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Telecom policy on InterconnectionUsage Charges

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To

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Sub: Telecom policy on Interconnection Usage Charges

Dear Sir

We would like to bring to your information about TRAI statement that the research conducted by TRAI has suggested that "experience in other countries showed that reducing termination rates has benefitted consumers and enhanced competition". Going the full distance i.e. reducing terminating rates to zero by introduction of the BAK regime would help in immediately realizing these benefits.

BAK will encourage flat rate billing and time differentiated charges, both of which will improve capacity utilisation and will be in the interest of consumers. It will also reduce the inter-operator off-net traffic imbalance, and thus could help in convergence to an equilibrium situation, the paper said.

In the above lines, we fail to understand why TRAI wants to Review its earlier decision on IUC? We suggest the IUC regime should do away with and Bill and Keep regime should be introduced with termination charges as zero paise.

Thanking You

With regards

Yours faithfully,

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