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Sent: Friday, June 22, 2012 10:27 PM  
To: Read, John [John.Read@ATR.USDOJ.gov]  
Subject: Amazon/Apple

Dear John Read:

For goodness sakes, please don't tell me that you really think Apple and the publishers were colluding against Amazon. Amazon has single-handedly brought the book business I depended on for my livelihood down into rubble. It has destroyed any kind of free-market. It has closed every small bookstore I know. It has thrown its weight around with demands, reducing my profits to nothing and altering the way books are sold-- and not in a good way for the authors of those books: ie: ME.

It's not helping the public interest for you to help Amazon use e-books to attack my publisher with low-balling practices and all the other stuff they do. I miss traditional brick-and-mortar bookstores.

Please don't help them destroy our book culture.

Sincerely,

Natalia Ilyin