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NOTICE OF THE POSTPONEMENT OF THE CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE DEFINITION OF UNIVERSAL SERVICE AND UNIVERSAL ACCESS

The Universal Service Agency (USA) established in terms of the Telecommunications Act 1996, (103 of 1996) is mandated to define Universal Service and Universal Access within the South African context. Public hearings scheduled for 18 -26 November 1998 have been postponed. The extended

closing date for written submissions is 16.30 Friday 15 January 1999. People wishing to make oral presentations should explicitly express their intention to do so in their written submissions.

Revised dates for the public hearings are as follows:

KwaZulu Natal 25 January 1999
Eastern Cape 26 January 1999
Western Cape 27 January 1999
Northern Cape 28 January 1999
Northern Province 29 January 1999
Mpumalanga 01 February 1999
Gauteng 02 February 1999

The discussion document is available at the USA Johannesburg offices - Empire Park, Block A, Ground Floor, 55 Empire Road, Parktown, Johannesburg, 2193 or Private Bag x 10, Wits, 2050 or on the USA's website - <a href="http://www.usa.org.za">http://www.usa.org.za</a>.

Submissions should be sent for the attention of Ms Katharina Pillay at the above address or Tel: (011) 726 5241 or Fax(011) 726 5313 or e-mail <a href="mailto:kathrina@usa.org.za">kathrina@usa.org.za</a>. Oral presentation may not exceed 20 minutes.

Copies of representations will be made available to the public for inspection during the normal business hours of the Universal Service Agency (Monday to Friday, except public holidays from 8.00 to 16.30). Organisations that do not wish their submissions to be made public should state this explicitly.

Persons submitting representations, which should reach the Agency by the 15th of January are requested to submit 10 copies of such representations.

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