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Eircom's request for a derogation on launch date for Wholesale NGA Services.

Information Notice

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ComReg Decision D03/13 mandated that Clause 8.8 of the associated Wholesale Broadband Access (WBA) decision requires that Eircom do not launch Next Generation WBA services prior to 20th May 2013 (except as agreed with ComReg following discussion with industry).

Eircom applied to ComReg on 19th February 2013 for approval to launch Wholesale Next Generation Access (NGA) broadband services on 8th April 2013.

In accordance with D03/13 ComReg considers it appropriate to consult with industry before forming a view on Eircom's request. ComReg now invites operators and any other interested parties to submit their views on Eircom's request, including supporting material, to ComReg by 1700 hrs on Thurs 28th February 2013. ComReg suggests that respondents provide their views, with reasoning and any relevant supporting information under the following headings:

1. Eircom's engagement, to date, with Operators on NGA related issues.
2. Operators planning and readiness for the launch of NGA services.
3. Impact on competition.
4. Impact on consumers
5. Other relevant considerations

ComReg has asked Eircom to provide a non confidential version of its request which it will make available to interested parties on request. It also intends to publish non-confidential material provided by operators in response to this information note, therefore any confidential material provided by operators should be marked as such.

ComReg will make a decision having regard to ComReg's statutory duties following consideration of all submissions in response to this consultation and Eircom's request for approval to launch on 8th April 2013, in addition to any other relevant considerations and material available to ComReg.

ComReg will publish its decision.

For this process, respondents should submit material in electronic format and / or hardcopy to ComReg offices addressed as follows:

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