AUCTION OF RADIO SPECTRUM IN THE 600 MHz, 700 MHz, 850 MHz, 2.5/2.6 GHz AND 4.9 GHz BANDS FOR THE PROVISION OF PUBLIC MOBILE SERVICES

PROVISIONAL SUCCESSFUL BIDDER NOTICE

This is a notice referred to in paragraph 4.14.1 of the notice of the terms and conditions of the Auction (the "Notice") dated 30 July 2021 issued by the Communications Authority (the "Authority") in exercise of the powers conferred by section 32I of the Telecommunications Ordinance, the Telecommunications (Method for Determining Spectrum Utilization Fee) (Spectrum for Auction) Regulation and all other powers enabling it to specify the terms and conditions of the Auction and the payment of Spectrum Utilization Fees. Unless otherwise stated or the context otherwise requires, words and expressions used in this notice have the same meaning as that given to them in the Notice.

2. The Authority would like to announce that the Bidding Stage of the Auction has been completed today (27 October 2021). The result of the Bidding Stage is set out below –

Frequency Block	Frequency Range (MHz)	Provisional Successful Bidder	Spectrum Utilization Fee Payable (HK\$)
B1	703 – 708 paired with 758 – 763	Hutchison Telephone	72,000,000
	with 758 – 705	Company Limited	
B2	708 – 713 paired with 763 – 768	Hutchison Telephone Company Limited	66,000,000

Frequency Block	Frequency Range (MHz)	Provisional Successful Bidder	Spectrum Utilization Fee Payable (HK\$)
B3	713 – 718 paired with 768 – 773	SmarTone Mobile Communications Limited	72,000,000
B4	718 – 723 paired with 773 – 778	Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited	69,000,000
B5	723 – 728 paired with 778 – 783	Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited	72,000,000
B6	728 – 733 paired with 783 – 788	China Mobile Hong Kong Company Limited	66,000,000
B7	733 – 738 paired with 788 – 793	China Mobile Hong Kong Company Limited	66,000,000
С	825 – 832.5 paired with 870 – 877.5	SmarTone Mobile Communications Limited	82,500,000
D1	2500 – 2505 paired with 2620 – 2625	China Mobile Hong Kong Company Limited	95,000,000
D2	2505 – 2510 paired with 2625 – 2630	China Mobile Hong Kong Company Limited	99,500,000
D3	2510 – 2515 paired with 2630 – 2635	China Mobile Hong Kong Company Limited	99,500,000
D4	2540 – 2545 paired with 2660 – 2665	Hutchison Telephone Company Limited	114,000,000
D5	2545 – 2550 paired with 2665 – 2670	Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited	99,500,000

Frequency Block	Frequency Range (MHz)	Provisional Successful Bidder	Spectrum Utilization Fee Payable (HK\$)
D6	2550 - 2555	Hong Kong	95,000,000
	paired with 2670 – 2675	Telecommunications (HKT) Limited	
D7	2555 – 2560 paired with 2675 – 2680	Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited	90,500,000
D8	2560 – 2565 paired with 2680 – 2685	Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited	86,500,000
D9	2565 – 2570 paired with 2685 – 2690	Hong Kong Telecommunications (HKT) Limited	86,500,000
E1	4800 - 4840	China Mobile Hong Kong Company Limited	222,500,000
E2	4920 - 4960	SmarTone Mobile Communications Limited	222,500,000

3. Pursuant to paragraphs 4.14.2 and 5.1.1 of the Notice, each of the Provisional Successful Bidders is required to within two Business Days after the date of this Provisional Successful Bidder Notice, notify the Authority -

- (a) whether it is a Connected Bidder in relation to another Provisional Successful Bidder by completing and submitting the Connected Bidder Statutory Declaration (the form of which is given in Appendix 7 of the Notice); and
- (b) whether it is subject to an Approval and if so, the details of that Approval.

4. Pursuant to paragraph 5.3.1 of the Notice, within 20 Business Days after the date of this Provisional Successful Bidder Notice, the Provisional Successful Bidder of each of the frequency blocks in the table of paragraph 2 is required to take the following actions -

- (a) For Frequency Blocks B1 to B7, it is required to provide to the Authority a one-year recurring Letter of Credit in full amount of the Spectrum Utilization Fee payable by it from a Qualifying Bank to guarantee payment of the Spectrum Utilization Fee until payment of the Spectrum Utilization Fee is made upon notification by the Authority when the actual date for assignment of the Frequency Blocks B1 to B7 is fixed;
- (b) For Frequency Block C, it is required to -
 - (i) pay the Authority the Spectrum Utilization Fee payable by it; and
 - (ii) provide to the Authority a Performance Bond for network and service rollout requirement in accordance with the Conditions;
- (c) For Frequency Blocks D1 to D9, it is required to provide to the Authority a Letter of Credit from a Qualifying Bank to guarantee payment of the Spectrum Utilization Fee payable by it on or before 31 January 2024;
- (d) For Frequency Blocks E1 to E2, it is required to -
 - (i) pay the Authority the Spectrum Utilization Fee payable by it; and
 - (ii) provide to the Authority a Performance Bond for network and service rollout requirement in accordance with the Conditions or an undertaking to guarantee its compliance with the network and service rollout requirement in lieu of a Performance Bond, where applicable.

Communications Authority 27 October 2021