INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

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ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS ACT, 2005 (ACT NO. 36 OF 2005)

APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSFER OF AN INDIVIDUAL ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS SERVICE AND INDIVIDUAL ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK SERVICE LICENCES FROM SOFT TOUCH COMPUTING CC TO GROW MAKHOSIKATI TRADING CC

- 1. The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority") hereby gives notice that it has received applications from Soft Touch Computing cc for the transfer of its Individual Electronic Communications Service ("I-ECS") and Individual Electronic Communications Network Service ("I-ECNS") licences. The applications were lodged in terms of clause 12 of the Processes and Procedures Regulations for Individual Licences, 2010 published in Government Gazette No. 33293 of 14 June 2010 and Regulation 11 of the Amendment Individual Processes and Procedures Regulations 2015 published in Government Gazette No.39871 of 30 March 2016, read with sections 13(1), (2) and (6) of the Electronic Communications Act 2005, as amended.
- 2. The transfer applications seek approval from the Authority to transfer the I-ECNS and I-ECS licences held by Soft Touch Computing cc ("the Applicant") to Grow Makhosikati Trading cc ("the Transferee") and will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:
 - a. promotion of competition in the ICT sector;
 - b. interests of consumers; and
 - c. equity ownership by HDP'S.
- 3. The Applicant submits that the Transferee is 100% owned by Historically Disadvantaged Persons (HDPs).

- 4. The applications, relevant schedule and any representations received pursuant thereto will be made available and open for inspection by any interested party in the Authority's library, during the Authority's office hours.
- 5. Any interested party is invited to lodge written representations to the applications within fourteen (14) working days from the date of publication of this notice in the Government Gazette.
- 6. Any person who makes written representations must indicate whether they require an opportunity to make oral representations in the event that the Authority decides to hold public hearings.
- 7. All written representations, responses and other correspondence in terms hereof must be directed to Mr Peter Mailula at ECNS, ECS and Postal Licensing Unit, Licensing Division, at Block B, 350 Witch Hazel Avenue, Eco Point Office Park, Eco Park, Centurion OR Private Bag X10, Highveld Park, 0169 OR by fax no. (012) 568 3658 OR by e-mail: PMailula@icasa.org.za
- 8. Any person who may lodge representations in terms hereof, must also furnish proof to the satisfaction of the Authority that a copy of the representation has been delivered by hand to Ms Helen Schormann at Soft Touch Computing cc located at Shop 2 Tarentaal Centre, West Acres, Nelspruit, 1200, **OR** sent by facsimile no: (086) 604 9823, **OR** sent by e-mail to bm@soft.co.za
- 9. Soft Touch Computing cc has the right to respond in writing to written representations made by any interested person on the transfer applications. The written responses must be lodged with the Authority within twenty-one (21) working days from the date of publication of this notice in the Government Gazette.

10. Soft Touch Computing cc must, at the time of lodging the written response, furnish proof to the Authority's satisfaction that it has delivered a copy of the response by hand, OR has sent a copy thereof by facsimile OR by e-mail to the relevant person having made the written representations.

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