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To

Dated: 8<sup>th</sup> March, 2001

The DDG (Regulation)

Bharant Sanchar Nigam Ltd.,

Sanchar Bhavan,

20-Ashoka Road,

New Delhi-110001.

The Chairman-cum-Managing Director,

Mahanagar Telephone Nigam Ltd.,

Jeevan Bharti Building,

New Delhi.

M/s. Reliance Telecom P. Ltd.,

1<sup>st</sup> Floor, Gopal Disas Bhawan,

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New Delhi-110001.

M/s. Bharti Telenet Ltd.,

Qutab Ambience,

(Near Qutab Minar),

H 5/12, Mehrauli Road,  
New Delhi-110030.

M/s. Hughes Ispat Ltd.,  
Ispat House,  
BG Kher Marg,  
Worli,  
Mumbai-400 018.

M/s. Tata Teleservices Ltd.,  
KLK Estate,  
Fateh Maidan road,  
Hyderabad-500 001.

M/s. Shyam Telelink Limited,  
A-60, Naraina Industrial Area,  
Phase-I,  
New Delhi-110028.

M/s. HFCL Infotel Ltd.,  
52, Geekini House,  
Opp, Law Garden,

Ahmedabad-380 006.

Subject: Provision of E1/R2 Connectivity beyond SDCA for ISPs.

Sir,

The Authority has considered the representation from ISPAI regarding difficulties in getting E1/R2 links for dialup connectivity to their POPs beyond the SDCA. This issue has also been discussed in a joint meeting held by TRAI with BSNL, MTNL and ISPAI. The Authority has also taken into account that as per Condition 7.4 of the ISP License Agreement, resources required for interconnecting the ISPs Network to the Network of Upstream Internet Access provider (DOT, now BSNL) etc. or any other service provider like MTNL, BSO, etc. are required to be provided by mutual agreement between the parties concerned.

Under Section-13 of TRAI Act, the Authority hereby directs BSNL/MTNL/BSOs to provide E1/R2 links within their service areas (Telecom circle) as demanded by ISPs even beyond the SDCA in which the POP of the ISP is located, provided it is technically feasible to do so, regard being had to the quality aspect of such links. Needless to emphasis that the quality of service required from such links has to be maintained.

This directive will apply to all Basic Service Operators.

(S.N. Gupta)

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2. ISPAI, New Delhi, for information.
3. The Association of Basic Service Operators, B-601, Gauri Sadan, 5, Hailey Road,  
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