

**INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA
NOTICE 92 OF 2020**



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

**APPLICATIONS FOR TRANSFER OF CONTROL OF AN INDIVIDUAL
COMMERCIAL SOUND BROADCASTING SERVICE LICENCE BY RISE FM
BROADCAST (PTY) LTD AND VUMA 103 FM (PTY) LTD IN RELATION TO
BLACKSTAR HOLDINGS GROUP (PTY) LTD**

1. The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa ("the Authority") hereby gives notice that it has received applications from Rise FM Broadcast (Pty) Ltd and Vuma 103 FM (Pty) Ltd ("the Applicants") for transfer of control from Blackstar Holdings Group (Pty) Ltd to Lebashe Investments Group (Pty) Limited ("the Transferee"). The transfer applications are lodged in terms of section 13 of the Electronic Communications Act No. 36 of 2005 ("the EC Act") as amended read with regulations 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 of the Amendment Processes and Procedures Regulations 2015 published in the Government Gazette No. 39871 of 30 March 2016 ("the Regulations").
2. The transfer applications seek approval from the Authority to transfer control of the Applicants' Individual Commercial Sound Broadcasting Service ("I-CSBS") licences to the Transferee and will be evaluated on the basis of the following criteria:
 - a. promotion of competition in the ICT sector;
 - b. promoting a diversity of views and opinions; and
 - c. equity ownership by HDP's.

3. The Applicants submit that, on a direct flow-through basis, the effective indirect ownership by Historically Disadvantaged Persons (HDP's) in the Transferee is 100%.
4. The Applicants' applications and any representations received pursuant to this notice will be made available and be open for inspection by interested parties in the Authority's library during the Authority's normal office hours.
5. Interested parties are invited to lodge written representations in relation to the applications within fourteen (14) working days of the date of publication of this notice in the *Government Gazette*. Persons who lodge representations must also indicate whether they wish to make oral submissions should the Authority decide to hold a public hearing in respect of the applications.
6. All written representations, responses and other correspondence in terms of this notice must be directed to the Licensing Officers: Service Broadcasting. In respect of Rise FM, written representations, responses and other correspondences be directed to the Licensing Officer: Service Broadcasting, Mr Resemate William Maswangani, Licensing Division, at Block B, 350 Witch-Hazel Avenue, Eco Point Office Park, Eco Park, Centurion **OR** Private Bag X 10, Highveld Park, 0169 **OR** by email: RMaswangani@icasa.org.za. In respect of Vuma FM, written representations, responses and other correspondence must be directed to the Licensing Officer: Service Broadcasting, Ms Lufuno Nwashe, Licensing Division, at Block B, 350 Witch-Hazel Avenue, Eco Point Office Park, Eco Park, Centurion **OR** Private Bag X 10, Highveld Park, 0169 **OR** by email: LNwashe@icasa.org.za.
7. Persons who lodge representations in terms of this notice, shall at the time of lodgement furnish proof to the satisfaction to the Authority that a copy of the representation has been delivered by hand to Mr Patrick Bogatsu, Shop 38, The Grove Shopping Centre, CNR R40 and George Streets, Riverside Park, Mbombela, 1201 **OR** sent by email: patrick@risefm.co.za in respect of Rise FM **AND** in respect of Vuma FM, Ms Pearl Sokhulu, 6th Floor Centenary Building, CNR Equinox and Zenith Drive, Umhlanga New Town Center, 4319 **OR** sent by email: pearl@vumafm.co.za.

8. The Applicants shall be entitled to respond in writing to written representations made by interested persons on the transfer applications, and such written responses must be lodged with the Authority within twenty-one (21) working days of the date of the publication of this notice in the *Government Gazette*. The Applicants must, at the time of lodging such written responses, furnish proof by hand, or send a copy of such responses by registered mail or by facsimile or by email to the relevant person having made such written representations.



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