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# **Request for Extension of Deadline for Eircom's Universal Service Funding Application**

## **Information Notice**

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1. The Commission for Communications Regulation (“ComReg”) published Decision No. D04/11 entitled “Costing of universal service obligations: Principles and Methodologies” on 31 May 2011<sup>1</sup>.
2. On 31 May 2012, ComReg received an application from Eircom for funding for the provision of the universal service for the period 2009-2010.
3. On 10 May 2013 ComReg issued a Consultation and Draft Determination in respect Eircom’s application for the period 2009-2010, ComReg document 13/45.
4. On 28 March 2013, Eircom submitted an extension request in respect of its subsequent application for the 2010-2011 period, which was due to be submitted by 31 March 2013. ComReg issued an Information Notice in respect of its receipt of the extension request from Eircom.<sup>2</sup>
5. ComReg has considered Eircom’s request and in accordance with Decision 33 of D04/11 and has decided that there is an exceptional reason for acceding to Eircom’s extension request. ComReg, cognisant of the fact that the ComReg document 13/45 relates to the first application and assessment undertaken, is of the view that the granting of this extension is within the parameters allowed for under Decision 33 of D04/11. The extension will allow Eircom the opportunity to review and incorporate the recommendations, relating to the application, set out in ComReg document 13/45 and associated consultants’ reports, in future applications.
6. As such, ComReg confirms the granting of an extension to Eircom for the 2010-2011 application from 31 March 2013 to 11 November 2013, a period of six months from 10 May 2013<sup>3</sup>.
7. In line with D04/11 and previous extensions granted, ComReg confirms that the existing deadline, of 31 March 2014, for both the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 applications, as relevant, remain unchanged.

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<sup>1</sup> ComReg Doc. No 11/42

<sup>2</sup> ComReg Doc No 13/32

<sup>3</sup> The date of publication of ComReg Doc No. 13/45 “*Consultation and Draft Determination on the Assessment of Eircom's Universal Service Fund Application for 2009-2010*”