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## Re-opening the 26 GHz band for Fixed Wireless Access Local Area (FWALA) licensing

The Commission for Communications Regulation (ComReg) today published an Information Notice re-opening the 26 GHz band for Fixed Wireless Access Local Area (FWALA) licensing and inviting applications. This spectrum is ideally suited for the provision of broadband services to business customers.

The closing date for receipt of applications is 5p.m on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2007.

The FWALA licensing scheme has been highly successful in delivering wireless broadband services to the consumer. There is continuing demand from operators for spectrum for both residential and business customers. The 26 GHz band is ideally suited for business customers needs with the ability to provide high speed, high capacity services to data intensive business customers.

The five channels in the 26 GHz band that are being made available at this time should help to address some capacity issues operators have in service in their business customers.

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