

## Notice of Proposed National Table of Frequency Allocation

Section 332(1) of the Telecommunications Act (the Act) gives the Authority sole responsibility in licensing the use and allocating and assigning the radio frequency spectrum for the provision of communications services in the Federated States of Micronesia (FSM). No person may use radio frequencies in a manner that is inconsistent with an allocation and assignment of radio frequencies by the TRA under the Act.

Under the Act, the TRA shall also ensure that radio frequency spectrum is managed and used in a manner that is:

- open, non-discriminatory, competitively neutral, objective and transparent
- consistent with any applicable international treaties, commitments, recommendations or standards legally binding on the FSM
- economically efficient and permits evolution to new technologies and services.

For the reasons set out in the attached consultation paper, the Authority considers the draft National Table of Frequency of Allocation, once it is adopted by the TRA, to be the official allocation table of the Federated States of Micronesia and proposes to exercise its powers under section 332 of the Act and section 8 of the Spectrum Licensing Rules 2019 by issuing the attached National Table of Frequency Allocation. With this allocation table, the TRA would be able to allocate frequencies to services and assign them to applicants in an open, non-discriminatory and transparent manner. Given that the table conforms with the ITU Allocation table, it also gives the Authority a foundation to keep up with technologies and services as they continue to evolve in the future.

In accordance with section 321 of the Act, the Authority invites written comments and feedback on the National Table of Frequency Allocation Consultation Paper. Responses may be submitted in person at the Authority's offices in Pohnpei, or sent to <u>consultations@tra.fm</u>, and are **due by June 16, 2023.** 

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