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**IFT PLENARY RESOLVED TO CHANGE THE 2015 USE AND
DEVELOPMENT OF FREQUENCY BANDS ANNUAL PROGRAM**

- Approves also to open for public consultation the adoption Proposal for the segmentation for frequencies band 2500 - 2690 MHz scheme
- Also agrees to submit for public consultation the draft for change the numerical portability rules published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on November 12, 2014, to create conditions to facilitate further the right of any user to change the telephone company
- Approved to grant the concession tittle to Cadena Tres I, S.A. de C.V., having met all requirements in the bidding of frequencies for broadcasted television services
- Determine interconnection terms not agreed between NII Digital and Radiomóvil Dipsa

At an extraordinary meeting held yesterday, the Plenary of the Federal Telecommunications Institute (*Instituto Federal de Telecomunicaciones, IFT*), decided to modify the 2015 Use and Development of the Frequency Bands Annual Program, after having completed last February 16, the deadline for receipt by parties other applications including frequency bands and geographic coverage additional or different from those originally included in the document published on December 30, 2014 in the Official Gazette of the Federation.

Thus, in telecommunication matters, the 2015 Program has amended the concessioning of 80 MHz of spectrum for the deployment of International Mobile Telecommunications services in the band 1.7 / 2.1 GHz and 10 MHz for capacity provision service for private radio communication. The program also considers 26 MHz of spectrum for operation of specialized radio communication systems for public concessions use, and also includes various segments of spectrum at the regional level for the provision of mobile communication services for social use concessions, reaching up in some regions a total of 10 MHz.

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With regard to the broadcasting service, the 2015 program provides an amendment for the concessioning of 191 frequencies for commercial use, 14 frequencies for public use and 97 of social use for radio broadcasting service on FM and 69 frequencies commercial use, 2 frequencies for public use and 3 frequencies for social use for the sound broadcasting service in modulated amplitude in various regions of the country. In addition, they made available the spectral reserves for community grants and indigenous social use referred to in Article 90 of the Federal Telecommunications and Broadcasting Law.

It is important to note that requests for inclusion of new frequency bands and geographical coverage do not involve themselves a request to obtain a concession, or a grant of a concession title or a preference for obtaining the same, only they were received for, if necessary, to be considered in the referral Program.

The 2015 program as amended, will be published in the coming days in the Official Gazette of the Federation (*Diario Oficial de la Federación*, DOF) and the website of the Institute.

Furthermore, it was agreed to submit for public consultation the adoption segmentation scheme Proposal for the frequencies band 2500-2690 MHz, according to ITU-R M.1036 Recommendation of the International Telecommunication Union, for its use in wireless access services of broadband.

This exercise of citizen participation will take place over a period of 20 working days from the publication of the draft in the IFT web site, so that in that period are received the views and comments to the proposal. As part of the process, within 30 working days after the conclusion of this consultation, the Radio Spectrum Unit will propose to the Plenary of the Institute THE Segmentation Adoption Agreement for the 2500-2690 MHz frequency band.

Moreover, the Plenary approved to grant the concession title of radio spectrum and only concession, both for commercial use, in favor of Cadena Tres I, S.A. de C.V., having complied with

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all the requirements of the bidding of frequencies for broadcasted television services. As promptly reported last March 11, the Plenary of IFT issued the decision to declare as the winner company in this process that includes 123 areas coverage that form a national television network.

During the session, also was agreed to submit for public inspection the Amendment draft of Number Portability Rules published in the Official Gazette of the Federation on 12 November 2014, based on the Federal Telecommunications and Broadcasting Law. These Rules, issued by the Institute in a timely manner in accordance with the legal mandate, have led to a quicker portability process for users. Changes undergoing to public consultation derived from analysis of the implementation of the new legal framework by the industry and aim to make streamline processes applicable, in order to facilitate and expedite further exercise of right of each user to change of telephone company bearing the same number phone.

It is important to note that the content of the document to the consideration to the general public, has nothing to do with the issues that are the subject of the constitutional controversy promoted by the Senate before the Supreme Court of Justice of the Nation on Portability Rules.

On the other hand, the Plenary resolved no interconnection conditions not agreed between NII Digital, S. de R.L. de C.V. (Nextel) and Radiomóvil Dipsa, S.A. de C.V. (Telcel), establishing the following:

- The interconnection rate that Telcel must pay Nextel for termination services of Local service for mobile users under the modality "calling party pays" from March 26 to December 31, 2015 will be \$ 0.2505 pesos per interconnection minute.
- For the period from January 1°, 2015 to March 25, 2015, being the termination service of local service in mobile users under the "calling party pays" the fee that the parties have agreed in 2014 should be extended.

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- The interconnection rate that Nextel must pay Telcel for transit services, from January 1° to December 31, 2015 will be \$ 0.006246 pesos M.N. per minute.
- Both companies calculate the consideration to be paid, based on the actual call duration, unrounded minute.

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