

Revised Deadline for Submission of Applications for Second Round Assignment of Spectrum in the 26 GHz and 28 GHz Bands for Provision of Large Scale Public Mobile Services

The Office of the Communications Authority (“OFCA”) announced today (22 March 2024) that in response to requests from the industry, the deadline for submission of applications for second round assignment of spectrum in the 26 GHz and 28 GHz bands for provision of large scale public mobile services has been revised to 18 April 2024.

Application, in triplicate, should reach OFCA no later than **5:30 pm on 18 April 2024**. An electronic copy should also be provided. Late submission will not be accepted.

With the revised deadline for submission of applications, the indicative dates of major events of the application process originally set out in the *Guidelines for Submission of Applications for Second Round Assignment of Spectrum in the 26 GHz and 28 GHz Bands for Provision of Large Scale Public Mobile Services* (Table 1 in Section III) have been updated accordingly, as stated in the **Annex**. Please note that the timetable is for reference only and is not intended to set any deadlines to which the Communications Authority must adhere.

Office of the Communications Authority

22 March 2024

Table 1: Indicative timetable (Revised)

| Activity | Date |
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| Publication of Application Guidelines | 29 February 2024 |
| Deadline for submission of questions | 7 March 2024 |
| Deadline for application | 18 April 2024 |
| Publication of Notice to announce the identities of applicants | 18 April 2024 |
| Deadline for submission of statutory declaration on connected company by applicants | 2 May 2024 |
| Issue of notification of Provisional Successful Applicants with Provisional Offer of assignment of spectrum to each of them | 28 May 2024 |
| Deadline for submission of acceptance of the Provisional Offer by the Provisional Successful Applicants (within seven calendar days after notification of the Provisional Successful Applicants with Provisional Offer) | 4 June 2024 |
| Publication of Notice to announce the identities of Successful Applicants and offer of assignment of spectrum to each of them | 11 June 2024 |
| Submission of acceptance of offer and terms and conditions of assignment of spectrum, performance bond and licence fee by the Successful Applicants | 16 July 2024 |
| Issue of UCL to effect the assignment of spectrum to the Successful Applicants | July/August 2024 |