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TRAI releases Consultation Paper on “Valuation and Reserve Price of Spectrum”

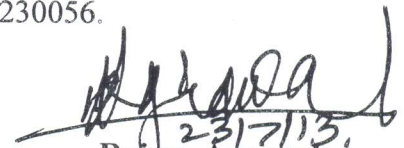
New Delhi, 23rd July, 2013 – The Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has today released Consultation Paper on “Valuation and Reserve Price of Spectrum”.

On 10th July 2013 the Department of Telecommunications (DoT) sought the TRAI’s recommendations on the applicable reserve price for the auction of spectrum in 800 MHz, 900 MHz and 1800 MHz bands. In this context, TRAI has issued this consultation paper raising specific issues for consideration of stakeholders. The key issues raised in the consultation paper are quantum of spectrum to be auctioned, eligibility for participation, roll-out obligations, methods to be used for valuation and estimation of reserve price of spectrum, review of spectrum usage charges and spectrum trading. The consultation paper has been placed on TRAI’s website www.trai.gov.in.

Written comments on the issues raised in the consultation paper are invited from the stakeholders by 14th August 2013 and counter-comments by 21st August 2013. Stakeholders are requested to send their comments by due date as there is an urgency to complete the consultation process. In its reference, the DoT has stated that, in light of the Hon’ble Supreme Court’s directive, TRAI may consider an expedited process; **hence there will be no further extension of timelines.**

This is also an advance notice that Open House Discussion on the consultation paper will be held on 26th August 2013 in New Delhi.

The comments and counter-comments may be sent, preferably in electronic form at trai.jams@gmail.com For any clarification/ information Shri Arvind Kumar, Advisor (NSL), TRAI may be contacted at Tel. No.+91-11-23220209 Fax No.+91-11-23230056.


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