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NOTICE OF WITHDRAWAL OF THE DRAFT REGULATIONS: **COMMUNICATIONS ACT, 2009**

The Communications Regulatory Authority of Namibia in terms of regulation 11(b) of the Regulations Regarding Rule-making Procedures published as General Notice No. 334, in Government Gazette No. 4630 on 17 December 2010, hereby withdraws the Notice of intention to make Regulations Relating to Issuing of Licences, Categories and Licencing Procedures for Broadcasting Service Licences and Regulations Prescribing Licence Categories and Licensing Procedures for Telecommunications Service Licences: Communications Act, 2009, published as General Notices No. 90 and 91, in Government Gazette No. 7762, on 9 March 2022.

The reason for not publishing final regulations relating to categories and licensing procedures for broadcasting and telecommunications service licences, is that the Authority is currently implementing the Regulations prescribing Licence Fees and Regulatory Levies under Section 129: Communications Act, which were published as General Notice No. 238, in Government Gazette No. 7559, on 22 June 2021. In terms of these regulation, "licence types" is defined as "the different types of licenses as set out and defined, if applicable, in the Regulations Setting out Broadcasting and Telecommunications Service Licence Categories, published General Notice No. 124, in Government Gazette No. 4714 on 18 May 2011. Further, in terms of regulation 3(1) of the Regulations prescribing Licence Fees and Regulatory Levies, different regulatory levies are payable by licensees per the license categories, as listed in Annexure B of those Regulations.

The proposed amendment to service license categories will necessitate a synchronous amendment to the Regulations prescribing Licence Fees and Regulatory Levies. To implement the Regulations prescribing Licence Fees and Regulatory Levies, and to ensure certainty of the regulatory framework, the Authority will not in the short-term proceed with the amendment of the Regulations Setting out Broadcasting and Telecommunications Service Licence Categories.

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