

November 14, 2011

Mr. Donald S. Clark
Office of the Secretary
Federal Trade Commission
Room H-135 (Annex E)
600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20580

Re: Request for Comment on Proposed Revisions to Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule;
Docket No. 100402174-0175-01

Dear Mr. Clark:

This letter is submitted in response to the FTC's request for comment on proposed revisions to Children's Online Privacy Protection Rule. The undersigned parties, which represent a diverse array of perspectives on COPPA, all plan to file separate comments in this inquiry but request an extension of the current deadline (November 28) to Monday, December 19 at the earliest. This would allow us to more fully comment on this complex issue. In particular, we believe these additional three weeks would allow us and other interested parties to more adequately address the issues raised by two major studies on how children use the Internet,¹ which have driven public conversations about the implications of revising the COPPA Rule that are still ongoing.

Respectfully,

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¹ Danah Boyd, Eszter Hargittai Jason Schultz & John Palfrey, *Why Parents Help their Children Lie to Facebook about Age: Unintended Consequences of the 'Children's Online Privacy Protection Act.'*, Nov. 7, 2011, <http://www.uic.edu/htbin/cgiwrap/bin/ojs/index.php/fm/article/view/3850/3075>; Amanda Lenhart et al., Pew Internet & American Life Project, *Teens, Kindness and Cruelty on Social Network Sites*, Nov. 9, 2011, <http://pewinternet.org/Reports/2011/Teens-and-social-media.aspx>.