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Another company agrees digital royalties deal

A further company operating in the UK digital music market has reached a settlement relating to the royalties paid to composers, songwriters and music publishers for the digital delivery of music for online and mobile use.

The three-year deal has been agreed between the MCPS-PRS Alliance representing composers, songwriters and music publishers, and another digital music service provider, Sony CONNECT.

As with the settlement between the MCPS-PRS Alliance and the British Phonographic Industry, iTunes, O2, Orange, T-Mobile and Vodafone, and the further announcement on Monday 9 October with MusicNet and Napster, composers, songwriters and music publishers will receive 8% of Gross Revenue less VAT when their music is offered in Sony CONNECT's current music service. These rates are subject to minimum royalties.

As a result, Sony will withdraw its reference to the Copyright Tribunal.

Again, both parties to the settlement welcome the agreement and are committed to working together to drive the on-going growth of the legitimate digital music market.

The Copyright Tribunal proceedings are scheduled to continue in mid-November in respect of issues which remain unresolved between the MCPS-PRS Alliance and three other parties as well as a single issue that remains outstanding for each of the mobile network operators and iTunes.

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NOTE TO EDITORS:

The MCPS-PRS Alliance. MCPS and PRS are the UK collecting societies that ensure composers, songwriters and publishers are paid royalties when their music is used: from live performance to TV and radio, CDs to DVDs, downloads, streams and everything in between. Royalties create a future for music by supporting creators while they continue to write. MCPS and PRS are committed to delivering maximum royalties and world-class service. They work together in an operational alliance to get the best value for the music use of composers and songwriters everywhere. www.mcps-prs-alliance.co.uk