

# Results of the 3.6 GHz Band Spectrum Award

**Information Notice** 

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## **1.1 Introduction<sup>1</sup>**

- 1.1 On 22 May 2017, ComReg published the provisional results of its 3.6 GHz Band Spectrum Award ("Award") in Document 17/38 which were subject to the completion of the Negotiation Phase of the Award<sup>2</sup>.
- 1.2 The Negotiation Phase has now concluded and, in accordance with the provisions of the Information Memorandum (Document 16/71) ("IM"), the Auction has now ended.
- 1.3 No change to the Provisional Frequency Plan set out in Document 17/38 has resulted from the Negotiation Phase.
- 1.4 In accordance with paragraph 4.238 of the IM, Table 1 below sets out the identities of the Winning Bidders, the frequency ranges awarded to each Winning Bidder in each Region and the Base Price and any Additional Price for specific frequency assignments to be paid by each Assignment Bidder.
- 1.5 As set out in Document 17/38, the Award resulted in five Winning Bidders as follows:
  - Airspan Spectrum Holdings Ltd ("Airspan");
  - Imagine Communications Ireland Ltd ("Imagine");
  - Meteor Mobile Communications Ltd ("Meteor");
  - Three Ireland (Hutchison) Ltd ("Three"); and
  - Vodafone Ireland Ltd ("Vodafone").
- 1.6 The Final Frequency Plan is as set out in Figure 1.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Capitalised terms used in this document and not otherwise defined are intended to bear the meaning ascribed to them in the Information Memorandum (Document 16/71).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> The two week period allowed after the Assignment Round where Assignment Bidders could seek to agree an alternative frequency plan.

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Region	Airspan	Imagine	Meteor	Three	Vodafone
Borders Midlands and West	3410 – 3435 MHz	3560 - 3620 MHz	3620 - 3700 MHz	3700 - 3800 MHz	3475 - 3560 MHz
South West	3410 – 3435 MHz	3560 - 3620 MHz	3620 - 3700 MHz	3700 - 3800 MHz	3475 - 3560 MHz
East	3410 – 3435 MHz	3560 - 3620 MHz	3620 - 3700 MHz	3700 - 3800 MHz	3475 - 3560 MHz
South East	3410 – 3435 MHz	3560 - 3620 MHz	3620 - 3700 MHz	3700 - 3800 MHz	3475 - 3560 MHz
Dublin City and Suburbs	3410 – 3435 MHz and 3580 – 3615 MHz	-	3615 - 3700 MHz	3700 - 3800 MHz	3475 - 3580 MHz
Cork City and Suburbs	3410 – 3435 MHz and 3580 – 3615 MHz	-	3615 - 3700 MHz	3700 - 3800 MHz	3475 - 3580 MHz
Limerick City and Suburbs	3410 – 3435 MHz and 3580 – 3615 MHz	-	3615 - 3700 MHz	3700 - 3800 MHz	3475 - 3580 MHz
Galway City and Suburbs	3410 – 3435 MHz and 3580 – 3615 MHz	-	3615 - 3700 MHz	3700 - 3800 MHz	3475 - 3580 MHz
Waterford City and Suburbs	3410 – 3435 MHz and 3580 – 3615 MHz	-	3615 - 3700 MHz	3700 - 3800 MHz	3475 - 3580 MHz
Base Price	€ 7,556,700	€ 8,128,800	€ 11,498,400	€ 15,313,700	€ 17,738,700
Additional Price	-	-	-	-	€ 230,012
Upfront Fees <sup>3</sup>	€ 7,556,700	€ 8,128,800	€ 11,498,400	€ 15,313,700	€ 17,968,712
Total Spectrum Usage Fees <sup>4</sup>	€ 2,078,550	€ 1,640,520	€ 4,163,610	€ 5,059,200	€ 4,765,320
Total fees <sup>5</sup>	€ 9,635,250	€ 9,769,320	€ 15,662,010	€ 20,372,900	€ 22,734,032
TOTAL	€ 78,173,512				

### Table 1: Results of the 3.6 GHz Band Spectrum Award

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Upfront Fees are contingent on any licence fee refunds in respect of delayed commencement arising from Transition Activities as detailed in the IM.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Spectrum Usage Fees will be indexed to CPI and paid annually over the duration of the Licence. Figures presented do not assume any adjustment and are presented as indicative.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> The total fee as stated here is the sum of the Upfront Fee and total Spectrum Usage Fees and is therefore indicative as per footnote 4 above.

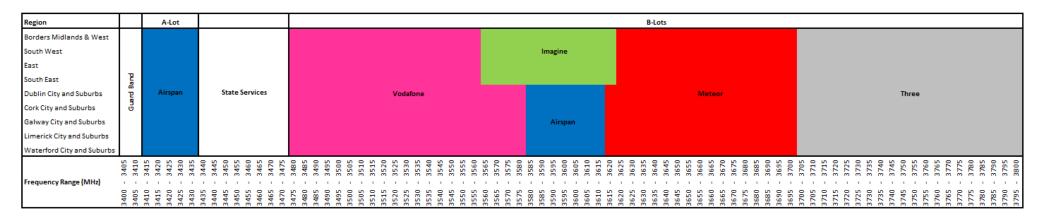


Figure 1: Final Frequency Plan

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