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ANNEX F

FORECASTING



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1 Definitions Used in this Annex

1.1 See also the Definitions in Annex L.

1.1.1 **Traffic Forecast** – An estimate of Busy Hour Erlangs on a particular route over a POI at a particular time

1.1.2 **Traffic Stream** – A particular type of traffic such as any to any Operator on a single route

2 Traffic Forecasts

- 2.1 Traffic Forecasts shall be used by the parties for planning sufficient switch and distribution network capacity to meet subsequent capacity order requirements. While the parties shall use reasonable endeavours to provide accurate Traffic Forecasts, they shall not be legally binding except to the extent stated otherwise in the interconnection agreement.
- 2.2 Traffic Forecasts for each Point of Interconnection shall be prepared by the operator for all traffic routes.
- 2.3 From time to time the parties shall agree on the forms and the contents of the forecasts.
- 2.4 Traffic Forecasts shall be on a rolling basis for a period of 2 years.
- 2.5 A Traffic Forecast provided by the Operator to Omantel at yearly intervals for each Point of Interconnection shall be made available at latest 1st of October of each year.
- 2.6 The Traffic Forecasts shall cover the following 2 years broken down for each quarter.
- 2.7 If the Traffic Forecast for a category of traffic for any twelve month period at any switch connection has changed 10 per cent or more since the last Traffic Forecast or where any additional Point of Interconnection is proposed to be activated during the next twelve months, then the changed Traffic Forecast shall be notified to Omantel as soon as the Operator has revised its own forecasts.
- 2.8 The Parties may agree to modify the procedures if and when additional Traffic Routes and/or Traffic Streams are identified or if presently planned Traffic Routes are subdivided.
- 2.9 The forecasting procedures shall be reviewed at joint meetings arranged to discuss routing and forecasting matters and to agree to changes and appropriate timings for their implementation.