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JCRA WELCOME FOR STATES' ACTION TO LIBERALISE TELECOMS

The JCRA welcomes the passing of the Draft Telecommunications (Transfer) (Jersey) Regulations 200- and the Draft Telecommunications (Jersey) Law 2002 (Appointed Day) (No.2) Act 2002 by the States on 20th November 2002.

The approval of the second part of the Telecommunications (Jersey) Law 2002 which will come into force in its entirety on 1st January 2003, signifies the beginning of a new era for Jersey, marking the advent of a liberalised telecommunications market.

The JCRA is in the process of discussions with potential licensees, both incumbents and new entrants into the market, and looks forward to the issuing of licences in time for the coming into force of the Law.

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Note to Editors

On 20th November 2002 the States of Jersey approved the Draft Telecommunications (Transfer) (Jersey) Regulations 200- and the Draft Telecommunications (Jersey) Law 2002 (Appointed Day) (No.2) Act 2002.

The Telecommunications (Jersey) Law will come into force in its entirety on 1st January 2003.