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Review Interconnection Usage Charge (IUC) policy

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Sub: "Review Interconnection Usage Charge (IUC) policy"

Dear Sir,

As per 'The Telecommunication Interconnection Usage Charges (Thirteenth Amendment) Regulations, 2017' dated 19th September 2017, issued by TRAI, IUC was reduced from 14 paise to 6 paise per minute from October 1st, 2017 and is scheduled to be abolished under Bill and Keep (BAK) regime effective January 1st, 2020. On September 18th, 2019, TRAI floated a consultation for the review of IUC and solicited views from the stakeholders about the subject.

We are of the view that the government must go ahead with its schedule of January 1st, 2020 to implement the BAK method of IUC as it fosters innovation and serves the interests of the consumers in the most effective manner.

Look forward to hear from you.

Thanking you.

Yours sincerely

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