Commonwealth of Australia

###### *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005*

Australian Communications and Media Authority (Annual Carrier Licence Charge)

Direction 2017

I, MITCH FIFIELD, Minister for Communications, make the following Direction under the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005.*

Dated: 21 April 2017

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Minister for Communications \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

1. Name of Direction

This Direction is the *Australian Communications and Media Authority (Annual Carrier Licence Charge) Direction 2017.*

1. Commencement

This Direction commences on the day after this Direction is registered on the Federal Register of Legislation.

1. Authority

This Direction is made under section 14 of the *Australian Communications and Media Authority Act 2005.*

1. Repeal

The *Australian Communications and Media Authority (Annual Carrier Licence Charge) Direction 2013* is repealed.

1. Definitions

In this Direction:

***ACMA*** means the Australian Communications and Media Authority.

***annual carrier licence charge*** means charge within the meaning of Part 3 of theCarrierLicence Charges Act.

***carrier*** has the same meaning as in section 7 of the *Telecommunications Act 1997*.

***carrier licence*** has the same meaning as in section 7 of the *Telecommunications Act 1997*.

***Carrier Licence Charges Act*** means the *Telecommunications (Carrier Licence Charges) Act 1997*.

***eligible revenue period*** has the same meaning as in section 5 of the TCPSS Act.

***non-participating person*** has the same meaning as in subsection 4(3) of the *Telecommunications (Participating Persons) Determination 2015*.

***relevant financial year*** means the financial year that begins on 1 July 2017 and each later financial year.

***TCPSS Act*** means the *Telecommunications (Consumer Protection and Service Standards) Act 1999.*

1. Direction

I direct the ACMA to make such determinations as are necessary under subsection 14(1) of the Carrier Licence Charges Act to have the effect of imposing an annual carrier licence charge in the amount of $0 on each carrier licence that is:

* 1. in force at the beginning of a relevant financial year; and
  2. held by a carrier that was a non-participating person for the eligible revenue period immediately preceding that financial year.