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Subject: Review of Approved Settlement Rate/LDI Share and APC

This is with reference to the Rule 9 of Access Promotion Rules, 2004 (AP Rules) and hearings held on March 12, 2008 and March 28, 2008 on the captioned subject.

2. The Authority after due deliberation and hearing the arguments of different stakeholders has decided to revise the Approved Settlement Rate (ASR) for LDI operators at US\$ 0.10 per minute w.e.f. May 1, 2008. The ASR of US\$ 0.10 per minute shall constitute of the following:

APCL Contribution:

US\$ 0.05 per minute

LDI Share:

US\$ 0.05 per minute

- 3. The LDI licensees shall be liable to contribute to APC for USF in accordance with Rule 8 of AP Rules. The Licensees are required to ensure compliance with the AP Rules particularly in terms of Approved Settlement Rate, One Country One Rate, Symmetric Settlement Rate Regime and Bilateral Agreements.
- 4. Moreover, the LDI licensees are also directed to ensure that the agreements signed with foreign operators for the purpose of origination and termination of international traffic remain within the permissible range as provided under the AP Rules.
- 5. The Authority shall review the aforementioned Approved Settlement Rate and its constituents in accordance with the Rule 9 of AP Rules.

6. This issues with approval of the Authority.

Aasif Inam
DG (Commercial Affairs)

To:

- 1. PTCL
- 2. NTC
- 3. All LDI Operators
- 4. All LL Operators
- 5. All Cellular Operators

CC:

- 1. MoIT
- 2. All DGs, PTA
- 3. DD (Protocol) to Chairman, PTA
- 4. PS to Member (Finance), PTA
- 5. PS to Member (Technical), PTA