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Attn: [REDACTED]

Dear [REDACTED]

I am responding to your letter of March 28, 2001, on behalf of your constituent, [REDACTED]. She asked for the federal tax rate on her long distance telephone charges for interstate calls from Florida.

The Internal Revenue Code imposes a 3% excise tax on amounts paid for local and toll telephone service (Section 4251). The service provider collects the tax from the person making the payment (Section 4291). Some states and local governments also impose their own taxes on local and/or toll telephone service.

I hope this information is helpful. If you have any questions, please contact me at [REDACTED]

Sincerely,

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