Summary of notifications

On 04/11/2009, the Commission received a notification of an aid measure pursuant to Article 88 of the Treaty establishing the European Community. On preliminary examination, the Commission finds that the notified measure could fall within the scope of the Commission Notice on a simplified procedure for treatment of certain types of State aid (JO C136, 16.06.2009, p. 3-12).

The Commission invites interested third parties to submit their possible observations on the proposed measure to the Commission. The main features of the aid measure are the following:

Reference number of the aid	N 607/2009
Member State	Ireland
Member State reference number	
Region	-Mixed
Granting authority	Department of Communications, Energy and Natural Resources 29 - 31 Adelaide Road, Dublin 2, Ireland
Title of the aid measure	Rural Broadband Reach Scheme - Ireland
National legal basis	The Ministers and Secretaries (Amendment) Acts, 1924 - 2007 (as amended by Statutory Instrument. 300/2002 Communications, Energy and Geological Survey of Ireland (transfer of Departmental Administration and Ministerial Functions) Order 2002) and Statutory Instrument 706/2007 – Communications, Marine and Natural Resources (Alteration of Name of Department and Title of Minister) Order The National Development Plan (2007-2013). The National Strategic Reference Framework for Ireland
Proposed Community basis for assessment	Broadband Guidelines
Type of measure	Individual aid not based on a scheme
Amendment of an existing aid measure	
Duration	01/09/2010 to 31/12/2012
Economic sector(s) concerned	Information and communication
Type of beneficiary	All
Budget	Subject to the tender procedure
Aid instrument (grant, interest rate subsidy,)	Direct grant

Observations raising competition issues relating to the notified measure must reach the Commission no later than 10 working days following the date of this publication and include a non confidential version of these observations to be provided to the Member State concerned and/or other interested parties. Observations can be sent to the Commission by fax, by post or email under reference number N 607/2009 to the following address:

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