## **TELECOMMUNICATIONS (JERSEY) LAW 2002**

## JERSEY AIRPORT - PROPOSED CHANGE TO LICENCE CONDITIONS

## **INITIAL NOTICE**

The Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority ('JCRA') received an application from Jersey Airport to add Jersey Electricity Limited ('JE') to the User Group of the Terrestrial Trunked Radio ('TETRA') System. The TETRA System is a technology that has been deployed in several jurisdictions for the provision of mobile wireless communications to the emergency services. In Jersey, the TETRA system is operated on behalf of the TETRA User Group under the licence issued to Jersey Airport under the Telecommunications (Jersey) Law 2002 (the 'Licence').

On 13 December 2005, the JCRA published consultation paper 2005-4 *Operation of the TETRA System in Jersey*, inviting comments from stakeholders on how this service should be managed within the Island. In general, consultees did not have any specific objection to JE being admitted to the TETRA User Group, provided that the use of the service was to enable efficient management of resources under emergency conditions. Responses to the consultation also indicated that it is likely that other providers with responsibilities for public health and safety may wish to be added to the TETRA User Group in the future.

As a result of this process, the JCRA proposes to grant Jersey Airport's request to add JE to the TETRA User Group. In addition, in an attempt to ease the administrative burden on both private parties and the JCRA going forward, the JCRA also proposes to modify Condition 2.1 of the Licence. This modification would allow the JCRA to approve additional users of the Tetra System without the need to formally modify the conditions contained in Jersey Airport's Licence. Therefore, the JCRA proposes to modify Condition 2.1 by replacing its current last sentence with the following: 'Each and every change to the Schedules is subject to the JCRA's prior written approval. The Schedules are not Conditions to this Licence, and any change to one or more of these Schedules is not a modification under Article 18 of the Law.'

Copies of this notice and the proposed changes to the Licence are available for inspection at the offices of the JCRA at 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Union House, Union Street, St Helier, Jersey, between the hours of 9.00 am and 5.00 pm Monday to Friday.

It is intended that the proposed changes to the Licence will become effective on 28 April 2006.

Written representations or objections to the exercise of these specified regulatory functions may be made by letter marked for the attention of the Executive Director, JCRA and delivered to 6<sup>th</sup> Floor, Union House, Union Street, St Helier, Jersey, JE2 3RF on or before 27 April 2006.

28 March 2006

By Order of the Board of the JCRA