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GENERAL NOTICE

NOTICE 357 OF 2002



INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO PRESCRIBE NEW TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICE LICENCE CATEGORIES IN TERMS OF SECTION 33 AND 34 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT 103 OF 1996.

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA) hereby gives notice of its intention to prescribe several new telecommunication service licence categories listed under the schedule attached herein in terms of section 96 (1) and 96 (4) read with section 33 and 34 the Telecommunications Act (Act 103 of 1996) as amended.

Interested persons are hereby invited to submit written representations on the proposed regulations to the Authority by no later than 13h00 on the 19th of April 2002. Written representations must be addressed to Mr. Andries Matthysen, Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (ICASA), Private Bag X1, Marlboro, 2063 or Pin Mill Farm, Block A, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton, Telephone Number (011) 321 8377, Facsimile (011) 321 8550 and e-mail matta@icasa.org.za.

Persons making such written submissions are kindly requested to also submit a softcopy of their representation to the person designated above in the interest of efficient administration.

Persons making written representations must clearly indicate in their representations if they wish to make oral representations including the duration thereof which shall not exceed one (1) hour. Should a request for such oral hearings be received then public hearings shall be held on a date to be determined by the Authority at Block C, Pin Mill, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton, Gauteng.

**MANDLA LANGA
CHAIRPERSON
ICASA**

SCHEDULE

REGULATIONS ON NEW TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICE LICENCE CATEGORIES.

1. Definitions

In these regulations words shall have the meaning assigned to them in the Telecommunications Act as amended unless the context requires otherwise.

2. Prescribed licence categories

The Authority under Section 33(1) (b) hereby prescribes the following licence categories and telecommunication services authorised by them:

a) Class 1 – Commercial Paging

This licence authorises a person to provide a commercial paging telecommunication service.

b) Class 1 – Commercial Communal Repeater

This licence authorises a person to provide a commercial communal repeater telecommunication service.

c) Class 1 - Satellite Contribution and Distribution

This licence authorises a person to provide a broadcasting distribution service to a licensed broadcaster by means of a telecommunication service for terrestrial broadcasting purposes only.

d) Class 2 - Satellite Contribution and Distribution

This licence authorises a person to provide a satellite uplink distribution service to a licensed broadcaster by means of a telecommunication service for Direct to Home (DTH) broadcasting purposes only.

e) Class 3 - Satellite Contribution and Distribution

This licence authorises a person to provide a fixed and mobile contribution linking telecommunication service to a licensed broadcaster only.

f) Class 4 - Satellite Contribution and Distribution

This licence authorises a person to provide an international mobile contribution linking telecommunication service to a licensed broadcaster only.

g) Asset Tracking

This licence authorises a person to provide a commercial asset tracking telecommunication service.

h) Special Event

This licence authorises a person to provide a telecommunication service under specific terms and conditions and for a limited period of time for special events to be held within the Republic of South Africa.

i) Service Test

This licence authorises a person to provide a commercial telecommunication service for test purposes and for a limited period only.

The Authority under Section 34(2)(a) hereby prescribes the following licence categories and telecommunication services authorised by them:

a) Class 1 – Mobile Data

This licence authorises a person to provide a national mobile data network telecommunication service.

b) Class 2 – Mobile Data

This licence authorises a person to provide a national wireless data network telecommunication service.

c) Class 3 – Mobile Data

This licence authorises a person to provide a national meteor burst data telecommunication service.

d) Class 1 – Trunk Mobile

This licence authorises a person to provide a national analogue trunk telecommunication service.

e) Class 1 – Trunk Mobile

This licence authorises a person to provide a national digital trunk telecommunication service.

The Authority under Section 33(2) hereby exempts the following telecommunication services and activities from a telecommunication service licence:

a) Private Paging**b) Private Communal Repeater****c) Private Trunk**

This exemption is not applicable to frequency spectrum licences, which may be required.

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