

## Definition of Telecommunications Data

### **Also known as Metadata, Communications Data and Communications Associated Data**

This data falls into 2 categories:

- 1. Information that allows a communication to occur**
- 2. Information about the parties to the communications**

Relates to communications for:

1. telephones – both fixed and mobile
2. Internet

#### **Information that allows a communication to occur:**

- The Internet identifier (information that uniquely identifies a person on the Internet) assigned to the user by the provider
- For Mobile service: the number called or texted.
- The service identifier used to send a communication, for example the customer's email address, phone number or VoIP number.
- The time and date of a communication.
- General location information, ie cell tower.
- The duration of the communication.

**Information about the parties to the communications** is information about the person who owns the service. This would include:

- Name of the customer
- Address of the customer
- Postal address of the customer (if different)
- Billing address of the customer (if different)
- Contact details, mobile number, email address and landline phone number
- Same information on recipient party if known by the service provider.

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