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THE ACCESS TO INFORMATION ACT, 2002

Statement of Organization and Functions of Public Authority

- 1. Name of Public Authority:—Spectrum Management Authority (SMA)
- 2. Name and Title of Principal Officer:—Ernest W. Smith, Managing Director
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7. Description of Subject Areas/Portfolio Responsibilities of Public Authority:

The Spectrum Management Authority was established under the Telecommunications Act, 2000 to carry out the business of management of Jamaica's Radio Frequency Spectrum and to give effect to the provisions of legislation and regulations relating to telecommunications. The Spectrum Management Authority is responsible for licensing users of the radio frequency spectrum, collecting fees, identifying and eliminating sources of interference and for representing the Government of Jamaica and other shareholders, including licensed users of the spectrum and subscribers to wireless services, in various international fora.

8. List of Internal Manuals/Documents:

Name of Document

Telecommunications Act, 2000

Radio and Telegraph Control Act, 1973 (as amended)

Broadcasting and Radio Re-Diffusion Act, 1949 (as amended)

Public Bodies Management and Accountability Act, 2001 (as amended)

Frequency Allocation Chart, 2006–2007

Financing the SMA, A Consultative Document, December, 2002

The Telecommunications Act, the Telecommunications (Spectrum Regulatory Fees) Regulations 2003, Jamaica Gazette Supplement No. 33, April 30, 2003

The Telecommunications Act, The Telecommunications (Delegation of Function) Order, 2004, Jamaica Gazette Supplement No. 70A, September 9, 2004.

International Telecommunication Union Publications including:

- i. Handbook: National Spectrum Management, Edition 2005
- ii. ITU-R Recommendations: Fixed Service, Radio-Relay and Other Systems: Volume 2000, F series—Part 1 (A)
- iii. Final Acts, World Radiocommunication Conference (Geneva, 2003)
- iv. Radiocommunication Bureau Study Groups: Administrative Circulars

Purpose of Document

Provides the legislative framework for the operation of the Authority.

Indicates the type of services for which specific frequencies are assigned in Jamaica.

Outlines the mechanism for charging regulatory fees.

Outlines the basis for charging spectrum regulatory fees.

Authorizes the SMA to issue all Spectrum Licences except for VSAT Licences.

Outlines the fundamentals of spectrum management, spectrum planning, engineering practices, and best practices for National Spectrum Management, among other things.

Outlines all the Recommendations in force at the end of the Radiocommunications Assembly in 2000.

Outlines revisions to existing Resolutions and Recommendations with respect to international Radio Regulations.

Provides information on the latest developments in the telecommunications industry.