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UPDATES ON CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENT FOR RADIO FREQUENCY IDENTIFICATION DEVICE (RFID)

Dear Valued Customer,

The Malaysian Communications and Multimedia Commission (MCMC) has reported that they have repeatedly received complaints of Radio-Frequency Identification devices (RFID) that causes radio frequency interference to the local mobile network.

We acknowledged that RFID are manufactured to support a wide range of frequency since they are meant to be sold to many countries globally, and the operating frequency can be tuned to meet the local country's requirements. However, in Malaysia, as the adjacent frequency is utilized by the mobile network, RFID that do not strictly follow Malaysia frequency range assignment has caused interference to the local network as well as other customer premise equipment (CPE).

As such, to minimize the risks of interference and mitigate the problem at source, it is compulsory for all applicants to undertake the following actions:

- RFID shall adhere to the technical requirements specified in the Technical Code MCMC MTSFB TC T007 "Specification for Short Range Devices (SRD)";**
- Applicant shall set the frequency range for Malaysia as default frequency setting for all existing and new RFID;**
- Applicant shall indicate the frequency range for Malaysia on product specifications, user manual and product brochure. All documents submitted for certification and for distribution to consumer or buyer shall reflect this.**

The detailed information of above actions is available in attached Addendum II of Certification Requirement for Communication, Multimedia and Hybrid Equipment.

The Certificate of Conformity shall be suspended and/or cancelled; and recall activity from the market shall be imposed if a Certificate Holder fails to comply with the Communication and Multimedia Act 1998 and Communication and Multimedia (Technical Standard) Regulations 2000. Failure to comply may also lead to the following penalties under the Act:

Offences	Penalty
Section 238, CMA 1998 Emission from non-standard equipment or device	On conviction, fine not exceeding RM50,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 1 year or both
Section 239, CMA 1998 Unlawful use, possession or supply of non-standard equipment or device	On conviction, fine not exceeding RM100,000 or imprisonment not exceeding 2 year or both
Regulation 16, TSR 2000 Use/ offer for sale or sale of communications equipment contrary to standards/ not certified or no longer complies with standards	On conviction/ fine not exceeding RM100/000 or imprisonment not exceeding 6 months or both.
Regulation 24, TSR 2000 Failure to recall of communications equipment of which its compliance certificate has been suspended or cancelled (for failure to comply with the conditions and standards) upon direction by the Commission	On conviction/ fine not exceeding RM200/000 or imprisonment not exceeding 12 months or both.