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From: Celia [mailto:celia@eBay.com]
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Subject: From Celia Condon regarding N93365, 11th April 2008 from eBay International AG

To Whom it May Concern,

I would like to register my disgust with, and my objection to, eBay's intention to dictate to its users that Paypal will soon be each seller's only method (except where land/house/vehicle sales are involved) of non-cash payment.

I am both a seller and a buyer at eBay.

My understanding is that eBay is the advertising medium: For example I place an ad with them to sell something of mine (just like I would with a newspaper). I am then obligated to pay eBay for using their medium to sell my item and I then have to use whatever payment terms eBay chooses when it comes to paying for the advertisement.

An entirely separate contract exists between the seller and the buyer. The buyer is obligated to pay only the seller (and not eBay). eBay is not involved in the contract between the seller and the buyer, therefore I believe eBay has no contractual right to impose any conditions of payment on, or dictate to, the seller when it comes to how the buyer pays the seller. Accepted methods of payment should be decided only by the individual seller.

Surely eBay's intention could be said to border on discrimination, also?

Thank you for taking the time to read this email. I would be pleased if you could get back to me with any decision you make regarding eBay's proposal.

Kind regards,

Celia Condon
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