## FACTORS INFLUENCING DEALERS SATISFACTION IN DIRECT MARKETING: A CASE STUDY ON AVON BOUTIQUE SATOK

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#### CHAPTER 1

#### INTRODUCTION

#### 1.1 Background of Study

Many studies have been conducted to study in depth the importance of satisfaction toward customer satisfaction. Identifying the key factor as well as other factors affecting satisfaction has become a main concern for organization and remains as a critical management issues today. Kotler (2000) defined satisfaction as a person feeling of pleasure or disappointment resulting from a comparing a product perceive performance or outcome in relationship to his or her expectation. Apart from that Hoyer and MacInnis (2001) said that satisfaction can be associated with feelings of acceptance, happiness, relief, excitement and delight.

Dealer satisfaction is a relatively new research area. Dealers are the link between producers and customers, thus, plays an important role in the success of producers. On the other side, dealers are in direct contact with customers and are aware of their needs than the producer. Measuring the (overall) satisfaction of dealers and detecting the variables (dimensions) that influence this satisfaction. is the main focus of research on dealer satisfaction (Decker, 2000).

In Malaysia, direct selling is a diversified business with sizeable product categories. It is increasingly becoming a significant distribution channel within the country's total retail enterprise system. It offers a high growth alternative to a retail system, still lagging behind in accommodating the changing and busier lifestyle of Malaysian consumers.