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Summary of the main changes between the draft Statement and the final Statement

Ofcom has today published its final Statement on the Fixed Access Market Review, which covers: wholesale local access, wholesale fixed analogue exchange lines, ISDN2 and ISDN30.

This final Statement follows a draft Statement which was notified to the European Commission, BEREC and the national regulatory authorities of other EU Member States for comment on 19 May 2014.

To arrive at our final Statement we have made some minor changes to the draft Statement. In order to be helpful and to provide greater transparency to stakeholders, we set out below a summary of what we consider to be the main changes that we have made and where they can be found.

Stakeholders should however note that this summary is provided to help them navigate the final Statement and does not form part of the final Statement.

Volume 1

Section 11: Remedies: Quality of Service

We have made a number of modifications to the KPIs to more accurately reflect our policy decisions:

Paragraph 11.360
Footnotes 828 and 829
Tables 11.10, 11.11, 11.12, and 11.13

These amendments are also reflected in Part III of Annex 29: Legal Instrument.

Section 12: Remedies: WLA next generation access

Paragraph 12.309 notes that we have amended the Legal Instrument (Annex 29, Part I) in order to provide that the equivalent LLU charge for the SLU MPF connection charge should be the MPF connection charge (rather than the MPF single migration charge).

Volume 2

We have amended the charge controls set out in Volume 2 and associated annexes to reflect a small reduction in the deafness provision costs in the base year. We now only remove the proportion of deafness provision costs associated with the services included in the Cost Model (see paragraph A13.81). Changes have been made to:

Paragraphs 4.66 and 4.99
Footnotes 23, 126 of Volume 2 and 1207 of the Annexes
Tables 1.1, 1.2, 4.2, 4.4 – 4.7, A8.3, A8.4, and A28.1 – 6

Section 5: Charge control cost modelling

We note that for the purposes of the LLU and WLR charge control cost modelling set out in Volume 2 and associated Annexes, we have used data available to us as at 30 April 2014, at which time the model was finalised and audited prior to notification of the draft statement to the European Commission (see paragraph 5.2). References to the latest available data in Volume 2 and associated annexes should be read in that context.

Annex 29: Legal Instruments

We have clarified the drafting around when the GEA migration charge and GEA minimum contract period comes into force in Parts I and II of the Legal Instrument.