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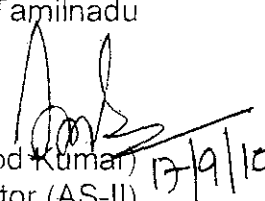
To

All CMTS/UAS Licensees  
Tamilnadu Service Area (including Chennai)  
Tamilnadu Service Area (excluding Chennai) & Chennai Service Area

**Sub: Clarification about MNP in respect of Chennai and Tamil Nadu License Service areas**

References have been received to clarify the MNP in case of Tamilnadu Service Area. As per MNP License, only intra-circle MNP service is allowed and service areas shall be as defined in the CMTS/UAS licenses. In case of Tamilnadu (excluding Chennai) and Chennai Service Areas, earlier two separate licenses were issued for mobile access services. The Group Companies/Licensee having separate licenses, were permitted vide DOT Letter No. 842-503/2005-VAS/5 dated 15.09.2005 to transfer their existing Licenses to any one of the companies/Licensees as a special case. In such cases, after the transfer of License to any such company, a fresh license may be issued for merged service area in lieu of separate licenses. Although, the group companies/Licensees had the opportunity to merge their separate CMTS/UAS Licenses, some licensees have not yet merged their licenses for Tamilnadu (excluding Chennai) and Chennai Service Areas.

2. In the above background, it is clarified that since intra service area porting of mobile subscribers is only permitted, the existing subscribers in Tamilnadu (excluding Chennai) and Chennai service areas may not be permitted to port between these LSAs being distinct Service Areas. However, such subscribers may be permitted to port to the Licensees for Tamilnadu including Chennai service area and vice versa.

  
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