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Department of Telecommunications
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To,

All Unified Licensee (Virtual Network Operator) {UL(VNO)} Licensees

Subject: Amendment to UL (VNO) License Agreement for removing restrictions on telecom connectivity near International Border Areas - reg.

As per the Condition 5.1 of Chapter-I of UL (VNO) License Agreement, the Licensor reserves the right to modify at any time the terms and conditions of the License, if in the opinion of the Licensor it is necessary or expedient to do so in public interest or in the interest of the security of the State or for the proper conduct of the telegraphs. In pursuance of this condition, the Licensor hereby amends the following in the UL (VNO) License Agreement:

Existing Clause	Amended Clause
<p>PART-II, CHAPTER-VIII, ACCESS SERVICE, 2. SCOPE OF SERVICE: 2.1(a)(vi) For provision of mobile services in areas falling near International Border of India, the condition specified in clause 7.1(i) and 7.1(ii) of this authorization, shall be applicable.</p> <p>7. SECURITY CONDITIONS (Applicable if Network is owned by Licensee):</p> <p>7.1 (i) Licensee shall ensure if owned that the Base Stations, Cell Sites or Radio Transmitters, as the case may be, to provide mobile telephone services near International Border of India, wherever located and established shall be as far away from such border as feasible and such Base Stations, Cell Sites or Radio Transmitters shall work in such a fashion that radio signal(s), emanating there from, fade out when nearing or about to cross international border and become unusable within a reasonable distance across such border. For this purpose, suitable technical infrastructure shall be installed by the Licensee.</p>	<p>PART-II, CHAPTER-VIII, ACCESS SERVICE, 2. SCOPE OF SERVICE: 2.1(a)(vi) Deleted.</p> <p>7. SECURITY CONDITIONS (Applicable if Network is owned by Licensee): 7.1(i) Deleted</p>

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<p>7.1 (ii) Notwithstanding anything in condition 7.1(i) above, in the areas falling within 10 Kms of Line of Control (LOC), Line of Actual Control (LAC) and International Border between Akhnoor in J&K and Pathankot and other areas as may be notified from time to time by the Licensor, installation of Base Stations, Cell Sites or Radio transmitters or any concerned equipment and execution of the concerned project by the Licensee shall be taken up only after prior approval from local Army authorities about specific location of BTS with prior intimation to the Licensor and concerned TERM Cell in addition to requisite clearances.</p> <p>7.1(iii) The Licensor, its authorized representative(s) as well as Army authorities may inspect such BTS(s) and the Licensee shall facilitate inspection of the BTS as per requisition from such authorities. During emergency, if so desired by the Licensor and / or Army, the Licensee shall shut down such BTS(s) under intimation to the Licensor/ concerned TERM Cell. The order for shutting down such BTS(s) by Army must be signed by at least Commanding Officer of local Army Unit.</p> <p>7.1 (iv) Periodic surprise checks may be carried out by the Licensor or its authorized representative(s) / Army and / or security agencies in order to ensure compliance of the above conditions by Licensee(s). In case, any violation is detected, stern action shall be taken according to the terms and conditions of the License Agreement, including imposition of financial penalty.</p>	<p>7.1(ii) Deleted</p> <p>7.1(iii) Deleted</p> <p>7.1(iv) Deleted</p>
<p>PART-II, CHAPTER-XVII, M2M SERVICE, 7. SECURITY CONDITIONS: 7.3 Licensee shall ensure that the installation of Base Stations, Cell Sites, Radio Transmitters, or any concerned equipment as the case may be, to provide M2M services near International Border of India, in the areas falling within 10 Kms of Line of Control (LOC), Line of Actual Control (LAC) and International Border between Akhnoor in J&K and Pathankot and other areas as may be notified from</p>	<p>PART-II, CHAPTER-XVII, M2M SERVICE, 7. SECURITY CONDITIONS: 7.3 Deleted</p>

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time to time by the Licensor, shall be taken up only after prior approval from local Army authorities about specific location of BTS with prior intimation to the Licensor and concerned LSA Field Unit of DoT in addition to requisite clearances.

7.4 The Licensor, its authorized representative(s) as well as Army authorities may inspect such BTS(s) or any concerned equipment and the Licensee shall facilitate inspection as per requisition from such authorities. During emergency, if so desired by the Licensor and / or Army, the Licensee shall shut down such BTS(s) or any concerned equipment under intimation to the Licensor/ LSA Field Unit of DoT. The order for shutting down such BTS(s) or any concerned equipment by Army must be signed by at least Commanding Officer of local Army Unit.

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7.5 Periodic surprise checks may be carried out by the Licensor or its authorized representative(s) /Army and / or security agencies in order to ensure compliance of the above conditions by Licensee(s). In case, any violation is detected, stern action shall be taken according to the terms and conditions of the License Agreement, including imposition of financial penalty.

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2. This amendment shall be part and parcel of the UL (VNO) License Agreement, and all other Terms & Conditions shall remain unchanged.



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