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General Notice

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INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA NOTICE OF EXTENSION FOR COMMENTS TO THE DISCUSSION PAPER ON SELF HELP STATIONS

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority") hereby gives notice of an extension of the closing date for public submissions on its Self Help Stations Discussion paper, published on 06 December 2004, in accordance with Section 28 of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act, Act No. 153 of **1993** ("IBA Act") to generate comment from all stakeholders on the revision the current regulatory framework of Self Help Stations in order to address issues of access to Broadcasting services in South Africa.

The initial closing date of **31 January 2005** has been extended to Monday **14 February 2005**, **16h30**, to give sufficient time to interested parties, stakeholders and the public to respond to the issues and questions raised in the Discussion Paper.

Submissions will be public documents, and should be provided to the Authority in both electronic and hard copy formats. Electronic copies will facilitate the posting of submissions on the Authority's website (<u>http://www.icasa.org.za</u>). All the submissions received by the Authority will be posted on its website. Interested parties and stakeholders should indicate when they lodge their submission, if they do not wish to have all or part of the submission made publicly available. Reasons why the Authority should restrict access to the material should be provided with the submission, and such requests may or may not be granted.

Written submissions should be sent to:

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Any interested person or organisation who submits written representations should indicate whether they require an opportunity to make oral presentation at the hearings. The closing date for the receipt of representations is **14 February 2005** at **16h30**