

## **MEDIA RELEASE**

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## Press Statement re High Court Proceedings relating to modifications of the penalty provisions in the Service Level Agreements.

Following the publication of a new Decision Notice in relation to Service Level Agreements between *eircom* and other licensed operators issued by Etain Doyle, Telecommunications Regulator on 23rd November, 2000 which replaces her earlier decision of 28th August last, proceedings initiated by *eircom* on 7th September, 2000 against the Director have been concluded.

On the 16th October 2000 the Telecommunications Regulator initiated a consultation as part of her planned general review of Service level Agreements that are currently offered by *eircom* to other operators for carrier services.

Following discussions involving *eircom* and Other Licensed Operators, the outcome of which has been incorporated in her most recent Decision Notice issued on 23rd November, 2000, the Director has now issued a new set of directions on Service Level Agreements between *eircom* and Other Licensed Operators.

This decision notice incorporates inter alia a new regime for the calculation of penalties in the event of *eircom* failing to meet the standards stipulated in the Service Level Agreements for delivery of leased lines.

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