or current customers who have been known to act improperly or otherwise be involved in fraudulent robocalling will cause their companies to be rejected by Sostratus as a customer and any existing customer relationships could potentially be severed.

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Traceback Requests

Sostratus is committed and will respond fully within 24 hours to all Traceback Requests from the FCC, law enforcement agencies, and the industry traceback consortium and vows to cooperate with these agencies in investigating and stopping any illegal robocallers that use our service to make calls. Sostratus will devote sufficient resources to provide prompt and complete information to traceback requests. Our points of contact to handle all traceback requests are:

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Upon contact, we will run reports back through the White Label VoIP portal to attain the needed information.

If a traceback exposes an existing customer as the source of fraudulent robocalls, or as having transmitted fraudulent robocalls, a demand for an explanation and verification of mitigation of the traffic is issued to the customer. If the fraudulent traffic is not remediated, Sostratus immediately begins rejecting all traffic from the offending customer.

Telephone Numbers

A Telephone Number ("TN") based caller identity is the originating phone number included in call signaling used to identify the caller for screening purposes that is uniquely associated with the subscriber. A subscriber is permitted to use a TN as a caller identity if a TN is directly managed by Sostratus and/or obtained by Sostratus from Sostratus' underlying carrier for use by the subscriber.

For subscribers with multi-line telephone systems, Sostratus and our underlying provider only allow calls to be connected if the originating number matches one of the TN's assigned to the subscriber. This screening capability enables an automated and secure method of validating originating telephone numbers.

International Calling

Sostratus is not currently an international voice services provider. If at any time Sostratus does decide to sell our services to international customers using North American Numbering Plan resources, we will familiarize ourselves with and develop best practices for full vetting of such

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customers and work with our underlying provider to perform the necessary telephone number validation on all international originated calls.

Call Analytics

As a reseller, Sostratus must rely on our underlying provider and/or their third-party vendors to determine if originating calls should be blocked based on call analytics practices. We have control of starting and stopping VoIP service, so if we discovered that we needed to legally terminate service, we could do so immediately.

Ongoing Robocall Mitigation

Sostratus monitors and examines call detail records (CDRs) on a recurring basis to detect suspicious call activity and/or calling patterns. When we and/or our underlying provider detect network usage patterns consistent with illegal robocalls or suspect illegal robocalling is taking place, we will immediately seek to identify the party that is originating, terminating, or routing these calls so that we may take appropriate action. The actions taken may include, but are not limited to Sostratus and/or our underlying provider initiating a traceback investigation; verifying that the originating customer owns or is authorized to use the Caller ID number; determining whether the Caller ID name sent to a receiving party matches the customer's corporate and/or d/b/a name; block the party's ability to originate, terminate, or route calls on the network; and/or providing notice to law enforcement authorities.

As part of our Plan to mitigate and prevent any originating robocalls, we are committed to early identification and investigation of possible robocalling conditions. Among other things, we watch for higher than normal subscriber traffic volume, including large bursts of traffic in small timeframes or spikes in usage. We also monitor for originating calls of short duration and low call completion percentages, originating calls with sequential called to number dialing patterns.

XYZ Reseller Contact for Robocall Mitigation-Related Issues

Please direct any questions related to Robocall Mitigation issues to:

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