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Mr David Wenck
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Dear Mr Wenck

Notifications of third line forcing lodged by Telstra Corporation (N50152)

I refer to the third line forcing notification lodged by Telstra Corporation (Telstra) with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) on 16 November 2004.

Under the notification Telstra proposes to offer persons who acquire specified Hewlett Packard (HP) products a credit of \$129 on that person's first or second BigPond broadband bill when that person accepts Telstra's BigPond ADSL and cable terms and conditions and enters into a 24 month ADSL or cable contract with Telstra.

You have further advised that 'HP product' means any HP Compaq Business Desktop (dx2000 and dx6100) or HP Compaq Business Notebook (nx5000, nx7010 or nx9040) or any other HP Notebook or PC that the parties may agree to from time to time.

Legal immunity provided by the notification commenced on 30 November 2004.

On the basis of the information that you have provided, it is not intended that further action be taken in this matter at this stage.

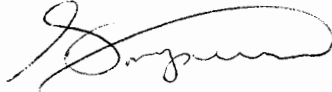
As with any notification, please note that the ACCC may act to remove the immunity afforded by this notification at a later stage if it is satisfied that the likely benefit to the



public from the conduct will not outweigh the likely detriment to the public from the conduct. The ACCC may also review a notification at any time.

This letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Susan Sullivan on 02 6243 1354.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Scott Gregson', with a large, sweeping flourish at the end.

Scott Gregson
A/g General Manager
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