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Dear Paul

## **NOTICE OF APPROVAL OF CHORUS DEEDS OF OPEN ACCESS UNDERTAKINGS FOR COPPER AND FIBRE SERVICES**

I refer to the letter sent on your behalf by Tristan Gilbertson on 6 October 2011. I note that Telecom (on behalf of Chorus, assuming structural separation occurs) had:

- submitted an amended deed of open access undertaking for copper services for my approval; and
- formally lodged the deed for open access undertaking for fibre services for my approval.

The deeds have been assessed by officials from the Ministry of Economic Development against the relevant requirements of the Telecommunications Act 2001 (the **Act**) and the Telecommunications (TSO, Broadband and Other Matters) Amendment Act 2011 (the **Amendment Act**).

I am satisfied that the deeds meet the requirements of the legislation, and this letter is to inform you of my decision to approve the deeds pursuant to section 43(1)(a) of the Amendment Act and 156AI(1)(a) of the Act.

In accordance with sections 43(5) and 156AI(5), I will notify this decision to approve the deeds in the Gazette.

Following this approval and as soon as practicable, sections 69XD and 156AK require Chorus (assuming structural separation occurs) to publish the deeds on the Internet so that they are publicly accessible at all reasonable times, and to make a copy of them available for inspection free of charge at your registered office.

Yours sincerely

Steven Joyce  
**Minister for Communications and Information Technology**