

PUBLIC NOTICE

**Further Extension of Initial Period for Comments on
Recommendation of the Eastern Caribbean Telecommunications Authority
("ECTEL")
To the National Telecommunications Regulatory Commission to Consult on –
Adoption in ECTEL Member States of Regulations Addressing Guidelines for Market
Analysis, Access to Network Infrastructure and Wholesale Services, Infrastructure
Sharing, Submarine Cable Access, Retail Pricing and Consumer Protection Regulation
(Specific Rules for Consumer Protection in the Electronic Communications Sector)**

Consultation Document

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1. The National Telecommunications Regulatory Commission is in receipt of this notice for an extension of the period for initial comments on the submission from ECTEL on the Adoption in ECTEL Member States of Regulations Addressing Guidelines for Market Analysis, Access to Network Infrastructure and Wholesale Services, Infrastructure Sharing, Submarine Cable Access, Retail Pricing and Consumer Protection Regulation (Specific Rules for Consumer Protection in the Electronic Communications Sector).
2. Appreciating that this consultation document was relatively extensive, ECTEL proposed a comparatively long initial period for comment of **six weeks**.
3. Recognizing the importance of the proposed new regulatory tools in implementing the EC Bill, and in promoting a competitive market environment and enhancing consumer protection, ECTEL encourages all stakeholders to provide their comments on the proposed new regulations for consideration.
4. Noting the interest expressed, and considering requests received thus far during this consultation, ECTEL has decided that the deadline for submission of initial comments be further extended to **Tuesday 19th April 2016** to allow interested parties more time to submit comments.
5. The period for reply comments will now run from **Thursday 21th April 2016 to Thursday 12th May 2016**.
6. All responses to the Consultation Documents or correspondence in relation to this consultation should be written and sent by post, fax or e-mail **no later than 4:30pm** on the due date to:
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