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**From:** Jan Rowe **PUBLIC REGISTER**  
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**To:** Adjudication  
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Good afternoon,

I am writing to let you know of my disapproval of eBay's attempt to force all sellers to only offer paypal or cash on pick as a method of payment. Given that eBay is the owner of Paypal, they undoubtedly have a self interest in proposing paypal as one of only two acceptable payment methods.

eBay's claim that paypal is far safer than other methods of payment such as bank deposit do not ring true. Given that when you list an item for sale, the buyer can see quite clearly what method of payments the seller is offering. They are already given a clear choice to make. If they do not like the methods of payment that sellers are offering, they simply choose not to buy from them.

I believe that buying and selling on eBay is all about choice - let the seller choose if they do not want to offer paypal and let the buyer choose if they want to buy from a seller who only offers bank deposit to pay.

I hope you will take these points in to consideration when looking at what eBay are trying to do to buyers and sellers, and what happens to the people who don't have a credit card to pay with.

After all, when it comes to the crunch, many sellers are just stay at home mums and dads trying to make a few extra dollars. By forcing paypal upon us, I believe that eBay will force many of us away from selling. From my point of view the only people that this will benefit is eBay, as by forcing us in to paypal, they are also forcing us in to paying for the use of this service through the fees that they will collect.

Thank you for your time.  
Regards  
Jan Rowe

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