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MEDIA RELEASE

ICASA GRANTS FIVE LICENCES TO APPLICANTS WHO TOOK PART IN THE LICENSING OF COMMERCIAL SUBSCRIPTION BROADCASTING SERVICES

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Johannesburg – The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa hereby notifies the media and stakeholders that it has conditionally granted five (5) licences for individual commercial subscription broadcasting services. Although the conditions imposed are specific to each of the five applicants, they generally relate to amongst others, confirmation of equity ownership, funding requirements, further research, confirmation of local content and programming content agreements.

On 2 February 2012, ICASA published an Invitation to Apply (ITA), for individual commercial subscription broadcasting service licences. The ITA was issued in terms of the law governing the licensing of broadcasting services i.e. Electronic Communications Act, 2005 (the Act).

By the closing date of the ITA, the Authority had received five (5) applications in response to the ITA and conducted public hearings from 24 to 26 July 2013 at ICASA's offices in Sandton.

ICASA has decided to conditionally grant individual commercial subscription broadcasting service licences to:

- Close-T Broadcast Network Holdings (Pty) Ltd;
- Mindset Media Enterprises (Pty) Ltd;
- Mobile TV (Pty) Ltd;
- Kagiso TV (Pty) Ltd; and
- Siyaya Free To Air (Pty) Ltd.

These applicants have been given a period of 3 months to comply with the conditions and ICASA expects that the applicants will use the time to ensure compliance in this regard.

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