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## INFORMATION NOTICE

# RIO Text Change, Version 2.4 to 2.5

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## **1 INTRODUCTION**

This information notice confirms the ODTR's review and approval of the proposed text changes to eircom's Reference Interconnect Offer as per Decision Notice D10/02 (ODTR Doc 02/55).

## 2 Reference Interconnect Offer Text Change

### 2.1 RIO version 2.4 to 2.5 Text Change

#### 2.1.1 *Summary of Consultation Issues*

On the 22/08/02, eircom posted a proposed text change of their Reference Interconnect Offer from version 2.4 to version 2.5 on its website thereby notifying all interested parties of the proposed changes in line with Decision Notice D10/02 (ODTR Doc 02/55). Interested parties had twenty one days in which to submit comments to the ODTR.

At the time of posting the proposed changes eircom did not submit a rationale for the changes outlined. However, following discussions between the ODTR and eircom we now understand these to be [a] to update the network plan [b] to correct some typographical errors and [c] for clarification purposes.

#### 2.1.2 *Views of Respondents*

There were two respondents;

Esat BT

Vodafone

In general, the respondents pointed out small errors and made some comments on inconsistencies.

#### 2.1.3 *Director's Position*

The RIO review process is set out in Decision Notice (D10/02) and is most likely to conclude with a consultation following which a direction will be made as regards changes to the RIO text since RIO version 2.2. The following comments are given in that context and the issues herein may be subject to further review at that time.

The Director confirms that without prejudice to her powers under the relevant laws that the adjustments shown in eircom's proposed RIO version 2.5 are compliant with eircom's obligations under the relevant laws except where noted below.

**The Director requires eircom to make the following adjustments to the proposed RIO version 2.5 prior to transferring these changes to the formal RIO;**

**First page; The "Sample" and "Separate Copy" qualifiers will be replaced.**

**Introduction; The reference to "traffic and transmission forecasts, appendix 3" will be replaced.**

**Introduction; The forecast period should read "7 - quarters", as set out within the Interconnect O&M Manual.**

**The reference to the contractual status of the network plan has been removed.**

**Section 2; No Primary nodes, ADLB or DCTA have been mentioned here as the list is intended to be indicative to new operators. The comment "All other Nodes as required" will be indicated to highlighted this.**

**The term unidirectional will be replaced with bi-directional, with a definition for bi-directional Interconnect Paths being included within the Definition section of the RIO, with additional reference within section 3.1 to Appendix 4. The proposed definition for a bi-directional Interconnect Paths is as follows; "A bi-directional Interconnect Path is a 2Mbit/s Path that allows call traffic to physically be conveyed both from the *eircom* network towards the Operator network and from the Operator network towards the *eircom* network."**

**Section 7 has been amended to reflect a clearer understanding of network routing in association with appendix 4.**

**Wording in section 3.2.5 has been altered to read the following: "In order to ensure completion of emergency calls, matching timeslots between OLO's and *eircom* will be reserved on the Tertiary Interconnect Links specifically for routing of emergency calls".**

**Wording within section 4.1 has been altered to read the following: "It will also state the number of signalling link(s) (minimum of 1) that make up each link set."**

**Wording in section 9 has been altered to read the following:**

**"Synchronisation can be provided from both *eircom* Tertiary nodes over either PDH or SDH interconnect."**

**The newly offered interconnect nodes Churchfield C, Limerick B and Ship Street in addition to Adelaide Road B and Dame Court A will be included in the interconnect forecasting template.**

**Appendix 4. The footnote references will be altered to correctly identify both the emergency services schedule and those service schedules utilising the "NTC version" of near-end hand-over**