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Mr Douglas Webb  
Telecommunications Commissioner  
Commerce Commission  
PO Box 2351  
Wellington

Dear Mr Webb,

#### **MULTI-PARTY NUMBER PORTABILITY APPLICATION**

Econet Wireless New Zealand Ltd ("EWNZ") has reviewed the application under the Telecommunications Act 2001 ("the Act") by TelstraClear, CallPlus, Compass, ihug, and WorldxChange for a determination by the Commerce Commission on number portability.

EWNZ does not currently qualify under Subpart 2 of Part 2 of Schedule 1 of the Telecommunications Act as an "access seeker" or "access provider" in respect of a determination on number portability, and therefore is unable to join as a party to the application. However, EWNZ would like to notify the Commission that it supports the application.

Accordingly, EWNZ would like to be involved in any discussions or consultations that the Commission may have with industry participants regarding the application under s 38 of the Act, and is happy to discuss the issues with the Commission at any time.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Mikkelsen  
Manager, Legal & Regulatory