

Information Notice

Retail Access and Call Market Review

Further consultation in relation to markets 1-6

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Call for Input

ComReg has previously informed¹ industry and interested parties of its intention to issue a further consultation on the market reviews in respect of the retail calls and access markets².

A number of months have elapsed since ComReg notified its review of the retail calls and access markets³ to the EU Commission. This extension of the consultation will provide interested parties with the opportunity to comment again in detail in relation to ComReg's preliminary findings and to provide additional information and comment to ComReg in respect of new market developments.

The consultation will be a complete and through market review, using the preliminary conclusions notified to the EU Commission as a starting point. ComReg will carefully take in to account any new information provided by respondents.

ComReg has decided that it is appropriate to re-examine or examine anew issues pertaining to the reviews. These issues have been identified on the basis that:

- They were raised by respondents in previously (either during the National Consultation⁴, Consultation of Draft Decision⁵ or via Market Analysis Data Collection (quantitative and qualitative);
- The EU Commission mentioned the issue in their comments letter⁶;
- Developments may have occurred in the relevant markets which ComReg considers require further consideration taking in to account more up to date data; or
- ComReg noted previously that it would monitor the issue and its impact on the markets.

It should be stressed that interested parties will be provided with an opportunity to comment on *all* aspects of the reviews.

To date, ComReg has received input from the industry through amongst other things (i) previous consultations; (ii) annual and quarterly market analysis data collection; (iii) general correspondence and (iv) external sources.

¹ Information Notice: Market Analysis: Retail Markets (1 - 6), Interconnection Market (8 - 10). Reference Number : 06/05.

² Relevant Markets Recommendation 1-6.

³ Market Analysis – Retail Fixed Narrowband Access Markets (Response to Consultation 04/94 and draft decision) – Document Number 05/25, Market Analysis: Retail Fixed Calls Markets (Response to Consultation Document 04/95 & Draft Decision) – Document Number 05/26.

⁴ Market Analysis – Consultation Retail Fixed Narrowband Access Markets. Document Number 04/94, Market Analysis: Consultation Retail Fixed Calls Markets Document Number 04/95.

⁵ Market Analysis – Retail Fixed Narrowband Access Markets (Response to Consultation 04/94 and draft decision) – Document Number 05/25, Market Analysis: Retail Fixed Calls Markets (Response to Consultation Document 04/95 & Draft Decision) – Document Number 05/26. ⁶ EC's comments pursuant to Article 7(3) of Directive 2002/21/EC - SG-Greffe (2005)D/201931

⁻ IE/2005/0158-0163. Brussels, 25-04-2005.

This 'Call for Input' invites interested parties to provide any additional comment and data in relation to issues that were previously consulted upon and any new market developments that have occurred. Information and comments received from respondents is intended to inform the drafting of the consultation document.

ComReg requests that all submissions should be supported with detailed information in relation to how precisely the markets have been affected in relation to market definition, SMP analysis and/or the imposition of remedies where appropriate.

ComReg will provide three weeks for submission and requests that all relevant data should be provided by **5.30pm Friday 17th March 2005** to the following address:

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