

Cellular mast emissions survey: Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)



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1 Executive summary

The Jersey Competition and Regulatory Authority or JCRA regularly monitors emission levels from the cellular masts in Jersey¹ to ensure the mobile network operators who operate their services from those masts comply with their license obligations in terms of power levels and that the levels from the sites meet the internationally recognised standards and guidelines regarding health and safety limits for the public.

In 2017, the JCRA commissioned surveys to measure the electromagnetic field (EMF) emission levels at all the sites hosting mobile telecommunication equipment within the island. Further surveys have been conducted in each subsequent year focussing on new sites, those where significant changes have been made by the operators or those where the public have raised concerns to the JCRA in the previous year. This report presents the results of the survey conducted at the Communication Services Tower (La Chasse) site in 2025.

In 2025, the Jersey mobile network operators have launched their first commercial 5G services. This year's audits therefore include the frequency bands used for 5G, noting however that not all sites currently have 5G transmitting equipment.

The Communication Services Tower (La Chasse) site was used by multiple operators at the time of the survey: Airtel, JT and Sure. Surveys were conducted at all cellular frequency bands (700, 800, 900, 1800, 2100, 2600 and 3400MHz) for all mobile cellular technologies (2G, 3G, 4G and 5G) and for all three cellular operators as a routine procedure. Even though the reported levels are expected to be predominantly emitted from this site, the test equipment does not discriminate between nearby sites which means that the levels are cumulated over all site emissions detected by the test instrument.

The survey established that the emission levels around the site were very low and well below the safety limits for the public advised by internationally recognised standards.

The values shown hereafter are the maximum levels recorded around the site following a peak search. The levels were found to be lower at all the other locations round this site. The recorded values are true at the time of testing and can go up or down depending on the level of user activity on the site.

The total Exposure Quotient (EQ) for the site recorded across all detected cellular frequency bands is given at the bottom of the summary table below. A total EQ close to 1 (one) for the site would mean that emission levels approach the safety limit advised by ICNIRP in their guidelines.

Table 1 – Total EQ by frequency band

Site Name	Band [MHz]	Max E-field in band [V/m]	Operator at Max E-field	ICNIRP Limit Relative to Max E-field	Band Exposure Quotient	Band EQ Relative to ICNIRP
Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)	700	0.1805	JT	215	0.000277894	1/ 3598
	800	0.3433	JT	113	0.000688172	1/ 1453
	900	0.2622	Sure	157	0.00027404	1/ 3649
	1800	0.2235	JT	261	0.00058605	1/ 1706
	2100	0.186	JT	328	0.000219431	1/ 4557
	2600	0.08947	JT	682	4.52373E-05	1/ 22106
	3400	0.05629	JT	691	3.93924E-05	1/ 25386
Total Site EQ					0.002130218	1/ 469

¹ Prior to 1 July 2020, the JCRA and the Guernsey Competition & Regulatory Authority coordinated their activities in the Channel Islands as the Channel Islands Competition Regulatory Authorities (CICRA). Earlier reports may refer to CICRA rather than JCRA.

The results show that the total EQ was measured at 0.213% of ICNIRP's *General Public* Reference Levels (or about 1/469) and the site therefore remains safe.

The graphs which follow show the activity on all the frequency bands surveyed. The plots are colour-coded for easy identification of the operator. On each plot, the solid red line represents the Airtel activity, the light blue is JT, the dark blue is Sure, the light grey is Clear (Clear only operates in the 2100MHz band) and the green line is Newtel (Newtel only operates a license in the 3400MHz band). Note however that not all operators are present in each frequency band but the colour assigned to each operator remains the same throughout.

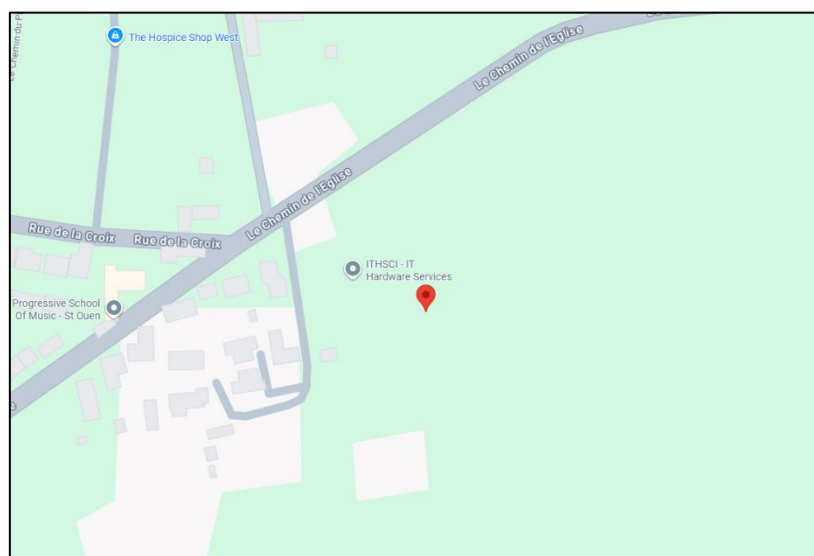
ICNIRP's *General Public* Reference Level is also shown as the dashed line at the top of the graphs. For clarity, each step on the vertical axis represents a 10-fold increase. The same scaling and colour scheme will be used on the plots throughout this report.

The graphs are also supported by the equivalent statistical tables derived from the measured levels at the site for added clarity.

2 Site details

2.1 Site location

Figure 1 – Map of the site area



Site name:	Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)
Site address:	La Chasse Radio station/transmitter
Site latitude:	49.23316
Site longitude:	-2.19405

2.2 Site description

Operators:	Airtel / JT / Sure
Antenna types:	Directional Antennas
Approximate height:	37m
Site type:	Lattice Mast
Description:	The tower hosting the antennas is located at the back of the main building, out of reach of the public.

2.3 Site photo

Figure 2 – Location of the peak where emission levels were measured.



2.4 Test location

Figure 3 – Survey area with spot measurement markers



As part of the peak search procedure, spot measurements were taken at locations around the antennas as shown on the above sketch.

The blue triangle is the antenna location, yellow lines are the walk route, the green circles are intermediate locations measured at during the peak search and the red circle is the spot where the highest spot search reading was obtained and where the detailed survey was carried out.

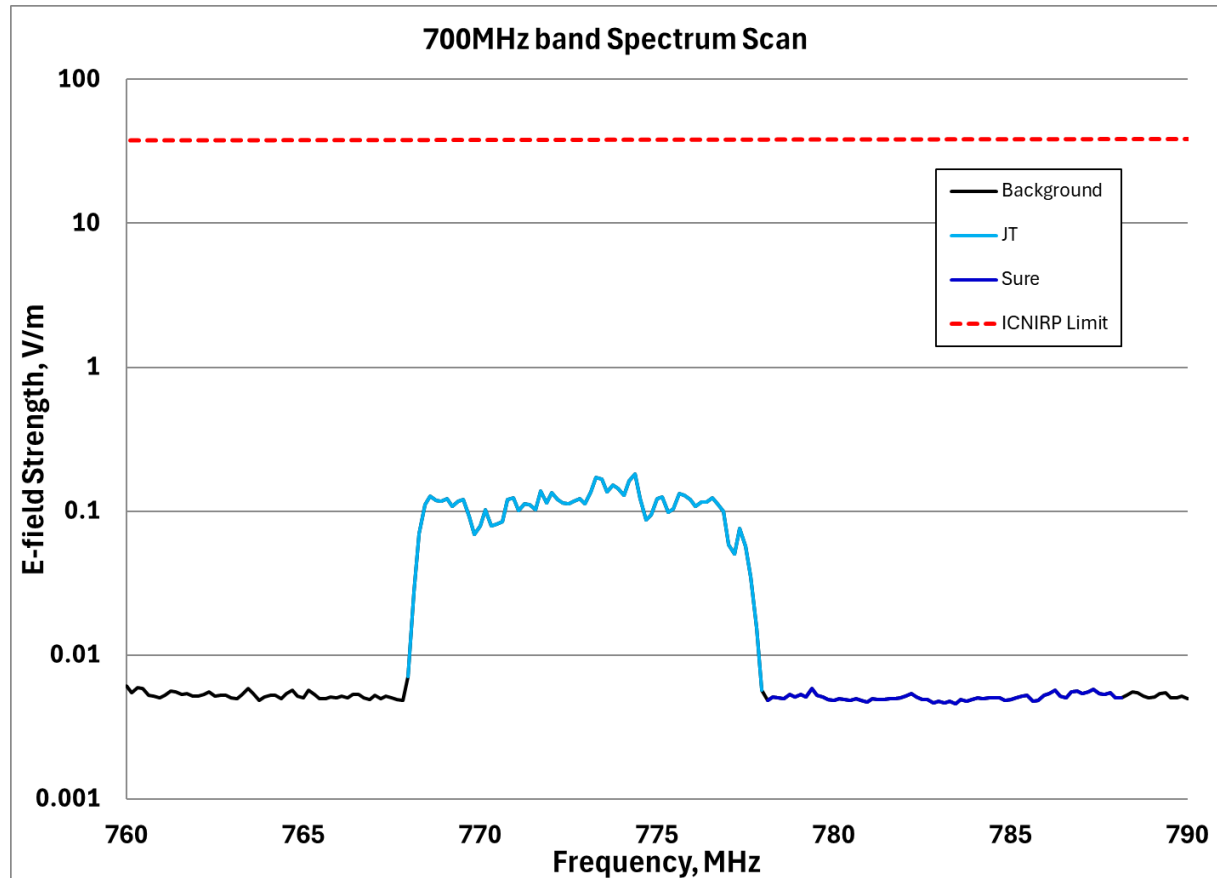
The spectrum readings reported further down this report were recorded over a period of six minutes as advised by ICNIRP.

3 Survey results

3.1 700MHz band

The graph for the 700MHz activity is shown below with the E-field strength levels measured at the site plotted on a logarithmic scale.

Figure 4 – 700MHz band spectrum scan



No field level recorded across the band was higher than 0.1805 V/m (JT), which is 215 times smaller than the ICNIRP Reference Level.

The EQ results for the 700MHz band are shown below.

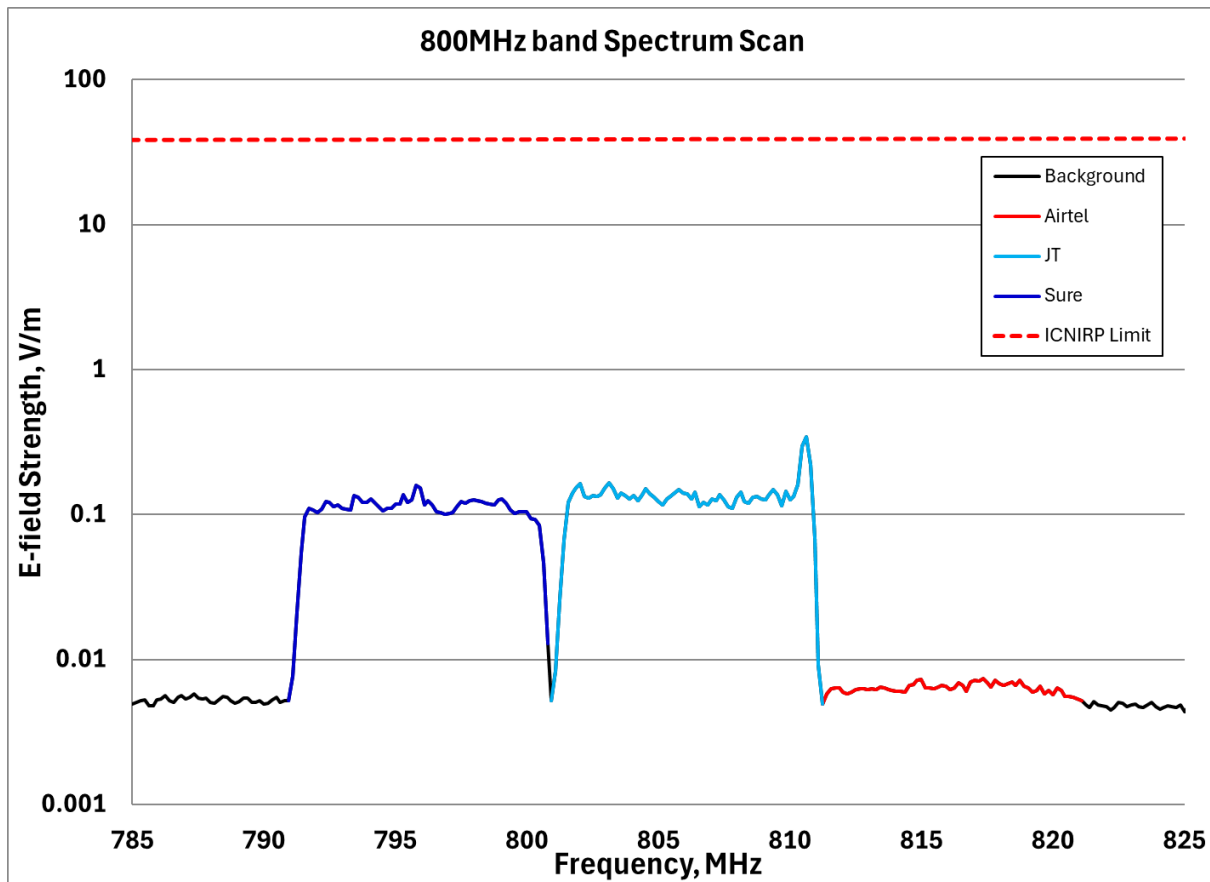
Table 2 – 700MHz band exposure quotient at Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)

Site Name	Operator	Band [MHz]	Max E-field Strength [V/m]	ICNIRP Limit Relative to Max E-field	Band Exposure Quotient	Band EQ Relative to ICNIRP
Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)	JT	700	0.1805	215	0.000277328	1/ 3606
	Sure		0.005814	6689	5.66254E-07	1/ 1765992
	total band EQ					0.000277894

3.2 800MHz band

The graph for the 800MHz activity is shown below.

Figure 5 – 800MHz band spectrum scan



No field level recorded across the band was higher than 0.3433 V/m (JT), which is 113 times smaller than the ICNIRP Reference Level.

The EQ results for the 800MHz band are shown below.

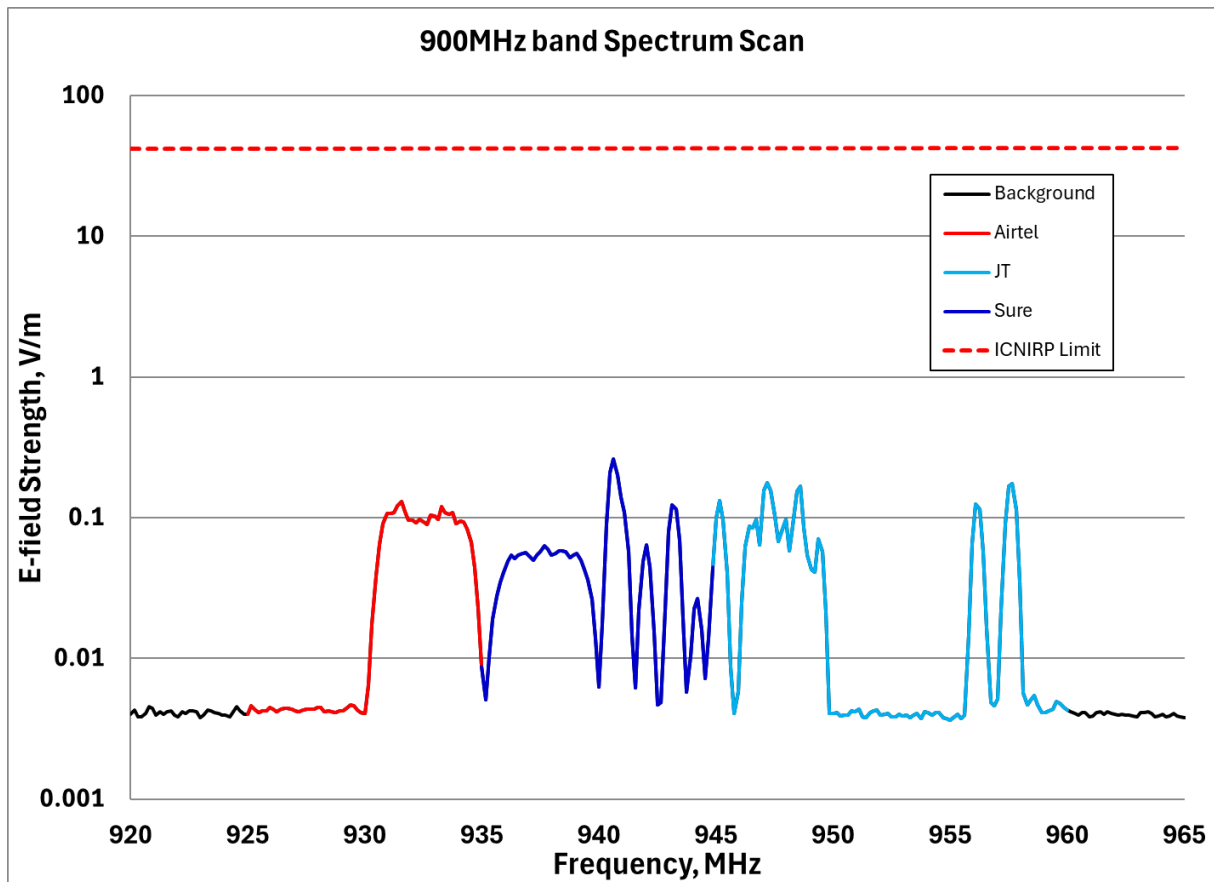
Table 3 – 800MHz band exposure quotient at Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)

Site Name	Operator	Band [MHz]	Max E-field Strength [V/m]	ICNIRP Limit Relative to Max E-field	Band Exposure Quotient	Band EQ Relative to ICNIRP
Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)	Airtel	800	0.007342	5297	8.38855E-07	1/ 1192101
	JT		0.3433	113	0.000425013	1/ 2353
	Sure		0.159	245	0.000262321	1/ 3812
	total band EQ				0.000688172	1/ 1453

3.3 900MHz band

The graph for the 900MHz activity is shown below.

Figure 6 – 900MHz band spectrum scan



No field level recorded across the band was higher than 0.2622 V/m (Sure), which is 157 times smaller than the ICNIRP Reference Level.

The EQ results for the 900MHz band are shown below.

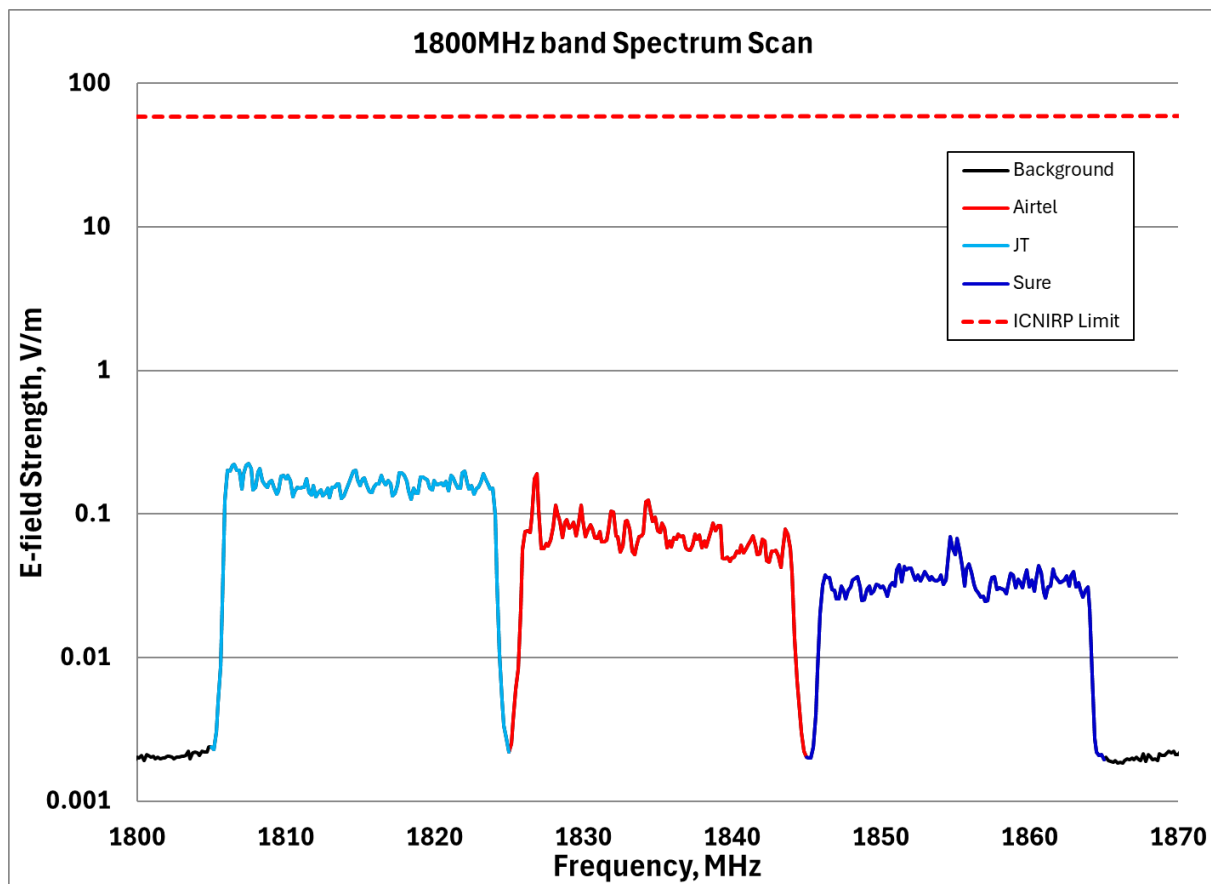
Table 4 – 900MHz band exposure quotient at Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)

Site Name	Operator	Band [MHz]	Max E-field Strength [V/m]	ICNIRP Limit Relative to Max E-field	Band Exposure Quotient	Band EQ Relative to ICNIRP
Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)	Airtel	900	0.1295	319	7.5507E-05	1/ 13244
	JT		0.1764	234	0.000108019	1/ 9258
	Sure		0.2622	157	9.0514E-05	1/ 11048
total band EQ					0.00027404	1/ 3649

3.4 1800MHz band

The graph for the 1800MHz activity around the site is shown below.

Figure 7 – 1800MHz spectrum scan



No field level recorded across the band was higher than 0.2235 V/m (JT), which is 261 times smaller than the ICNIRP Reference Level.

The EQ results for the 1800MHz band are shown below.

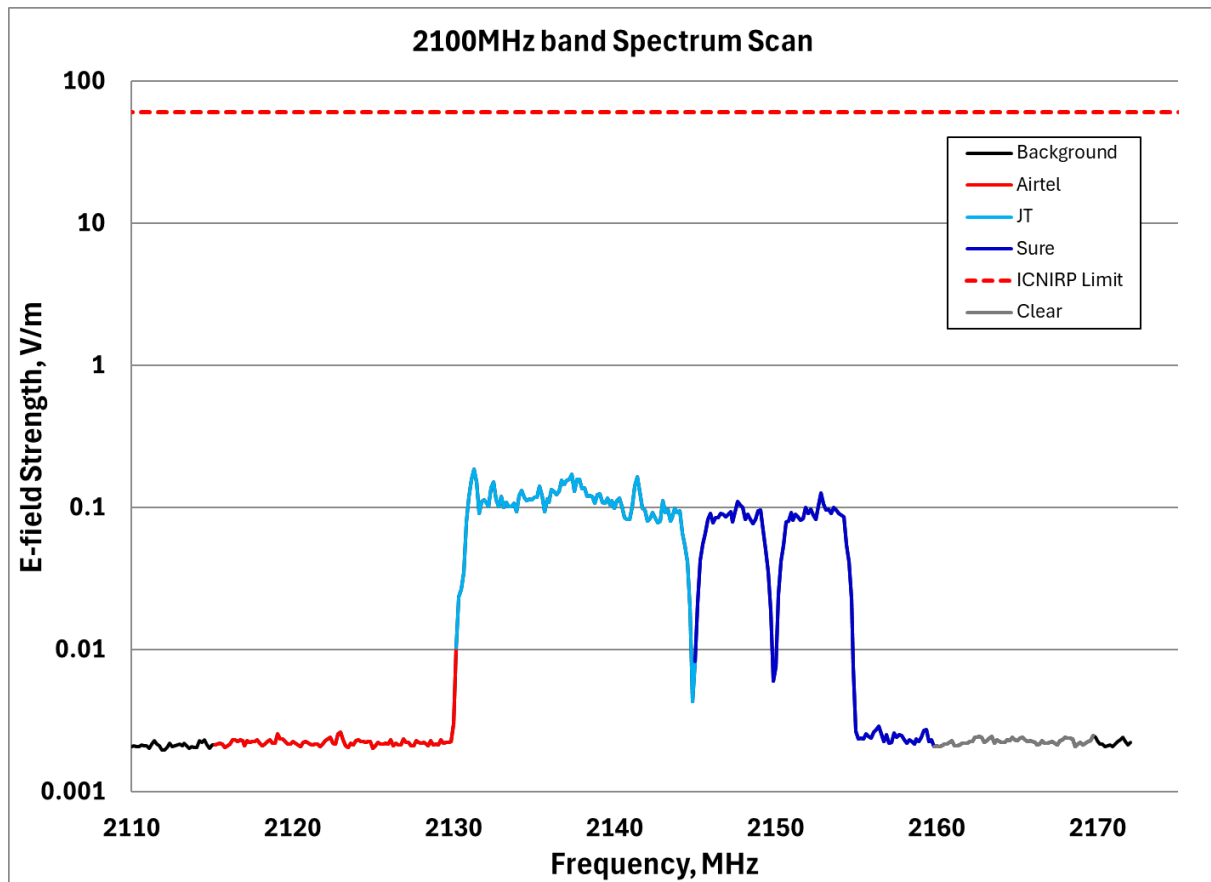
Table 5 – 1800MHz band exposure quotient at Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)

Site Name	Operator	Band [MHz]	Max E-field Strength [V/m]	ICNIRP Limit Relative to Max E-field	Band Exposure Quotient	Band EQ Relative to ICNIRP
Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)	Airtel	1800	0.1897	308	9.7471E-05	1/ 10259
	JT		0.2235	261	0.00046765	1/ 2138
	Sure		0.06998	834	2.09296E-05	1/ 47779
	total band EQ				0.00058605	1/ 1706

3.5 2100MHz band

The graph for the 2100MHz band activity around the site is shown below.

Figure 8 – 2100MHz band spectrum scan



No field level recorded across the band was higher than 0.186 V/m (JT), which is 328 times smaller than the ICNIRP Reference Level.

The EQ results for the 2100MHz band are shown below.

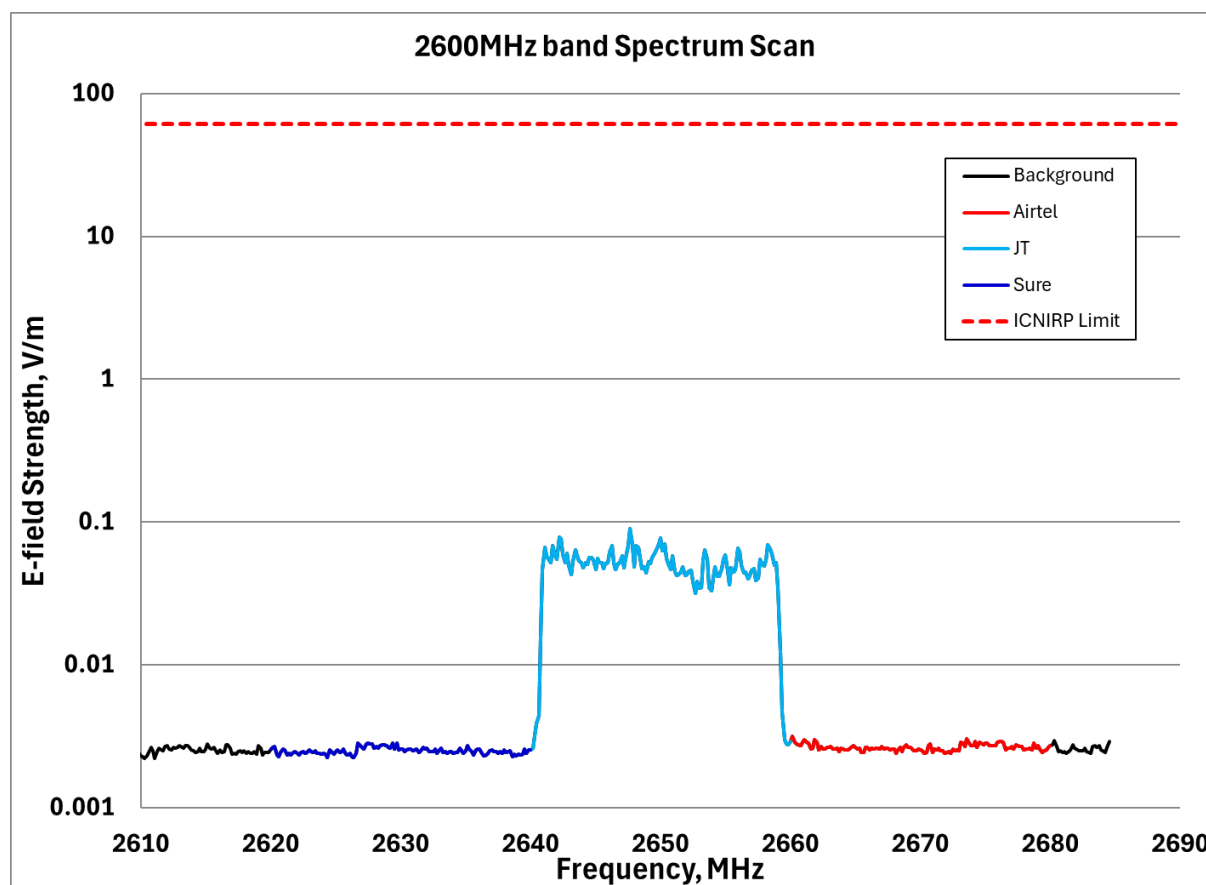
Table 6 – 2100MHz band exposure quotient at Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)

Site Name	Operator	Band [MHz]	Max E-field Strength [V/m]	ICNIRP Limit Relative to Max E-field	Band Exposure Quotient	Band EQ Relative to ICNIRP
Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)	Airtel	2100	0.01035	5894	7.91729E-08	1/ 12630592
	Clear		0.002489	24508	4.42361E-08	1/ 22605963
	JT		0.186	328	0.000163447	1/ 6118
	Sure		0.1268	481	5.58607E-05	1/ 17902
total band EQ					0.000219431	1/ 4557

3.6 2600MHz band

The graph for the 2600MHz band activity around the site is shown below.

Figure 9 – 2600MHz band spectrum scan



No field level recorded across the band was higher than 0.08947 V/m (JT), which is 682 times smaller than the ICNIRP Reference Level.

The EQ results for the 2600MHz band are shown below.

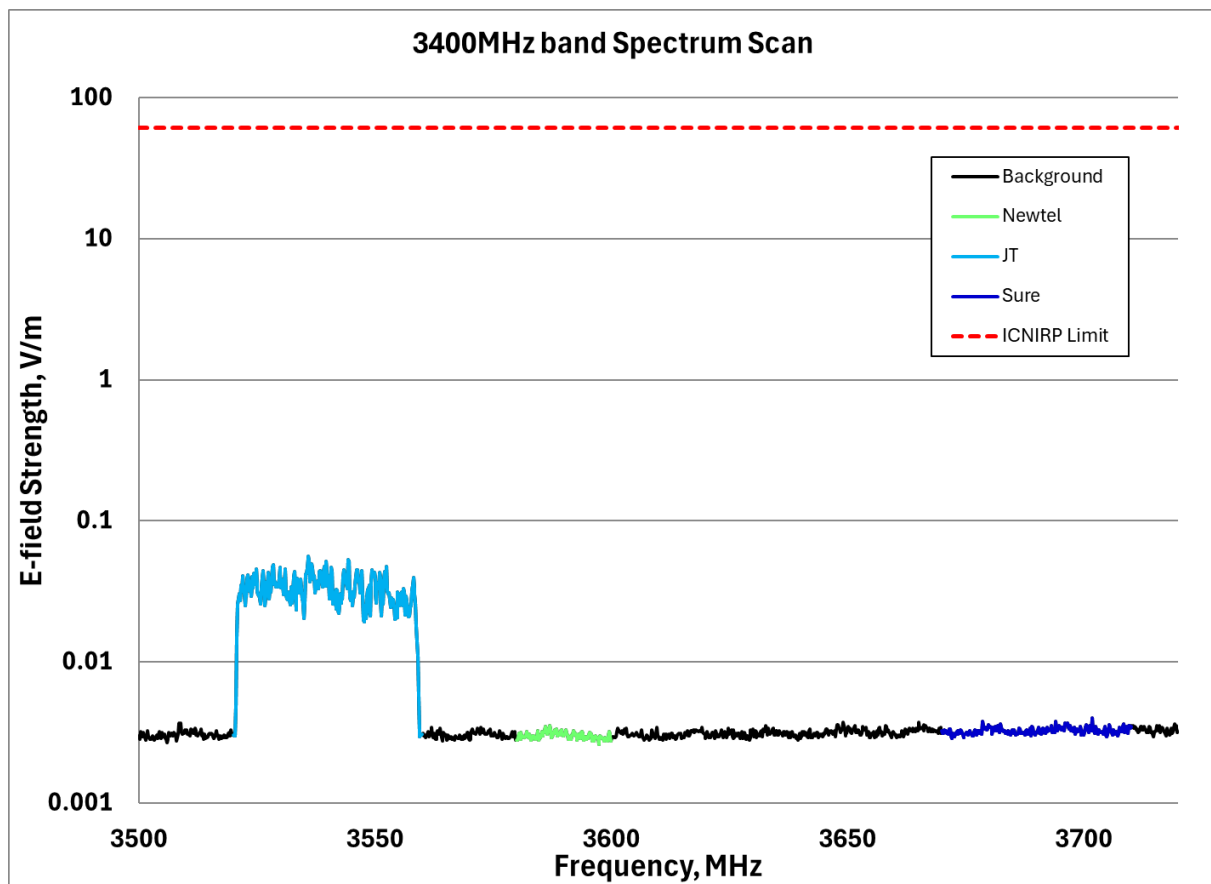
Table 7 – 2600MHz band exposure quotient at Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)

Site Name	Operator	Band [MHz]	Max E-field Strength [V/m]	ICNIRP Limit Relative to Max E-field	Band Exposure Quotient	Band EQ Relative to ICNIRP
Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)	Airtel	2600	0.003149	19371	1.21523E-07	1/ 8228900
	JT		0.08947	682	4.50075E-05	1/ 22219
	Sure		0.002844	21449	1.08343E-07	1/ 9229965
total band EQ					4.52373E-05	1/ 22106

3.7 3400MHz band

The graph for the 3400-3800MHz band activity around the site is shown below.

Figure 10 – 3400MHz band spectrum scan



No field level recorded across the band was higher than 0.05629 V/m (JT), which is 691 times smaller than the ICNIRP Reference Level.

The EQ results for the 3400MHz band are shown below.

Table 8 – 3400MHz band exposure quotient at Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)

Site Name	Operator	Band [MHz]	Max E-field Strength [V/m]	ICNIRP Limit Relative to Max E-field	Band Exposure Quotient	Band EQ Relative to ICNIRP
Communication Services Tower (La Chasse)	Newtel	3400	0.003507	11089	1.56687E-07	1/ 6382145
	JT		0.05629	691	3.88698E-05	1/ 25727
	Sure		0.004003	9715	3.65921E-07	1/ 2732832
	total band EQ				3.93924E-05	1/ 25386

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