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- 1. On 11 November 2016, ComReg notified Virgin Media Ireland ("Virgin Media") of a finding of non-compliance with it's obligations under the Universal Service Regulations¹ ("the Regulations") and ComReg Decision D13/12².
- 2. The Notification of non-compliance was made in accordance with Regulation 31(2) of the Regulations.
- 3. The Notification of non-compliance notified Virgin Media of a finding that, in relation to certain Contract Change Notifications ("CCNs"), it had failed to comply with Regulation 14(4) of the Regulations and ComReg Decision D13/12 made pursuant to Regulation 14(5) and Regulation 30 of the Regulations.
- 4. The Notification related, amongst other things, to the inappropriate placement of marketing material in the body of CCNs.
- 5. Virgin Media made representations to ComReg on 9 December 2016.
- 6. ComReg formed an opinion of non-compliance in relation to CCNs that issued in January 2015 and January to February 2016 and informed Virgin Media of this on 7 March 2018.
- 7. In light of the commitments since provided by Virgin Media, ComReg has closed the investigation and is not taking further action in respect of it.
- 8. ComReg will continue to monitor compliance by all Undertakings with their obligations under Regulation 14 of the Regulations, ComReg Decision D13/12 and other consumer rules, whether they arise under the Universal Service Regulations or otherwise.

¹ European Communities (Electronic Communications Networks and Services) (Universal Service and Users' Rights) Regulations 2011

² ComReg Document 12/129 (D13/12): "Contract Change Notifications – New Requirements"
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