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ComReg secures undertakings from mobile operators to significantly reduce mobile termination rates over the next five years

The Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) has today welcomed the undertakings by mobile operators, Vodafone, O2 and Meteor, to voluntarily reduce their Mobile Termination Rates (MTRs) in each of the next five years.

This move will deliver significant savings to the market, ranging from €15 million in year one, increasing year-on-year to potentially €90-100 million per annum. The passing through of these reductions at the wholesale level to retail customers should bring benefits to both fixed and mobile customers in terms of lower charges. These lower termination rates follow on from recently announced reductions in international roaming tariffs.

A mobile termination rate is a wholesale charge levied by a mobile operator to terminate a call of another network operator (fixed or mobile) on their network. Voluntary reductions for the three operators are set to achieve an average rate of 7.99 Euro Cent by 1st January 2012. Reductions will be implemented from the 1st January of each year. These undertakings form part of ComReg's overall regulation of mobile termination rates.

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