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## DRAFT AMENDMENT (No. 24) OF THE STANDING ORDERS OF THE STATES OF JERSEY

Lodged au Greffe on 15th April 2003 by the Telecommunications Board

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Report

Members will recall that Standing Order 39 was temporarily suspended by the States on 12th December 2002 to allow the President and two other members of the previous Telecommunications Board to continue in post (subject to the States election process). It was recognized that a number of tasks to complete the incorporation process remained outstanding. This temporary suspension is due to finish on 30th April 2003.

However there are just two tasks outstanding, before the Telecommunications Board can be dissolved, which cannot be completed by this deadline. These are -

- (1) presenting to the States the final Report and Accounts of the Board; and
- (2) transfer of a small piece of land to Jersey Telecom Ltd. by the Board, as agreed by the Board and the former Finance and Economics Committee, but omitted from the Telecommunications (Transfer) (Jersey) Regulations 2002 passed by the States in December 2002.

Due to additional work required preparing the Report and Accounts these will not be ready to be approved by the Board until it meets on May 2nd.

Assuming Board approval is given, the Report and Accounts could then be presented to the States in mid-May.

The second outstanding matter is less predictable as there is currently no clear way forward. The Environment and Public Services Committee want this piece of land transferred to them but, as noted above, this is not what was agreed by the Board and the former Finance and Economics Committee. Negotiations are continuing in an effort to resolve the matter, but it is not possible, at this point, to say when those negotiations might be concluded.

It is considered inappropriate to extend the temporary suspension of Standing Orders. The Board requests the permission of the States to alter Standing Orders so that the existing Board members can complete the two final tasks and then dissolve the Board in an orderly manner.

There are no additional financial or manpower implications for the States arising from the adoption of this amendment.

#### **Explanatory Note**

This amendment to Standing Order 39 has the effect that, in determining the number of Committees of which a member of the States is President or a member, there shall be disregarded Presidency or membership of the Telecommunications Board.



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Made Coming into force [date to be inserted] [date to be inserted]

**THE STATES**, in pursuance of Article 27 of the States of Jersey Law 1966,<sup>[1]</sup> have made the following amendment of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey<sup>[2]</sup> –

#### 1 Standing Order 39 amended

In Standing Order 39, after paragraph (3) there shall be added the following paragraph -

"(4) In paragraphs (2) and (3), the reference to Committees of the States to which this Standing Order applies does not include the Telecommunications Board.".

#### 2 Citation

This Amendment may be cited as Amendment (No. 24) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey and shall come into force on the day following the day on which it is made.

<sup>[1]</sup> Recueil des Lois, Volume 1966-1967, page 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>[2]</sup> Nos. 4858, 5217, 5531, 5934, 6099, 6213, 6530, 6531, 6800, 7587, 7678, 8129, 8030, 8218, 8630, 8727, 8837, 8958, 9470, 9483, 54/2000, 115/2000, 116/2000 and 121/2002.