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TELECOMMUNICATIONS (JERSEY) LAW 2002: DIRECTION AND GUIDANCE TO THE JCRA UNDER ARTICLE 8

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REPORT

Telecommunications (Jersey) Law 2002, Part 3, Article 8 –

Mobile Telecommunications Masts

The Minister for Economic Development issues the following Direction to the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority (JCRA) under the terms of its operator's licences to ensure that –

- Independent random testing and monitoring of radiation emissions from mobile masts / base stations is undertaken and that this testing is paid for by the Authority's licensees, but managed by the Authority;
- Testing take place annually for the first two years and thereafter every second year;
- Reports from testing should be made available to the Minister for Economic Development and a copy provided to the Health Protection Unit at the Health and Social Services Department;
- Members of the public should be able to make a complaint regarding levels of emissions of masts near their homes, but the actual testing regime shall be determined by the JCRA;
- Licensees should be required to pay for the development and operation of a publicly accessible website that will as a minimum deliver
 - Information on the location of mobile masts:
 - Independently verified information on individual masts in accordance with the testing regime adopted by the Authority;
 - Information regarding the current international standards in respect of safe levels of emissions;
 - the website should be regularly updated in accordance with available information in order to best deliver these objectives.

This Direction has been discussed with the JCRA in accordance with Article 8(4) of the Telecommunications (Jersey) Law 2002 and acknowledged by the Chairman of the Authority in his letter of 15th October 2007.