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**TRAI extends the time for receiving comments on the consultation paper on
“DTH issues relating to tariff Regulation and new issues under reference from
Ministry of Information and Broadcasting”**

New Delhi, 12th May, 2009 – A consultation paper on “DTH issues relating to tariff Regulation and new issues under reference from Ministry of Information and Broadcasting” was issued by Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) on 6th March, 2009. The paper was launched on TRAI’s website (www.tra.gov.in) on the same day and comments of the stakeholders on the subject were invited initially by 30.03.2009. The period for submission of comments was later extended on request upto 24.04.2009.

2. Meanwhile Special Leave Petitions were preferred in the Hon'ble Supreme Court of India on behalf of M/s Star Den Media Services Private Limited, M/s MSM Discovery India Private Limited and Indian Broadcasting Foundation (IBF) against the orders of Hon'ble Punjab and Haryana High Court in CWP No 16097 of 2007 by which the Authority was directed to decide on the representation of M/s Tata Sky Limited.

3. The matter was listed in the Hon'ble Supreme Court on 04.05.2009 wherein the court directed TRAI to proceed with its consultation paper uninfluenced by the views expressed by Hon'ble High Court. During the hearing before the Hon'ble Supreme Court, some of the stakeholders had raised the question of sufficient opportunity being given to them to respond to the consultation paper.

4. Accordingly, all the stakeholders are requested to send their written comments or additional comments latest by 18.05.2009.

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