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**1&1 Drillisch AG: Final expert opinion considers price increase claimed by Telefónica in December 2018 in the reviewed period to be unjustified**

**Maintal, 17 December 2020.** Today, 1&1 Drillisch has received the final expert opinion in the proceedings to review the price increase implemented by Telefónica in December 2018 with reference to the 2015 frequency auction.

The expert confirms the result and the calculation method of his draft expert opinion of 8 October 2020. The price increase claimed by Telefónica in December 2018 is fully unjustified for the reviewed period (2016 to 2020) and does not result in a payment obligation of 1&1 Drillisch. No further expert arbitration proceedings initiated by Telefónica are pending.

Conversely, 1&1 Drillisch still demands substantial reductions of the advance service prices under the MBA MVNO agreement with retroactive effect from Telefónica in the price adjustment proceedings 1, 2, 5 and 6. These price adjustment proceedings can only result in an improvement of the purchasing conditions of 1&1 Drillisch, but cannot establish payment obligations of 1&1 Drillisch towards Telefónica.

**About 1&1 Drillisch**

*1*&1 Drillisch AG is a listed telecommunications provider based in Maintal. The company belongs to the United Internet AG group and is one of the largest telecommunications providers with more than 14 million customer contracts.

As the only virtual network operator in Germany 1&1 Drillisch has secure long-term access to the Telefónica network via an MBA MVNO contract. 1&1 Drillisch offers its customers a comprehensive portfolio of services and products in the areas of broadband and mobile communications. In addition to pure mobile communications and DSL products, customers also receive attractive bundled products from mobile communications and fixed networks, supplemented by applications such as home networking, online storage, video-on-demand and IPTV TV. With its diversely positioned brands, 1&1 Drillisch has a strong marketing approach that addresses the market comprehensively and target-group specifically: While 1&1 covers the premium segment, the online brands under the umbrella of Drillisch Online GmbH such as smartmobil.de, yourfone, winSIM, DeutschlandSIM or simplytel appeal to a price-conscious target group.

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