IDA Reference: INTC.03.0004



27 September 2007

Singapore Telecommunications Limited 31 Exeter Road, #27-00 Comcentre, Singapore 239732

Attention:

Ms Chua Sock Koong

Group Chief Executive Officer

Dear Sirs

DIRECTION OF THE INFO-COMMUNICATIONS DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE: MODIFICATION OF REFERENCE INTERCONNECTION OFFER ("RIO") TO PROVIDE FOR RECOVERY OF ONE-TIME SYSTEM SET-UP CHARGE ("OTSSC") FOR TAIL LOCAL LEASED CIRCUITS AS AN INTERCONNECTION RELATED SERVICE ("IRS TLLC")

- 1. The Info-communications Development Authority of Singapore ("IDA"), pursuant to the Info-communications Development Authority of Singapore Act (Chapter 137A), Section 27(1) of the Telecommunications Act (Chapter 323) (the "Act") and Condition 34.1 of the Licence to Provide Facilities-Based Operations issued to Singapore Telecommunications Limited ("SingTel") on 1 April 1992, hereby issues this Direction to SingTel.
- 2. Please refer to the following documents:
 - a. IDA's Direction dated 14 September 2007, requiring SingTel to propose modifications to its RIO to reflect the imposition of an OTSSC for IRS TLLC up to a maximum sum of S\$17,130.98, as well as its proposed mechanism for recovery of the OTSCC ("14 Sept 07 Direction"); and
 - b. SingTel's proposed modifications to the Main Body and Schedule 9 of its RIO, submitted to IDA on 21 September 2007 ("Proposed Modifications").
- 3. Having reviewed the Proposed Modifications, IDA has concluded that SingTel's proposed modifications to the Main Body of its RIO are in conformity with IDA's requirements as expressed in the 14 Sept 07 Direction.
- 4. Nevertheless, IDA concluded that certain of SingTel's proposed modifications to Schedule 9 of its RIO require further amendments to

comply with IDA's 14 Sept 07 Direction. For clarity, IDA hereby directs SingTel to incorporate the specific drafting language to clause 4.5.11(c) of Schedule 9 as set out below:

- "(c) The One-Time System Set-Up Charge is effective for a period of five (5) years from the date of the first payment of the One-Time System Set-Up Charge by an the first FBO that acquired the IRS Tail Circuit Service under Schedule 4C ("Effective Charge Period"). For the avoidance of doubt:
 - (i) Any Requesting Licensee FBOs that acquires the IRS Tail Circuit Service under Schedule 4C after the Effective Charge Period shall five (5) years after the date of the first payment of the One-Time System Set Up Charge by a FBO are not be required obliged to pay the One-Time System Set-up Charge; and
 - (ii) SingTel is not obliged to make any credit adjustments to the Requesting Licensee after the Effective Charge Perioda period of five (5) years from the date of the first payment of the One Time System Set Up Charge by a FBO.
- 5. IDA hereby approves SingTel's Proposed Modifications incorporating the amendments directed in paragraph 4 above ("Approved RIO Amendments") with immediate effect. In this respect, IDA reminds SingTel of its obligations under Sub-section 6.3.5 of the Telecom Competition Code 2005 to amend all applicable RIO-based Interconnection Agreements to fully conform to the Approved RIO Amendments.
- 6. SingTel must submit to IDA for posting on IDA's website, one clean hardcopy and one clean softcopy of its revised RIO incorporating the Approved RIO Amendments <u>within 7 calendar days from the date of this Direction</u>. The softcopy submission must be made in Adobe PDF and Microsoft Word formats and emailed to: Liau_Chie_Kiong@ida.gov.sg.
- 7. Any clarification required on this Direction must be made in writing, marked for the attention of our Mr. Andrew J. Haire (Deputy Director-General (Telecoms)), and faxed to 6211 2116. Please note that any clarification sought by SingTel will not affect SingTel's obligation to comply fully with this Direction.

Yours faithfully,

Leong Keng Thai

Deputy Chief Executive Officer / Director-General (Telecoms)