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## **JCRA Media Release**

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## JCRA Issues Proposed Postal Licences to Citipost DSA Limited and Hub Europe Limited

The Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority ("JCRA") has today published Initial Notices and proposed Class 1 Postal Operator's Licences to both Citipost DSA Limited ("Citipost") and Hub Europe Limited ("Hub"). Under the proposed Licences, Citipost and Hub would be permitted to convey Large Letters and Packets from Jersey, so long as the mailing satisfies a Minimum Volume Requirement, which for Large Letters is a minimum of 50 items in any one mailing, and for Packets is 25 items in any one mailing. Currently, such services in Jersey are only provided by Jersey Post Limited ("JPL") to bulk mail providers in Jersey. The proposed Licences exclude the conveyance of Lettersize mail.

The JCRA has issued these Initial Notices and proposed Licences in its role as Jersey's postal regulator under the Postal Services (Jersey) Law 2004 (the "Law"). The Law requires postal operators to be licensed by the JCRA if they convey mail whereby the weight of an individual item is less than 500g and/or the value of a mail item is less than £1.30. The items subject to the proposed Licences fall under this definition. Currently, in addition to JPL, there are two other postal licensees in Jersey: Regency Holdings Limited and Hi Speed Freight Services Limited.

As detailed in the respective Initial Notices, the JCRA has preliminarily concluded that the grant of the proposed Licences to Citipost and to Hub would be consistent with the considerations set out in the Law. The JCRA's preliminary conclusions, however, are

subject to a statutory consultation period, which commences today and expires on 30

April 2010. If any representations or objections are received during this period, the Law

requires the JCRA to consider them and then issue a Final Notice which states whether or

not the JCRA still intends to proceed with the proposed Licences, in light of the

comments received.

Copies of the Initial Notices and proposed Licences may be obtained from the JCRA

website (www.jcra.je) or from the JCRA offices at 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Salisbury House, Union

Street, St Helier.

All enquiries concerning this Media Release should be directed to the JCRA's Executive

Director, Chuck Webb, on +44 (0)1534 514990.

About the JCRA

The JCRA is an independent authority established by the States of Jersey to enforce

Jersey's competition law and regulate its telecommunication and postal sectors. In each

of these areas, the JCRA's primary mission is to promote consumer welfare through

efforts that encourage lower prices and greater choice and innovation in the goods and

services available in Jersey. The JCRA is recognized internationally as a leading voice in

the application of competition law and policy in small economies.

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