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## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

October 29, 2010

Joseph Kanowitz State of Connecticut

Re: In the Matter of Intel Corporation, Docket No. 9341

Dear Mr. Kanowitz:

Thank you for your comments regarding the Proposed Consent Order accepted by the Federal Trade Commission for public comment in the above-captioned matter. Your comment expresses concern about Intel's proposed acquisition of McAfee, as well as the Proposed Consent Order's limitation to computer products rather than any device, such as a smart phone, that uses microchips.

The Commission's complaint focused on Intel's anticompetitive conduct in the markets for CPUs and GPUs that are used in desktop, notebook, netbook (or nettop) computers, and servers. Neither the McAfee acquisition nor markets for smart phones and other devices were subjects of the Commission's Complaint against Intel and are therefore beyond the scope of the Consent Order. The Proposed Consent Order is tailored to remedy the effects of Intel's specific conduct in the market context in which that conduct took place. Intel's adherence to the specific provisions will not insulate it from future Commission scrutiny or enforcement action if its conduct otherwise violates the antitrust laws. The Commission retains the latitude to take action if Intel engages in anticompetitive conduct in the future.

The Commission has determined that the public interest would best be served by issuing the Decision and Order in final form without the modifications you suggest. A copy of the final Decision and Order is enclosed for your information. Relevant materials also are available from the Commission's website at <a href="http://www.ftc.gov">http://www.ftc.gov</a>.

It helps the Commission's analysis to hear from a variety of sources in its work on antitrust and consumer protection issues, and we appreciate your interest in this matter.

By direction of the Commission, Commissioner Kovacic recused.

Donald S. Clark Secretary