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Subject:- Amendment to the Guidelines for grant of Licence for operating Internet Service dated 24-08-2007 and its amendment dated 25-01-2010.

- Extension/migration of ISP licences granted prior to 24-08-2007

In exercise of the power vested in the Licensor under para 35 of Guidelines for grant of Licence for operating Internet Service dated 24-08-2007 and its amendment dated 25-01-2010, inter-alia, reserving the right to modify at any time the terms and conditions of these Guidelines, in public interest, in the interest of the security of the state or for the proper conduct of the telegraph, the Licensor hereby deletes paras 36 & 37 and modifies by substituting paras 23(ii) and (v) respectively with immediate effect, with the following para(s) of the said Guidelines, namely:-

23. Validity of the Licence:

- (ii) Migration of existing ISP licence(s) granted prior to 24-08-2007 guidelines to ISP licence(s) under guidelines dated 24-08-2007 shall not be permitted henceforth. Further migration of existing ISP licence(s) may be permitted only to Unified Licence (UL) regime, after finalization of the same and on meeting the terms and conditions specified therein including the eligibility conditions, the payment of requisite entry fee etc.
- (v) In case the validity of ISP licence granted prior to 24-08-2007 guidelines is due for expiry on completion of 15 years, before migration policy to Unified licence regime is finalised, provisional migration of such ISP licence(s) to 24-08-2007 guidelines may be permitted after charging an entry fee of Rs 10 Lakhs and 5 lakhs for Category "A" and Category "B" ISP licence(s) respectively with validity of the licence agreement being 5 years, as

applicable for extension of ISP licence(s) granted under 24-08-2007 guidelines.

In such cases, the licensee shall be required to give an undertaking that they would obtain Unified licence or any other licence under UL regime as may be finally decided by Government on the terms and conditions specified therein including eligibility conditions, Entry fee, Licence fee etc. Further these requests for extension/migration shall be made within the timeframe stipulated in the respective licence agreement.

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