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ComReg agrees to stamp price increase following revision of discount scheme by An Post

The Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) today announced that An Post had agreed a revised discount scheme with ComReg. This will benefit a wider range of postal users, in particular, small and medium enterprises, within the context of An Post's financial situation.

ComReg said on the 5th of August that it had agreed, in principle, to sanction a price increase for An Post on the understanding that An Post would revise its discount scheme.

The Chairperson of the Commission for Communications Regulation, Etain Doyle, said the revised discount scheme was more equitable and more closely addresses the needs of a broader group of organisations and also small and medium businesses.

She was pleased to note the speed with which An Post had acted in providing revised proposals. An Post must give urgent attention to the cost, quality and efficiency issues which could threaten its ability to continue to provide an affordable and effective service, and we look forward to working with An Post on these and other matters.

The full details of the revised discount scheme are contained in ComReg 03/100 which can be found on the ComReg website www.comreg.ie

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