

Notice that Continuation notices have been given in respect of Class Licensees under paragraph 9 of schedule 18 to the Communications Act 2003 (“the Act”)

1. By publication on the Oftel website, the Director General of Telecommunications ('the Director') today gives Continuation Notices to Class Licensees pursuant to paragraph 9 of Schedule 18 to the Act.
2. All Telecommunications Act licences (including class licences) will be revoked on 25 July 2003 by the Act. The following Continuation Notices continue the following conditions of class licences notwithstanding the revocation of those licences:
 - (a) *the Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on 24th June 2002 for the provision of Cordless Telecommunications services to all persons of the class described in paragraph 2 of the Licence.*
 - *Condition 21 (Controlled Premium Rate Services); and*
 - *Condition 22 (Provision of Special Facilities relating to Chatline and Message Services)*
 - (b) *the Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on 8th February 2002 to provide International Simple Voice Resale Services to all persons of the class described in paragraph 2 of the Licence*
 - *Condition 26 (Controlled Premium Rate Services); and*
 - *Condition 27 (Provision of Special Facilities relating to Chatline and Message Services)*
 - (c) *the Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on 8th February 2002 to run Branch Systems to provide Telecommunications Services to all persons of the class described in paragraph 2 of the Licence*
 - *Condition 26 (Controlled Premium Rate Services); and*
 - *Condition 27 (Provision of Special Facilities relating to Chatline and Message Services)*
 - (d) *the Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on 1st August 2001 to provide Conditional Access Systems to all persons of the class described in paragraph 2 of the Licence, such conditions continued in relation to Electronic Programme Guides only*
 - *Condition 1 (Service Obligation for Operators of Electronic Programme Guide Services);*
 - *Condition 11 (Prohibition on Undue Preference or Discrimination); and*
 - *Condition 14 (Publication of Charges, Terms and Conditions)*

(e) *the Licence granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on 31st August 1999 to provide Access Control Systems to all persons of the class described in paragraph 2 of the Licence*

- *Condition 10 (Obligation to Supply Access Control Services);*
- *Condition 11 (Intellectual Property);*
 - *Condition 12(Requirement to Keep Separate Financial Accounts);*
 - *Condition 14(Prohibition on Undue Preference and Undue Discrimination; and*
 - *Condition15 (Publication of Charges, Terms and Conditions)*

3. Due to timing constraints and requests from operators for clarify a number of issues relating to the new regime and particularly this interim continuation regime, Oftel has not, today, published the justifications and reasons for the giving of these continuation notices. A full statement will however be published as soon as possible containing the Director's justifications and reasons for the giving of these continuation notices and the clarification sought by operators. In the interim, details of why continuation notices have been necessary are set out in the consultation document that was issued on 3 July 2003.

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