

Roy, Lauren

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From: Fran [mailto:fran@publicregister.com.au]
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To: Adjudication
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Dear Lauren:)

I have read the eBay notification and their submissions to the ACCC about exclusive dealing. I have also read many submissions against the proposed conduct and the ACCC's draft notice of revocation.

I agree with the ACCC's draft notice as I believe eBay's proposed conduct would decrease competition and not have an overall public benefit.

I was one of the almost 700 people/organisations that lodged a submission against ebay's proposal.

Since 17th January 2007 all new eBay sellers have been FORCED to accept payment by PayPal (or a 'merchant account credit card' which is completely unviable for the vast majority of small to medium sellers) in order to list their items on eBay. Only members registered before this date are permitted to list their items without offering PayPal as an accepted payment method

If I choose to sell on ebay and only accept direct deposit and a buyer wishes to accept my payment terms, then it is no one elses business apart from the buyer and seller. Ebay are only providing the venue for the sale to take place and are in no way, shape or form involved in my sale/transaction
- this has been the terms since I joined ebay in 2003.

Sales on Ebay.com.au are a Contract Between the SELLER and the BUYER, Ebay has no function or part in this contract, Ebay merely provides an online venue for Sellers and Buyers to conduct business together. It must be left to SELLER and BUYER to agree on method of payment.

We,sellers,should have the right to choose if you want to use Paypal as a method of payment or not.

For some sellers, the costs and risks associated with accepting payment by PayPal are unacceptable. These sellers MUST be allowed to operate their businesses as they see fit, and to choose their own payment methods and service providers.

Thank you Lauren to take time reading this email and I look forward to a fair ruling from the ACCC on this matter.

Best regards

Fran