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To: Interested Parties to FLLRIC Public Consultation - CD (2004) 1

FLLRIC Public Consultation, Phase I - Amended Process

The Authority is in receipt of Digicel's letter, dated 16 August 2004. In its letter, Digicel notes the significant volume of new information provided by Cable & Wireless in response to interrogatories issued previously by Digicel, Wireless Ventures and the Authority. Accordingly, Digicel requests an extension of three weeks to file its comments in the FLLRIC public consultation from 20 August to 10 September 2004. Neither Cable & Wireless nor Wireless Ventures, who were copied on Digicel's letter, have yet filed comments on Digicel's request.

In response to Digicel's request, the Authority notes the importance of compiling a full and complete record in this proceeding in order to render an informed and appropriate determination. Furthermore, the Authority seeks to accommodate parties where reasonable and provide parties every opportunity to put forth comments on issues of relevance.

The Authority notes, however, that it initiated the FLLRIC public consultation nearly three months ago on 24 May 2004. The public consultation document included a complete copy of C&W's proposed methodology. The Authority has since accepted two requests for extensions to this proceeding. Finally, C&W's interrogatory responses were copied on Digicel on 30 July 2004, some two weeks prior to the date Digicel sought its extension.

Based on the above, the Authority agrees to extend the filing date by two weeks only. Parties' comments will now be due 3 September 2004; C&W's comments will now be due 17 September 2004. These revisions may extend the date for the Authority's preliminary determinations in Phase I and the remainder of the process. A copy of the revised schedule is attached.

Sincerely,

"Signed"

David Burnstein Senior Economist

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