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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, D.C. 20580

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Robert A. Lipstein, Esq.
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Re: *In the Matter of Reed Elsevier NV et al., File No. 081-0133*

Dear Mr. Lipstein:

This letter notifies the proposed Respondents in the above-referenced matter that the Federal Trade Commission has approved the appointment of Mitchell S. Pettit of MSP Strategic Communications, Inc., as the Interim Monitor, and has approved the Interim Monitor Agreement by and among Mr. Pettit and Respondents dated November 18, 2008, pursuant to Paragraph 18 of the Agreement Containing Consent Order and, when made final, Paragraph III of the Decision and Order, issued in the above-referenced matter.

In according its approval, the Commission has relied upon the information submitted and representations made by Respondents and has assumed them to be accurate and complete.

By direction of the Commission.

Donald S. Clark
Secretary

cc: Mitchell S. Pettit
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