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ComReg Releases Additional Spectrum for Broadband Services at 10.5 GHz

The Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) has today released additional spectrum in the 10.5 GHz band for Fixed Wireless Access Local Area (FWALA) broadband services. Two separate spectrum allocations will be released increasing the amount of spectrum available for FWALA broadband in the 10.5 GHz band by 33%.

28 MHz of spectrum is being released in Dublin and Cork only (Channel F) and 56 MHz of spectrum is being released for operation on a national basis, excluding Dublin and Cork (Channel G). These spectrum allocations are located in the upper end of the 10.5 GHz FWALA band.

Fixed Wireless Broadband has in excess of 110,000 customers, representing over 8% of all broadband connections in Ireland. ComReg believes this increase in available FWALA spectrum should help to address the spectrum needs of existing and new FWALA operators by facilitating network expansion. It should also provide for increased availability and choice in broadband services for Irish consumers.

ComReg is now inviting applications for this spectrum. For further details, please see ComReg Document 09/93 in the Publications Section of www.comreg.ie.

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