10 November 2025

# IN THE HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE

## THE BUSINESS AND PROPERTY COURTS OF ENGLAND & WALES

**INSOLVENCY AND COMPANIES LIST (ChD)** 

IN THE MATTER OF:

NORTEL NETWORKS UK LIMITED (THE "COMPANY")

No. 536 of 2009 / CR-2016-006154

### AND IN THE MATTER OF THE INSOLVENCY ACT 1986

# HEARING DATE SET FOR APPLICATION TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE ADMINISTRATION AND FIX THE TIME FOR THE JOINT ADMINISTRATORS' DISCHARGE FROM LIABILITY

On 7 November 2025, the Joint Administrators submitted an application to the Court for an order that:

- i) the current and former Joint Administrators be discharged from liability pursuant to paragraph 98(2)(c) of Schedule B1 of the Insolvency Act 1986 with effect from 28 days after the date on which a notice from the Joint Administrators pursuant to paragraph 84(1) of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986 has been registered by the Registrar of Companies;
- ii) the Joint Administrators' term of office as joint administrators of the Company be extended for a further period of 3 months pursuant to paragraph 76(2)(a) of Schedule B1 to the Insolvency Act 1986, so as to expire at 12:01 p.m. on 13 April 2026;
- iii) if the Joint Administrators do not: (i) deliver a notice declaring a final dividend in accordance with rule 14.35 of the Insolvency (England and Wales) Rules 2016; and (ii) receive a final refund from His Majesty's Revenue and Customs in respect of the Company's VAT return in respect of the period from 1 October 2025 to 31 December 2025 on or before 5 p.m. on 16 March 2026, the Joint Administrators shall promptly inform the ICC Judges' clerks of the same and the matter shall be re-listed for hearing within 14 days; and
- iv) the costs of and incidental to the Application be paid as expenses of the Administration,

# (the "Application").

The hearing of the Application has been set for 24 November 2025 in The Rolls Building, London EC4A 1NL. The hearing is scheduled for 10.30 am or as soon thereafter with the order of cases and exact time to be determined by the ICC Judge on the day of the hearing. It is anticipated that the Application will be heard under the ICC Judges' Applications List for urgent applications pursuant to paragraphs 21.50 to 21.61 of The Business and Property Courts of England & Wales Chancery Guide 2022.

If you consider that you are affected by the Application, then you have a right to appear at the hearing and be heard if you choose to do so. If you intend to appear at the hearing, we would be grateful if you would inform the Joint Administrators' solicitors, Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer LLP (c/o Matthias Steiner, <a href="matthias.steiner@hsfkramer.com">matthias.steiner@hsfkramer.com</a>) at your earliest convenience.

A copy of Stephen John Harris' twenty-fourth witness statement in support of the Application can be found on www.emeanortel.com. A copy of the exhibit is available on request.

The Joint Administrators intend to provide a further update following the hearing.

S J Harris

#### Joint Administrator

The Institute of Chartered Accountants in England and Wales in the UK authorises S J Harris to act as an Insolvency Practitioner under section 390A(2)(a) of the Insolvency Act 1986 and the Insolvency Practitioners Association authorises A M Hudson and S J Edel to act as an Insolvency Practitioner under section 390A(2)(a) of the Insolvency Act 1986. As Insolvency Practitioners, they are bound by the Insolvency Code of Ethics in carrying out all professional work relating to the appointment.

The affairs, business and property of the Company are being managed by the Joint Administrators, S J Harris, A M Hudson and S J Edel who act as agents of the Company only and without personal liability.

The Joint Administrators, may collect, use, transfer, store or otherwise process (collectively, "Process") information that can be linked to specific individuals ("Personal Data"). They may Process Personal Data in various jurisdictions in accordance with applicable law and professional regulations including (without limitation) the Data Protection Act 2018.

The Joint Administrators may act as data controllers of Personal Data as defined by the UK General Data Protection Regulation (as incorporated in the Data Protection Act 2018), depending upon the specific processing activities undertaken. Ernst & Young LLP and/or the Company may act as a data processor on the instructions of the Joint Administrators. Personal Data will be kept secure and Processed only for matters relating to the Joint Administrators' appointment. The Office Holder Data Privacy Notice can be found at <a href="https://www.ey.com/uk/officeholderprivacy">www.ey.com/uk/officeholderprivacy</a>.

# **Statutory Information**

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