

ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE

ECC Decision
of 14 March 2008
on the withdrawal of
ERC/DEC/(01)04, ERC/DEC/(01)09, ERC/DEC/(01)13,
ERC/DEC/(01)15 and ERC/DEC(01)18

(ECC/DEC/(08)04)



EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

1 INTRODUCTION

A number of ERC Decisions were adopted for regulating the harmonised use of short range devices in the past. By the adoption of ERC Recommendation 70-03, these regulations and the frequency bands to be used by the short range devices were included in specific annexes to this recommendation. In addition, with the adoption of harmonised standards by ETSI, some of these ERC Decisions have become obsolete. The four ERC Decisions, which will be withdrawn with the adoption of this ECC Decision, are related to the harmonised frequencies, technical characteristics and exemption from individual licensing of various Short Range Devices. And they are considered obsolete for the reasons given above.

2 BACKGROUND

ECC agreed in 2004 to begin a review of all ERC/ECC Decisions to consider the impact of convergence of services and technology on the spectrum regulatory framework and consider whether any elements should be modified while assessing what benefits such action would bring. In addition, it was agreed that each ECC Decision will be reviewed by the ECC every three years from its date of adoption to determine the extent of its implementation and the take-up of any frequency bands designated in the Decision. As a consequence of this review the ECC Plenary would decide whether to maintain, revise or abrogate existing Decisions.

These five Decisions were reviewed in the light of ECC agreement for review, and found that their contents were covered by ERC/REC 70-03 and related Harmonised ETSI Standards. Therefore, they have become obsolete and there is no need to maintain them any more.

3 REQUIREMENT FOR AN ECC DECISION

The ECC Rules of Procedure foresee that the withdrawal of a Decision is subject to the same procedure as the development and adoption of a new Decision. This Decision therefore dictates the withdrawal of ERC/DEC/(01)04, ERC/DEC/(01)09, ERC/DEC/(01)13, ERC/DEC/(01)15 and ERC/DEC(01)18.

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“The European Conference of Postal and Telecommunications Administrations,

considering

- a) that, by the adoption of ERC Recommendation 70-03, the regulations and the frequency bands to be used by the short range devices were included in specific annexes to this recommendation. In addition, with the adoption of harmonised standards by ETSI, the ERC Decisions related to SRDs have become obsolete.

DECIDES

1. to withdraw the ERC/DEC/(01)04 - Harmonised frequencies, technical characteristics and exemption from individual licensing of Non-specific Short Range Devices operating in the frequency bands 868.0 - 868.6 MHz, 868.7 - 869.2 MHz, 869.4 - 869.65 MHz, 869.7 - 870.0 MHz;
2. to withdraw the ERC/DEC/(01)09 - Harmonised frequencies, technical characteristics and exemption from individual licensing of Short Range Devices used for Alarms operating in the frequency bands 868.60 - 868.7 MHz, 869.25 - 869.3 MHz, 869.65 - 869.7 MHz;
3. to withdraw the ERC/DEC/(01)13 - Harmonised frequencies, technical characteristics and exemption from individual licensing of Short Range Devices used for inductive applications operating in the frequency bands 9 - 59.750 kHz, 59.750 - 60.250 kHz, 60.250 - 70 kHz, 70 - 119 kHz, 119 - 135 kHz
4. to withdraw the ERC/DEC/(01)15 - Harmonised frequencies, technical characteristics and exemption from individual licensing of Short Range Devices used for inductive applications operating in the frequency band 7400 - 8800 kHz;
5. to withdraw the ERC/DEC/(01)18 - Harmonised frequencies, technical characteristics and exemption from individual licensing of Short Range Devices used for Wireless Audio Applications operating in the frequency band 863 - 865 MHz;
6. that this Decision enters into force on 14 March 2008.”