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SUBMISSION TO COPYRIGHT IN THE DIGITAL ECONOMY INQUIRY

We would like to make the following comments regarding the above inquiry.

There are significant benefits to the existing Education Statutory Licence for both the education sector, creators and publishers. For us as a publisher the payments we receive are important as they go directly back into the business of creating and publishing new Australian content. For the creators who benefit from the payments received through this system it enables them to continue creating content for us to publish.

We would like the Statutory Licence to be broadened to cover on-line or website publication as so much more content is becoming available on-line. We are in the process of developing a number of websites to publish content digitally, and much of that content has been reserved to creators. The use of this material needs to be subject to the Statutory Licence system so that it is financially viable to continue to create and publish content for the benefit of education institutions and individuals.

Yours sincerely

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