

**Seeking Views on Requests for Extension of Consultation Period  
Review of Local Access Charge (“LAC”)  
Consultation Paper Issued on 31 December 2009**

The consultation period of the captioned consultation paper will end on 6 March 2010.

2. The Telecommunications Authority (“TA”) has received requests from two network operators for an extension of the consultation period by three months. The reasons given for the requests are:

- (1) they need more time to consider the options set out in the consultation paper;
- (2) commercial negotiations among a number of operators are in progress in respect of the overall interconnection charging framework, including LAC; and
- (3) they may seek inputs from consultants on the proposed options.

3. The TA now invites views, with reasons, from interested parties on the following questions:

- (1) whether they agree or disagree with the extension requested; and
- (2) if they agree to the requested extension, what should be the appropriate extension period.

4. The TA reserves the right to publish all views and comments received to this consultation as well as the identity of the source.

5. Responses to this consultation should reach the TA by close of business on **4 March 2010**.

**Office of the Telecommunications Authority  
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