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ComReg announces 59 New Licence Offers for Local Broadband Wireless Services

The Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) today announced its intention to offer 59 new Fixed Wireless Access Local Area licences in the 3.5GHz band, as a further stimulus to the development of broadband services in Ireland. These licence offers are made following the completion of the first phase of a two phase licensing scheme for the provision of broadband services on a local area basis.

Etain Doyle, Chairperson of the Commission said that she was very pleased with the outcome of the competition. “Fixed Wireless Access provides a real alternative to existing phone and internet providers and is intended to benefit residential and business users in both urban and rural areas. Fixed Wireless Access Local Area licences should offer a greater choice of broadband services for consumers in Ireland.”

128 applications from 12 applicants were received for the first phase of the licensing scheme. As demand for frequencies exceeded supply in many cases a comparative evaluation of all applications was performed and the Commission is now delighted to offer licences to the following applicants:

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| • Budget Wireless: (Budget) ¹ | 4 licence offers |
| • Chorus Communications Ltd: (Chorus) | 15 licence offers |
| • Digiweb Ltd: (Digiweb) | 10 licence offers |
| • European Access Providers: (LEAP) | 6 licence offers |
| • Irish Broadband: (Irish B) | 7 licence offers |
| • Last Mile Wireless: (Last Mile) | 2 licence offers |
| • Net2Cell: (Net2Cell) | 13 licence offers |
| • Real Broadband: (Real B) | 2 licence offers |

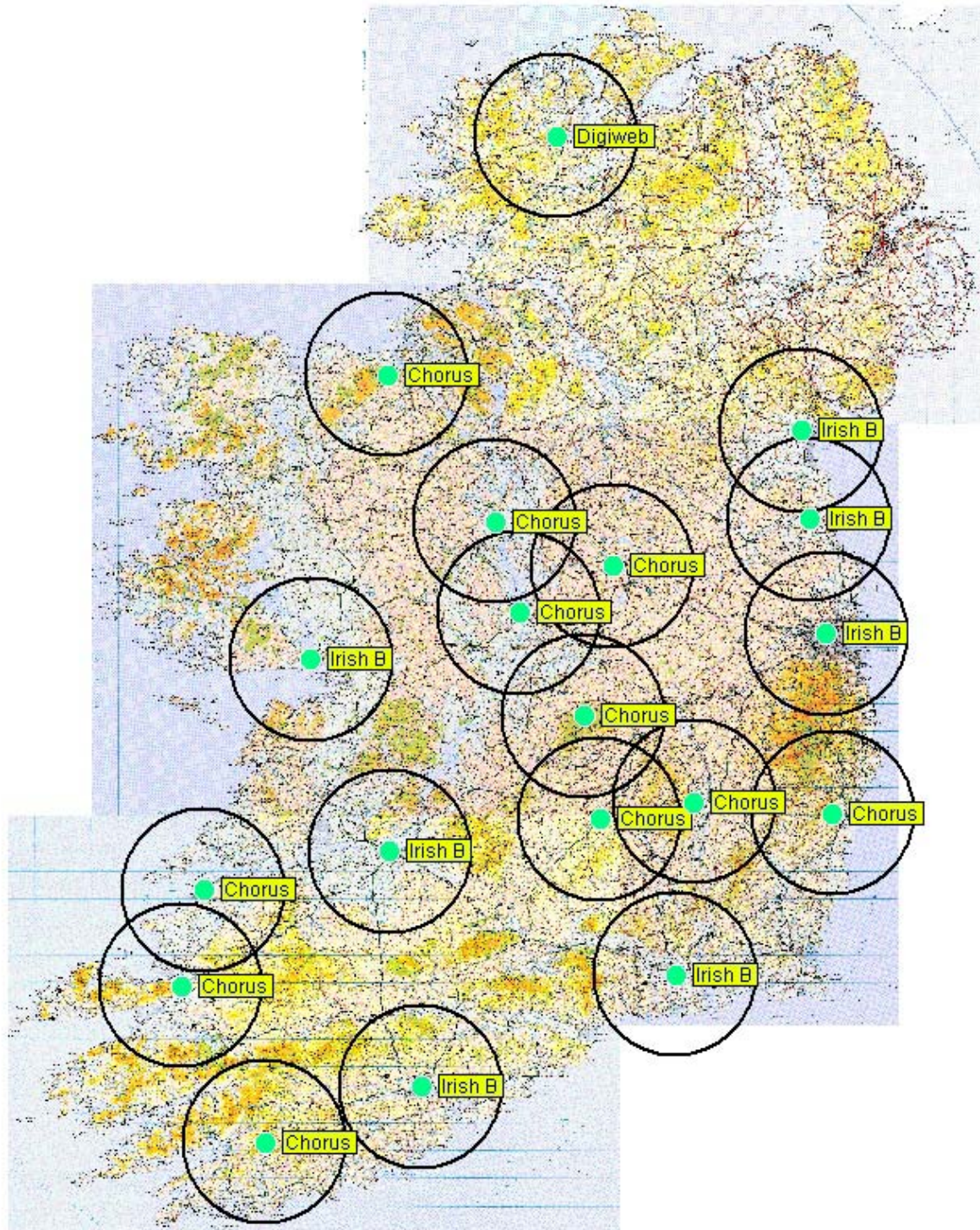
¹ Abbreviated names are in brackets for reference to attached maps.

The maps attached show the geographic location of these licence offers in terms of each of the available frequency channels (A, B, C or D). Additionally, it should be noted that further licence offers may be made from the first phase of the licensing scheme if any of these licence offers are not accepted.

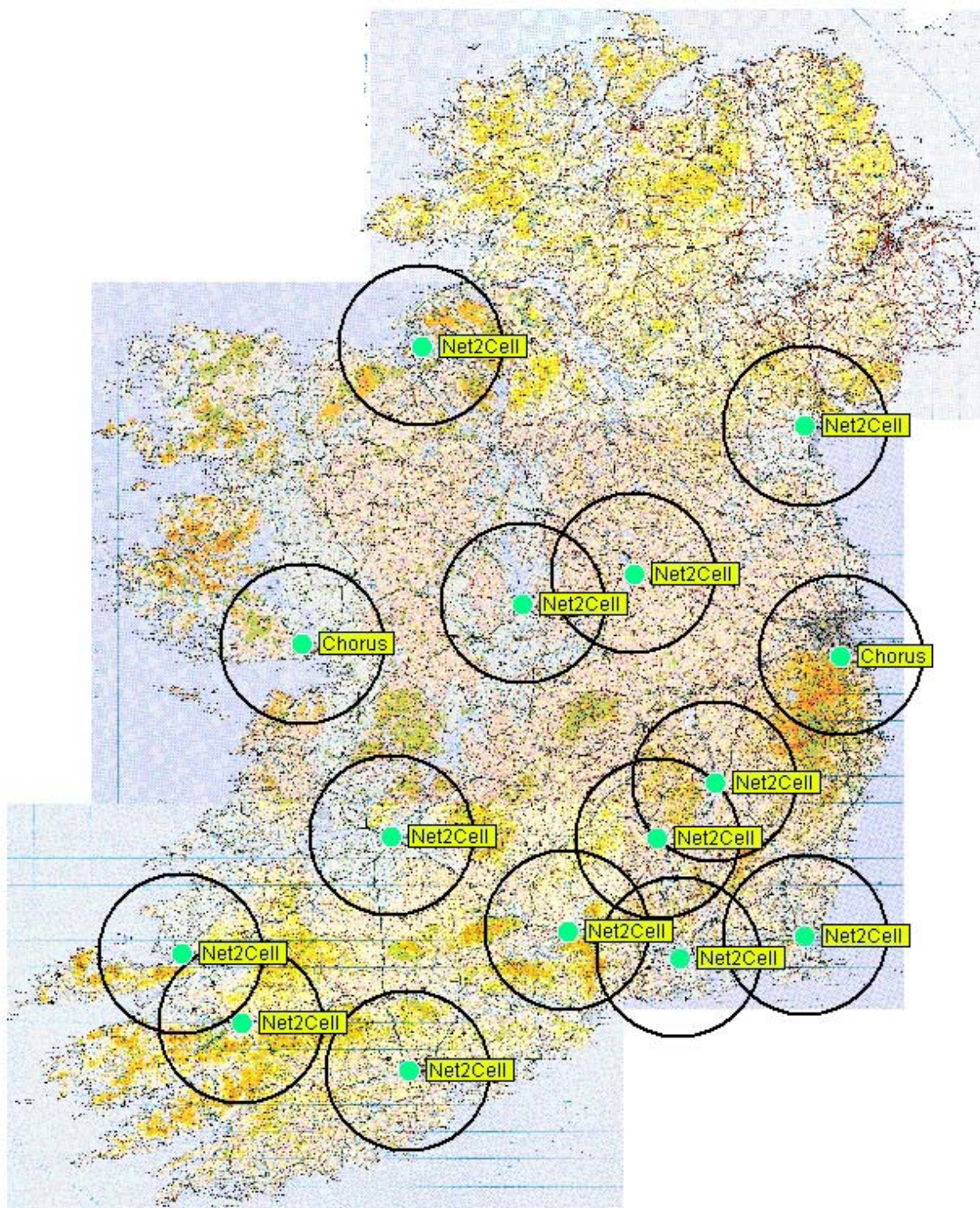
Applications for the second phase, which will take effect following the issue of the first phase licences, will be treated on a first come, first served basis from the 12th September 2003.

Information on the licensing process is available in document 03/97 “Guidelines to Applicants for Fixed Wireless Access Local Area – 3.5 GHz Licences”.

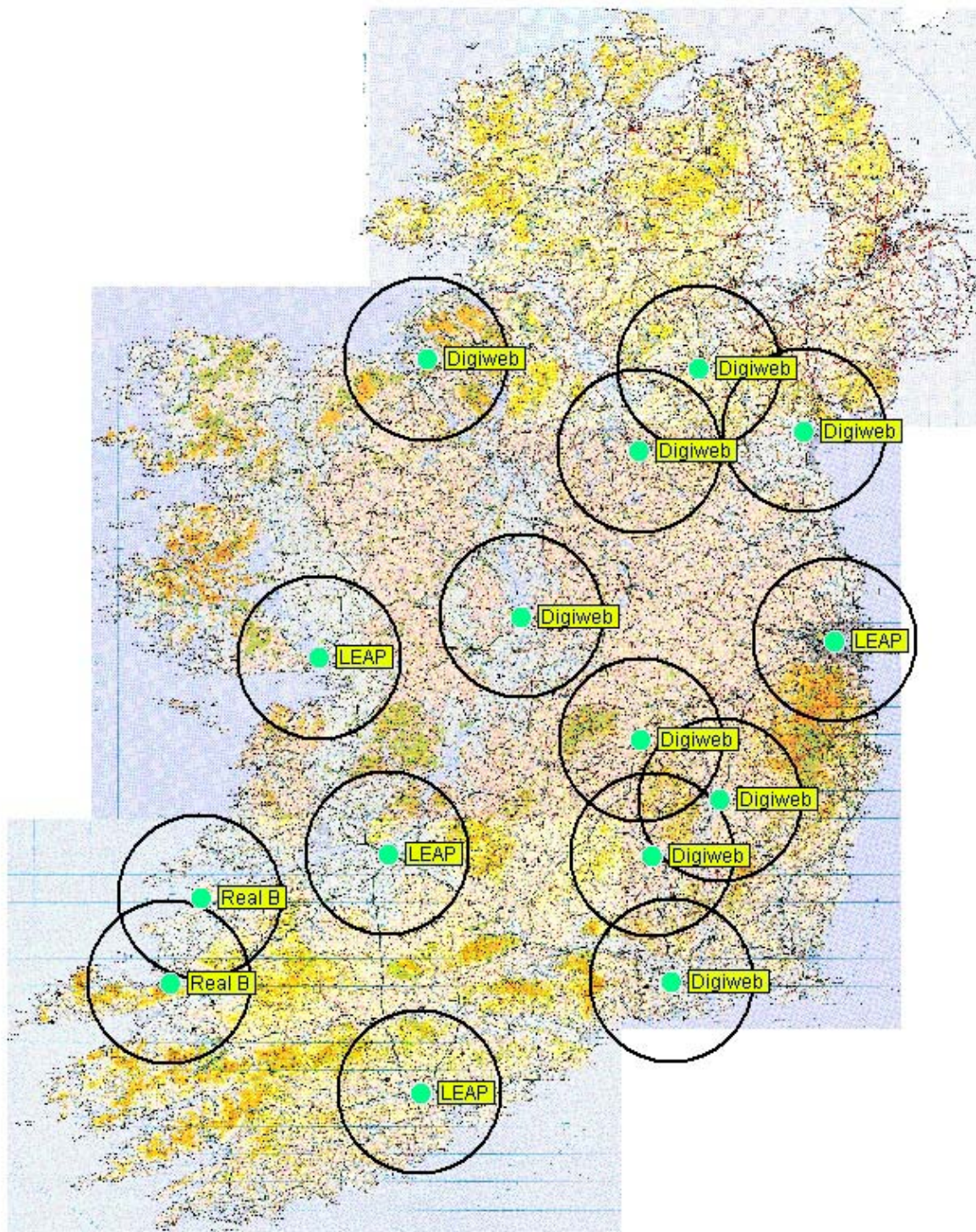
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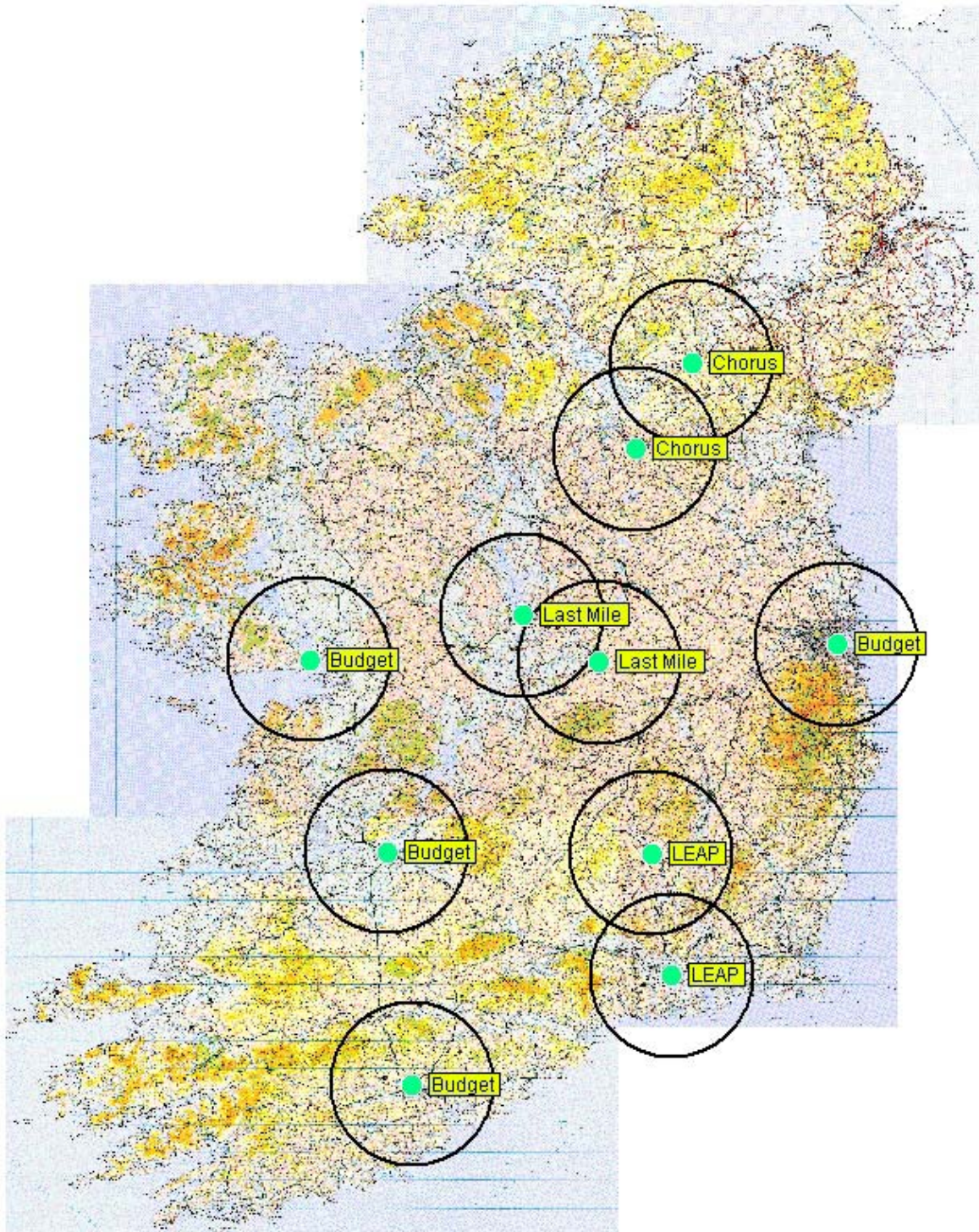
Channel B: Fixed Wireless Local Area Licence (3.5GHz) Offers



Channel C: Fixed Wireless Local Area Licence (3.5GHz) Offers



Channel D: Fixed Wireless Local Area Licence (3.5GHz) Offers



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