

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

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Bureau of Competition

Jean-Francois Dubos General Counsel Vivendi Universal S.A. 42, Avenue de Friedland Paris 75008 France

Re: General Electric Co./ Vivendi Universal S.A., File No. 041-0010

Dear Mr. Dubos:

The Federal Trade Commission ("Commission") conducted a preliminary investigation to determine whether the acquisition of Vivendi Universal Entertainment, owned by the Vivendi Universal S.A., by General Electric Co. violated Section 7 of the Clayton Act, 15 U.S.C. § 18.

Upon reviewing this matter, it appears that no further action is warranted by the Commission at this time. Accordingly, pursuant to authority delegated by the Commission, 49 Fed. Reg. 6171 (1984), the investigation has been closed. This action is not to be construed as a determination that a violation may not have occurred, just as the pendency of an investigation should not be construed as a determination that a violation has occurred. The Commission reserves the right to take such further action as the public interest may require.

Sincerely,

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