MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR

NO. <u>02-01-97</u>

SUBJECT: LICENSING GUIDELINES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE SHORT RANGE RADIO SERVICE (SRRS)

Pursuant to the provisions of Republic Act No. 7925, Act No. 3846 as amended, the existing radio laws, and in order to rationalize the licensing of individuals and entities requiring short range communication networks, the Commission hereby promulgates the following procedures:

A. Definition of Terms

For the purpose of this Circular, the following terms are defined hereunder:

- 1. Short Range Radio Service (SRRS) a radio communication system in the Land Mobile Service for short-range communications.
- 2. Special Radio Authorization (SRA) an authority issued by the National Telecommunications Commission to individuals and/or entities for the possession and operation of a radio station under the Short Range Radio Service.

B. Technical Parameters

- 1. The frequencies/channels to be allocated for this Service shall be strictly on full sharing and non-interference basis
- 2. The use of linear amplifier and external antenna under this service is strictly prohibited.
- 3. The radio equipment under this service (SRRS) shall comply with the following parameters:
 - a. A factory fixed and non-extendable frequency range.
 - b. Maximum power output of Three (3) watts only.
 - c. Limited to portable type using voice emission only, and
 - d. Subject to type approval by the Commission
- 4. The frequency range allocated for this service shall be 352.0 352.50 MHz using 12.5 KHz channel plan.
- 5. The technical specification of the radio equipment under this service shall be technology neutral thereby allowing two or more models from independent sources, provided that products conform with Technical Specification hereto attachment A.

C. Special Radio Authorization

The authority to operate a radio station under this service shall be granted by this Commission thru the authorized NTC Radio Communication Equipment Dealers

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by issuing a corresponding Special Radio Authorization (SRA) upon purchase by the user.

D. Importation of Radio Equipment

- 1. Any NTC authorized radio communications equipment dealers may be granted Permit to Import radio equipment and on equivalent license number under SRRS on request, upon payment of permit to import fee, and advanced permit and license fee equivalent to PHP 1,000 per unit, while locally manufactured SRRS radio equipment shall pay the advanced permit and license fee and be issued the corresponding license Number upon submission of Stock Report.
- 2. The radio dealers and manufactures shall submit to the Commission the stock inventories of all imported and/or manufactured short range radios upon release from the Bureau of Customs and a subsequent regular sales and stock report.

E. Licensing and Collection Fees

- 1. A one time advanced permit and license fee of One Thousand Pesos (PHP 1,000) per unit shall be collected from the authorized radio dealers in accordance with Section D-1 above.
- 2. The radio dealers shall then provide the user a ready Special Radio Authorization from the Commission.

F. Administrative Sanction

Violation of these guidelines and other pertinent radio regulations shall be dealt with in accordance with the existing Radio Laws and Regulations.

This Circular shall take effect 15 days after publication and may be revised, revoked or amended, in the interest of public service and as determined by the Commission.

Quezon City, Philippines <u>14th</u> January, 1997.

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