

30 November 2021

To: Northpower Fibre Limited
28 Mount Pleasant Road
Raumanga
Whangarei
0110

Notice to supply information to the Commerce Commission under section 187(1)(c) of the Telecommunications Act 2001

Background

1. From 20 December 2019, Northpower Fibre Limited (Northpower) became subject to information disclosure (ID) regulation under the Telecommunications Act 2001 (Act) in respect of the services specified in regulation 5 of the Telecommunications (Regulated Fibre Service Providers) Regulations 2019.
2. The Commerce Commission (Commission) must, after the date on which the relevant input methodologies (IMs) are determined, but before the implementation date (1 January 2022), make a determination under s 170 specifying how ID regulation applies to the regulated providers.¹

Purpose of this notice

3. This notice requires Northpower to complete and provide the reports set out in Attachment A and B of this notice and the related independent auditor's report and directors' certificate to the Commission.
4. This information relates to the information that must be disclosed by Northpower for each disclosure year under clauses 2.4.2(5) and 2.4.2(7) of the Fibre Information Disclosure Determination 2021 [2021] NZCC 24. The information is necessary to help us monitor compliance with the asset and cost allocation requirements in the IMs that Northpower is required to apply when making its disclosures under clauses 2.4.2(5) and 2.4.2(7).

Timeframes for responding to this notice

5. Northpower must supply the information specified in this notice for disclosure years 2022 and 2023 no later than 5 months and 5 working days after 31 March 2023.

¹ Telecommunications Act 2001, s 172(1)(b).

6. Northpower must supply the information specified in this notice for all other disclosure years annually, no later than 5 months and 5 working days after 31 March.
7. “working days” has the same meaning as defined in s 5 of the Telecommunications Act 2001.
8. “disclosure year” has the same meaning as defined in the Fibre Information Disclosure Determination 2021 [2021] NZCC 24.

Independent auditor’s report

9. Northpower must provide the Commission with an assurance report in respect of the information provided that complies with clauses 2.7.1(1) and 2.7.1(2) of the Fibre Information Disclosure Determination 2021 [2021] NZCC 24.

Director certification

10. Northpower must provide the Commission with a certificate in respect of the information provided in the form set out in Schedule 18 of the Fibre Information Disclosure Determination 2021 [2021] NZCC 24 with any necessary modifications that is signed by 2 directors.

Exemptions

11. The Commission may at any time by way of written notice:
 - 11.1 exempt Northpower from any obligation in this notice on such terms and conditions as it specifies in the notice, which may include a requirement to provide alternative information; and
 - 11.2 amend or revoke any such exemption.

Means of responding to this notice

12. Northpower must provide the Commission with the information required by supplying the information to the Commission by email to regulation.branch@comcom.govt.nz (Attention: Manager, Fibre) with the subject line “Northpower – Response to section 187(1)(c) Notice – Compliance statements for fibre information disclosure”.

Use of supplied information and confidentiality

13. If Northpower considers that any information it provides to the Commission in response to this notice is confidential or commercially sensitive, and that the Commission should not publish or publicly refer to any particular part of Northpower’s response, Northpower must:
 - 13.1 provide that information in a separate appendix;

- 13.2 provide both an unredacted version, and a redacted version with the confidential/commercially sensitive information removed;
 - 13.3 clearly mark the information as confidential or commercially sensitive (as applicable) in the unredacted version; and
 - 13.4 for each redaction of information provide reasons why Northpower considers that part of the response is confidential or commercially sensitive (as applicable) and why the Commission should not publish or publicly refer to it.
14. If Northpower indicates that we should not publish or publicly refer to the whole or any part of its response, we will discuss with Northpower before deciding whether to do so.
15. Please note that all responses we receive, including any parts that we decide not to publish, can be requested from the Commission under the Official Information Act 1982. This means, that if requested, we would be required to release material unless good reason existed under the Official Information Act 1982 to withhold it. We would normally consult with Northpower before releasing any material that Northpower has requested not be published.

Offences under section 103 of the Commerce Act 1986

16. Sections 15(1)(l) and 15(4) of the Act provide that s 103 of the Commerce Act 1986 (Commerce Act) applies to notices made under s 187(1)(c) of the Act.
17. Section 103 of the Commerce Act provides that no person shall:
- 17.1 without reasonable excuse, refuse or fail to comply with a notice under [s 193 of the Act];
 - 17.2 in purported compliance with such a notice, furnish information, or produce a document, or give evidence, knowing it to be false or misleading; or
 - 17.3 attempt to deceive or knowingly mislead the Commission in relation to any matter before it.
18. It is an offence to contravene s 103 of the Commerce Act and any person who does so is liable on conviction to a fine not exceeding \$100,000 in the case of an individual or \$300,000 in any other case.

Dated at Wellington: 26 November 2021

Signed by:



Tristan Gilbertson

Telecommunications Commissioner

ATTACHMENT A

REPORT SUPPORTING ASSET ALLOCATIONS

Company name:
For disclosure-year ended:

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					Allocator Metric (%)			Value allocated (\$'000)				
								Total Unallocated costs	PQ-FFLAS	ID-only FFLAS	Non-FFLAS	Total Allocated
	Line Item*	Allocator Type	Allocation Driver	Causal or Proxy Allocator	PQ-FFLAS	ID-only FFLAS	Non-FFLAS					
11	NETWORK ASSETS - LAYER 1											
12	Ducts and Manholes											
13	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]								-
14	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]								-
15	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]								-
16	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]								-
17	Not directly attributable											
18	Fibre Optic Cable											
19	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]								-
20	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]								-
21	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]								-
22	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]								-
23	Not directly attributable											
24	Fibre Service Leads											
25	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]								-
26	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]								-
27	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]								-
28	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]								-
29	Not directly attributable											
30	Local Access Copper Cable (Poles)											
31	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]								-
32	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]								-
33	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]								-
34	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]								-
35	Not directly attributable											
36	FTTN/FTTP Cabinets											
37	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]								-
38	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]								-
39	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]								-
40	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]								-
41	Not directly attributable											
42												
43	Network Equipment											
44	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]								-
45	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]								-
46	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]								-
47	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]								-
48	Not directly attributable											

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49	Information Technology									
50	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]						
51	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]						
52	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]						
53	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]						
54	Not directly attributable									
55	Other Layer 1 assets									
56	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]						
57	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]						
58	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]						
59	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]						
60	Not directly attributable									
61	NETWORK ASSETS - LAYER 2									
62	FTTN/FTTP Cabinets									
63	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]						
64	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]						
65	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]						
66	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]						
67	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]						
68	Not directly attributable									
69	Network Equipment									
70	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]						
71	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]						
72	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]						
73	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]						
74	Not directly attributable									
75	Information Technology									
76	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]						
77	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]						
78	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]						
79	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]						
80	Not directly attributable									
81	Other Layer 2 assets									
82	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]						
83	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]						
84	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]						
85	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]						
86	Not directly attributable									
87	OTHER NETWORK ASSETS									
88	Network land and buildings									
89	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]						
90	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]						
91	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]						
92	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]						
93	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]						
94	Not directly attributable									
95	Other network assets									
96	Insert asset description		Allocator 1	[Select one]						

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97	Insert asset description		Allocator 2	[Select one]					-
98	Insert asset description		Allocator 3	[Select one]					-
99	Insert asset description		Allocator 4	[Select one]					-
100	Not directly attributable								-

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