



Commission for  
**Communications Regulation**

# **Consultation and Draft Decision: ComReg Document 17/26**

## **Request for access to non-confidential models**

Information Notice

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# 1 Introduction

1. On 7 April, the Commission for Communications Regulation ('ComReg') published its consultation on the proposed pricing regime for wholesale access services in the wholesale local access ('WLA') market and in the wholesale central access ('WCA') markets, in ComReg Document No 17/26<sup>1</sup> (referred to in this document as 'the Consultation'). The deadline for response to the Consultation is 5pm on 19 June 2017.
2. The Consultation contains reference to a number of models, including the draft NGA<sup>2</sup> Cost Model, in particular in Chapter 6, which is used to derive the draft prices for Eircom's next generation fibre to the cabinet ('FTTC') wholesale access services. In addition, the Consultation also refers to the draft NGN<sup>3</sup> Core Model, in Chapter 8, which is used to derive the draft prices for current generation Bitstream services (both for Eircom and for an alternative operator).
3. There is also reference to a number of margin squeeze tests in the Consultation, in Chapters 10 and 11, which are assessed by various margin squeeze models including the
  - a. Retail NGA Broadband Margin Squeeze Model,
  - b. Retail CGA<sup>4</sup> Broadband Margin Squeeze Model,
  - c. Wholesale NGA Broadband Margin Squeeze Model and
  - d. Wholesale CGA Broadband Margin Squeeze Model.
4. The margin squeeze models referred to above ensure that there are appropriate margins between specific retail and / or wholesale products so that an alternative operator can replicate Eircom's retail and / or wholesale prices.
5. The various models described in paragraphs 2 to 4 above are referred to in this document as 'the Models'.
6. ComReg received a request from an interested party for access to the Models associated with the Consultation.

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<sup>1</sup> Pricing of wholesale services in the Wholesale Local Access (WLA) market and in the Wholesale Central Access (WCA) markets: Further specification of price control obligations in Market 3a (WLA) and Market 3b (WCA); dated 7 April 2017.

<sup>2</sup> Next generation access.

<sup>3</sup> Next generation network.

<sup>4</sup> Current generation access.

7. As the Models contain confidential information provided by Eircom, ComReg requested Eircom to assess the Models for confidentiality, in line with ComReg's guidelines on the treatment of confidential information as set out in ComReg Document No 05/24<sup>5</sup>.
8. A non-confidential version of the Models and associated documentation are now available on request to ComReg to interested parties that are likely to be affected by the outcome of any final decision that ComReg may take in relation to the Consultation.
9. For access to the non-confidential Models and associated documentation, please send an email to James Mulholland and Aveen McCumiskey at the email addresses below with the subject "Access to Non Confidential Models".

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<sup>5</sup> ComReg Document No 05/25: Guidelines on the treatment of confidential information – Final text of the Guidelines; dated 22 March 2005.