

FTC Issues Approved Cable & Wireless Consolidated Reference Interconnection Offer

1. On September 25, 2008 the Fair Trading Commission "Commission" requested that Cable & Wireless (Barbados) Ltd. "Cable & Wireless" file a Consolidated Reference Interconnection Offer (RIO). The Company was asked to include in this RIO the terms and conditions for interconnection of mobile, domestic fixed wireless and international service providers.

2. Previously, the interconnection process was regulated by three separate Reference Interconnection Offers - Mobile (filed August 22, 2003), Domestic Fixed Wireless (filed January 22, 2004) and International (filed July 30, 2004). These RIOs marked the phased liberalisation of the Barbados telecommunications market.

3. The liberalisation schedule for the telecommunications sector has been completed. TeleBarbados Inc. "Telebarbados", Blue Communications Inc. "Blue" and Digicel (Barbados) Ltd. "Digicel" have entered the market and there has been growth in services such as mobile and ADSL and the introduction of new telecommunications policies. Consequently, the Commission determined that it was necessary to implement a consolidated RIO to streamline the process for interconnection among all telecommunications providers.

Decision

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