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# **General Notices**

# COMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF NAMIBIA

No. 265

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# AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS IN RESPECT OF TYPE APPROVAL AND TECHNICAL STANDARDS FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT: COMMUNICATIONS ACT, 2009

The Communications Regulatory Authority, in terms of section 80 read with section 129 of the Communications Act, 2009 (Act No. 8 of 2009), amends the Regulations in respect of Type Approval and Technical Standards for Telecommunications Equipment published in General Notice No. 22 of 30 January 2015 by substituting the preamble thereof as follows:

"The Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia, in terms of section 80 read with section 129 of the Communications Act, 2009 (Act No. 8 of 2009) and the "Regulations Regarding Rule-Making Procedures: Communications Act, 2009" published as a General Notice No. 334 in Government Gazette No. 4630 dated 17 December 2010, hereby publishes these Regulations in respect of Type Approval and Technical Standards for Telecommunications Equipment which will be in force and effective from date of publication of this Notice in the Gazette. There will be a transitional period within which applicants must obtain approval from the Authority in respect of telecommunications equipment, which transition period shall commence from the date of publication hereof and shall lapse on **30 November 2015**."

# L.N. JACOBS CHAIRPERSON OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS COMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF NAMIBIA

#### COMMUNICATIONS REGULATORY AUTHORITY OF NAMIBIA

#### No. 266

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# NOTICE IN TERMS OF THE REGULATIONS REGARDING LICENSING PROCEDURES FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND BROADCASTING SERVICE LICENCES AND SPECTRUM USE LICENCES

The Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia, in terms of Sections 38 and 101 of the Communications Act, 2009 (Act No. 8 of 2009), read together with regulations 4, 6 and 11 of the "Regulations Regarding Licensing Procedures for Telecommunications and Broadcasting Service Licences and Spectrum Use Licences", in Government Gazette No. 4785, General Notice No. 272, dated 29 August 2011 (as amended), herewith gives notice that the person referred to in the table below has submitted the following applications to the Authority:

#### (a) Application for Class Comprehensive Telecommunications Service Licence (ECS/ECNS)

Applicant	Appli- cant's citizenship or place of incorpora- tion;	Percentage of Stock owned by Namibian Citizens or Namib- ian Companies Con- trolled by Namibian Citizens;	Category of class telecommunica- tions service licence applied for;	Telecom- munication services in- tended to be provided by applicant;	Proof of Licence Applica- tion Fees Paid Up to Date Sub- mitted;
Integrated Communication Systems CC	Namibia	100%	Class Comprehen- sive Telecommu- nications Service Licence (ECS/ ECNS)	Electronic Communica- tions	Yes

	Party Provid- ing Signal Distribu- tion	Own		
	Service to be provided us- ing frequen- cy applied for;	Telephony, Fax & Inter- net Services		
	License Fees Outstanding?	Yes		
Description of geographic coverage area(s);	Town	Within the Republic of Namibia or any part Thereof		
ion of geogra] area(s);	District	Within theWithin theRepublic ofRepublic ofNamibia orNamibia orany partany partthereofthereof		
Descripti	Period	Within the Republic of Namibia or any part thereof		
List of radio frequencies	or groups of radio frequencies being consid- ered by the Authority;	Uplink 6245.6809 MHz / Down- link 3920.681 MHz		
I ist of radio	frequencies or groups of radio frequencies applied for	Uplink 6245.6809 MHz / Down- link 3920.681 MHz		
Percentage of Stock owned	by Namib- ian Citizens or Namibian Companies controlled by Namibian Citizens;	100%		
	Applicant's citizenship or place of incor- poration;	Namibian		
	Applicant's Name;	Integrated Communication System CC		

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(b) Spectrum Use Licence Application

The public may submit comments to the Authority within fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this notice in the *Gazette*.

The applicant may submit written reply comments within fourteen (14) days from the due date of the written public comments.

All written submissions must contain the name and contact details of the person making the written submissions and the name and contact details of the person for whom the written submission is made, if different and be clear and concise.

All written submissions and reply comments must be made either physically or electronically -

- (1) By hand to the head offices of the Authority, namely Communication House, 56 Robert Mugabe Avenue, Windhoek;
- (2) By post to the head offices of the Authority, namely Private Bag 13309, Windhoek 9000;
- (3) By electronic mail to the following address: legal@cran.na;
- (4) By facsimile to the following facsimile number: +264 61 222790; or
- (5) By fax to e-mail to: 0886550852.

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Proof of Application fees paid up to date submitted?	Yes	
Whether applicant intends to use spectrum in the provision of broadcasting services intended to be provided;	Yes, application is contained in part (b) below.	
Provision of signal distribution;	Оwп	
Category of Broadcasting service licence as contemplated in the Regulations Setting out Broadcasting and Telecommunications Service Licence categories;	Community Broadcasting Service License	
Percentage of Stock owned by Namibian Citizens or Namibian Companies Controlled by Namibian Citizens;	Welfare Organisation established in terms of section 19 of the National Welfare Act (Act 79 of 1965)	
Applicant's citizenship or place of incorporation;	Namibian	
Applicants Name;	Adventist Development & Relief Agency Namibia (ADRA Namibia)	

# (b) Spectrum Use Licence Application

	Party pro- viding Signal Distri- bution;		, in the second s	ICS		
	Service to be P pro- I vided vi using Si fre- D quency bu applied bu		Broad- casting			
	License S Frees Out- 1 standing; 4 a]		Yes c.			
	Maximum Output power & Co-	500.000 W	500.000 W	500.000 W	500.000 W	
rerage area(s)	City/Town;	Gobabis	Otjiwarongo	Rundu	Keetmanshoop Keetmanshoop	
Description of geographic coverage area(s)	District;	Gobabis	Otjiwarongo	Rundu	Keetmanshoop	
Description e	Region;	Omaheke	Otjozondjupa	Kavango-East	//Karas	
List of	radio fre- quencies or groups of radio frequencies being con- sidered for assignment by the Au- thority;	89.2 MHz	97.4 MHz	98.3 MHz	92.9 MHz	
	List of radio fre- quencies or groups of radio frequencies applied for;	88 – 108 MHz	88 – 108 MHz	88 – 108 MHz	88 – 108 MHz	
	Percentage of Stock owned by Namib- ian Citizens or Namibian Companies controlled by Namibian Citizens;		Welfare or- ganisation established in terms of sec- tion 19 of the National Wel- fare Act (Act 79 of 1965)			
	Applicant's citizenship or place of incorpora- tion;			Namuula		
	Applicant's Name;	Adventist	Development & Relief	Agency Na- mibia (ADRA	Namibia)	

**Broadcasting Service Licence Application:** 

**(a**)

The public may submit comments in writing to the Authority within a period of fourteen (14) days from the date of publication of this notice in the *Gazette*.

The applicant may submit written reply comments within fourteen (14) days from date of notification of the written public comments.

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# NOTICE IN TERMS OF THE REGULATIONS REGARDING LICENSING PROCEDURES FOR TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND BROADCASTING SERVICE LICENCES AND SPECTRUM USE LICENCES

The Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia, in terms of section 101 of the Communications Act (No. 8 of 2009) and regulations 6 and 11 of the "Regulations Regarding Licensing Procedures for Telecommunications and Broadcasting Service Licences and Spectrum Use Licences", published in Government Gazette No. 4785, Notice No. 272, dated 29 August 2011 as amended, herewith gives notice that the person referred to in the table below, has been awarded with additional spectrum use licence effective from date of publication in the *Gazette*:

Region	Otjozon- djupa
Antenna Height (m)	92.42
Polarisa- tion	Horizon- tal
Antenna Peak Gain (dBd)	7.5
TX Power (dBd)	13.01
TX Power (W)	20
Channel Number	40
Fre- quency (MHz)	626 MHz
Multi - plex Number	
Latitude Longitude - plex Number	17 41 24.8 E
Latitude	19 16 44.0 S
Site Name	Tsumeb
Descrip- tion of Geo- graphic coverage area(s)	Republic of Na- mibia
Services In- tended to be provided us- ing the spec- trum being applied for of (type of Service licences)	N/A <sup>1</sup>
Percentage of Stock owned by Namibian Citizens or Namibian companies controlled Namibian Citizens;	State Owned Enterprise
Licensee's citizenship or place of incorpora- tion;	Established in terms of section 2 of the Namibian Broadcasting Act (Act No. 9 of 1991)
Licensee;	Namibian Broadcast- ing Cor- poration (NBC)

The licence is issued subject to the Communications Act, 2009 (Act No. 8 of 2009) and the Regulations Regarding Licence Conditions for Spectrum Use Licence as published in Government Gazette No. 5354, General Notice No. 469, dated 2 December 2013.

### Reasons for the decision are as follows:

The Namibian Broadcasting Corporation submitted a further request on 13 March 2015 for the issuance of a spectrum use licence at Tsumeb for Digital Terrestrial Television (DTT) services.

Section 93 of the Act provides that Chapter IV of the Act is not applicable to the Namibian Broadcasting Corporation until such date as determined by the Minister of Information Communications and Technology. As such, although the spectrum applied for requires a service licence, the Authority has not issued a broadcasting service licence to the Namibian Broadcasting Corporation to date. Please note that the spectrum applied for by the Namibian Broadcasting Corporation is not deemed to be service licence exempt and therefore require spectrum use licences to be issued by the Authority after due consideration of the applications submitted.

Following due process in terms of Regulations Regarding Licensing Procedures for Telecommunications and Broadcasting Service Licences and Spectrum Use Licences, the Authority published a notice in the Government Gazette No. 5148, General Notice No. 72, dated 13 March 2013, allowing fourteen (14) days for public comment.

No comments were received within the stated timeframe and subsequently no reply comments were required from the Namibian Broadcasting Corporation.

The Authority published the final notice related to the Regulations Setting Out the Frequency Channelling for Digital Terrestrial Television in Government Gazette No. 5201, General Notice No. 166 dated 29 May 2013 after following a rulemaking process that commenced with the first notice published for public comment on 28 September 2012 and concluded with a public hearing on 8 April 2013. The Namibian Broadcasting Corporation also attended the public hearing.

The ITU approved the proposed Frequency Channelling Plan for Namibia submitted by the Authority.

The issuance of spectrum use licences by the Authority is guided by-

- i. Section 101 of the Communications Act, 2009;
- ii. International Telecommunications Union Regulations and subsequent international agreements signed by Namibia as a member state of the International Telecommunications Union;
- iii. Regulations Setting Out the Frequency Band Plan for Namibia as published in Government Gazette No. 5214, General Notice No. 191 dated 31 May 2013; and
- iv. Regulations Setting Out the Frequency Channelling Plan for Digital Terrestrial Television as published in Government Gazette No. 5201, General Notice No. 166 dated 29 May 2013.

The Authority thus recommends that a spectrum use licence be awarded to the Namibian Broadcasting Corporation for implementation of DTT at Tsumeb in accordance with the frequencies and power outputs specified in the Regulations Setting Out the Frequency Channeling Plan for Digital Terrestrial Television as published in Government Gazette No. 5201, General Notice No. 166 dated 29 May 2013.

The Namibian Broadcasting Corporation should thus be awarded with spectrum use licences in accordance with the frequencies and power outputs specified in the Regulations Setting Out the

Frequency Channeling Plan for Digital Terrestrial Television as published in Government Gazette No. 5201, General Notice No. 166 dated 29 May 2013.

In light of the above and in terms of section 101 (2) of the Communications Act and the Licensing Procedures Regulations, the Authority awarded the Namibian Broadcasting Corporation with the frequencies as stipulated in the table above for the implementation of Digital Terrestrial Broadcasting service in the geographical areas indicated in the table.

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