Roy, Lauren

Subject: eBay International A.G. notification N93365 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

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From: Tony Green [mailto:
Sent: Tuesday, 17 June 2008 7:38 PM
To: Roy, Lauren
Subject: RE: eBay International A.G. notification N93365 [SEC=UNCLASSIFIED]

Hello, Please accept what follows as my submission to the draft notice concerning ebay.

Bob Miller aka cadici123 on ebay seller EXCLUDED FROM
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While I welcome your Draft notice I am a little alarmed about several of ebays action since the release of your notice.

1. Ebay continues to force sellers to offer Pay Pal as one of the options, this flies in the face of your comments regarding consumers being in the best position to decide. Given we are ebay consumers it seems we ought to have the right to decide which payment method we will accept. If the consumer of OUR products doesn't like this then they wont buy our products.
2. The manner in which ebay promotes its own payment method above all else, especially in making it difficult for buyers to find the alternatives, is surely uncompetitive.
3. Ebay claims that only its method is safe, this is a claim that can't be justified and they should be stopped from making it. It is designed only to take choice away from people and direct them to ebays payment method.
4. There are still many notices around the site telling people that they can only offer PayPal as a payment method.

When the ACCC makes its final ruling I urge you to stop ebay from making it compulsory for sellers to offer Pay Pal even if it is in conjunction with other payment methods. Ebays control of the site ensures that they make it as difficult and unattractive as possible to use anything but Pay Pal. I am prepared to run the risk that buyers will not buy from me if I don't offer Pay Pal but I don't want to use it because I don't believe it is safe and it is too expensive.
With thanks
Bob Miller
You have permission to use this submission in any way you like but please hide my address.

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