

Email to industry
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Commerce Commission starts section 30R reviews of five regulated telecommunications services' standard terms determinations

Good morning

The Commerce Commission today commenced section 30R reviews of five regulated telecommunications services' standard terms determinations (STDs).

Our view is that section 30R reviews of the STDs are required in order to implement recent amendments to the Telecommunications Act 2001 (the Act). Those amendments, among other things, will remove Chorus's unbundled copper local loop network (UCLL) service from Schedule 1 of the Act with effect from 1 January 2020 and prescribe a new annual pricing adjustment mechanism, with effect from 16 December 2019.

We expect to finalise these reviews by 09 December 2019 with an effective date of 15 December 2019.

The process and documentation for our 30R reviews

The process for our reviews and documentation can be found on our website at:

<https://comcom.govt.nz/regulated-industries/telecommunications/regulated-services/copper-services/section-30r-reviews-of-the-copper-standard-terms-determinations>

We are now inviting submissions from interested parties on our proposed changes to the STDs. Submissions are due no later than **5pm, 23 October 2019**.

Submissions should be sent with the subject: 'STD s 30R reviews' by email to William Turner, c/o regulation.branch@comcom.govt.nz. We intend to publish submissions on our website. When confidential information is provided, submitters should provide both confidential and public versions of their submissions.

The objectives of these 30R reviews

Our objectives are to make these reviews focused and simple for interested parties to engage with, and to:

- ensure the STDs accurately reflect recent changes to the Act; and
- ensure the STDs remain fit-for-purpose from 16 December 2019 until the completion of the copper review.

Kind regards
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