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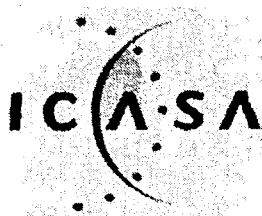
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## GENERAL NOTICE

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## INDEPENDENT COMMUNICATIONS AUTHORITY OF SOUTH AFRICA

**NOTICE OF CORRECTION ON DRAFT SUPPLEMENTARY GUIDELINES FOR INTERCONNECTION OF UNDERSERVED AREAS IN TERMS OF SECTION 40A(6) AND SECTION 43 OF THE TELECOMMUNICATIONS ACT NO. 103 OF 1996 AS AMENDED ("THE ACT") PUBLISHED ON THE 20<sup>TH</sup> OF AUGUST 2002 UNDER GAZETTE NUMBER 23771.**

The Independent Communications Authority of South Africa (the Authority) hereby gives notice that the Notice number 1494, published on the 20<sup>th</sup> of August 2002 containing the draft guidelines for interconnection of under serviced area licencees in terms of section 40A (6), is hereby amended or corrected as set out in this Notice.

Interested persons are invited to submit written comments or representations in relation to the **amended draft** contained in the schedule no later than 16h00 on the **08 of November 2002**. Such comments are to be forwarded to ICASA for the attention of Ms Michelle Hajari and may be e-mailed, faxed, posted or hand delivered at the following contact details:

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### SCHEDULE

1. **Section 1** of the draft is hereby amended by the insertion of the following definitions :

(a) ***“Asymmetrical”***- shall mean different termination charges depending on the direction of the telecommunications traffic at the point of interconnection (POI).

(b) ***“fixed to fixed”***-shall mean the fee charged for a call from one public switched telecommunications network (PSTN) to another PSTN.

(c) ***“fixed to mobile retail tariff”***-shall mean the fee charged for a call which originates from a PSTN and terminates on a mobile cellular network.

(d) ***“Public Operator”***-shall mean a licensed provider of a public switched telecommunications service or a mobile cellular telecommunications service or an under-served area licensee.

(e) ***“Symmetrical”***- shall mean an equal termination charge for telecommunications traffic flowing in either directions at the POI.

(f) ***“Termination of charges”***-shall mean the fee charged for terminating a call on a network, other than the network from which the call originated.

(g) ***“Current relevant call charge”***-shall mean the existing minimum fee charged for a call (peak or off-peak) from a PSTN operator to mobile cellular telecommunications network operator.

2. **Section 3** is amended as follows:

2.1 The contents of existing paragraph 3.1.2 are deleted in their entirety and substituted with the following:

**“3.1.2 USAL TO MOBILE CELLULAR NETWORK**

- (i) **the termination charges between the under-served area licensee and the mobile cellular operators shall be symmetrical and shall not exceed half the current relevant call charge.”**

3. The contents of **Appendix A** are deleted in their entirety and substituted with the following:

**$C_{put}$  : termination charge by USAL for calls from a PSTN operator.**

**$C_{upt}$  : termination charge by a PSTN operator for calls from a USAL operator.**

**$C_t$  : the sum of  $C_{pu}$  and  $C_{up}$**

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