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STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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**1998 No. 3023**

**TELECOMMUNICATIONS**

**The Public Telecommunication System  
Designation (VersaTel Telecom BV) Order 1998**

<i>Made</i>	- - - -	<i>3rd December 1998</i>
<i>Laid before Parliament</i>		<i>9th December 1998</i>
<i>Coming into force</i>	- -	<i>7th January 1999</i>

Whereas the Secretary of State has granted to VersaTel Telecom BV on 15th June 1998 a licence (“the Licence”) under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984(1) (“the Act”), to which section 8 of the Act applies, for the running of the telecommunication systems specified in the Licence (“the Applicable Systems”):

Now, therefore, the Secretary of State, in exercise of the powers conferred on him by section 9 of the Act, hereby makes the following Order:—

1. This Order may be cited as the Public Telecommunication System Designation (VersaTel Telecom BV) Order 1998 and shall come into force on 7th January 1999.
2. Each of the Applicable Systems is hereby designated as a public telecommunication system.

3rd December 1998

*Barbara Roche*  
Parliamentary Under Secretary of State for Small  
Firms, Trade and Industry,  
Department of Trade and Industry

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## **EXPLANATORY NOTE**

*(This note is not part of the Order)*

The Secretary of State granted to VersaTel Telecom BV a licence on 15th June 1998 under section 7 of the Telecommunications Act 1984 to run the telecommunication systems specified in the licence. A copy of the licence was laid before Parliament on 9th December 1998. This Order designates those telecommunication systems as public telecommunication systems. Consequently, by virtue of section 9(3) of that Act, VersaTel Telecom BV will be a public telecommunications operator when the Order comes into force on 7th January 1999.

A copy of the licence may be obtained from the Office of Telecommunications, 50 Ludgate Hill, London, EC4M 7JJ.