

Spam sucks! (and so does trafficmagnet.net)

First off, please DO NOT go to trafficmagnet.net. I don't want to give those bastards any traffic.

They are the scum of the earth and should be destroyed. The reason? They have web crawlers that go and harvest email addresses from web pages for the sole purpose of spamming them. I've received the same email sent to various email aliases that I have set up. I've NEVER sent any email from these addresses, as they're purely aliases, yet I get spam all the time.

Click below for the offending email and my reply. Maybe I'll just go post the address to all of the alt.binaries.erotica newsgroups :)

Update: I found an old email that I had previously sent to this woman. It's included in the body of this article.

The offending email:

“ *Date: Sat, 23 Mar 2002 1:11:54 +0800
From: Christine Hall
Reply-To: Christine Hall
To: "MAILMAN-OWNER@SPINE.CX"
Subject: LISTS.SPINE.CX*

Hi

I visited LISTS.SPINE.CX, and noticed that you're not listed on some search engines! I think we can offer you a service which can help you increase traffic and the number of visitors to your website.

I would like to introduce you to TrafficMagnet.net. We offer a unique technology that will submit your website to over 300,000 search engines and directories every month.

You'll be surprised by the low cost, and by how effective this website promotion

method can be.

To find out more about TrafficMagnet and the cost for submitting your website to over 300,000 search engines and directories, visit www.TrafficMagnet.net.

I would love to hear from you.

Best Regards,

Christine Hall

Sales and Marketing

E-mail: christine@trafficmagnet.net

<http://www.TrafficMagnet.net>

And my reply:

(Keep in mind that this wasn't the first time I responded to this email. I tried being nice, but that obviously didn't work.)

“ *Date: Fri, 22 Mar 2002 13:40:13 -0400 (AST)*

From: Steve Dinn

To: Christine Hall

Subject: Re: LISTS.SPINE.CX

Ok, that's about enough. I've received this email about 10 times and I'm sick of it. I'm going to be blunt here so you can understand what I'm saying to you. I guess the other times I complained, I didn't write monosyllabically enough for you to comprehend:

DO NOT send any more advertisements to ANY email address ending in "spine.cx". I do not care that I'm not on some search engines. I don't give two shits. Really. You are just pissing me off. I would NEVER give business to a company that sends unsolicited email, and hey! that includes you.

Not only am I NOT going to do business with you, but I'm going to tell ALL my friends who have ANYTHING to do with the internet NOT to do business with you. I am going to make a point of mentioning on my website that your company sends unsolicited email, and that you are among the more unscrupulous individuals online today because you do so. Make sure you check that out, next time you're scanning it for email addresses.

Then, just for good measure, every once in a while I'll write YOU an unsolicited email just to tell you once again how shitty I think your company is for doing this. Then maybe you can see how badly it sucks.

Am I getting through to you now?

My god, you people have no souls.

*Have a nice day,
Steve.*

An old email:

(I really wasn't kidding when I wrote this :)

“ *Date: Thu, 19 Jul 2001 20:19:58 -0300 (ADT)
From: Steve Dinn
To: Christine Hall
Subject: Re: LISTS.SPINE.CX*

I thought I told you stop harassing me.

*Please don't send me any more emails. I run *all* the domains that end in .spine.cx so please don't send any emails to any addresses that end in @spine.cx.*

Got the picture? Good.

Next time I won't be so pleasant.

-Steve.

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