

# ISPANZ *update*

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## Sky Tower likely part of peering proposal

ISPANZ continues to negotiate with Telecom regarding local peering, and Telecom has indicated agreement that the Sky Tower location would be one point of interconnect. This is part of a discussion about locations of multiple provider presence and Telecom is looking for ISPANZ to nominate 10 locations where they will come to us.

Another confirmation being sought relates to pricing to reach the rest of Telecom's network in conjunction with a local peering arrangement. ISPANZ is seeking for the cost of that to be less than what national transit to all locations would have cost. Telecom is coming back on pricing details, but says it does want to encourage use of local peering in its pricing approach.

ISPANZ is also seeking peering of Telecom Corporate Internet Direct customers, no AS PATH filtering, pricing around co-locating small amounts of hardware, and rights of access.

## ISPANZ' new line-up

ISPANZ in August elected a new board to promote diversity, competition and co-operation between service providers for the benefit of New Zealanders.



Incoming President Jamie Baddeley says he is pleased to have the support of a talented board, and looks forward to working with the best of New Zealand's Internet service providers.

"It's about ensuring that both business and residential customers are aware that there is a viable strong choice in terms of how Kiwi's connect with themselves and the world. The strength of the Internet is its diversity."

Outgoing President David Diprose says he's pleased with the outcome. "ISPANZ works tirelessly to ensure that New Zealand's Internet is a place that offers Kiwis a real choice, and I know that ISPANZ will continue with the same energy and build on the momentum."

Members of the ISPANZ Board are Jamie Baddeley - FX Networks (President), Graham Walmsley - Callplus (Vice President), Jenny Longhurst - ICONZ (Secretary/Treasurer), Steven Bond-Smith - Orcon, Mark Frater - Compass, and Kim Thibault - Maxnet.

## Statistics NZ seeks feedback on ISP survey

InternetNZ staffer Campbell Gardiner attended a briefing in October on Statistics New Zealand's twice-yearly ISP Survey.

Stakeholders from the Ministry of Economic Development and Commerce Commission attended to give their feedback on the existing survey.

Discussion points included the target survey population, and how the survey might be reworked given growing levels of voice and data convergence and new broadband technologies such as ADSL2+ and WiMAX.

Additionally, Statistics NZ is investigating whether to conduct the ISP Survey in June and December each year, in line with broadband measurements done by the OECD.

## ISPANZ in NetGuide

In an interview in November's NetGuide magazine, ISPANZ President Jamie Baddeley answers questions about broadband, LLU, peering, TSO, backhaul, and customer service.

## ISP Spam Code

The ISP Spam Code of Practice has been endorsed by ISPANZ, InternetNZ, the TCF and the Marketing Association and has been circulated to ISPs for sign-up.

## Invoice slip-up

Hopefully members are aware that there was a slip-up with ISPANZ membership invoices. Invoices were issued based on membership fees applicable in the first year. Those invoices were incorrect. Correct invoices reflecting current membership fees were reissued and members are asked to pay the second one, not the first one.

## Telecom peering contact

Telecom Wholesale has appointed Nigel Wilson as Product Manager - Inter-connection. He is a new appointment.

## ISPANZ working groups

The ISPANZ workplan is on the ISPANZ website. Working groups are an easy way to become more involved and it's never too late to join one. Current groups:

### Broadband Reform

Working with the Government and Telecom for a vibrant wholesale market.

### Operational Support

Encouraging Telecom to provide a higher level of operational support.

### Backhaul and Interconnection

Dealing with congestion, efficiency and scalability of network interconnection.

### ICOP

Involvement in development of the Internet Code of Practice, being developed by InternetNZ.

### Peering

Supporting and helping to facilitate the re-introduction of local peering.

## Telecom consults on service orders

Telecom has completed industry consultation on open service orders and the result is awaited.

The issue has been that on a Telecom line only one work process has been allowed to occur at a time. For example if a customer is changing their account name or putting on call waiting and you try to get broadband done as well, then it can't be done.

As part of the consultation, Telecom provided two options and consulted with 19 service provider wholesale customers.

## Draft separation undertakings

In September the Government issued the Telecommunications (Operational Separation) Determination, which outlines the requirements for the three-way split of Telecom. This can be found at: [www.med.govt.nz/upload/51886/sig.pdf](http://www.med.govt.nz/upload/51886/sig.pdf)

There is also a Q&A on the website of Minister of Communications David Cunliffe: [www.beehive.govt.nz/ViewDocument.aspx?DocumentID=30768](http://www.beehive.govt.nz/ViewDocument.aspx?DocumentID=30768)

Telecom then had 20 days to prepare a draft separation plan. This has now been released and submissions have been invited. This document can be found at: [www.med.govt.nz/templates/MultipageDocumentTOC\\_\\_\\_32173.aspx](http://www.med.govt.nz/templates/MultipageDocumentTOC___32173.aspx)

Submissions are due by Friday 23 November.

## Peering report completed

The "External Working Group" tasked by InternetNZ to investigate issues around peering has produced its report. The project was initiated in March after the issue was raised with the Minister of Communications at the "Foo Camp" event earlier this year.

The Working Group was headed by Dr Murray Milner and included Dean Pemberton, Peter Komisarczuk and Neil Bertram. A broad range of stakeholders were consulted, including ISPANZ members at a meeting held in Auckland.

At its October Council meeting, InternetNZ received the report and concluded that it would now initiate a public consultation process with the document as an input.

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