Complaint

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1. Plaintiff brings this action under Sections 1303(c) and 1306(d) of the Children's Online Privacy Protection Act of 1998 ("COPPA"), 15 U.S.C. §§ 6501-6506, 6502(c) and 6505(d), and Sections 5(a)(1), 5(m)(1)(A), 13(b), and 16(a) of the Federal Trade Commission Act ("FTC Act"), 15 U.S.C. §§ 41-58, 45(a)(1), 45(m)(1)(A), 53(b), and 56(a), to obtain monetary civil penalties, a permanent injunction, and other equitable relief for Defendants' violations of the Commission's Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule ("Rule" or "COPPA Rule"), 16 C.F.R. Part 312, and Section 5 of the FTC Act.

JURISDICTION AND VENUE

- 2. This Court has subject matter jurisdiction pursuant to 28 U.S.C. §§ 1331, 1337(a), 1345, and 1355, and under 15 U.S.C. §§ 45(m)(1)(A), 53(b), 56(a), and 57b.
- 3. Venue is proper in the Central District of California under 15 U.S.C. § 53(b) and 28 U.S.C. §§ 1391(b)-(c) and 1395(a).

DEFINITIONS

4. For purposes of this Complaint, the terms "child," "collects," "collection," "Commission," "delete," "disclosure," "Internet," "online contact information," "operator," "parent," "person," "personal information," "third party," "verifiable consent," and "website or online service directed to children," are defined as those terms are defined in Section 312.2 of the Rule, 16 C.F.R. § 312.2.

THE CHILDREN'S ONLINE PRIVACY PROTECTION RULE

5. Congress enacted COPPA in 1998 to protect the safety and privacy of children online by prohibiting the unauthorized or unnecessary collection of children's personal information online by operators of Internet websites or online services. COPPA directed the Federal Trade Commission to promulgate a rule implementing COPPA. The Commission promulgated the Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule, 16 C.F.R. Part 312, on November 3, 1999 under Section

1303(b) of COPPA, 15 U.S.C. § 6502(b), and Section 553 of the Administrative Procedure Act, 5 U.S.C. § 553. The Rule went into effect on April 21, 2000.

- 6. The Rule applies to any operator of a commercial website or online service, or portion thereof, directed to children that collects, uses, and/or discloses personal information from children, and to any operator of a commercial website or online service that has actual knowledge that it collects, uses, and/or discloses personal information from children. Among other things, the Rule requires a subject website operator to meet specific requirements prior to collecting online, using, or disclosing personal information from children, including, but not limited to:
 - a. Posting a privacy policy on its website or online service providing clear, understandable, and complete notice of its information practices, including what information the website operator collects from children online, how it uses such information, its disclosure practices for such information, and other specific disclosures set forth in the Rule;
 - b. Providing clear, understandable, and complete notice of its information practices, including specific disclosures, directly to parents when required by the Rule;
 - c. Obtaining verifiable parental consent prior to collecting, using, and/or disclosing personal information from children;
 - d. Giving parents the option to consent to the collection and internal use of their children's personal information without consenting to the disclosure of that information to third parties;
 - e. Providing a reasonable means for parents to review the personal information collected from their children and to refuse to permit its further use or maintenance;

- f. Not conditioning children's participation in an activity upon the children disclosing more personal information than is reasonably necessary to participate in that activity; and,
- g. Establishing and maintaining reasonable procedures to protect the confidentiality, security, and integrity of personal information collected from children.
- 7. Pursuant to Section 1303(c) of COPPA, 15 U.S.C. § 6502(c), and Section 18(d)(3) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 57a(d)(3), a violation of the Rule constitutes an unfair or deceptive act or practice in or affecting commerce, in violation of Section 5(a)(1) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45(a)(1).

DEFENDANTS

- 8. Defendant Playdom, Inc. ("Playdom"), a Delaware corporation, is the successor corporation to Acclaim Games, Inc., a now dissolved Delaware corporation. Playdom acquired and assumed all obligations of Acclaim Games, Inc. on May 18, 2010. On August 27, 2010, Playdom became a subsidiary of Disney Enterprises, Inc., a subsidiary of The Walt Disney Company. Playdom, which maintains offices in Los Angeles, California and other U.S. cities, transacts or has transacted business in the Central District of California. From at least 2006, Acclaim Games operated numerous Acclaim online virtual worlds that were transmitted and accessible worldwide on the Internet. Following its acquisition of Acclaim Games, Playdom continued to operate some or all of these websites and online services.
- 9. Defendant Howard Marks was a director, shareholder, and the Chief Executive Officer of Acclaim Games from at least 2006 through the date of Defendant Playdom's acquisition of Acclaim on May 18, 2010. After May 18, 2010, Mr. Marks became the Senior Vice President Strategic Planning and Chairman for the Acclaim Studio Division of Playdom. At all times material to this Complaint, acting alone or in concert with others, he formulated, directed,

controlled, had the authority to control, or participated in the acts or practices alleged in this Complaint. Defendant Marks resides in this district and, in connection with the matters alleged herein, transacts or has transacted business in this district.

COMMERCE

10. The acts and practices of Defendants alleged in this Complaint have been in or affecting commerce, as "commerce" is defined in Section 4 of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 44.

DEFENDANTS' COURSE OF CONDUCT

- 11. Between 2006 and 2010, Defendants operated approximately twenty online virtual worlds through which users accessed and played online games and other activities. These included the 2 Moons, 9 Dragons, Age of Lore, Bots, Dance Online, Knight's Blood, Kogamu, Muniz Online, My Diva Doll, Ninja Clans, Pony Stars, Prize Island, Ranch Stars, Rock Free, Rush Fighters, Spell Born, Top Secret, Track Mania, and Tribal Nations games. At least one of Defendants' online virtual worlds, Pony Stars, launched in 2007, was a website or online service directed to children. *See* Exhibit A (Pony Stars home page). Defendants' other online virtual worlds were intended for a general audience, but also attracted a significant number of children.
- 12. Defendants required users to register in order to play in their online virtual worlds. When a new user clicked on the registration icon or link displayed on the home page of a particular online virtual world, that user was presented with Defendants' standard Acclaim registration window that required the user to provide a user ID, a password, and an email address, and to select a birth year and gender. *See* Exhibit B (registration forms for 2 Moons, 9 Dragons, and Pony Stars).
- 13. Once a user entered a birth year indicating that the user was under age 13, the following text appeared:

You are under 13 years old and we cannot ask you for your email address. In order to register, you must ask your Parent or Guardian to fill out this screen. If we find out that this information is false, you may loose [sic] your Acclaim account. Parent or Legal Guardian: You can change the email settings anytime by clicking on the My Account button. After you click on the Registration button, you will receive an email to confirm your email address. You have 30 days to activate this account.

Directly below this language was a field to enter a parent's email address and a check box for the parent/guardian to authorize Defendants to send emails directly to the child. In some instances, this page also included a field for entry of the child's email address. *See* Exhibit C (registration forms for 2 Moons, 9 Dragons, Ranch Stars, My Diva Doll, and Pony Stars).

- 14. Once a user entered a parent or guardian's email and clicked on the "Register" button (with or without completing the "child's email address" field), Defendants automatically registered and provided that child with full access to all of the free areas within the particular online virtual world. At the same time, Defendants sent an email, styled as a "welcome" to any email address(es) entered on the pop-up registration page. *See* Exhibit D (welcoming emails for 2 Moons, 9 Dragons, Bots, My Diva Doll, and Pony Stars).
- 15. A child who registered in Defendants' online virtual worlds was able to create a personal profile, play Defendants' online games, and participate in community forums. Defendants' personal profile page contained fields for a child's entry of user name, real name, location, website, email, and various instant messenger IDs (e.g., ICQ number, AIM, MSN Messenger, and Yahoo Messenger IDs). The personal profile page also logged a child's "user activity," including all

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27 28 of the child's posts and last posting date and time. Once a child entered a forum, that child could post comments and upload these same categories of information to the forum.

- 16. By August 26, 2010, Playdom had permanently shut down most of the online virtual worlds that had previously been operated by Acclaim Games and/or Playdom. However, prior to this shut down, Playdom transferred the operation of certain of its online virtual worlds to non-U.S. based operators, thereby allowing its users, including children, to continue to access the games. For example, on or about August 3, 2010, Playdom transferred operation of the Pony Stars and My Diva Doll online virtual worlds to Feerik Ltd., a French company from whom Acclaim had previously licensed the right to operate English language versions of these games. As a result of this arrangement, Defendants, in violation of COPPA, enabled children who had previously registered on My Diva Doll and Pony Stars to retain access to the games, their accounts, their online personal profiles, and the game forums. Defendant Playdom retained the rights to royalties on revenues earned from game players whose accounts were transferred from Playdom to Feerik.
- On or about November 30, 2010, by agreement between Playdom and 17. Feerik, Feerik shut down the Pony Stars and My Diva Doll virtual worlds and transferred all user data back to Playdom.
- 18. Between 2006 and 2010, approximately 403,000 children registered in Defendants' general audience online virtual worlds. In addition, approximately 821,000 users registered in Pony Stars, Defendants' online virtual world directed to children. Defendants, therefore, were "operators" as defined in the Rule.

DEFENDANTS' INFORMATION COLLECTION, USE, AND DISCLOSURE PRACTICES

Defendants' online privacy policy, covering each website at issue in 19. this complaint, stated in pertinent part:

3. When a child under 13 years of age signs up we not [sic] collect the Email address without the permission of the Parent or Legal Guardian and we will collect the other items listed above. We do not collect anything else. If a child under 13 years of age wants to post information on our website or chat with other players, we will require that they do not disclose any personal information such as the real name, address, phone number and anything that can be used to contact the child.

Exhibit E (Privacy Policy).

- 20. Contrary to the statements made in Defendants' privacy policy, as set forth in Paragraph 19 above, Defendants collected children's personal information and enabled children to publicly disclose their personal information, including online contact information, through Defendants' personal profile pages and in community forums.
- 21. Defendants' online notice of their information practices did not clearly, completely, or accurately disclose all of Defendants' information collection, use, and disclosure practices for children, as required by the Rule.
- 22. Defendants did not take the steps required by the Rule to provide parents with a direct notice of their information practices prior to collecting, using, or disclosing children's personal information.
- 23. Defendants did not take the steps required by the Rule to obtain verifiable consent from parents prior to collecting, using, or disclosing children's personal information.
- 24. In approximately 1,224,000 instances, Defendants collected, used, and/or disclosed personal information in violation of the Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule.

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COUNT I

DEFENDANTS' VIOLATIONS OF THE CHILDREN'S ONLINE PRIVACY PROTECTION RULE

- 25. Since 2006, Defendants have operated numerous websites or online services through which they collected, with actual knowledge, personal information from children under age 13. In addition, since late 2007, Defendants have operated at least one website or online service directed to children.
- 26. In numerous instances, in connection with the acts and practices described above, Defendants collected, used, and/or disclosed personal information from children in violation of the Rule, including by:
 - Failing to provide sufficient notice on Defendants' websites or a. online services of what information they collect online from children, how they use such information, their disclosure practices, and all other required content, in violation of Section 312.4(b) of the Rule, 16 C.F.R. § 312.4(b);
 - Failing to provide direct notice to parents of what information b. Defendants collect online from children, how they use such information, their disclosure practices, notice of any material change in the collection, use, and/or disclosure practices, and all other required content, in violation of Section 312.4(c) of the Rule, 16 C.F.R. § 312.4(c); and,
 - Failing to obtain verifiable parental consent before any c. collection, use, and/or disclosure of personal information from children, in violation of Section 312.5 of the Rule, 16 C.F.R. § 312.5(a)(1).
- Therefore, Defendants have violated the Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule, 16 C.F.R. Part 312.

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COUNT II

DEFENDANTS' VIOLATIONS OF THE FTC ACT

- 27. Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45(a), prohibits "unfair or deceptive acts or practices in or affecting commerce." Misrepresentations constitute deceptive acts or practices prohibited by Section 5(a) of the Act.
- 28. Through the statements made in the privacy policy referenced in Paragraph 19 above, Defendants represented, expressly or by implication, that they would prohibit children from posting personal information online, including information that could be used to contact such children.
- 29. In truth and in fact, Defendants permitted children to disclose their personal information online. Therefore, the representation set forth in Paragraph 28 was false and misleading.
- Defendants' false and misleading representation, as set forth in 30. Paragraph 28 above, constitutes a deceptive act or practice in violation of Section 5(a) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45(a).

THE COURT'S POWER TO GRANT RELIEF

- 31. Defendants violated the Rule as described above with the knowledge required by Section 5(m)(1)(A) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45(m)(1)(A).
- 32. Each collection, use, or disclosure of a child's personal information in which Defendants violated the Rule in one or more of the ways described above, constitutes a separate violation for which Plaintiff seeks monetary civil penalties.
- 33. Section 5(m)(1)(A) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45(m)(1)(A), as modified by Section 4 of the Federal Civil Penalties Inflation Adjustment Act of 1990, 28 U.S.C. § 2461, and Section 1.98(d) of the FTC's Rules of Practice, 16 C.F.R. § 1.98(d), authorizes this Court to award monetary civil penalties of not more than \$11,000 for each such violation of the Rule prior to February 10, 2009 and not more than \$16,000 for each such violation of the Rule on or after February 10, 2009.

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1	34. Under Section 13(b) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. § 53(b), this Court i	.S			
2	authorized to issue a permanent injunction against Defendants' violations of the				
3	FTC Act, as well as such ancillary relief as may be just and proper.				
4	PRAYER				
5	WHEREFORE, plaintiff United States of America, pursuant to Sections				
6	5(a)(1), 5(m)(1)(A), 13(b) and 16(a) of the FTC Act, 15 U.S.C. §§ 45(a)(1),				
7	45(m)(1)(A), 53(b) and 56(a), and the Court's own equitable powers, requests that				
8	the Court:				
9	(1) Enter a permanent injunction to prevent future violations of the FTC	\mathcal{Z}			
10	Act and the COPPA Rule by Defendants;				
11	(2) Award Plaintiff monetary civil penalties from Defendants for each				
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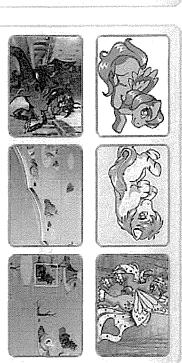


EXHIBIT B

My Account

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ABOUT 2MOONS

GAME GUIDE

COMMUNITY

SUPPORT

Exhibit B, p. 1

Download > Register > Play 2Moons!

2Moons Recommended for Ages 17 + Parents, Click Here

REGISTER FOR FREE (Good for all Acclaim games)

USER ID (3 to 12 characters)



PASSWORD (6 to 12 characters)



BIRTHYEAR





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EMAIL CONTACT
Your email will never be sold, see our Privacy Policy.

EMAIL ADDRESS



CONFIRM EMAIL ADDRESS

Valid Email Required to play and retrieve ost password

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Send email only for the games I am playing

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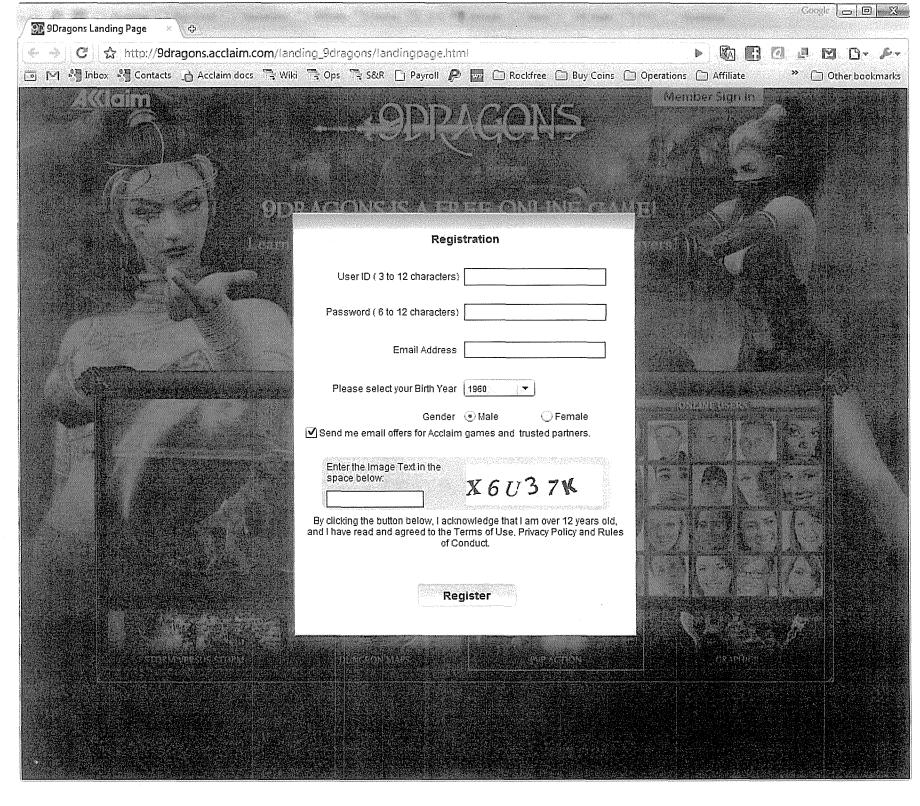
I have read Acclaim's Privacy Policy I agree to the Terms of Use

and Rules of Conduct

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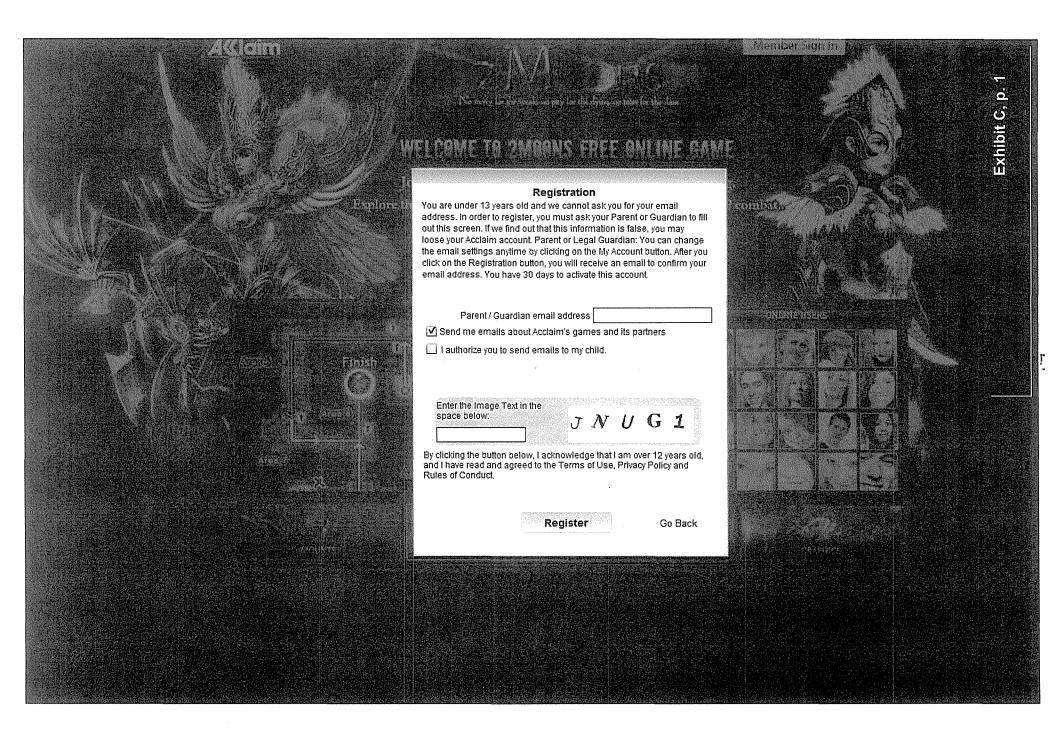
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I agree to the <u>Terms of Use</u> and I have read Acclaim's <u>Privacy Policy</u> and <u>Rules of Conduct</u>

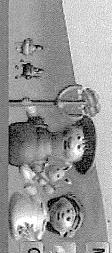
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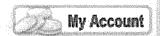
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COMMUNITY

You are under 13 years old and we cannot ask you for your email address. In order to register, you must ask your Parent or Guardian to fill out this screen. If we find out that this information is false, you may loose your Acclaim account.

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Parent or Legal Guardian: You can change the email settings anytime by clicking on the My Account button. After you click on the Registration button, you will receive an email to confirm your email address. You have 30 days to activate this account.

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From: <<u>welcome@acclaim.net</u>>
Date: Sun, Jan 24, 2010 at 10:39 PM
Subject: Welcome to Acclaim Games

To: howard@acclaim.com

Dear ilkilki9999,

Thank you for registering to play 2Moons.

To download 2Moons, please go to: http://2moons.acclaim.com/download.htm

As a member of 2Moons, you can get a special powerful item by inviting your friends: http://2moons.acclaim.com/invite-friend.html

If you need support, we are open 24/7. Please email <u>contact@acclaim.com</u> and specify your user id and the game you are playing.

As a member of the Acclaim community, it is important for everyone's enjoyment that you follow our code of conduct: http://www.acclaim.com/code_of_conduct.html

Your Acclaim account gives you access to all of our games and our community message boards.
Check out 9Dragons, BOTS, DANCE! Online and PonyStars.

So welcome to the Acclaim community... now get ready to have some fun!

The Acclaim Team

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If you do not wish to receive any more emails from Acclaim go to: <u>Unsubscribe</u>

From: <<u>welcome@acclaim.net</u>>
Date: Wed, Jan 27, 2010 at 9:33 PM
Subject: Welcome to Acclaim Games

To: howard@acclaim.com

Dear 78798787gg,

Thank you for registering to play 9Dragons. We hope you'll enjoy your adventures in The Land.

To download 9Dragons, please go to: http://9dragons.acclaim.com/download.html

As a member of 9Dragons, you can Invite a friend and get a bonus Lightfoot speed boost for 1 day:

http://www.acclaim.com/code_of_conduct.html

Your Acclaim account gives you access to all of our free games and our community message boards. Check out RockFREE,2Moons, BOTS, DANCE! Online and PonyStars

Welcome to the Acclaim community... now go learn some Kung Fu, get yourself a weapon and get ready to have some fun!

Sincerely,

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From: <<u>welcome@acclaim.net</u>>
Date: Wed, Apr 15, 2009 at 8:38 PM
Subject: Welcome to Acclaim Games

To: howard@acclaim.com

Dear andreguy44,

Thank you for registering to play BOTS.

To download BOTS, please go to: http://bots.acclaim.com/download.htm

As a member of BOTS, you can get a special powerful item by inviting your friends: http://bots.acclaim.com/invite-friend.html

If you need support, we are open 24/7. Please email <u>contact@acclaim.com</u> and specify your user id and the game you are playing.

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From: <<u>welcome@acclaim.net</u>>
Date: Tue, Feb 2, 2010 at 4:34 PM
Subject: Welcome to Acclaim Games

To: howard@acclaim.com

Dear superkid3344,

Thank you for registering to MyDivaDoll.

As a member of MyDivaDoll, you can get a special powerful item by inviting your friends: http://mydivadoll.acclaim.com/invite-friend.jsp?username=superkid3344

If you need support, we are open 24/7. Please email <u>contact@acclaim.com</u> and specify your user id and the game you are playing.

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From: <<u>welcome@acclaim.net</u>>
Date: Thu, Jan 14, 2010 at 1:55 PM
Subject: Welcome to Acclaim Games

To: howard@acclaim.com

Dear superkid3333,

Thank you for registering to play PonyStars.

As a member of PonyStars, you can get a special powerful item by inviting your friends: http://ponystars.acclaim.com/invite-friend.jsp?username=superkid3333

If you need support, we are open 24/7. Please email <u>contact@acclaim.com</u> and specify your user id and the game you are playing.

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Privacy Policy

We take the privacy of our customers very seriously and as you will read, you are protected by our commitment to the following:

- 1. We will never sell or transfer your personal information to any other third party company.
- 2. We collect the following information:
 - User ID: To identify yourself and access your account
 - Password: To protect your account
 - ZIP Code: We provide the Zip Code to our advertising partners.
 - Country: Some of our games are not available in countries where other publishers own the distribution rights. We use the Country to allow access to our games. We provide the Country to our advertising partners.
 - Gender: We provide the Gender to our advertising partners.
 - Birthday : To validate the age to comply with COPA rules and we provide the birthday to our advertising partners.
 - Valid Email address: We collect the email only for if you are 13 or older or we have received the permission of the Parent or Legal Guardian. You can use the email to retrieve your User ID if you have forgotten it. Based on your email selections, we will email you information about our games such as updates and new games. You will never receive emails from us with offerings on behalf of other companies.
 - Character name: Used in the DANCE! game to name the player's character.
 - IP Address: Each and every time you log on your IP address will be collected in order to protect you in case someone other than you is using your account. We provide the IP Address to our advertising partners.
 - Cookies: We store cookies on your PC to keep track of your Account and it is not shared with other companies.
- 3. When a child under 13 years of age signs up we not collect the Email address without the permission of the Parent or Legal Guardian and we will collect the other items listed above. We do not collect anything else. If a child under 13 years of age wants to post information on our website or chat with other players, we will require that they do not disclose any personal information such as the real name, address, phone number and anything that can be used to contact the child.
- 4. Once you've clicked on an advertisement and have left our Website, our Privacy Policy no longer applies and you must read the privacy policy of the advertiser to see how your personal information will be handled on their site.

When purchasing game items or subscriptions to our games, you will have the choice to pay by Paypal, Click&Buy, mobile phone, bill to your home phone or any other ecommerce available today or in the future. We will collect the required information for each payment method, however, this information will be kept confidential and is only shared under industry standard security methodologies to the billing partners. The billing partners have no right to use your information other than completing the billing process you have initiated.

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We ask that you educate your child to never give out email, name, address, phone or pager information without parents consent. Tell them to always notify a parent OR guardians, when they feel threatened, or are asked for any personal information. The Parent needs to contact us immediately.

For complaints or to remove your Child's information, we can be reached via mail at:

You can send us mail at:

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If we materially change our privacy policy, we will notify you when you sign on or send you an email if we have collected it. We will offer you the choice to agree to it or to delete your account should you refuse to agree to the new privacy policy.

You can change your information with the exception of the User ID anytime by visiting www.acclaim.com signing on and then choosing the My Account link on the upper right side of the website.

In the event that we sell a portion or our entire Company, we will include provisions in the selling contract requiring the purchaser to treat your personally identifiable information in the same manner required by this Privacy Policy.

We will disclose personal information when we believe in good faith that such disclosures are required by law, including, for example, to comply with a court order or subpoena, or will help to enforce our Terms of Use; enforce contest, sweepstakes, promotions, and/or game rules; protect your safety or security, including the safety and security of property that belongs to you; and/or, protect the safety and security of our Web sites.

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