

Europcar pays \$200,000 settlement in software copyright claim

CLA Trading Pty Ltd, trading as Europcar, has paid \$200,000 in settlement of a claim made by the Business Software Association of Australia for use of unlicensed software – one of the largest settlements for corporate software licence breaches in Australia.

The settlement was made without any admission of liability by CLA Trading Pty Ltd. However, the BSAA says it made the claim based on strong evidence that CLA Trading Pty Ltd, trading as Europcar, was using more than 400 unlicensed copies of software in its Australian operations.

Under the terms of the settlement, CLA Trading Pty Ltd also has warranted that it has purchased licenses for all software programs used and agreed to ensure that all copies of BSAA members software are licensed in future.

Europcar is one of the leading global car rental companies. Founded in Paris in 1949, the company today operates a fleet of over 220,000 vehicles at 2,650 locations in 118 different countries in Europe, The Middle East, Africa, the Indian Ocean, Central America, Mexico, the Caribbean and Asia-Pacific

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More information:

Toll-free hotline for public inquiries (anonymously if preferred): 1800 021 143

BSAA Web site: www.bsaa.com.au

About BSAA

The Business Software Association of Australia (BSAA) is affiliated with the Business Software Alliance (BSA), which operates globally in 65 countries. BSAA members include Adobe, Apple, Autodesk, Microsoft and Symantec.

BSA (www.bsa.org) members develop the software, hardware and the technologies building electronic commerce. Principal issues include copyright protection, cyber security, trade, e-commerce and public policy initiatives that impact the Internet. BSA members include Adobe, Apple, Autodesk, Avid, Bentley Systems, Borland, Cadence Design Systems, Cisco Systems, CNC Software/Mastercam, Dell, Entrust, HP, IBM, Intel, Internet Security Systems, Macromedia, McAfee, Microsoft, Minitab, PTC, RSA Security, SAP, SolidWorks, Sybase, Symantec, Synopsys, The MathWorks, Trend Micro and UGS.

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