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Sent: 3/2/2016 2:26:11 PM
To: Tom.Rice@mail.house.gov; Tim Scott; Congressman Jim Clyburn;
Lindsay Graham; Haley, Nikki
Cc:
Subject: FREE PRESS AND MYRTLE BEACH WATER QUALITY ISSUES

As you each know, Myrtle Beach has experienced ongoing high bacteria levels along our beaches for over 6 years now.

Our news site, MyrtleBeachSC.com, is a small family owned and highly responsible news organization. We investigate and understate news.

We have been looking into the relationship between the 1,000 year flood and Myrtle Beach bacteria levels. As such, on Monday, we linked out a story to the State Government DHEC site considering a NO SWIM ADVISORY the state currently has Myrtle Beach under.

We had been in discussions with Mark Kruea of the city for days requesting an official city response.

On Monday, with no response from all we reached out to in city government, our article went live.

IMMEDIATELY upon submitting our article, a sophisticated DDOS attack was launched on our server from someone inside the country of China.

I am asking for a call from those emailed here so as to discuss the timeline of events that occurred and how these events worked to effectively shut down the press in our country.

843-455-3108

Sincerely,

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From: **David Hucks** <david@myrtle-beach.com <<mailto:david@myrtle-beach.com>>>

Date: Wed, Mar 2, 2016 at 2:04 PM

Subject: Watch your back

To: Will Folks <will.folks@gmail.com <<mailto:will.folks@gmail.com>>>

Will,

Your article made the page one results nationally for the search term Myrtle Beach today.

While we can not prove it, someone thought it was important to put the Chinese Gov. on us with a DDOS Server attack. This attack occurred after several back and forths with Mark Kruea all late last week about our water quality concerns and the city's response to these ongoing problems. We think public health and water quality are key concerns.

He never responded. BUT - A pipe suddenly burst. We had a DDOS attack which shut us down.

All very odd coincidences for certain.

As a small and responsible news outlet in Myrtle Beach, we have no way to hold the Government of China responsible for this attack. This attack has cost our small firm a small fortune.

In my opinion, clever never beats integrity over the long haul.

Sincerely,

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