

Formal Warning under subsection 129(2) of the Telecommunications Act 1997

and Media Authority

- TO: Exetel Pty Ltd (ACN 097 986 546)
- OF: Level 5 121 Walker Street North Sydney, NSW 2060

The Australian Communications and Media Authority (the **ACMA**) is satisfied that Exetel Pty Ltd (ACN 097 986 546) (**Exetel**) has contravened the *Telecommunications (Consumer Complaints Handling) Industry Standard 2018* (the **Complaints Standard**) as described below; and

HEREBY issues a formal warning to Exetel under subsection 129(2) of the *Telecommunications Act 1997* (the **Act**) for contravening paragraph 7(1)(a) of the Complaints Standard.

Details of the contravention

- 1. The ACMA has investigated whether Exetel's complaints handling process (CHP) complied with the minimum requirements for consumer complaints handling set out in sections 8, 9 and 10 of the Complaints Standard.
- 2. As a carriage service provider, Exetel is a participant in the section of the telecommunications industry to which the Complaints Standard applies and is required to comply with the Complaints Standard under subsection 128(1) of the Act.
- 3. After completing its investigation, the ACMA is satisfied that as at 27 July 2018, Exetel's CHP did not comply with:
 - a. paragraph 8(1)(b);
 - b. paragraph 8(1)(f);
 - c. paragraph 8(1)(g);
 - d. paragraph 8(1)(k);
 - e. section 9;
 - f. paragraph 10(f); and
 - g. paragraph 10(g)

of the Complaints Standard.

4. Accordingly, the ACMA finds that Exetel contravened paragraph 7(1)(a) of the Complaints Standard on 27 July 2018, by not establishing a CHP that includes the minimum requirements for consumer complaints handling.

Dated this 4th day of December 2018

Signature of Chair

Signature of Member

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