

Regulatory Update – Colombia

Mobile terminal equipment with data only will require national level Type Approval in Colombia from January 2017.

Further to PCS Regulatory Alert from February 2016, new Resolution 5031 of 2016 was published on the CRC (Comisión de Regulación de Comunicaciones) website on 7th October to include data-only mobile terminal equipment in the scope of mandatory Type Approval assessment. This resolution will be formally implemented on 7th January 2017.

Manufacturers are therefore granted a grace period of 3 months to obtain Type Approval for new products falling under this category and entering the Colombian market. After 7th January 2017, it will be mandatory for all mobile terminal equipment with voice and/or data function to be Type Approved before being imported and commercialized.

It has additionally been advised that there will be no impact on data-only mobile terminal equipment which is already being commercialized in Colombia and that this new resolution will only apply to new products. PCS is seeking formal confirmation on this point and will keep customers updated accordingly.

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