PUBLIC NOTICE

Extension of Initial Period for Comments on Recommendation of the Eastern Caribbean Telecommunications Authority ("ECTEL") To the National Telecommunications Regulatory Commission to Consult on –

Regulatory Instruments

Consultation Document No. 01/2020

OCTOBER 2, 2020

1. The National Telecommunications Regulatory Commission is in receipt of this notice from ECTEL for an extension of the period for initial comments on the submission from ECTEL to the National Telecommunications Regulatory Commissions on the following Regulatory Instruments:

1. Market Assessment of Regulated and Unregulated Retail Services and Proposed Recommended Measures for Retail Services in the ECTEL Member States.

2. Proposed changes to Regulation 17(c) of the draft Electronic Communications (Consumer Protection) Regulations (Specific Rules on Consumer Protection in the Electronic Communications Sector).

- 2. Appreciating that the consultation document was relatively extensive, ECTEL proposed an initial period for comment of **six weeks**.
- 3. Recognizing the importance of the proposed new Regulatory Instruments to the effective regulation of retail tariffs, to promoting a competitive market environment and to enhancing consumer protection, ECTEL encourages all stakeholders to provide their comments on the proposed new Regulatory Instruments.
- Noting the interest expressed, and considering requests received thus far during this consultation, ECTEL has decided that the deadline for submission of initial comments be extended to Friday 30th October 2020 to allow interested parties more time to submit comments.
- 5. The period for reply comments will now run from **Wednesday 4th November 2020 to Friday 20th November 2020.**
- All responses to the Consultation Documents or correspondence in relation to this consultation should be written and sent via e-mail **no later than 4:30pm** on the due date to: -

Managing Director ECTEL Email: <u>consultation@ectel.int</u>