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ComReg consults on its Postal Strategy for 2005 to 2007

The Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) today issued its draft Strategy Statement for the postal market for 2005-2007 as required under the Communications Regulation Act 2002. The consultation paper – ComReg 05/59 – is available on the ComReg website www.comreg.ie

The document describes the evolution of postal services, sets out ComReg's views on possible developments and their impact on the market from 2005 to 2007. It also outlines ComReg's proposed postal regulatory strategy.

Commenting on the strategy document, ComReg Chairperson, Isolde Goggin, said: "In a period of dynamic change in the postal market both in Ireland and globally, it is vital that regulation is both consistent and transparent to promote the development of the sector and ensure the availability of universal service. Ireland needs a vibrant postal service in line with international best practice."

ComReg invites views on this draft Strategy Statement in order to reflect the concerns of its key stakeholders which include consumers, industry and the Government.

The consultation period will run until the 16th September 2005 and ComReg welcomes written comments on any of the issues raised in this paper.

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