

Notification of non-compliance issued to Eircom Limited on failure to comply with the transparency obligation regarding an Access Reference Offer for Poles

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- On 21 March 2016, the Commission for Communications Regulation ('ComReg') notified Eircom Limited ('Eir') of a finding that, in the period up until and including the 9 August 2015, Eir was in breach of its transparency obligations under ComReg Decision D05/10¹ (sections 10.1 and 10.2 and 16.1) and ComReg Decision D03/13² (sections 9.1 and 9.2).
- ComReg published ComReg Decision D03/13 on 31 January 2013 and notified the decision to Eir on the same day. ComReg Decision D05/10 combined with ComReg Decision D03/13 obliged Eir to publish an Access Reference Offer ('ARO') for civil engineering infrastructure, including poles.
- 3. The ARO for poles was published on 10 August 2015, more than 30 months after the publication of ComReg Decision D03/13.
- Accordingly, ComReg finds that in the period up until and including the 9 August 2015
 Eir was in breach of its transparency obligations under ComReg Decision D05/10 and
 ComReg Decision D03/13.
- 5. Pursuant to Regulation 19(1) of the European Communities (Electronic Communications Networks and Services) (Access) Regulations 2011 ('the Access Regulations')³, ComReg has notified Eircom of its finding of non-compliance and given Eircom four weeks from the date of issue of that notification to state its views.
- 6. Regulation 19(4) of the Access Regulations provides that, where, at the end of the period specified under Regulation 19(1) (see paragraph 5 above), ComReg is of the opinion that an undertaking has not complied with its obligations, ComReg may, whether or not the non-compliance is continuing, apply to the High Court for such order as may be appropriate.

Market Review Wholesale (Physical) Network Infrastructure Access (Market 4), Document No. 10/39, Decision No.D05/10, dated 20 May 2010.

Response to Consultation and Final Decision, Remedies for Next Generation Access Markets, Decision No. D03/13, Document No. 13/11, dated 31 January 2013.

³ European Communities (Electronic Communications Networks and Services) (Access) Regulations 2011 (S.I. No. 334 of 2011).