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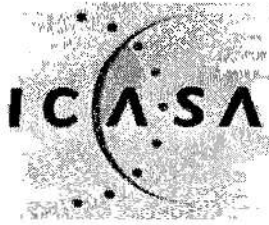
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GENERAL NOTICE

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INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA (ICASA)

Notice on Safety of Telecommunications Equipment

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA) hereby gives notice that effective from 1 December 2001 all Telecommunications Equipment will be evaluated for electrical safety by ICASA only, as part of the licensing/type approval process.

The Letter of Authority (LOA) import control system covering the electrical safety of electrical and electronic goods, as administered by the South African Bureau of Standards (SABS), will no longer apply to telecommunications equipment. In order to streamline the approval process and save time SABS has agreed to exclude telecommunications products from the LOA scheme, provided ICASA conducts the safety evaluation on these products.

All telecommunications equipment submitted to ICASA for licensing/type approval must demonstrate compliance to the IEC 60950 standard by way of a test report from an accredited laboratory.

Any electrical or electronic product that does not require an ICASA licence will still be subject to the LOA scheme administered by the SABS.

Enquiries may be directed to **Mr. Mortimer Hope**, Acting HoD Equipment & Supplier Licensing, Independent Communications Authority of South Africa, Private Bag X10002, Sandton 2146 or Block A Pinmill Farm, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton, Facsimile (011) 321 8581, Tel (011) 321 8316, email hopem@icasa.org.za

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