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No.30-170-8/NE-II/2009-USOF (Vol. II)

Dated: 07.10.2015

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**Subject: Modification in terms and conditions of the Agreement No. 30-170-8-1/NE-I/2009-USF dated & effective from 16.01.2012 - Regarding extension of rollout period for USOF Supported OFC Augmentation Scheme in North East-II Circle**

Kindly refer to your letter no. RCIL/2014-15/Corr USOF dated 12.05.2015 followed by letter dated 27.08.2015 wherein it has been requested to extend the rollout period by one year upto 15.07.2016 for Nagaland and Manipur and by one and half year upto 31.12.2016 for Arunachal Pradesh without levy of Liquidated Damages (LD) charges for completion of USOF scheme for OFC Augmentation in North East-II Circle under above referred agreement.

2. Agreement No. 30-170-8-1/NE-II/2009-USF for augmentation, creation and management of intra-district SDHQ-DHQ OFC network for transport of rural/remote area traffic on bandwidth sharing basis in North East-II Telecom Circle (NE-II) [Arunachal Pradesh, Manipur and Nagaland] was signed between USOFA and M/s Railtel Corporation of India Ltd. (RailTel) on 16.01.2012.

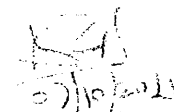
3. As per Roll out Clause 3.7.1 Schedule-II Section-3: Operating Conditions of the Agreement signed, M/s RailTel had to commission Intra-district OFC transport network (Total 407 nodes) as per the terms and conditions prescribed in the tender in all the districts of NE-II Telecom Circle within 30 months from the date of signing of the agreement i.e. by 15.07.2014. Subsequently in response to RailTel request vide letter dated 12.03.2014, the rollout period for completion of USOF scheme for OFC Augmentation in NE-II Circle under above referred agreement was extended by one year i.e. upto 15.01.2016 without levy of Liquidated Damages (LD) charges vide USOF letter dated 31.03.2014.

4. The request of M/s RailTel for extension of rollout period of the above referred agreement in NE-II Circle has been considered in view of the reasons put forth by M/s RailTel for delay in work and that the extension of rollout period is expedient in public interest as it will facilitate M/s RailTel in augmentation of intra-district SDHQ-DHQ OFC network in North East-II Circle under the scheme & also connecting Gram Panchayats to Blocks on OFC under NOFN Project.

5. The undersigned has been directed to convey the approval of the Administrator, USO Fund to modify the **Clause 3.7.1 of Schedule-II Section-3: Operating Conditions** of the Agreement [No. 30-170-8-1/NE-II/2009-USF dated & effective from 16.01.2012], in exercise of powers conferred under **Clause 1.10 of Schedule-II Section-1: General Conditions and Clause 3.7.3 of Schedule-II Section-3: Operating Conditions** of the Captioned Agreement, as below:

Existing Condition	Modified Condition
<p><u>Clause 3.7.1 of Section-3</u></p> <p>The Host Operator shall have to commission Intra-district OFC transport network, as per the terms and conditions prescribed in the tender in all districts of NORTH EAST-II, within 42 months from the date of signing of the agreement.</p>	<p><u>Clause 3.7.1 of Section-3</u></p> <p>The Host Operator shall have to commission Intra-district OFC transport network, as per the terms and conditions prescribed in the tender in all districts of NORTH EAST-II, within 54 months from the date of signing of the agreement for the states of Nagaland and Manipur and within 60 months from the date of signing of the agreement for the state of Arunachal Pradesh.</p>

6. All other terms and conditions of the aforesaid Agreement shall remain unchanged.

  
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