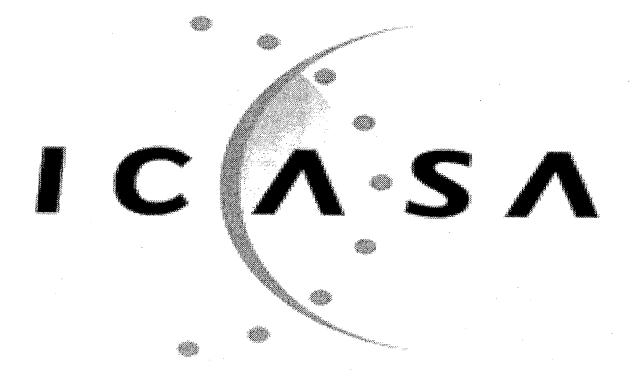
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Review of Sport Broadcasting Rights Regulations

Discussion Document

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INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA (ICASA)

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO MAKE REGULATIONS IN RESPECT OF THE SPORT BROADCASTING RIGHTS

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority") hereby gives notice that it intends making regulations in terms of the following Sections of the Electronics Communication Act, 2005 ("the EC Act"):

Section 60(1) states that:

"Subscription broadcasting services may not acquire exclusive rights that prevent or hinder the free-to-air broadcasting of national sporting events, as identified in the public interest from time to time, by the Authority, after consultation with the Minister and the Minister of Sport and in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the Authority."

Section 60(2) of the ECA provides that:

"In the event of a dispute arising concerning subsection (1), any party may notify the Authority of the dispute in writing and such dispute must be resolved on an expedited basis by the Authority in accordance with the regulations prescribed by the Authority".

Written submissions on the issues raised by the discussion paper are invited from all interested parties. The closing date for submissions is Friday, 7November 2008, by no later than 16h00 pm, by post, hand delivery or facsimile and also in electronic format (Microsoft Word 6.0, Adobe PDF) transmission for the attention of and should be directed to:

Ms Nozipho Mvulane
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Delivery address: Block A, Pinmill Farm, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton Where possible, written representations should also be e-mailed to: Nmvulane@icasa.org.za or Lmofokeng@icasa.org.za

Submissions will be considered by ICASA officials in the preparation for drafting the regulatory framework for the Sports Broadcasting Rights regulations.

ICASA may post all or parts of any written submission on its website at www.icasa.org.za. ICASA will consider you to have consented to posting by making a submission, unless you clearly specify otherwise in your submission.

Please advice if you have any objection to the release of any information contained in a submission, and in particular, which part(s) you consider should be withheld, together with the reason(s) for withholding the information. ICASA will take into account all such objections when responding to requests for copies and information on submissions to this document.

Persons submitting written representations are further invited to indicate whether they require an opportunity to make oral representations and the estimated duration thereof, which duration shall not exceed one hour.

ICASA will review and analyse all comments received from stakeholders in response to this consultation/discussion document, in order to draft the proposed regulatory provisions. The draft provisions will then be published for public comment in the Government Gazette.

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