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Extension of Deadline for eir's 2016-2017 Universal Service Funding Application

Information Notice

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1. As the designated USP, eir may submit an application for funding in relation to the net cost of providing its Universal Service Obligation (“universal Service Obligation”) services.
2. The Commission for Communications Regulation (“ComReg”) published Decision D04/11 entitled “Costing of universal service obligations: Principles and Methodologies” on 31 May 2011¹.
3. An application for funding in relation to the net cost of providing its USO services must be submitted to the Commission for Communications Regulation (“ComReg”) in accordance with Decision 33 of D04/11
4. In accordance with Decision 33 of D04/11, eir is due to submit its application for funding of the net cost of its USO obligations in respect of its financial period 2016 – 2017, by 31 March 2018.
5. On 6 December 2017, eir submitted an extension request in respect of its funding application for the 2016-2017 period, for a period of 6 months to 30th September 2018).
6. ComReg has considered eir’s request and in accordance with Decision 33 of D04/11 it has decided that it is appropriate to grant an extension of 4 months to this application deadline. ComReg is of the view that the extension is necessary to allow clarifications associated with eir’s applications for funding for the 2015-2016 period to be incorporated into eir’s applications for funding for the 2016-2017 period prior to its submission.
7. ComReg has granted an extension to the deadline for eir’s 2016-2017 Universal Service Funding Application to 31 July 2018.

¹ ComReg Document No. 11/42