



## **NOTIFICATION TO HOLDERS OF APPLICATIONS SERVICE PROVIDER INDIVIDUAL LICENCE**

The Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) regulates the converging communications and multimedia industry. Pursuant to the Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission Act (1998) and the Communications and Multimedia Act (1998), the role of MCMC is to implement and promote the Government's national policy objectives for the communications and multimedia sector.

Currently, the provisioning of the following applications services require an Applications Service Provider (ASP) individual licence:

- a) PSTN
- b) Public Cellular Services
- c) IP Telephony
- d) Public Payphone Service
- e) Public Switched Data Service

On **23 March 2001**, the Minister of Energy, Water and Communications Malaysia ("Minister") issued a Ministerial Direction On General Licensing Policies, Direction No. 3 of 2001 ("Ministerial Direction"). The Ministerial Direction provides that:

"Save for holders of registered licences<sup>1</sup> who have applied for an individual Applications Service Provider licence, the licence period for an individual Applications Service Provider licence shall be for a period not exceeding **31 March 2005**. It is intended that services which currently require an individual Applications Service Provider licence will, by that time, be more appropriately regulated under a Class Licence."

The MCMC wishes to announce that the Minister has decided to implement the above policy and amendments to the relevant subsidiary legislations are being made to give effect to the same. Moving forward, all ASP Individual Licensees will need to register for a Class Licence should they intend to continue providing services after **31 March 2005**.

Information on the Class Licence registration is available on MCMC website [www.mcmc.gov.my](http://www.mcmc.gov.my). Any queries on licensing can be addressed to:

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<sup>1</sup> Holders of registered licences, in this context, refer to licensees who were issued with licences under the repealed Telecommunications Act 1950 who have duly registered their licences pursuant to the provisions under the CMA.