Conditional Pricing Practices: Economic Analysis and Legal Policy Implications An FTC-DOJ Joint Public Workshop

Date and Location

Date: Monday, June 23, 2014

8:30 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Location: Federal Trade Commission

(Ground Floor) Conference Center

Constitution Center 400 Seventh Street, SW Washington, DC 20024

Workshop Agenda

8:30-8:45 a.m. Welcome and Introduction

Welcome Remarks
William J. Baer

Assistant Attorney General, Antitrust Division,

U.S. Department of Justice

Introduction

Maureen K. Ohlhausen

Commissioner, Federal Trade Commission

8:45-9:30 a.m. Overview of the Economics of Conditional Pricing Practices

Presenters

Michael Waldman

Charles H. Dyson Professor of Management and Professor of Economics, Samuel Curtis Johnson Graduate School of Management, Cornell University

Michael Whinston

Professor of Economics, Sloan Fellows Professor of Management, Department of Economics and Sloan School of Management,

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

9:30-10:45 a.m. The Economics of Conditional Pricing Practices

Presenters

Timothy J. Brennan

Professor of Public Policy and Economics, University of Maryland, Baltimore County

Benjamin Klein

Professor of Economics, University of California, Los Angeles

Michael A. Salinger

Jacqueline J. and Arthur S. Bahr Professorship in Management, School of Management, Boston University

Abraham L. Wickelgren

Bernard J. Ward Centennial Professor, University of Texas Law School

Discussants

Randal Heeb

Partner, Bates White

Francine Lafontaine

William Davidson Professor of Business Economics and Public Policy, Stephen M. Ross School of Business, University of Michigan

Moderators

Patrick DeGraba

Economist, Bureau of Economics, Federal Trade Commission

Patrick Greenlee

Economist, Economic Analysis Group, Antitrust Division, U.S. Department of Justice

10:45-11:00 a.m. **Break**

11:00-12:15 p.m. The Economics of Conditional Pricing Practices, Continued

Presenters

Kusum Ailawadi

Charles Jordan 1911 TU'12 Professor of Marketing,

Tuck School of Business, Dartmouth College

Miguel de la Mano

Head of Economic Analysis of Financial Markets, European Commission

Joseph Farrell

Professor of Economics

Affiliated Professor, Haas School of Business,

University of California, Berkley

Julie Holland Mortimer

Associate Professor of Economics, Boston College

Faculty Research Fellow, National Bureau of Economic Research

Discussants

Matthew Bennett

Vice President, Charles River Associates, London

C. Scott Hemphill

Professor of Law, Columbia Law School

Moderators

Michael G. Vita

Deputy Director for Research and Management,

Bureau of Economics, Federal Trade Commission

Matthew C. Mandelberg

Attorney, Legal Policy Section, Antitrust Division,

U.S. Department of Justice

12:15-1:15 p.m. **Lunch**

1:15-2:00 p.m. Roundtable Discussion on the Economics of Conditional Pricing Practices

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Vice President, Charles River Associates, London

Benjamin Klein

Professor of Economics, University of California, Los Angeles

Francine Lafontaine

William Davidson Professor of Business Economics and Public Policy,

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Moderators

Daniel P. O'Brien

Senior Economic Policy Advisor, Bureau of Economics, Federal Trade Commission

Patrick Greenlee

Economist, Economist Analysis Group, Antitrust Division,

U.S. Department of Justice

2:00-2:30 p.m. Integrating the Economics of Exclusion with Current Legal Policy: Two Paradigms

Presenter

Steven C. Salop

Professor of Economics and Law, Georgetown University Law Center

2:30-3:30 p.m. The Law of Conditional Pricing Practices

Presenters

Daniel A. Crane

Associate Dean for Faculty and Research, Frederick Paul Furth, Sr.

Professor of Law, University of Michigan Law School

Counsel, Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP

Einer R. Elhauge

Carroll and Milton Petrie Professor of Law, Harvard Law School

Randal Heeb

Partner, Bates White

Robert O'Donoghue

Barrister, Brick Court Chambers, London

Discussants

Richard Brunell

General Counsel, American Antitrust Institute

Willard K. Tom

Partner, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP

Moderators

Michael J. Bloom

Associate Director, Office of Policy and Coordination,

Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission

Robert Potter

Chief, Legal Policy Section, Antitrust Division,

U.S. Department of Justice

3:30-3:45 p.m. **Break**

3:45-4:45 p.m. The Law of Conditional Pricing Practices, Continued

Presenters

Leah Brannon

Partner, Cleary Gottlieb Steen & Hamilton, LLP

Sean P. Gates

Partner, Morrison & Foerster LLP

Jonathan Jacobson

Partner, Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati

Fiona M. Scott Morton

Professor of Economics, Yale University School of Management

Discussants

Steven C. Salop

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Bernard J. Ward Centennial Professor of Law and Economics,

University of Texas Law School

Moderators

Andrea Zach

Attorney, Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission

Samuel N. Weinstein

Attorney, Legal Policy Section, Antitrust Division,

U.S. Department of Justice

4:45-5:45 p.m. Where Do We Go From Here: Open Questions and Policy Considerations

Jonathon Baker

Professor of Law, American University, Washington College of Law

Daniel A. Crane

Associate Dean for Faculty and Research, Frederick Paul Furth, Sr.

Professor of Law, University of Michigan Law School

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Michael Whinston

Professor of Economics, Sloan Fellows Professor of Management,

Department of Economics and Sloan School of Management,

Massachusetts Institute of Technology

Moderators

Deborah L. Feinstein

Director, Bureau of Competition, Federal Trade Commission

Renata B. Hesse

Deputy Assistant Attorney General for Criminal and Civil Operations,

Antitrust Division, U.S. Department of Justice

5:45-6:00 p.m. Closing Remarks

Andrew I. Gavil

Director, Office of Policy Planning, Federal Trade Commission

Robert A. Potter

Chief, Legal Policy Section, Antitrust Division,

U.S. Department of Justice