



ESWATINI COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION NOTICE NO. 06/2021

DECISION IN TERMS OF SECTION 37 OF THE ESWATINI COMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION ACT, 2013:

TO ISSUE (12) GENERAL LICENCES FOR THE IMPORTATION, INSTALLATION, MAINTENANCE, DISTRIBUTION AND SALE OF ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS EQUIPMENT

1. THE COMMISSION

The Eswatini Communications Commission is a regulatory body established in terms of the Eswatini Communications Commission (ESCCOM) Act, 2013 to regulate the electronic communications sector including electronic communications networks and services, broadcasting services, postal services, the use and allocation of radio frequency spectrum, data protection and e-commerce.

2. POWER TO ISSUE LICENCES

The Commission is mandated by Sections 7(g) and 38(a) of the Eswatini Communications Commissions Act, 2013, to grant any authorization for the carrying out of any operation or activity relating to any matter within the remit of the Commission. Further, in terms of Section 9(1) of the Electronic Communications Act, 2013, the Commission may issue electronic communications licences under the categories of General Licences and Individual Licences.

In terms of Regulation 4 of the Electronic Communications (Licensing) Regulations, 2016, the Commission may issue a general licence for –

- a) Electronic communications services which do not require the use of numbering resources;
- b) Importation, distribution or sale of electronic communications equipment; or
- c) Installation and maintenance of electronic communications equipment.

3. RECEIPT OF APPLICATIONS FOR GENERAL LICENCES

In terms of Regulations 4(2) of the aforementioned Licensing Regulations, General Licences are non-exclusive, thereby allowing the Commission to issue an unlimited number thereof to any applicant who complies with the requirements of the application and the general licence conditions. The Commission received twelve (12) applications for General licenses for the importation, installation, maintenance, distribution and sale of electronic communications equipment.

The applicants currently conduct their business activities without possessing a licence issued in the terms of the applicable legislative framework. As a result, the Commission convened a stakeholder engagement in the year 2019, to raise awareness on the Electronic Communications (Importation, Type Approval and distribution of Communication Equipment) Regulations, 2016. The forum also brought it to the notice of the stakeholders the need to comply with the Regulations and apply for licences in terms of Regulation 4(2) of the Licensing Regulations.

3.1 The applicants are:

- 3.1.1 BSN Technical Services (Pty) Ltd T/A NetComm;
- 3.1.2 Informatics Africa (Pty) Ltd T/A PC System;
- 3.1.3 Printout Swaziland (Pty) Ltd;
- 3.1.4 The Office Centre (Pty) Ltd T/A City Office machines;
- 3.1.5 Tsembeka Bobhuti Investments (Pty) Ltd T/A Planet Cellular;
- 3.1.6 Inqlab Investments (Pty) Ltd T/A Chumana Cellular;
- 3.1.7 Tsembeka Bobhuti Investments (Pty) Ltd T/A Variety centre;
- 3.1.8 Computronics Systems (Pty) Ltd;
- 3.1.9 Slomoes Corporation (Pty) Ltd;

- 3.1.10 JD Group (Swaziland) (Pty) Ltd T/A HiFi Corp;
- 3.1.11 SGL Technologies (Pty) Ltd; and
- 3.1.12 CYB-SAB Technology Investments (Pty) Ltd.

4. EVALUATION OF APPLICATIONS

The Commission has evaluated the applications and determined that all the twelve (12) applicants meet the requirements for the grant of a licence.

The requirements for the grant of General Licences for the importation, installation, maintenance, distribution and sale of electronic communications equipment, not limited to the below, are:

	Requirements
1.	<i>Fully completed and signed application form</i>
2.	<i>Business Plan/Company Profile</i>
3.	<i>Form J (Appointed Directors)</i>
4.	<i>Form C (Details of equity holding)</i>
6.	<i>Certified Copy of Certificate of Incorporation</i>
7.	<i>Memorandum & Articles of Association</i>

5. DECISION

5.1 In light of the foregoing and in terms of Regulation 4 of the Licensing Regulations, the Commission hereby issues the twelve (12) General Licenses for importation, installation, maintenance, distribution and sale of electronic communications equipment to:

- 5.1.1 BSN Technical Services (Pty) Ltd T/A NetComm;
- 5.1.2 Informatics Africa (Pty) Ltd T/A PC System;
- 5.1.3 Printout Swaziland (Pty) Ltd;
- 5.1.4 The Office Centre (Pty) Ltd T/A City Office machines;
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5.2 This decision shall come into force on 7 October 2021.

Date of Decision : 1 October 2021

Effective date of Decision : 7 October 2021



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Chief Executive