

**INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA**  
**NOTICE 973 OF 2017**



**Independent Communications Authority of South Africa**  
Pinmill Farm, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton  
Private Bag X10002, Sandton, 2146

**ELECTRONIC COMMUNICATIONS ACT, 2005 (ACT NO. 36 OF 2005)**

**APPLICATION FOR AMENDMENT OF RADIO FREQUENCY SPECTRUM LICENCE BY  
RHYTHM FM**

1. The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority") hereby gives notice of receipt of a letter with revised technical specifications from Rhythm FM for amendment of its Radio Frequency Spectrum (RFS) Licence application which was lodged on 03 April 2017 in terms of the provision of section 31 (4) of the Electronic Communications Act, No. 36 of 2005 (ECA) read with Regulation 9 of the Radio Spectrum Frequency Regulations of 2015 ("RFSR 2015") as published in Government Gazette No. 38641 (as amended).
2. Rhythm FM now seeks to add six (6) transmitters within its licensed area of the Eastern Cape Province. The proposed additional transmitters will be located at Butterworth, Graaff-Reinet, Kareedouw, Noupoot, Port Elizabeth, and Queenstown. The details and specifications of the application are contained in the table below.
3. Interested persons are invited to submit written representation in relation to the application within twenty-one (21) working days from the date of the publication of this notice in the government gazette.
4. All written representations must be directed to Mr Davis Moshweunyane at the Licensing Division, at Block A, Pinmill Farm, 164 Katherine Street, Sandton, Johannesburg **OR** Private Bag X10002 Sandton, 2146 **OR** by e-mail: [dmoshweunyane@icasa.org.za](mailto:dmoshweunyane@icasa.org.za).

5. All written representations submitted to the Authority in response to this notice shall be made available for inspection by interested persons at the ICASA Library or website and copies of such representations and documents will be obtainable on payment of a fee.
6. Persons who lodge representation in terms hereof, shall at the time of submission, furnish the Authority with proof that a copy of the representation has been delivered by hand to Mr. Andile Khumalo at 79 Central Street, Houghton Estate, 2198 **OR** by registered post to P O Box 3187, Houghton, 2041 **OR** email: [andile@msg-group.co.za](mailto:andile@msg-group.co.za).
7. Rhythm FM shall be entitled to respond in writing to written representations made by interested persons on the amendment application, and such written response must be lodged with the Authority within twenty-one (21) days of the date of publication of this notice in the Government Gazette. If the public hearing is held, only the persons who lodged the representation will be allowed to present.
8. Rhythm FM must, at the time of lodging such written response, furnish proof to the Authority's satisfaction that it has delivered a copy of such response by hand **OR** has sent a copy of such response by registered mail **OR** by fax **OR** by email to the relevant person(s) having made such written representations.

**Table of proposed technical amendments**

<b>Site</b>	<b>Site Coordinates</b>	<b>Mid- Antenna Height</b>	<b>Antenna Pattern</b>	<b>Proposed Frequency</b>	<b>Maximum ERP</b>
Butterworth	32E16 35; 28S12 24	189 m	Omni- Directional	94.3 MHz	1 kW
Graaff-Reinet	32E04 48; 24S27 00	102 m	Omni- Directional	89.3 MHz	10 kW
Kareedouw	34E01 29; 24S25 48	66 m	Directional (AZM = 285°; Width = 70°)	99.4 MHz	6 kW
Noupoort	31E18 14; 24S56 01	128 m	Omni- Directional	89.0 MHz	10 kW
Port Elizabeth	33E56 10; 25S26 27	158 m	Directional (AZM = 350°; Width = 190°)	93.8 MHz	1.5 kW
Queenstown	31E43 56; 26S47 05	102 m	Omni- Directional	104.2 MHz	4 kW



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