



CONSULTATION PAPER:

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SINGAPORE
TELECOMMUNICATIONS LIMITED'S REFERENCE
INTERCONNECTION OFFER TO OFFER LOCAL LEASED
CIRCUITS AS A WHOLESALE SERVICE

INFOCOMM DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY OF SINGAPORE

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BACKGROUND

- 1 IDA has designated Local Leased Circuits as a Wholesale Service under the Code of Practice for Competition in the provision of Telecommunication Services ("**Code**"). The Code has been amended to include Local Leased Circuits as a Wholesale Service under Section 7 of Appendix Two to the Code, with effect from 20 July 2004.
- 2 Accordingly, in compliance with Section 5.3.5.7 of the Code, Singapore Telecommunications Ltd ("**SingTel**"), as a Dominant Licensee, must amend its Reference Interconnection Offer ("**RIO**") to include the offer of Local Leased Circuits as a Wholesale Service. IDA has also directed SingTel on 5 July 2004 to submit to IDA the proposed amendments to the RIO for the purposes of offering Local Leased Circuits for IDA's approval.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO THE RIO

- 3 SingTel has proposed amendments to the following parts of the RIO:
 - (i) Main Body;
 - (ii) A new Schedule 7A – Wholesale Local Leased Circuits (Full Circuits);
 - (iii) A new Schedule 7B – Wholesale Local Leased Circuits (Tail Circuits);
 - (iv) Schedule 8 – Co-Location
 - (v) A new Schedule 8E – Co-Location for Wholesale Local Leased Circuit (Tail Circuit) (TLLC);
 - (vi) Schedule 9 – Charges; and
 - (vii) Schedule 12 – Dictionary.

REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

- 4 IDA hereby invites interested parties to submit comments regarding the proposed amendments to the RIO to offer Local Leased Circuits. Respondents should identify the specific provisions on the conditions of service of the proposed amendments to the RIO on which they are commenting. Where appropriate, respondents are encouraged to suggest additional or different language accompanied by an explanation of the reason for the proposal.
- 5 All views and comments should be submitted in writing and in both hard and soft copy (preferable in Microsoft Word format), and should reach IDA

by **12 pm, 11 August 2004**. Respondents are required to include their personal/company particulars as well as the correspondence address in their submissions to this Consultation Paper. Views and comments should be addressed to:

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- 6 IDA reserves the right to make public all or parts of any written submissions made in response to this Consultation Paper and to disclose the identity of the source. Any part of the submission, which is considered to be commercially confidential, should be clearly marked and placed as a separate annex. IDA will take this into account regarding disclosure of the information submitted.