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## Via Federal Express

United States Department of Justice 450 Fifth Street Suite 7100 Washington, D.C 20530

Attn: Maribeth Petrizzi Chief Litigation II Section Antitrust Division

Dear Sirs/Madam:

Please accept these public comments from Robert S. Moran, Jr., the undersigned, a partner of the law firm of McBreen & Kopko in connection with the pending matter captioned United States vs. Iron Mountain Inc. ("Iron Mountain") and Recall Holdings Ltd. ("Recall"); Proposed Final Judgment and Competitive Impact Statement Civil Action No. 1-16-cv-00595. Please be advised that the undersigned represents National Records Centers, Inc. ("NRC") a nationwide provider of records management services ("RMS") throughout the United States. NRC competes directly with Iron Mountain, Recall and Access CIG, LLC ("Access") in many markets.

It is our position that the proposed acquisition will have an anticompetitive effect and a detrimental impact on the customers of Iron Mountain, Recall and Access throughout the United States. NRC urges the Department of Justice to completely re-think the Iron Mountain/Recall merger in its totality. Combining the number one company in the industry with the number two company is unfair and anticompetitive by its very nature. Approving such an anticompetitive combination of businesses by merely causing business number two to shed some of its business is clearly not enough to result in open and fair competition. Forcing divestiture of this business to

the number three company in the industry makes no sense at all. Instead of forcing this divestiture to a huge and growing company, the Department of Justice should just simply allow those customers affected by the merger out of their contracts, without penalty, should they chose to do so. Then those customers could pick their service provider by price and service and not be forced with the unhappy choice of staying with company two or going to company three. Customers are much better served with choices. The foundation of our pro-competition philosophy is choice. The Department of Justice should not engineer a Proposed Final Judgment that serves to limit customer choices.

It is our further position that the Proposed Final Judgment requires changes, at a minimum, to make it more equitable and to address our anti-competitive concerns.

First, we see no reason why <u>any</u> customer of Recall (not just a "Split-City Customer") should not have the right to terminate its contract with Recall without penalty. This is fair and reasonable.

Second, the definition for "Split Multi-City Customer" is overly restrictive. The definition used in the Proposed Final Judgment contains the qualification that "a Split Multi-City Customer does not include a Recall customer that has separate contracts for each Recall facility in which it stores records". It is our belief that this qualifying statement should be deleted from the Split Multi-City Customer definition.

In the Proposed Final Judgment Section IV "Divestitures", subparagraph J it is provided that for a period of one (1) year from the date of the sale of any Divestiture Assets to an Acquirer, defendant shall allow any Split Multi-City Customer to terminate or otherwise modify its contract with Recall so as to enable the Split Multi-City Customer to transfer some or all of its records to that Acquirer without penalty or delay and shall not enforce any contractual provision providing for permanent withdrawal fees, retrieval fees, or other fees associated with transferring such customers' records from a Recall Management Facility to a facility operated by Acquirer".

We see no reason why provision J does not allow that any Split Multi-City Customer can have the discretion to terminate or otherwise modify its contract with Recall so as to enable the Split Multi-City Customer to transfer some or all of its records to any other person or entity engaged in the records management business and not solely to Access. In this way fair and open competition for the business of any Split Multi-City Customer would occur allowing either Access or any other service provider to win the business. The substantial benefit to any Split Multi-City Customer is obvious. To restrict the discretion of these Split Multi-City Customers so that they have to do business with Access is unfair and inequitable. Also the qualification to the definition of Split Multi-City Customer further has anti-competitive affects and restricts open and fair competition.

It is our sincere hope that the acquisition of Recall by Iron Mountain not go forward. If it were to go forward then Recall customers in the affected markets should be free (without penalty) to choose <u>any</u> new service provider. Should the Department of Justice move forward with this Proposed Final Judgment, NRC strongly encourages the Department of Justice to modify the proposed Final Judgment in two ways. First, to delete the qualification to the definition of Split Multi-City Customer and second, to modify Provision IV Subsection J to enlarge the period from one (1) year to three (3) years and to allow any Split Multi-City Customer to terminate or otherwise modify its contract with Recall so as to enable the Split Multi-City Customer to transfer its records without penalty or delay to <u>any</u> records storage provider and <u>not only to Access</u>.

The foregoing is submitted respectfully and in the interest of fair and open competition to enhance the opportunity for any records storage company to obtain the business that is being divested as part of this proposed Final Judgment.

Thank you.

Very truly yours Robert S./Moran, Jr.

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