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Dear Sh. Garg,

The Authority has taken note of disputes / litigations between licensor and licensees on definition of Gross Revenue and Adjusted Gross Revenue under licence(s) granted by Department of Telecommunications for different telecom services. Further, National Telecom Policy 2012 portrayed the need to rationalize taxes, duties and levies impacting the Indian telecom sector. The Authority therefore, suo motu decided to review the existing definition of Revenue, licence fee rate and other related matters under section 11(1)(a)(ii) of the TRAI Act. Accordingly, TRAI issued a consultation paper on "Definition of Revenue Base (AGR) for the Reckoning of License Fee and Spectrum Usage Charges" on 31 July 2014 seeking the comments of the stakeholders.

- 2. Further, there was also a reference from DoT (no. 800-23/2011-VAS of 7th July, 2014) requesting TRAI to submit recommendations for delinking of licensing of networks from delivery of services by way of virtual network operators, etc., including associated issues such as AGR, terms of sharing of passive and active infrastructure, etc., under the unified licensing regime. A separate consultation paper has been issued in this regard on 5th December 2014, dealing with the issues under reference other than AGR.
- 3. An Open House Discussion was conducted on 1st October 2014 at New Delhi by TRAI with the stakeholders.
- 4. Based on the analysis of the comments received from the stakeholders and its own analysis, the Authority has finalised its Recommendations on "Definition of Revenue Base (AGR) for the Reckoning of License Fee and Spectrum Usage Charges". The Authority's recommendations are enclosed herewith.
- 5. In keeping with practice, a copy of this letter, along with the recommendations, is being placed on the website of TRAI www.trai.gov.in

This letter issues with the approval of the Authority.

with Rejands.

Yours sincerely,

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Encl: as above

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