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**ALTECH TECHNOLOGY CONCEPTS  
COMPLIANCE REPORT 2011/2012**

## **1. INTRODUCTION**

The following report is intended to give an account of Altech Technology Concepts ("Altech") compliance for the 2011/2012 financial year. Altech is required to comply with the Electronic Communications Act 36 of 2005 ("the Act"), applicable regulations and licence terms and conditions.

## **2. BACKGROUND**

On 28 March 2009, the Authority issued Altech with the following converted Licences:

- Individual Electronic Communications Network Services (I-ECNS) Licence with licence number 0338/IECS/MAR/09; and
- Individual Electronic Communications Services (I-ECS) Licence with licence number 0319/IECNS/MAR/09.

This Annual Compliance Report assesses Altech's compliance with its licence terms and conditions, the General Licence Fees Regulations ("ALF"), the Universal Service and Access Fund, Form 1 Standard Terms and Conditions. Altech's financial year end is **February**.

Below is an analysis of compliance with the abovementioned regulations.

## **3. DISCUSSION**

### **3.1. COMPLIANCE PROCEDURE MANUAL REGULATIONS, 2011; FORM 1 STANDARD TERMS AND CONDITIONS FOR ECS, ECNS AND BS**

The Compliance Procedure Manual Regulations; which contains Form 1 "Standard Terms and Conditions for ECS, ECNS and BS" were published on 15 December 2011. The purpose of these Regulations is to assist the Authority to proactively monitor compliance and to ensure that information is obtained in a consistent format. These Regulations apply to all licensees issued with a licence in terms of chapter 3 and 9 of the Act and in terms of the Postal Services Act, 1998 (Act 124 of 1998).

#### **General Licence Information**

**3.1.1 Organisation Status-** Altech is a profit company and it provides internet services. Altech commenced with the construction and operation of its wireless point to point network in July 2010.

**3.1.2 Ownership-** Altech is locally owned.

**3.1.3 Shareholding-** Altech has 1 shareholder namely Gardenfields Investments (Pty) Ltd it holds 100% of the shares in the company.

**3.1.4 Staff-** This information is not contained on form 1.

## **3.2. LICENCE TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

**Licence Requirement** – Paragraph 2 of the Schedule to the issued Licences requires “the licensee to provide national coverage of its electronic communications network services.”

### **3.2.1. Network Coverage**

#### **Geographical**

Altech has a geographical coverage of +/-1% based on selected coverage in parts of Gauteng and Cape Town.

#### **Population coverage**

Altech has a population cover of 2 % in the selected areas for business coverage.

### **3.2.3. Network Type / Infrastructure**

Altech has wireless infrastructure.

### **3.2.4. Services offered**

#### **Voice / Data**

Altech provides the following services:

Physical point to point wireless microwave links, Internet access Solutions, Virtual Private Networks and VoIP

## **3.3. GENERAL LICENSE FEES REGULATIONS, 2009**

The General Licence Fees Regulations came into operation on the date of publication, being 01 April 2009.

**3.3.1. Regulatory Requirements – Regulation 5:** provides that “*Payments in respect of annual licence fees are due as prescribed in schedule 3.*”

**3.3.2. Regulatory Requirements – Schedule 3 of Regulation 1 (4):** states: “*In respect of Annual Payments, such:*”

- (a) are due annually based on the licensee's financial year;*
- (b) are due and payable within 6 months from the end of the licensee's financial year end."*

### **Compliance Assessment**

*01 March 2011 to 29 February 2012*

Altech has complied with these Regulations in that it made a payment with respect to the annual licence fees within six months of their financial year end.

Altech has also submitted its Audited Annual Financial Statements to the Authority for verification of its payments within six months of their financial year end.

### **3.4. UNIVERSAL SERVICES AND ACCESS FUND REGULATIONS, 2011**

The USAF Regulations were published on 10 February 2011 and came into operation on the same date.

**3.4.1. Regulatory Requirements - Regulation 3 (1):** requires *"Every holder of a licence granted in terms of Chapter 3, 4 and/or 9 or converted in terms of Chapter 15 of the Act, must pay an annual contribution of 0.2% of its Annual Turnover to the Fund"*.

**3.4.2. Regulatory Requirements - Regulation 4(2):** requires that *"Payments in respect of contributions to the Fund:*  
*(a) are due annually based on the licensee's financial year;*  
*(b) are payable within 6 months from the end of the licensee's financial year end.*

### **Compliance Assessment**

*01 March 2011 to 29 February 2012*

Altech has complied with these Regulations in that it made a payment with respect to USAF within six months of their financial year end.

## **4. CONCLUSION AND SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE**

### **4.1. Compliance Procedure Manual Regulations, 2011; Form 1 Standard Terms AND Conditions For ECS, ECNS AND BB**

Altech has submitted information as requested.

#### **4.2. General Licence Fees Regulations, 2009**

Aletech has complied with the Licence Fees Regulations.

#### **4.3. Universal Service and Access Fund Regulations, 2008**

Aletech has complied with the Universal Service and Access Fund Regulations.