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Planned Withdrawal of Retail Very Low Bandwidth Leased Lines (Analogue Private Circuits and KiloStream)

This Information Notice contains information that is for guidance and/or awareness.

Recipients are asked to ensure that this Information Notice is copied to all members of their staff who may have an interest in the information (including any 'in-house' or contracted maintenance organisations and relevant outside contractors).

Applicability:	
Aerodromes:	All Aerodrome Operators
Air Traffic:	All ATC, All FIS, All ATS, All ANSPs
Airspace:	Not primarily affected
Airworthiness:	Not primarily affected
Flight Operations:	All Aeroplane and Helicopter AOC Holders
Licensed/Unlicensed Personnel:	Not primarily affected

1 Introduction

- 1.1 British Telecom (BT) is withdrawing all its remaining sub-2Mbit/s leased lines, (sometimes referred to as very low bandwidth leased lines, Analogue Private Circuits or KiloStream), on 31 March 2020 and it is vital that all remaining users migrate onto other services before that date. It is highly likely other communication providers will withdraw similar services if they utilise parts of the BT infrastructure.
- 1.2 The purpose of this Information Notice (IN) is to raise awareness of the forthcoming withdrawal and ensure service providers have adequate time to assess the impact of the change on their operational and business systems.

2 Scope

- 2.1 In preparation for the withdrawal of the sub-2Mbit/s leased lines, industry should identify those systems affected and carry out impact assessments in accordance with their SMS and Business Management Systems.
- 2.2 Should any operational systems be affected (i.e. requiring software updates, modification or replacement) that currently hold an ANO Approval or that may impact on operational safety, the company/ANSP should follow its change management procedures and notify the Regional Inspectorate through the usual channels.

3 Further Information

- 3.1 Further information can be found in the Ofcom document titled [Business Connectivity Market Review](#) provided as part of the consultation held between 15 May 2015 and 31 July 2015.

4 Queries

- 4.1 Any queries or requests for further guidance as a result of this communication should be addressed to the relevant Regional Inspectorate Office.

5 Cancellation

- 5.1 This Information Notice will remain in force until 31 March 2020.