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**Telecommunications  
Regulation**

**MEDIA RELEASE**

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## **Operators all pass ODTR compliance audit on non-ionising radiation emissions**

Etain Doyle, Telecoms Regulator today (Thursday 25th October 2001) issued a report, which concludes that operators are in compliance with their licence conditions relating to emission limits for non-ionising radiation. The report, carried out by Enterprise Ireland on behalf of the ODTR, finds that all the companies audited have effective procedures in place to ensure that the general exposure limits specified in the latest international guidelines are not exceeded in respect of any of their masts.

Audits were carried out in the following companies: Chorus, Digifone, Eircell 2000, Meteor Mobile Communications, Esat Business, RTE, Southcoast Community Television, Mayo Community Television and Thomas Nallen Community Television Services. The audits included measurements of emission levels at 30 sites throughout the country, and in every case the measurements were very substantially below the limits.

30 sites were selected for radio emission measurements in a wide range of locations and with different antennae configurations including multiple user installations and deflector masts. All sites comply with the international guidelines.

**"Compliance with Emission Limits for Non-ionising Radiation - Third Audit Report" - ODTR 01/85** can be viewed on the ODTR web-site - [www.odtr.ie](http://www.odtr.ie).

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**Note for the Editors**

For each site the ODTR requires that the measured levels of non-ionising radiation emissions should not exceed the International Commission on Non-Ionising Radiation Protection (ICNIRP) limits in any part of the site or surrounding area where the general public have access.

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