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THE IFT PLENARY PUTS AN END TO THE PROCEEDINGS BROUGHT BY AXTEL AND AVANTEL TO RESOLVE INTERCONNECTION DISPUTES WITH TELCEL AND GRUPO IUSACELL

- They are terminated interconnection disputes between Axtel and Avantel that began in 2008 to meet the terms, conditions and rates for 2008-2011 with Telcel and 2008-2010 with lusacell
- Axtel, Avantel, Telcel and Grupo Iusacell reported to IFT that they have signed amendment agreements in which they agree to the terms, conditions and rates for different years
- The requests submitted by Axtel to determine the weighted average rate in Telcel, and Grupo Iusacell mobile networks for the period 2005-2007, under Axtel withdrawal concerning proceedings were terminated

In extraordinary session, the Plenary of the Federal Telecommunications Institute (*Instituto Federal de Telecomunicaciones*, IFT) puts an end to the proceedings initiated in 2008 to resolve interconnection conditions not agreed among those concessionaires for 2008-2011 and ordered the closure of the respective records by virtue of Agreements concluded by the parties setting forth the terms, conditions and rates for interconnection that were the subject of the following:

- 1. Axtel and Telcel for the modality "local calling party pays".
- 2. Avantel and Telcel for the modality "national calling party pays".
- 3. Avantel and Grupo Iusacell for the modality "national calling party pays".
- 4. Axtel and Avantel with Grupo lusacell for the modality "local calling party pays".



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The Plenary of the Institute also ended the administrative procedures related to the applications for determining the weighted average rate in mobile networks Telcel and Grupo lusacell for the years 2005, 2006 and 2007 and ordered the closure of the respective files derivative of withdrawal by Axtel.

Meanwhile, the Regulatory Policy Unit ended the procedure of interconnection conditions not agreed between Axtel, Avantel and Telcel for the period 2012 to 2013 for both modalities.

In this way, several interconnection disputes that since 2005 those concessionaires had kept, are terminated, whereby the will of the parties is privileged in terms of interconnection agreements provided both the provisions of the repealed Federal Telecommunications Law and the Federal Telecommunications and Broadcasting Law.

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 Official Gazette of the Federation on June 11th of 2013.

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