

**CONTINUATION NOTICE TO BRITISH TELCOMMUNICATIONS PLC AND THE OPERATORS LISTED IN THE SCHEDULE TO THIS NOTICE UNDER PARAGRAPH 22 OF SCHEDULE 18 TO THE COMMUNICATIONS ACT 2003**

**Notice that the "Direction under the provisions of regulation 6(6) of the Telecommunications (Interconnection) Regulations 1997 of a dispute between Telewest Communications PLC and other operators in the Telewest group of companies as set out in annex A to this Direction ("Telewest" and British Telecommunications PLC ("BT") over interconnect charges for origination of calls to freephone numbers" made on 13 August 2002 will continue to have effect from 25 July 2003**

1. The Director General of Telecommunications ("the Director"), in accordance with Paragraph 22 of Schedule 18 to the Communications Act 2003 ("the Act") hereby gives notice to British Telecommunications plc ("BT") and the Operators listed in the Schedule to this Notice ("the Operators") that the "Direction under the provisions of regulation 6(6) of the Telecommunications (Interconnection) Regulations 1997 of a dispute between Telewest Communications PLC and other operators in the Telewest group of companies as set out in annex A to this Direction ("Telewest" and British Telecommunications PLC ("BT") over interconnect charges for origination of calls to freephone numbers" given by the Director under regulation 6 of the Telecommunications (Interconnection) Regulations 1997 (SI 1997/2931) on 13 August 2002 will continue to have effect from 25 July 2003 ("the Continued Direction").

2. The Director considers, for the reasons set out in the Statement which the Director will publish, that the Continued Direction makes provision corresponding to that which he has the power to include in conditions set under Chapter 1 of Part 2 of the Act and/or directions under section 187 of the Act.

3. This Notice shall continue to have effect until the Director has given a further notice to BT and the Operators listed in the Schedule to this Notice in accordance with Paragraph 22 of Schedule 18 to the Act that this Notice shall cease to have effect.

4. The Director issued a consultation as to his proposals to continue directions made under regulation 6 of the Telecommunications (Interconnection) Regulations 1997 (SI 1997/2931) on 3 July 2003 and requested comments by 14 July 2003. The Director has taken into account the comments he received during that consultation.

5. In this Notice, except as otherwise provided or unless the context otherwise requires, words or expressions shall have the meaning assigned to them and otherwise any word or expression shall have the same meaning as it has in the Act. For the purposes of interpreting this Notice, headings and titles shall be disregarded.

**NEIL BUCKLEY**  
POLICY PROJECT DIRECTOR

A person duly authorised by the Director General of Telecommunications pursuant to paragraph 8 of Schedule 1 to the Telecommunications Act 1984

**21 July 2003**

## Schedule

	<b>OPERATOR/FRANCHISE</b>	<b>AGREEMENT DATE</b>
1.	Telewest Communications plc	15 Jan 1998
2.	Telewest Communications (Central Lancashire) Ltd	26 Sep 1996
3.	Telewest Communications (Cotswolds) Ltd	26 July 1996
4.	Telewest Communications (Cumbernauld) Ltd	22 Aug 1996
5.	Telewest Communications (Dumbarton) Ltd	22 Aug 1996
6.	Telewest Communications (Dundee & Perth) Ltd (Dundee Franchise)	22 Aug 1996
7.	Telewest Communications (Dundee & Perth) Ltd (Perth Franchise)	22 Aug 1996
8.	Telewest Communications (Falkirk) Ltd	22 Aug 1996
9.	Telewest Communications (Glenrothes) Ltd	22 Aug 1996
10.	Telewest Communications (Liverpool) Ltd (North Liverpool & Sefton Franchise)	26 Sep 1996
11.	Telewest Communications (Liverpool) Ltd (Merseyside Franchise)	26 Sep 1996
12.	Telewest Communications (London South) Ltd (Kingston & Richmond Franchise)	26 Sep 1996
13.	Telewest Communications (London South) Ltd (Merton & Sutton Franchise)	26 Sep 1996
14.	Telewest Communications (London South) Ltd (Croydon Franchise)	26 Sep 1996
15.	Telewest Communications (Midlands) Ltd	26 Sep 1996
16.	Telewest Communications (Motherwell) Ltd	22 Aug 1996
17.	Telewest Communications (North East) Ltd (Newcastle & Gateshead Franchise)	1 Sep 1996
18.	Telewest Communications (St Helens & Knowsley) Ltd	26 Sep 1996
19.	Telewest Communications (Scotland) Ltd (Edinburgh Franchise)	22 Aug 1996
20.	Telewest Communications (South East) Ltd	26 Sep 1996
21.	Telewest Communications (South Thames Estuary) Ltd	26 Sep 1996
22.	Telewest Communications (South West) Ltd	26 July 1996
23.	Telewest Communications (Telford) Ltd	26 Sep 1996
24.	Telewest Communications (Wigan) Ltd	26 Sep 1996
25.	Windsor Television Limited (Windsor)	11 Sep 1996
26.	Windsor Television Limited (Iver)	11 Sep 1996
27.	Middlesex Cable Limited	1 Sep 1996
28.	Barnsley Cable Communications Ltd	11 Sep 1996
29.	Doncaster Cable Communications Ltd	11 Sep 1996
30.	Halifax Cable Communications Ltd	11 Sep 1996
31.	Sheffield Cable Communications Ltd	11 Sep 1996

32.	Yorkshire Cable Communications Ltd	11 Sep 1996
33.	Wakefield Cable Communications Ltd	11 Sep 1996
34.	Birmingham Cable Limited	24 Oct 1996
35.	Cable Camden Limited	30 Sep 1996
36.	Cable Enfield Limited	30 Sep 1996
37.	Cable Hackney & Islington Limited	30 Sep 1996
38.	Cable Haringey Limited	30 Sep 1996