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Telecoms Regulator welcomes review of 1926 legislation relating to the licensing and use of radio spectrum.

Etain Doyle, Telecoms Regulator today (14th February 2001) issued a response to the Department of Public Enterprise's invitation to comment on "Review of legislation relating to licensing and the use of radio spectrum."

According to the Regulator "This is a very important initiative on the part of the Department for the 1920's based legislation is increasingly unsuited to the 21st Century radiocommunications environment. There have been ongoing problems and deficiencies in the current legislation, which have hampered the efficient management of the spectrum, particularly in respect of the introduction of new services and enforcement activities. The pace of change in radio communications places increasing strains on the legislation in terms of its lack of flexibility and capabilities to deal with fast developing markets and convergent technologies."

She continued "I welcome this initiative by the Minister for Public Enterprise to review the legislation and look forward to actively participating in the process going forward."

In her response to the consultation the Director of Telecommunications Regulation makes recommendations on key features which should be included in the proposed new act.

The ODTR response is available on the website www.odtr.ie , Document 01/07
“ODTR Response to the Department of Public Enterprise’s invitation to comment on
Review of Legislation relating to the licensing and use of the radio spectrum”

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