

- Copies of these maps are available for inspection at the Office of Gas and Electricity Markets at the address shown below.
2. The Authority is of the opinion that the above-named applicant intends to carry on the activities which may be authorised by its licence under section 7 of the Act in the areas named, and that the granting of the licence will be calculated
 - (a) to secure that reasonable demands for gas in Great Britain are met, and
 - (b) to secure effective competition in the supply of gas conveyed through pipes.
 3. Any representations or objections with respect to the proposed extensions may be made in writing and delivered to R. Legg, Office of Gas and Electricity Markets, Licensing Section, 2nd Floor, 9 Millbank, London, SW1P 3GE, no later than 4th May 2001.

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Telecommunications

NOTICE OF REASONS FOR MODIFICATION NOTICE UNDER SECTION 12(6A) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT 1984 MODIFICATION TO PUBLIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS OPERATOR LICENCE FOR BRITISH TELECOMMUNICATIONS PLC

1. The Secretary of State granted to British Telecommunications (BT) PLC on 22nd June 1984 a licence ("the Licence") under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 ("the Act") for the running of the telecommunication systems specified in the Licence.
2. On 4th April 2001, the Director General of Telecommunications (the "Director"), in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 12 of the Act, made the following modification to Conditions 76 and 77 in Schedule 1 of the licence which were valid and subsisting on that day:
Conditions 76 and 77 shall be deleted in their entirety
3. In accordance with section 12(6A) of the Act the Director hereby gives notice that his reasons for making the modifications were to reduce a financial reporting burden on BT:
 - a) *Condition 76.* The Director has considered that the financial position of the Systems Business and the Apparatus Business prepared under the terms of this Condition is less relevant for regulatory purposes than when originally implemented. Director believes that appropriate use of his general information gathering powers and Condition 78 are adequate to meet any shortfall of information previously provided by Condition 76.
 - b) *Condition 77.* The Director has considered that BT will continue to be required to prepare Current Cost Accounts under Condition 78. However, the high level Current Cost Accounts prepared under Condition 77 are now less relevant and do not provide the level of granularity required for regulatory purposes.
 - c) The Director has considered that the modifications would remove a burden from BT, without removing any necessary protection, which is covered by his information gathering powers and Condition 78.
 - d) The Director has considered that the modifications do not unduly disadvantage any other person holding a licence granted under section 7, in competing with BT.
 - e) The Director was of the opinion that these modifications were deregulatory within the meaning of section 12A(7) of the Act.

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NOTICE UNDER SECTION 12(2) OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT 1984 (AS AMENDED BY THE ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS ACT 2000) PROPOSED MODIFICATIONS TO WORLD ONLINE UK LTD, HUTCHINSON 3G UK LTD AND MANET TELECOM LTD

1. The Director General of Telecommunications (the "Director") in accordance with section 12(2) of the Telecommunications Act 1984 as amended by the Electronic Communications Act 2000 (the "Act") hereby gives notice that he proposes to make modifications to the licenses of World Online UK Ltd, Hutchinson 3G UK Ltd and Manet Telecom Ltd granted during the period 21st November 2000 to 21st December 2000, having already made similar modifications to all 308 Licences granted during the period beginning 22nd June 1984 and ending on 1st November 2000 under section 7 of the Act to particular persons and all of which the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry has designated by Order under section 9 of the Act as having Public Telecommunications Systems, collectively referred to hereinafter as the "PTO licenses".
2. The effect of the modifications, which the Director proposes to make, is set out in the Schedule below.
3. The reason for the proposed modifications is to relax the regulatory burden on operators with an international business. This is in line with OFTEL's long term strategy that regulation should be proportionate to the level of competition, with lighter regulations where greater competition exists. The reasons for the proposed modifications and a fuller description of their effect have already been set out in the Consultation Document of May 2000 entitled 'International Controls in PTO Licenses' and OFTEL's Statement on International Controls in PTO Licenses of 24th November 2000. The full text of the proposed modifications is set out in Annex C to OFTEL's Statement of 24th November 2000. Both documents are available through the OFTEL website at www.oftel.gov.uk. The three Licences which the Director proposes to modify were granted by the Secretary of State for Trade and Industry on dates after the statutory public consultation to modify the PTO licences referred to above had commenced, but before those modifications were made by the Director and therefore could not be included in the previous modifications exercise.
4. Section 12A(7) of the Act provides that a modification is deregulatory if -
 - (a) the effect of the conditions to be modified is to impose a burden affecting the holder of the licence in which those conditions are included;
 - (b) the modification would remove or reduce the burden without removing any necessary protection; and
 - (c) the modification is such that no person holding a licence granted under section 7 [of the Act] to a particular person would be unduly disadvantaged by the modification in competing with the holder of the licence in which those conditions are included.
5. In the opinion of the Director, the proposed modifications to the PTO licenses of World Online UK Ltd, Hutchinson 3G UK Ltd and Manet Telecom Ltd, which have already been made to all PTO Licences granted before 1st November 2000 and after 21st December 2000, are deregulatory within the meaning of section 12A(7) for the reasons set out in the Schedule below. The proposed modifications to the Licenses of World Online UK Ltd, Hutchinson 3G UK Ltd and Manet Telecom Ltd will ensure that the Licensees will operate under the same conditions as other PTO licensees.
6. The consultation procedure comprises two stages. In the first stage, representations on or objections to the proposed modifications maybe made to:
Julia Bradford, OfTel, 50 Ludgate Hill, London, EC4M 7JJ (telephone 020 7634 8838, e-mail julia.bradford@oftel.gov.uk) by no later than 17th May 2001.
Any confidential information should be clearly marked as such and separated out into a confidential annex. All representations received by OfTel, with the exception of material marked confidential, will be made available for inspection in OfTel's Research and Intelligence Unit and may be published.
7. In the second stage, interested parties are invited to send comments to Julia Bradford details as above, by no later than 31st May 2001 on representations or objections received in the first stage.