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Decision No. 48/2017

Promulgating Regulation on Organizing the Renewal of Class One Licenses for the Provision of Public Mobile Telecommunication Services

Pursuant to the Telecommunications Regulatory Act issued by the Royal Decree No. 30/2002;

The Executive Regulation issued by Resolution No. 144/2008; and

The approval of TRA Board; and

Based on the exigencies of the public interest;

It is decided:

Article 1:

The attached regulations shall be forced with regard to Regulating the Renewal of Class One Licenses for the Provision of Public Mobile Telecommunication Services.

Article 2:

This Decision shall be published in the Gazette and shall come into force from the date following its publication.

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Mohammed Bin Hamad Al-Rumhi

Chairman of TRA Board

Regulation Organizing the Renewal of Class One Licenses for the Provision of Public Mobile Telecommunication Services

Article 1:

Applications to renew Class One Licenses for the Provision of Public Mobile Telecommunication Services shall be submitted to the Telecommunications Regulatory Authority (TRA) on the form designed for this purpose, 18 months prior to expiry date of the existing license, the following documents and information shall be enclosed with the application:

- a) Commercial Registration Certificate, Authorized Signatories Form and a certificate indicating key shareholders and partners, their shares and the authorized signatory of the licensee.
- b) Audited financial reports, by an approved auditing firm in the Sultanate, of the relevant license to be renewed for the 3 years preceding the year in which the renewal application is submitted.
- c) Declaration of all the services provided by the licensee, along with updated schematics of the licensee's network, a detailed list of all operational stations and coverage maps of the network and the technology used by the licensee at each of of its stations, whether it is 2G, 3G or 4G.
- d) Detailed work plan for the five years following the renewal date, indicating network rollout by governorates and Wilayats across the Sultanate, as well as new technologies and services to be deployed, including customer service systems.
- e) Expansion strategy of the company, including technologies and services to be offered in the 10 years following the first five years.

- f) Forecasts of the number of customers, revenue and expenditure, size of investment and forecasted net profits during the ten years following the license renewal date.
- g) Any other documents or information necessary for reviewing the application as requested by TRA.

Article 2:

If the application does not satisfy all required documents and information, the TRA shall notify the licensee in writing to complete the application within 15 days from the day following the date of the notice, unless the licensee submits a substantiated written request to TRA to extend the defined period for completion of the application before the expiry of the defined period .

In which case, the licensee shall be given a time extension not exceeding 10 working days from the day following approval of the extension, for one time only.

In all cases, the application shall not be considered if the requirements of the Authority were not met within the defined period.

Article 3:

TRA shall study the application and decide on it within a period not exceeding 6 months from the date on which the application is deemed to satisfy the required documents and information, before the expiry of the license. The lapse of this period without a reply being received shall be deemed a decision of rejection.

Article 4:

TRA shall, upon the approval of the application, determine the license renewal fees on the basis of the prices of the frequency spectrum to be allocated and

licensed for use by the licensee and the documents and information provided for in Article 1 of these regulations.

Article 5:

TRA shall undertake the procedures for promulgating a Royal Decree to renew the license in case it approves the renewal application under new conditions and for a period exceeding two-thirds of the original period of the license pursuant to Article 21 of the aforementioned Telecommunications Regulatory Act.