

# Regulatory Alert – Paraguay

## Minimum 4G LTE band requirements

Paraguay Regulator *Comisión Nacional de Telecomunicaciones* (CONATEL) have recently confirmed a minimum set of requirements for Type Approval of devices supporting 4G functionality.

A summary of the new set of requirements for 4G LTE is as follows:

- CONATEL have confirmed that any device supporting 4G LTE operation in the 700MHz band must support LTE band 28.
- If a product supports 4G LTE operation in the 700MHz band but does not support LTE band 28, CONATEL have confirmed that they will be unable to Type Approve the device, unless LTE is disabled for this country.

At this stage, no Paraguayan cellular network providers can offer services in 700MHz – CONATEL have confirmed that a spectrum auction is underway for 700MHz and it is therefore unconfirmed as to when cellular network providers will be able to offer services in this band. Nevertheless, CONATEL have confirmed that it is a mandatory requirement that any device supporting 4G LTE operation in the 700MHz band supports LTE band 28 in order to obtain Type Approval.

CONATEL have confirmed that there is no official Regulation in place which outlines these requirements, and have not indicated when an official notification will be published. Nevertheless, they have confirmed that the minimum 4G LTE requirements are effective immediately and apply to both new and renewal Type Approval applications.

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