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The news reports state that Microsoft, Apple and Adobe have been summonsed to appear and to justify or explain the difference in pricing between US and Australia.

I would like to point out that there are many other firms who are just as bad, or worse than the 3 named.

The main one I would like to see included is Autodesk as the difference in their AutoCAD software is also appalling.

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| AutoCAD 2013       | \$4195.00 US | \$5175.00 AU  |
| Auto CAD LT        | \$1000.00 US | \$1775.00 AU  |
| AutoCAD Electrical | \$5445.00 US | \$6600.00 AU (appears now to only be available in Australia as part of a complete suite of other un-necessary software at ridiculous pricing) |

Autodesk also would prefer to sell everything by subscription, making customers pay a yearly fee, forever.

Kind regards from:

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