

Telecommunications Business Sub-Council, Telecommunications Council

—91st Meeting

Summary of Minutes

1. Date and Time

Tuesday, June 24, 2008; 14:00 - 15:00

2. Location

Special Conference Room 1, 8th floor

3. Attendees (honorifics omitted)

(1) Sub-Council Members

Akira Negishi (Chair), Yoshinori Sakai (Vice Chair), Nobuko Takahashi, Mikio Tokai, Miki Nagata, Yusuke Yasuda (a total of six members)

(2) Secretariat

Watanabe (Assistant Director, General Affairs Division, Information and Communications Policy Bureau)

(3) MIC Representatives

Terasaki (Director-General, Telecommunications Bureau), Takeuchi (Director-General, Telecommunications Business Department), Ando (Director, General Affairs Division, Telecommunications Bureau), Furuichi (Director, Tariff Division), Muramatsu (Senior Planning Officer, Tariff Division), Takeuchi (Director, Telecommunication Systems Division)

4. Agenda

(1) Reports to MIC

- a. Authorization of Changes to the Interconnection Tariffs concerning Category I Designated Telecommunications Facilities of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone East Corporation and Nippon Telegraph and Telephone West Corporation (Revision of Interconnection Charges for Subscriber Optical Fiber Networks for FY2008 and Onward) (Consultation No. 1200 of January 15, 2008)

Having deliberated on the matter, the sub-council reported to MIC that it is appropriate to authorize the changes as per the consultation document.

Summary

On January 9 of this year, NTT East and NTT West have applied for authorization of changes to their interconnection tariffs with regard to interconnection charges for subscriber optical fiber networks (function of optical transmission access, etc.) for fiscal 2008 onward. The MIC Minister consulted the Telecommunications Council on this matter.

b. Partial Amendment of the Regulations for Enforcement of the Telecommunications Business Law, Etc. (Consultation No. 1206 of April 22, 2008)

Having deliberated on the matter, the sub-council reported to MIC that it is appropriate to amend the Regulations as per the consultation document.

Summary

In its Report No. 53 of March this year, titled “Next-Generation Network Interconnection Rules,” the Telecommunications Council presented matters in the interconnection rules to be amended with regard to NGN of NTT East and NTT West. In response, MIC intends to amend the Regulations as part of MIC’s effort to develop necessary provisions related to the NGN.

c. Authorization of Changes to the Interconnection Tariffs Concerning Category I Designated Telecommunications Facilities of Nippon Telegraph and Telephone East Corporation (Addition of Functions for Disclosure of Information on Estimated Delivery Dates of Fiber-Optic Subscriber Local Loop) (Consultation No. 1207 of April 22, 2008)

Having deliberated on the matter, the sub-council reported to MIC that it is appropriate to authorize the changes as per the consultation document.

Summary

As NTT East intends to add a function to the information disclosure system on estimated delivery dates for fiber-optic subscriber local loop, the interconnection tariffs should be changed with regard to processing fees.

d. Partial Amendment of the Regulations for Telecommunications Facilities for Telecommunications Business (Consultation No. 1209 of April 22, 2008)

Having deliberated on the matter, the sub-council reported to MIC that it is appropriate to amend the Regulations as per the consultation document.

Summary

MIC intends to amend two provisions of the Regulations for Telecommunications Facilities for Telecommunications Business: the provision not to require the installation of standby power sources at cellular telephone base stations when these stations satisfy certain requirements; and the provisions on prevention of transmission of different telecommunications numbers. The amendment to the latter provisions is a measure to prevent disguised callers (identity thieves) and the like with regard to telecommunications circuit facilities for voice transmission services, which are provided using telecommunications numbers with a 050 prefix for IP telephony or telecommunication numbers for cellular phones and PHS handsets. Such preventive measures for facilities for analog telephone services, ISDN services and IP telephony using 0AB-J numbers have been implemented as mandated by law.