

Email to industry 12 December 2019

Publication of our final decisions on section 30R reviews of five regulated telecommunications services' standard terms determinations

Mōrena

Today we published our final decisions on section 30R reviews of five regulated telecommunications services' standard terms determinations (STDs). The five services we reviewed were:

- Chorus's Unbundled Copper Low Frequency (UCLF) service;
- Chorus's Unbundled Copper Local Loop and Unbundled Copper Low Frequency Network Backhaul (Telephone exchange to interconnect point) (UCLL and UCLF Backhaul) service;
- Chorus's Unbundled Copper Local Loop and Unbundled Copper Low Frequency Network Colocation (UCLL and UCLF Co-location) service;
- Chorus's Unbundled Bitstream Access (UBA) service; and
- Chorus's Unbundled Bitstream Access Backhaul (UBA Backhaul) service.

The effective date of these decisions is 15 December 2019.

The Section 30R reviews were 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 commenced the reviews in October 2019 and received submissions from Chorus, Spark and Vocus.

All documents, including our final decisions paper and the updated STDs, are now available on our website at:

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

The updated STDs also include the 2019/20 annual price adjustments, which also have an effective date of 15 December 2019.

Kind regards,

Simon Thomson

Head of Telecommunications Regulation
Commerce Commission | *Te Komihana Tauhokohoko*44 The Terrace | PO Box 2351 | Wellington 6140 | New Zealand
DDI +64 (0)4 924 3791 | Mobile +64 (0)21 383 883
simon.thomson@comcom.govt.nz