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**INTRODUCTION**

- 1 The Code of Practice for Competition in the Provision of Telecommunication Services (“Telecom Competition Code”) issued by the Info-communications Authority of Singapore (“IDA”) came into effect on 29 September 2000 to ensure fair competition in a competitive environment, safeguard consumer welfare and to guide licensees on their interconnection negotiation. Under Sub-section 5.3.1 of the Telecom Competition Code, the dominant licensees designated by IDA are required to submit a proposed Reference Interconnection Offer (“RIO”) to the IDA within 30 days of the effective date of the Code.
- 2 The RIO will contain a comprehensive and complete written statement of the prices, terms and conditions on which the dominant licensee is prepared to provide Interconnection Related Services to any requesting licensee.
- 3 Singapore Telecommunications Ltd (SingTel), the designated dominant licensee, has submitted its proposed RIO on 30 October 2000 and 1 November 2000. As such, the proposed RIO is posted on IDA’s website ([www.ida.gov.sg](http://www.ida.gov.sg)) as follows :

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*Main body of the RIO*

*Schedules*

**Physical and Virtual Interconnection**

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	-	Interconnection for FBOS
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**Origination/Termination/Transit**

Schedule 2A	-	Call Origination Service
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Unbundled Network Services

- Schedule 3A - Licensing of Local Loop/Sub-Loop
- Schedule 3B - Line Sharing
- Schedule 3C - Sale of Internal Wiring
- Schedule 3D - Licensing of Building MDF Distribution Frame
- Schedule 4 - Emergency Services

Essential Support Facilities

- Schedule 5A - Licensing to Lead-in Duct and Its Associated Lead-in Manholes
- Schedule 5B - Licensing of Tower Space and Co-Location at Tower Sites

Number Portability

- Schedule 6 - Number Portability Service

Wholesale Services

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Co-location

- Schedule 8A - Co-location for Point of Interconnection
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- 4 Singapore CableVision Ltd has been exempted by IDA from the provisions in Sub-section 5.3.1 as indicated in the notice in the Government Gazette made on 15 September 2000.

## **REQUEST FOR COMMENTS**

- 5 IDA hereby invites licensees, potential entrants, other regulatory authorities, users, and any other interested parties to submit written comments regarding the proposed RIO.
- 6 IDA requests that commenters use the following format:
- Description of the commenting party and its interest in the proceeding;
  - Summary of the commenting party's position;
  - General comments; and
  - Views regarding specific provisions of the proposed RIO.
- 7 Parties should identify the specific provisions of the RIO (by number) on which they are commenting. Where appropriate, commenting parties are encouraged to suggest additional or different language accompanied by an explanation of the reasons for the proposal.
- 8 All parties are asked to keep comments clear and succinct.
- 9 All comments should be submitted to IDA in hard copy (6 copies) and diskette (Word 97 Format). Comments may also be emailed. All written comments must be submitted to IDA by **5 pm on Wednesday, 15 November 2000**. Comments received after that time will not be accepted or considered. Comments should be addressed to:

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- 10 IDA will post all comments on its website ([www.ida.gov.sg](http://www.ida.gov.sg)).
- 11 IDA will not entertain requests for private meetings to discuss the proposed RIO.
- 12 IDA will issue its decision, within 30 days from the date of SingTel's submission of the proposed RIO, taking the public and industry comments into consideration, on whether it would accept, reject or require modification of the proposed RIO or it requires a additional 15 days for its review. If IDA requires an additional 15 days for its review, IDA will notify the dominant licensee prior to the 30<sup>th</sup> day.