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ComReg proposes to place obligations on RTÉ Network Transmission Limited

The Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) today published its Response to Consultation on the regulatory obligations it proposes to impose on RTÉ Network Transmission Limited for the supply of national broadcasting transmission services.

ComReg is proposing that RTÉ Network Transmission Limited (RTÉNL) be obliged to operate in a transparent and non-discriminatory fashion in these markets and that it is also obliged to implement Accounting Separation.

The obligations will mean that RTÉNL must file with ComReg all agreements for the provision of transmission services, publish a schedule of tariffs, provide advance notice of price changes and provide Service Level Agreements for all relevant parties.

In April 2004, ComReg designated RTÉNL as having significant market power in the following markets:

- Radio broadcasting transmission services on national analogue terrestrial networks; and
- Television broadcasting transmission services on analogue terrestrial networks.

In line with the new regulatory framework procedures, ComReg is notifying the EU Commission and other European regulators for comment before making its conclusions final.

The full Response to Consultation and Draft Decision (ComReg 04/112) in relation to this matter are available on the ComReg website: www.comreg.ie.

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