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1. The Commission for Communications Regulation (hereafter '**ComReg**') has considered a request from Eircom Limited (hereafter '**Eircom**') for derogations¹ relating to when changes to its Access Reference Offer (hereafter '**ARO**') and Wholesale Bitstream Access Reference Offer (hereafter '**WBARO**') can be published and made effective and the date as to when Statement of Compliances relating to these changes can be provided to ComReg.
2. The above changes relate to the introduction by Eircom of new Optical Network Terminals² (hereafter '**ONT(s)**') used by Eircom in the areas of its network served by XGS-PON³ technology (hereafter the '**XGS-PON ONT**') and in the areas of its network served by GPON⁴ (hereafter the '**GPON ONT**'). Eircom has assigned a CRD⁵ ID of CRD 813 to its product development relating to the introduction of these new ONTs. The requested derogations from Eircom was for it to publish the relevant changes to its ARO and WBARO on or before 24 May 2021 and to make those changes effective on 18 June 2021.
3. ComReg has granted Eircom the relevant derogations and has done so in the interests of continuity of supply of ONTs to Access Seekers and ultimately to end-users. ComReg also considers that it is efficient for the relevant changes to the ARO and WBARO for the XGS-PON and GPON ONTs to be made at the same time so as to facilitate review of these changes by Access Seekers and in relation to any testing activities that Access Seekers may wish to perform.

¹ Eircom requested derogations with respect to its obligations set out in Section 10.10 of the Decision Instrument contained in Appendix 20 of ComReg Decision D10/18, Section 10.9 of the Decision Instrument contained in Appendix 21 of ComReg Decision D10/18 and Section 13.8 of both of these Decision Instruments.

² An Optical Network Terminal is a network element in an Optical Distribution Network (ODN) based optical access network that terminates a leaf of the ODN and provides an Optical Access Network (OAN) User Network Interface (UNI).

³ XGS-PON is a 10-Gigabit-capable symmetric passive optical network based on ITU recommendations, including ITU recommendation G.9087.1.

⁴ GPON is a 2.5-Gigabit-capable asymmetric passive optical network based on ITU recommendations, including ITU recommendation G.984.1.

⁵ Customer Requirements Document (hereafter '**CRD**') is a document used by Eircom in which a request for Access is described. Each Regulated Access Product under development will have its own CRD and an associated CRD ID.