

Amendment of Telecommunications Law (Stanisław Piątek)

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Abstract: The model of judicial control of the decisions of the President of the Office of Electronic Communications (hereinafter the UKE President) is subject of this paper. This model is defined in the Telecommunications Law Act (hereinafter the TL) and provides two different judicial procedures against decisions of the UKE President. It is a general principle that the UKE President decisions are subject to judicial control exercised by administrative courts. However, some decisions enumerated in the TL are subject of judicial review exercised by common courts [the Regional Court in Warsaw – the Court of Competition and Consumer Protection (hereinafter the SOKiK)]. Both types of judicial control differ from each other substantially. Therefore, the main goal of the article was to present a model of judicial control of the decisions made by the UKE President together with an indication of the legal basis of this model. In addition, significant differences were determined in the way of judicial control by both types of courts, i.e. the administrative courts and common courts (SOKiK).

Key words: Telecommunication law, right to appeal, judicial control, Office of Electronic Communications, right to court access, national regulatory authority, regulatory law, SOKiK (Regional Court in Warsaw – the Court of Competition and Consumer Protection).

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Abstract: The article presents regulatory aspects of financial penalty established in Telecommunications Law of 2004. Discussed are the elements influencing the regulatory functions of the financial penalty such as: the status of the regulatory body authorized to impose financial penalties, statutory rules of the size of the penalty, and the categories of infringements punished by financial penalties. The analysis of this institution of administrative law bases on the provisions of the generally binding law, as well as on the views of the jurisprudence and doctrine and selected decisions of the President of UKE.

Key words: telecommunications, financial penalty, telecommunications market regulation

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Abstract: The article presents evaluation criteria for competitiveness of the telecommunications markets. Criteria are divided into two groups – quantitative and qualitative, the latter including criteria from two different points of view (two different perspectives): market and telecom enterprises. The paper concludes with analysis of competitiveness evaluation criteria as applied by regulatory authorities in proceedings, highlighting asymmetry in the use of different criteria in particular type of proceeding.

Key words: quantitative criteria, qualitative criteria, evaluation of competitiveness, telecommunications markets, regulatory task

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Keywords: telecommunications access, wholesale termination rates, expiry of a decision, amendment of a decision, repeal of a decision

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Key words: geographical data, location data, value added service, Location Based Service

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Key words: strategy, President of UKE, infrastructure, competitiveness, radio frequencies, consumer protection

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