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INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

NOTICE 3133 OF 2025



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

APPLICATION FOR THE AMENDMENT OF AN INDIVIDUAL ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS NETWORK SERVICE ("I-ECNS") LICENCE BY BROADBAND INFRACO (PTY) LTD ("BBI")

- 1. The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority") hereby gives notice that it has received an application from BBI for the amendment of its I-ECNS licence.
- 2. The application is submitted in terms of section 10 of the Electronic Communications Act No. 36 of 2005 as amended ("the ECA") read with Regulation 9 (Form C) of the Processes and Procedures Regulations for Individual Licences, 2010 published in Government Gazette No. 33293 of 14 June 2010, as amended by the Amendment Individual Processes and Procedures Regulations 2015 published in Government Gazette No.39871 of 30 March 2016 and Individual Processes and Procedures Regulations 2023 published in Government Gazette No.48331 of 30 March 2023 ("Processes and Procedures Regulations").
- 3. In terms of section 10 1) (g) read with section 9(2) of the ECA, the Authority is required to give notice of the application in the Government Gazette and invite interested persons to submit written representations in relation to the amendment application.

- 4. The Applicant submits that it intends to amend the Universal Access Obligations (UAOs) Implementation Plan such that the period to fulfill its eight (8) outstanding UAOs be extended to 30 November 2026.
- 5. The Applicant submits that the changed circumstances that necessitate the amendment are that BBI does not have the financial ability to meet the remaining UAOs, which require it to roll-out eight (8) Points of Presence (PoPs) in the following underserviced areas:

District Number	District or Area Name
1. 30 DC37	Bojanala
2. 31 DC27	Umkhanyakude
3. 32 DC47	Sekhukhune
4. 33 DC14	Ukhahlamba
5. 34 DC39	Bophirima
6. 35	Northern Cape Sutherland
7. 36	Northern Cape Loeriesfontein
8. 37	Northern Cape Springbok

- 6. BBI submits that the requested extension will provide it with sufficient time to raise the necessary funding to meet its outstanding UAOs.
- 7. The application, relevant schedule and any representations received pursuant to this notice will be made available and open for inspection by any interested party in the Authority's library, during the Authority's office hours and will be made available on the Authority's website: www.icasa.org.za.
- 8. Any interested party is invited to lodge written representations to the application within fourteen (14) working days from the date of publication of this notice in the Government Gazette. The Authority will make the application received available for public review on its website: www.icasa.org.za.

- 9. 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.
- 10. All written representations, responses, and other correspondence in terms of this notice must be directed to Licensing Department, at Block B, 350 Witch – Hazel Avenue, Eco Point Office Park, Eco Park, Centurion **OR** Private Bag X10, Highveld Park, 0169 **OR** by e-mail: <u>Licensing@icasa.org.za</u>.
- 11. Any person/s who lodge representations in terms of this notice, must also furnish proof that a copy of the representation has been delivered by hand to Mr Phatang Nkhereanye, at Broadband Infraco SOC Limited, Sender Technology Park, Octave Street, Radiokop, Honeydew, 2040 **OR** delivered by e-mail to Phatang.nkheranye@infraco.co.za
- 12. The Applicant has the right to respond in writing to the written representations made by any interested person/s on the transfer application. The written responses must be lodged with the Authority within twenty-eight (28) working days from the date of publication of this notice in the Government Gazette.
- 13. The Applicant 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** by e-mail to the relevant person/s having made the written representations.

MOTHIBI G. RAMUSI

CHAIRPERSON

DATE: 3 /04 /2025