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Dear Dr Modimoeng

Re: Comments on Draft National Radio Frequency Plan 2021 (DNRFP 2021)

GH Communications (Pty) Ltd commends the Authority for publishing the Draft National Radio Frequency Plan 2021 (DNRFP 2021) in Government Gazette number 44803 of 9 July 2021. We also thank the Authority for the opportunity to submit our written comments on this important document, which sets out how the radio frequency spectrum will be used in the future.

We would like an opportunity to make oral representations at the public hearings on the DNRFP 2021. Kindly note that we have submitted a request to the Authority for postponement of the public hearings, to start no earlier than 14 September 2021 for the following reasons:

- The proposed date for the public hearings clashes with the African Telecommunications Union (ATU) WRC-23 preparatory meeting, which is scheduled for 6 to 9 September 2021. Many of the stakeholders who have an interest in the DNRFP 2021 will participate in the ATU WRC-23 preparatory meeting.
- The DNRFP 2021 contains over three hundred pages and we expect that there will be a large number of written submissions, some of which will be quite comprehensive and detailed. The presenters at the public hearings will need to read all of these written submissions in order to properly respond to any claims made in these submissions or to questions posed by the Authority. At least two weeks should therefore be provided for interested parties to review the written submissions.

Yours sincerely

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