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**BROADCASTING ACT
(CHAPTER 28)**

**BROADCASTING
(CLASS LICENCE) (AMENDMENT)
NOTIFICATION 2012**

In exercise of the powers conferred by sections 9 and 11 of the Broadcasting Act, the Media Development Authority of Singapore hereby makes the following Notification:

Citation and commencement

1. This Notification may be cited as the Broadcasting (Class Licence) (Amendment) Notification 2012 and shall come into operation on 23rd February 2012.

Amendment of Schedule

2. The Schedule to the Broadcasting (Class Licence) Notification (N 1) is amended —

(a) by inserting, immediately after paragraph 2, the following paragraph:

“2A.—(1) An Internet Service Provider who is an Internet Access Service Provider licensed under section 5 of the Telecommunications Act (Cap. 323) (referred to in this paragraph as an Internet Access Service Provider) shall —

- (a) upon receiving, on or after 23rd February 2012, any request by any of its relevant subscribers, offer to provide that relevant subscriber Internet content filtering arrangements;
- (b) inform any prospective relevant subscriber in Singapore of the availability of Internet content filtering arrangements before providing, on or after 23rd February 2012, to the prospective relevant subscriber first access to the Internet;
- (c) inform a relevant subscriber of the availability of Internet content filtering arrangements before renewing, on or after 23rd February 2012, the subscription of that relevant subscriber; and
- (d) for the duration of the relevant subscriber’s subscription, provide reasonable technical support to the relevant

subscriber with respect to the provision of Internet content filtering arrangements.

(2) If the Authority is satisfied that content in a programme on the World Wide Web is undesirable, harmful or obscene, and the Authority gives to an Internet Access Service Provider written notice that end-users should be prevented from accessing that content on the Internet, the Internet Access Service Provider shall take all reasonable steps to modify, or to enable the relevant subscribers to modify, the Internet content filtering arrangements to prevent such end-users from accessing that content.

(3) In this paragraph —

“relevant subscriber” means a person in Singapore who —

- (a) subscribes to any computer online service that enables the person to obtain through any telecommunication line access to the Internet at a private residence, whether or not owned by the relevant subscriber; or
- (b) subscribes, on or after 30th June 2012, to any computer online service (excluding the excepted services) that enables the person to obtain access to the Internet through radio-communication;

“excepted services” means —

- (a) computer online service providing access to the Internet through radio-communication, for which the subscriber is not required to pay any type of fee as consideration, and is not required to accept as a condition for the computer online service, any condition that is not directly connected with the provision of the computer online service; or
- (b) computer online service providing access to the Internet through radio-communication in connection with a telecommunication technical trial or market trial licensed under section 5 of the Telecommunications Act;

“Internet content filtering arrangements” means any arrangement (whether or not involving Internet content filtering software installed at the Internet Access Service Provider’s computer equipment or the relevant subscriber’s computer equipment) that is likely to provide a reasonably effective means of preventing access by children and other end-users to such content in any programme on the World Wide Web that is undesirable, harmful or obscene or potentially undesirable, harmful or obscene, and that was selected by the relevant subscriber.”;

- (b) by deleting the words “the censorship section of” in paragraph 15(f); and

(c) by deleting the words “approved by the Board of Film Censors are broadcast, unless the film or video recording is one to which the Films Act (Cap. 107) does not apply or is one which is exempted from the provisions of that Act” in paragraph 15(g) and substituting the words “approved for exhibition under the Films Act (Cap. 107) or exempted from the provisions of that Act or to which that Act does not apply are broadcast”.

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Made this 7th day of February 2012.

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Media Development Authority of Singapore.

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