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From: Andrea Lawton [mailto:
Sent: Thursday, 19 June 2008 10:34 PM
To: Adjudication
Subject: In Support of ACCC proposition to revoke immunity for eBay's PayPalonly policy (Notified Conduct)

**Lauren Roy
Adjudication
Australian Competition and Consumer Commission**

Dear Lauren,

I have read the eBay notification and eBay's submissions to the ACCC about exclusive dealing.

I have also read the whole of ACCC's draft notice of revocation and heartily agree with the ACCC.

I hereby wish to lodge my whole hearted support for the ACCC's draft notice to revoke Immunity for eBay's PayPal only Policy (Notified Conduct Parts 1. and 2.)

I wasn't one of 700 people/organisations that lodged a submission against ebay's proposal, but I have followed the results with great interest and with all the problems that people are having with Paypal (as in charge back, eCheques and taking money out of bank accounts and not paypal accounts etc.) as I've read in eBay's own discussion / help boards. I thought that I should voice my opinion as eBay is wanting to FORCE people to use Paypal, and what I see now is a very unsafe method of payment.

I have been selling on ebay since 2005 and have only ever accepted direct deposit and Money Orders as payment for an item, which I have never had a problem with. - I will only continue to sell on ebay so long as Paypal is a payment option only.

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 else's 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 2005.

I would appreciate you taking into account my additional comments in this email and thank you for your valued consideration of the matter and eventually to revoke immunity for ebay's PayPal only policy and as stated allow direct deposit only as a payment option if a seller chooses this option.

eBay's attempts to mandate these policies is un-Australian and anti-choice. To thinly disguise the implementation of a "Paypal only" rule as safety based and not purely financial is an insult to the intelligence of the people and the Government and agencies that represent them. All buyers and sellers should have the right to choose which method of payment they wish. The fact that ebay owns Paypal adds insult to injury. The public are not stupid; they can see that ebay and Paypal are 'double dipping' into their pockets. Ebay are being greedy; their methods are
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With this in mind I urge you to uphold your decision to maintain a variety of available payment options within the eBay marketplace. I hope you agree that a

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mandatory, monopolistic payment regime is ethically and perhaps legally wrong.

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I am sure that hundreds of thousands of Australian eBay members will join me in saying thank you for what was the only reasonable decision to reach by the ACCC.

With kind regards,

morticia707 (Andrea Lawton)

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