24 March 2021

Tristan Gilbertson
Telecommunications Commissioner
Commerce Commission
44 The Terrace
WELLINGTON 6140

Dear Tristan

## Commerce Commission Review of Services in Schedule 1 of the Telecommunications Act 2001

Thank you for the opportunity to respond to the Commerce Commission draft decision on whether to commence an investigation under clause 1 of Schedule 3 of the Telecommunications Act 2001 to omit selected relevant services from the list of designated or specified services under the Act.

This letter confirms that 2degrees supports the Commerce Commission's draft decision that there are not reasonable grounds for commencing investigations to omit these services from the Act at this time:

- **Fixed PSTN interconnection:** we agree the ability to interconnect with fixed PSTN services remains important in many parts of the country, and commercial arrangements for fixed PSTN interconnection are broadly based on the terms set in the Commission's original determination for this service.
- **Number portability:** we agree number portability continues to play an important role in reducing barriers to customer switching and promoting competition in retail markets.
- **Mobile co-location:** we agree the ability to co-locate equipment on the infrastructure of another mobile network operator continues to facilitate competition between mobile operators.

Yours sincerely

Mathew Bolland

**General Manager Corporate & Regulatory Affairs** 

