COMPETITION AND CONSUMER ACT 2010

Extension of declaration expiry date under section 152ALA(4) Variation of declaration in accordance with section 152AO

1. Pursuant to section 152AL(4) of the *Competition and Consumer Act 2010* (Act), the Australian Competition and Consumer Commission (ACCC) extends the expiry date for the Local Carriage Service (LCS) declaration to 31 July 2019.

Note: the previous expiry date was 31 July 2014.

- 2. In accordance with section 152AO of the Act, the ACCC varies the LCS declaration. This variation commences on 1 August 2014.
- 3. The LCS is described and varied in Annexure 1 to this instrument.

Rodney Graham Sims

Chairman

Dated: | 6 April 2014

Annexure 1: Service Description for LCS

Service description

The local carriage service is a service for the carriage of telephone calls from customer equipment at an end-user's premises to separately located customer equipment of an end-user in the same standard zone, however, the local carriage service does not include services where the connectivity between the end-user and the carrier or carriage service provider's network is provided in whole or in part by means of a Layer 2 bitstream service that is supplied by an NBN corporation.

Definitions

Where words or phrases used in this declaration are defined in the Act or the Telecommunications Act 1997, they have the meaning given in the relevant Act.

In this Appendix:

Layer 2 bitstream service has the same meaning as in the Telecommunications Act 1997;

NBN corporation has the same meaning as in the National Broadband Network Companies Act 2011:

public switched telephone network is a telephone network accessible by the public providing switching and transmission facilities utilising analogue and digital technologies.

standard zone has the same meaning as in Part 4 of the Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Act 1999.

telephone calls are calls for the carriage of communications at 3.1kHz bandwidth solely by means of a public switched telephone network.