

Reminder

Statement regarding the Invitation to Tender for a National Fixed Wireless Services (NFWS) License published by the TRA on 5 October 2006 and amended on 12 November 2006 (“ITT”)

Manama -27 November 2006 -The TRA draws to the attention of parties intending to submit bids tomorrow, on *28 November 2006*, that Bidders must comply with the Auction Rules. In particular the TRA highlights that it has the discretion to disqualify Bidders:

- under section 2.11.3(d) of the ITT if the Bidder, any of its Associates or Sister Companies or any of its or their directors or employees, “*at any time act in a way which is likely to distort the outcome of the award process*”; and
- under section 2.11.5(b) of the ITT if the outcome of the Auction could be materially affected because “*any member of the Bidder’s Consortium, its Sister Companies, its Associates, its Prospective Licensee or any of their directors or employees has acted in a way which would breach the Auction Rules had they been the Bidder*”.

Further, it is drawn to the attention of interested parties that under section 2.11.4 of the ITT, “*A Bidder must notify the TRA as soon as is reasonably practicable if it has evidence or has reasonable grounds to suspect that:*

- (a) *a Bidder has or may have breached the Auction Rules; or*
- (b) *any of a Bidder’s Associates, Sister Companies, members of its Consortium, or any of their directors or employees has acted in a way which would have breached the Auction Rules had they been the Bidder.*”