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## **PRESS RELEASE**

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### **REGULATOR WELCOMES MINISTER'S PAPER ON REGULATORY PROCESS**

The Telecommunications Regulator, Etain Doyle, today welcomed the publication of the policy paper entitled "Governance and Accountability in the Regulatory Process: Policy Proposals " by the Minister for Public Enterprise.

According to the Regulator, Etain Doyle " The regulatory process must work with speed and efficiency if it is to deliver its primary objective – ensuring that users can get the best telecommunications services in terms of price, choice and quality."

She continued " In this regard, I particularly welcome the proposal that "*the decision of a regulator shall apply while the matter is subject to review*". This should greatly free up the telecommunications sector in Ireland. The industries we regulate are transforming rapidly. A proposal such as this should free up market development through free competition - which is clearly in the public interest. The clarification of review decisions, both in scope and range, should also be extremely useful in simplifying and streamlining the process."

The Regulator also expressed her appreciation of the Minister's comments on the hard work of regulatory teams. The Regulator said, "The dedication and hard work of the team at the ODTR has delivered first class regulation for Ireland. We will continue to deliver."

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