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INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

NOTICE OF PUBLICATION OF THE POSITION PAPER: SELF-HELP STATIONS

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority") has in terms of section 28 of the Independent Broadcasting Authority Act, No. 153 of 1993 ("the IBA Act"), conducted an inquiry into Self-Help Stations.

The Authority published a Discussion Paper ("the Discussion Paper") on the Review of Self-Help Stations ("the Review") on 6 December 2004. The purpose of the Discussion Paper was to generate comment from all stakeholders on the Review of Self-Help Stations. Section 28 of the Independent Broadcasting Act, No. 153 of 1993 ("IBA Act") provides that the Authority may from time to time conduct an inquiry into any matter relevant to the achievement and application of the principles of broadcasting as enunciated in section 2 of the Act. The primary objective of the inquiry was to:

- solicit participation and input in reviewing the regulatory framework for Self-Help stations in South Africa; and
- generate discussion on the appropriate policy and licensing framework for Self-Help stations.

The Authority invited interested parties, stakeholders and the public to comment and respond to the issues and questions raised. The closing date for the receipt of submissions was 31 January 2005.

The Authority hereby publishes its Position Paper on Self-Help Stations. Interested parties are invited to obtain from the Authority a copy of the Position Paper, or to visit the Authority's website www.icasa.org.za
