

SAUDI TELECOM COMPANY

Reference Interconnection Offer (RIO)

Annex A

Definitions and Glossary of Terms

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Billing Information	Information provided by the Billing party, as set out in this RIO, in support of invoices issued by the Billing party to enable the billed party to validate the other's invoice.
Billing Period	The stated interval at which billing takes place under this RIO
Business Day	A working day other than a Thursday, Friday or Public Holidays in the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
Calendar Month	The inclusive period from the start of the first day of a given Hijra month to the end of the last day of the same.
Call	A transmission path through Telecommunication Systems for the sending of Signals. A reference to conveyance of a Call by a Party means the establishment by that Party of a transmission path through that Party's System and the conveyance by that Party in accordance with the Interconnection Agreement of a Signal (if any) over such transmission path
Charge Rate Period	The delineated window of time during which a given charge rate or price is valid for the purposes of quoting or billing (e.g. peak, off-peak).
CITC	See "Commission".
CLI	Calling Line Identification as defined by the ITU-T.
Commission	The Saudi Communications and Information Technology Commission (CITC).
Data Management Amendment	Such data reconfiguration of the STC Network or the OLO's Network as is necessary for the access, routing and charging of calls.
Disclosing Party	A Party disclosing information to the other party under the Interconnection Agreement.

Dispute	A disagreement between the two parties pursuant to the Interconnection Agreement (excluding breaches).
Dominant Service Provider	A Service Provider designated as being a dominant service provider in a given market by the Commission.
Due Date	The date which is 30 calendar days after the Issue Date of an STC invoice, by which date payment is required.
Governor	The Governor of the Saudi Communications and Information Technology Commission.
Interconnect Link	A link connecting a STC Interconnect node and another Party's Interconnect Node passing through a Point of Interconnection.
Interconnect Node	A switching centre from which call termination Interconnection Services are offered.
Interconnect Path	The geographical/physical route and higher capacity systems used to provide the Interconnection Link(s)
Interconnect Usage Report	A report stating the actual level of utilisation of the Interconnection Services provided under the Interconnection Agreement.
Interconnection Agreement	An agreement based on this RIO and entered into between STC and an Other Licensed Operator for the purposes of Interconnection.
Interconnection Guidelines	The guidelines published by the Commission dated Ramadan 1424H (corresponding to November 2003).
Interconnection	The physical and logical linking of Telecommunications Networks used by different Parties in order to allow the users of one Party to communicate with users of another Party, or to access the facilities and/or services of another Party.
IPLC	International Private Leased Circuit

Issue Date	The date on which an invoice is dated and despatched by STC
ITU-T	The Telecommunications Standards Bureau of the International Telecommunication Union.
Kingdom	The Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
KSA	See Kingdom.
Leased Line	A connection forming a point-to-point telecommunication system between two points dedicated to a particular customer.
Licensee	Any Person authorised, granted a Licence to provide Telecommunications Services or operate a Telecommunications Network or both within the Kingdom of Saudi Arabia.
National Numbering Plan	The numbering plan prepared by the Commission to specify the scheme of numbers used to access various telecommunications services.
Network Alteration	A change (other than a Data Management Amendment) to a Party's Network, which requires a change to be made to the other Party's Network to allow the continuance of the conveyance of Calls across a Point of Interconnection pursuant to the Interconnection Agreement.
Network Plan	The specific agreement of the characteristics of reciprocal interconnection services between STC and the Other Party including, but not limited to, target grade of service, traffic routing principles, active number ranges, capacity and traffic forecasts.
Network	The STC Telecommunications Network or the Other Party's Telecommunications Network as the case may be and/or indicated by the context.

Numbering	A serial numbering pattern to identify designated termination points in the public telecommunications network, including the necessary information for routing of telecommunication signals to a particular termination point.
Other Licensed Operator (OLO)	Any Party, other than STC, authorised by way of a Licence granted by the Commission to provide Telecommunications Services or operate a Telecommunications Network or both.
Party	A party to the Interconnection Agreement.
POI	See “Point of Interconnection”.
Point of Interconnection	The physical point where the OLO connects to STC for the purpose of conveying Calls.
PSTN	The Public Switched Telephone Network operated in the Kingdom by STC.
Reference Interconnection Offer (RIO)	A Reference Interconnection Offer (RIO) is a published document pursuant to the Interconnection Guidelines defining a standard set of technical and commercial terms by which the publisher of the RIO offers interconnection services to Other Parties.
Service Node	A primary switching centre in the STC network which provides switching functions and produces call records enabling billing functionality
STC	Saudi Telecommunications Company, which is also known as Saudi Telecom.
Successful Call	A chargeable call which has passed across a POI and received an answer signal returned by the other Party’s network.

Switch	The telecommunications apparatus within a public telecommunications system which performs switching, routing, connecting and recording of calls and other network events, having the ability to connect to two or more destinations.
Technical Review Committee	The committee comprising technical and commercial representatives from STC and the OLO which will manage the interconnection arrangements.
Tier 1 Partner	Telco or internet service provider at the top level of the hierarchy of network providers which connects to the rest of the Internet through peering.