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INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

NO. 5975 **11 March 2025**

NOTICE TO EXTEND THE SUBMISSION DEADLINE IN RESPECT OF THE SUPPLEMENTARY DISCUSSION DOCUMENT ISSUED IN RESPECT TO THE INQUIRY INTO SUBSCRIPTION TELEVISION BROADCASTING SERVICES

1. The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority") hereby extends the submission deadline in response to the Supplementary Discussion Document issued for the Inquiry into Subscription Broadcasting Services ("the Inquiry") published in the Government Gazette No. 51848 on 06 January 2025. The deadline for submissions has been extended from 10 March 2025 to 24 March 2025.

2. Following a request from a stakeholder. The Authority has considered and decided to grant the request

3. No further extension shall be granted.

4. Enquiries regarding this Notice may be directed to the Chairperson: Subscription Television Broadcasting Services Inquiry Council Committee at subscriptioninquiry@icasa.org.za.

MOTHIBI RAMUSI
CHAIRPERSON

DATE: 07/_03_/2025

3. In terms of section 13(6) read with section 9(2), of the ECA, the Authority is required to publish a notice in the Government Gazette inviting interested parties to submit written representations on the transfer application.

4. The transfer application seeks approval from the Authority to transfer ownership of the I-ECS licence from the Applicant to the Transferee, and will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:

   a. promotion of competition in the ICT sector;
   b. interests of consumers; and
   c. equity ownership by Historically Disadvantaged Persons ("HDPs").

5. The Applicant submits that 30% of the Transferee's equity shareholding is held by HDPs.

6. The application, relevant schedule and any representations received pursuant to this notice will be made available and open for inspection by any interested party in the Authority's library, during the Authority's office hours.

7. Any interested party is invited to lodge written representations to the application within fourteen (14) working days from the date of publication of this notice in the Government Gazette. The Authority will make the application received available for public review on its website: www.icasa.org.za.

8. Any person who makes written representations must indicate whether they require an opportunity to make oral representations in the event that the Authority decides to hold public hearings.

9. All written representations, responses, and other correspondence in terms of this notice must be directed to Licensing Department, at Block B, 350 Witch – Hazel Avenue, Eco Point Office Park, Eco Park, Centurion **OR** Private Bag X10, Highveld Park, 0169 **OR** by e-mail: Licensing@icasa.org.za.

10. Any person/s who lodge representations in terms of this notice, must also furnish proof that a copy of the representation has been delivered by hand to Mr Reginald Jacobs at BJ Comms Traders cc, 1125 Albatros Street, Rabie Ridge, 1685 **OR** delivered by e-mail to Reginald.jacobz@gmail.com.

11. The Applicant has the right to respond in writing to the written representations made by any interested person/s on the transfer application. The written responses must be lodged with the Authority within twenty-eight (28) working days from the date of publication of this notice in the Government Gazette.

12. The Applicant must, at the time of lodging the written response, furnish proof to the Authority's satisfaction that it has delivered a copy of the response by hand, **OR** by e-mail to the relevant person/s having made the written representations.

MOTHIBI G. RAMUSI
CHAIRPERSON
DATE: 20/02/2025

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