FTC Hearings on Resale Price Maintenance May 20, 2009 600 Pennsylvania Ave, N.W., Room 432 Washington, DC

10:00-11:00 Empirical Evidence On the Effects of RPM

This Panel will review existing empirical studies of RPM, or studies of other vertical restraints that might inform our thinking on RPM. In addition, the Panel will explore future possible research avenues in light of potential testable hypotheses underlying various theories regarding the competitive effects of RPM.

Moderator

Dr. Pauline Ippolito, Acting Director, Bureau of Economics, FTC

Presenters

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Dr. John Asker, Assistant Professor of Economics, Stern School of Business, New York University

11:00-11:15 Break

11:15-12:45 **Group Discussion**

Discussants

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