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IFT PLENARY APPROVES TO SUBMITT FOR PUBLIC CONSULTATION THE DRAFT WHERE IS DEFINED THE INTERCONNECTION POINTS OF PREPONDERANT ECONOMIC AGENT IN TELECOMMUNICATIONS NETWORK

- This exercise in transparency and citizen participation will be held from today until February 3rd
- This performs in compliance to the Twenty-fifth Transitional Federal Telecommunications and Broadcasting Law article
- The document states that any interconnection points of the Preponderant Economic Agent PEA (*Agente Económico Preponderante, AEP*) will receive traffic from the public telecommunications networks of other concessionaires to finish anywhere in their network

In extraordinary session, the Federal Telecommunications Institute (*Instituto Federal de Telecomunicaciones, IFT*) decided yesterday to submit for public consultation, the Draft in which the public telecommunications network interconnection points of PEA are defined, in compliance with provisions of Twenty-fifth Transitional article of the Federal Telecommunications and Broadcasting Law Decree.

To promote transparency and citizen participation in the emission of general provisions processes that the Institute generates, as established by Law, this document will be available for consideration of anyone interested, in the website of this regulatory body, in the period between January 20th and February 3rd, 2015, to receive feedback from industry and general public.

In the Draft interconnection points to PEA public telecommunications network in the telecommunications sector are defined, this should be made available to industry participant concessionaires, in order to exchange traffic between their networks.

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In this sense, and complying strictly with the order issued by the Institute concerning the elimination of long distance, published in the Federal Official Gazette (*Diario Oficial de la Federación*, DOF), December, 24th 2014, where was defined the entire national territory as a single Local Service Area (*Área de Servicio Local*, ASL), in the draft submitted for consultation, states that any of the PEA interconnection points will receive traffic from other concessionaires of public telecommunications networks that finish anywhere on their network.

In the draft to be submitted to public consultation, there are also defined interconnection points for the exchange of IP traffic in order to facilitate the gradual migration toward next generation networks (NGN).

The Federal Institute of Telecommunications (IFT) is the autonomous body entrusted with the regulation, promotion and supervision of the efficient performance of broadcasting and telecommunications sectors in Mexico, and also exercises, in exclusive manner, the authorities in matters of economic competition of such sectors pursuant to the Decree whereby several provisions of Articles 6, 7, 27, 28, 94 and 105 of the Political Constitution of the United Mexican States are amended and supplemented in telecommunications matters, published in the Federal Official Gazette on June 11th of 2013.

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