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For Immediate Release

Telecom Regulatory Authority of India

New Delhi, the 20th February, 2013: Telecom Regulatory Authority of India (TRAI) has today released a Pre-consultation Paper on 'Full Mobile Number Portability (Pan-India Number Portability)'.

In accordance with the provisions contained in the National Telecom Policy-2012 regarding "One Nation- Full Mobile Number Portability", TRAI received a reference from DoT vide its letter dated 27th Dec 2012, seeking the recommendations of TRAI under TRAI Act for full Mobile Number Portability i.e. MNP across licensed service areas.

In order to implement Full Mobile Number Portability, issues relating to processing of porting requests, routing, charging, testing etc need to be identified and addressed. Through this pre-consultation paper, the Authority is seeking views from stakeholders on various issues like optimum method of implementing Inter-service area porting, amendments required in the existing license conditions of the MNP service license, generation of UPC by roaming subscriber, modifications required in the present MNP regulations etc.

The Pre-consultation Paper on 'Full Mobile Number Portability' has been uploaded on TRAI's website (www.trai.gov.in). Written comments on the issues raised in the pre-consultation paper are invited from the stakeholders by 7th March, 2013. For any clarification/information, Shri Sanjeev Banzal Advisor (Networks, Spectrum and Licensing) may be contacted at Tel. No.+91-11-23210481, Fax No. +91-11-23212014.

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