

THE NIGERIAN COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

DIGITAL MOBILE LICENSING

TECHNICAL CONSULTATION DOCUMENT (TCD)

Executive Summary

The Nigerian Communications Commission (NCC) is to award four new national licences for the provision of second-generation mobile (cellular) systems in Nigeria.

The NCC received a large number of positive responses to the Initial Consultation Document. To incorporate all of the issues, the Information Memorandum will not be released on the date initially stated on the indicative timetable. A revised date will be released shortly.

Purpose of the Consultation and Details for Responses

The purpose of this consultation is to seek comments on the technological factors given in section 3.

Responses to this consultation should be received by 5pm, 22nd October 2000, in writing or electronically, marked clearly for the attention of Funlola Akiode at:

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The results of this consultation exercise will be published by the Nigerian Communications Commission on its website, www.ncc.gov.ng

List of Considerations on which Comments are Invited

It is the NCC's expectation that licence winners will be in a position to commence their network rollout as soon as the licences are awarded. However, the NCC seeks comments from potential bidders on the following issues:

- From the award of the licence, how soon do you envisage commencing network rollout?
- How many lines are you capable of deploying in the first 12 months?
- How many lines are you capable of deploying in the first 5 years?
- What technology do you propose to deploy, GSM or CDMA?