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**IFT PLENARY RESOLVED SEVERAL ISSUES ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND  
BROADCASTING MATTERS**

- **Determine interconnection terms not agreed between NII Digital and Grupo Iusacell companies**
- **Agreed to declare the loss of assets for the benefit of the Nation, derived from the insurance of equipment for the use of radio spectrum without license, permit, authorization or frequency allocation in three locations in the country**
- **Approved issuing three concession titles to mark the granting of the endorsement of the concession to use, develop and use three radio stations**
- **Resolved to deny the extension requested for the duration of the concession of two restricted television operators service**

The Federal Telecommunications Institute (*Instituto Federal de Telecomunicaciones*, IFT) solved in regular session yesterday, three interconnection disagreements between NII Digital, S. de R.L. de C.V. and businesses Comunicaciones Celulares de Occidente, S.A. de C.V., Sistemas Telefónicos Portátiles Celulares, S.A. de C.V., Telecomunicaciones del Golfo, S.A. de C.V., SOS Telecomunicaciones, S.A. de C.V., Portatel del Sureste, S.A. de C.V., Iusacell PCS, S.A. de C.V., Iusacell PCS de México, S.A. de C.V. and Operadora Unefon.

In these three resolutions the interconnection rate was determined that NII Digital well as Iusacell and Unefon shall paid mutually the switched termination services under the "calling party pays" in the following terms:

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- During 2013, it will be \$ 0.3144 pesos per interconnection minute.
- During 2014, it will be \$ 0.3199 pesos per interconnection minute.
- By 2015, from February 18<sup>th</sup> to December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2015, it will be \$ 0.2505 pesos M.N. by interconnection minute. For the period from January 1<sup>st</sup> to February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 the rate must be extended as set by the Institute for 2014.

The consideration to be paid will be calculated based on the actual duration of the calls, without rounding to the next minute.

In today's session, the Plenary also decided to declare the loss of assets for the benefit of the Nation, derivative of the assurance of equipment for the use of radio spectrum without license, permit, authorization or assignment in three locations in the country: 1870 MHz to 1875 MHz in Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas; 154.000-159.550 MHz and 161.925-156.925 MHz in Zacatecas, Zacatecas and 152.1170 MHz, in the municipality of Huixquilucan, State of Mexico.

It was also agreed to issue three concession titles to mark the granting of the endorsement of the concession to use, develop and use the following radio stations:

- 1) 107.1 MHz, with call sign XHACN-FM, in León Guanajuato, for Radio Fórmula, S.A. de C.V. regional chain.
- 2) 91.3 MHz, with call sign XHEOB-FM in Pichucalco, Chiapas, in favor of XEOB Promotora de Radio, S.A. de C.V.
- 3) 90.1 MHz, with call sign XHSMR-FM, in Villa de Pozos, San Luis Potosi, in favor of Fórmula Radiofónica, S.A. de C.V.

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The Plenary agreed to deny the extension of two concession contracts to install, operate and develop a public telecommunications network to provide the restricted television service due to the fact that concessionaires did not meet the requirements of the Law for the request of renewal. The first negative extension relates to a concessionaire who delivers services in various locations in the state of Veracruz and the second corresponds to a concessionaire that delivers the service in a town in the state of Jalisco.

In order to safeguard the rights of users receiving public telecommunications services, the Plenary of the Institute determined, inter alia, the following:

- a) Allow the continuity of services for a period not exceeding 60 calendar days.
- b) Within the first 15 days of this period, those concessionaires shall inform users of the suspension of the services provided and communicate the possibility to hire restricted TV service to other concessionaires who provide service in their area, if they decide so, and
- c) They shall reimburse subscribers, in the proceeding cases, the quantities they had paid an advance and they have not as compensable with other debts by subscribers themselves.

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