

Information Notice

Consultation on ComReg's Access to the File Policy in respect of investigations under the Communications Regulation and Digital Hub Development Agency (Amendment) Act 2023

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1. Part 7 of the Communications Regulation and Digital Hub Development Agency (Amendment) Act 2023 (the **Act**) was commenced on 9 June 2023, establishing *inter alia* an administrative sanctions regime to deal with "regulatory breaches" within the meaning of section 2(1) of the Act.

- 2. ComReg proposes to adopt a Policy known as "Access to the File" which sets out the procedures ComReg intends to follow when providing access to its file in the context of investigations into suspected regulatory breaches.
- ComReg is now making available for comment a draft of the document at Annex1, namely:
 - ComReg Access to the File Policy (Investigations under the Communications Regulation and Digital Hub Development Agency (Amendment) Act 2023) (ComReg Document No. 25/16a
 - 4. ComReg welcomes comments on this document from respondents. Such comments should be emailed to ComReg at consultations@comreg.ie, by no later than 5.30pm on 28 April 2025.
- 4. Respondents should be aware that all non-confidential responses will be published on ComReg's website, subject to the provisions of ComReg's guidelines on the treatment of confidential information. If Respondents believe that parts of their responses are confidential or contain confidential information, the confidential elements of responses should be clearly marked as such and be set out in a separate confidential version of the response, which must be provided to ComReg by the closing date indicated above. Respondents should ensure that a non-confidential version of their response is also provided by the above closing date.
- 5. After the closing date, following consideration of all comments received and subject to any changes that are made in response to the comments received, the document set out at paragraph 3 above will be adopted by ComReg in final form and published by ComReg on its website.

¹ ComReg Guidelines on the Treatment of Confidential Information

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Annex 1: Access to the File Policy (Investigations under the Communications Regulation and Digital Hub Development Agency (Amendment) Act 2023)

Please see the following draft document published separately and alongside this Information Notice:

7. ComReg Access to the File Policy (Investigations under the Communications Regulation and Digital Hub Development Agency (Amendment) Act 2023) (ComReg Document No. 25/16a)