

Low Power Radio Association

Representing manufacturers and users of Short Range Devices

Remote Control • Telemetry • Security Systems • RFID (tagging) • Mobile Data • Wireless LANs

LPRA POLICY on ANTI-COMPETITIVE ACTIVITY

Background

Article 81 of the EC Treaty (Article 81) and section 2 (Chapter I prohibition) of the Competition Act 1998 (the Act) prohibit agreements between undertakings, decisions by associations of undertakings or concerted practices which have as their object or effect the prevention, restriction or distortion of competition. Article 82 of the EC Treaty (Article 82) and section 18 of the Act (Chapter II prohibition) prohibit conduct by one or more undertakings which amount to the abuse of a dominant position. Such activities within the common market which may affect trade between Member States will fall within Article 81 and/or Article 82; activities which may affect trade in the United Kingdom (or part of it) will fall within Chapter I prohibition and/or Chapter II prohibition.

Policy

The Low Power Radio Association (LPRA) is committed to compliance with the letter and spirit of the Competition Laws both within the EU and worldwide. Matters that have anti-competitive implications shall not be discussed.

Meetings conducted by the LPRA are designed solely to provide a forum for expressing the various points of view on technical, legislative and administrative topics described in the program or agenda for each meeting.

Under no circumstances will LPRA meetings, or meetings sponsored by the LPRA, be used as a means for companies, firms, organisations or individuals to reach any understanding, expressed or implied, which restricts, or intends to restrict, competition.

Council and sector chairmen, and session chairmen at Radio Solutions conferences, have been instructed to terminate any discussion related to restraint of trade, price fixing, compensation, reimbursement, rate setting, collective marketing strategy and any other topics that could be considered anti-competitive.

The LPRA expects its members, speakers and guests to conduct themselves in accordance with this Policy. Appropriate sanctions will be taken against members who do not comply with the word or intent of this Policy.

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