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Mr Peter MacGregor
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Dear Mr MacGregor

Third line forcing notification N94218 lodged by SingTel Optus Pty Limited

I refer to the above third line forcing notification lodged with the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (the ACCC) on 2 October 2009. The notification has been placed on the ACCC's public register.

The notified conduct may be described as follows:

SingTel Optus will offer a 'cash back' to small and medium business customers on condition they will acquire a HP laptop from a HP sales channel partner store.

To be eligible for the cash back the customer must also sign up to and activate to a 2GB or above Optus SMB Wireless Broadband plan over 24 months.

The cash back will be in the form of a VISA gift card to the value of \$100-\$150 depending on the offer.

Legal immunity conferred by the notification commenced on 16 October 2009.

On the basis of the information that you have provided, it is not intended that further action be taken in this matter at this stage.

As with any notification, please note that the ACCC may act to remove the immunity afforded by the notification at a later stage if it is satisfied that the likely benefit to the public from the conduct will not outweigh the likely detriment to the public from the conduct.

This assessment has been made on the basis that SingTel Optus Pty Limited, Hewlett-Packard Australia Pty Ltd and Pinpoint Pty Ltd will disclose all relevant terms and conditions to prospective customers.

A copy of this letter has been placed on the ACCC's public register. If you wish to discuss any aspect of this matter, please do not hesitate to contact Erin Donohue on (02) 6243 1291.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to be 'R Chadwick', written over a light grey rectangular background.

Dr Richard Chadwick
General Manager
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