



29 July 2005

Mr Sean Slattery
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Dear Mr Slattery,

CONFIRMATION OF EXEMPTION ON SINGTEL'S NEW INTERNATIONAL CAPACITY SERVICE ("ICS") – STIX UNIVERSAL INTERNET ACCESS SERVICE (BURSTABLE SCHEME)

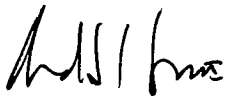
We refer to your letter of 13 May 2005 on the above.

- 2 IDA has assessed SingTel's request for confirmation that the exemption granted to SingTel under the Telecommunications (Exemption from Dominant Licensee Provisions in Telecom Competition Code 2005 – International Capacity Services) Notification 2005 (the "ICS Notification") in relation to the International IP Transit market may be applied to its new product offering known as "STIX Universal Internet Access Service ("UIAS") – Burstable Scheme". IDA notes that the STIX UIAS – Burstable Scheme is a variant of the Standard Universal Internet Access service which is exempted under the ICS Notification and that the new product offering allows customers to commit to a lower IP transit bandwidth with ability to increase its bandwidth usage as and when required, and hence be billed based on the bandwidth usage.
- 3 Given the above, IDA hereby confirms that the STIX UIAS – Burstable Scheme is a product within the International IP Transit market and will be subject to the same exemption as the Standard Universal Internet Access service under the ICS Notification. For the avoidance of doubt, SingTel's STIX UIAS – Burstable Scheme shall be exempted from the following Dominant Licensee obligations in accordance with para. 4:
 - (a) subsection 4.2.1.1 (Duty to Provide Service at Just and Reasonable Prices, Terms and Conditions);
 - (b) subsection 4.2.1.2 (Duty to Provide Service on a Non-discriminatory Basis);
 - (c) subsection 4.2.1.3 (Duty to Provide Unbundled Telecommunication Services);

- (d) subsection 4.2.2.1 (Duty to Provide Service on Reasonable Request);
- (e) subsection 4.2.2.2 (Duty to Allow Resale of End User Telecommunication Services);
- (f) subsection 4.2.2.3 (Duty to Allow Sales Agency);
- (g) subsection 4.3 (Wholesale Services);
- (h) subsection 4.4 (Tariffing);
- (i) subsection 4.5 (Duty to Publish Tariffs);
- (j) subsection 4.6 (Duty to Provide Service Consistent with Effective Tariffs);
and
- (k) subsection 8.2 (Abuse of Dominant Position in the Singapore Market).

4 In accordance with IDA's direction to SingTel dated 12 April 2005 and the ICS Notification, the exemption for SingTel's STIX UIAS – Burstable Scheme shall take effect on the date of publication of IDA's notice in the Gazette. IDA will proceed to issue the notice in the Gazette in due course.

Yours sincerely,



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