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## **The Internet in Ireland –Communication Transmission and delivery issues-:**

The ODTR today (Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2002) issued a paper “The Internet In Ireland – Communication Transmission and Delivery issues -:” This follows on from a consultation held in July last year which was aimed at stimulating debate on the broader issues involved in Internet delivery and transmission. Thirteen responses were received from interested parties following the public consultation.

According to the Telecoms Regulator Etain Doyle “It was evident from these responses that there is no simple or universal solution to the issues relating to transmission of the Internet. However what is clear is that the deployment and utilisation of the Internet and its service will be one of the key contributors to future economic prosperity and social development.”

She continued “in the context of the ongoing need for development in this area, the ODTR will continue to contribute as much as possible towards introducing innovative arrangements and options that will encourage competition in Internet transmission. In particular we are working on a range of issues which includes clarification of the regulatory framework for technologies such as Wireless-Lan, running a competition for 3G and actively facilitating the development and roll-out of Local Loop unbundling and the provision of alternative codes for dial-up users.”

A copy of the paper “The Internet in Ireland – Communication Transmission and Delivery Issues – Response to Consultation (ODTR02/20 ) can be viewed on the ODTR website [www.odtr.ie](http://www.odtr.ie).

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