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ALTERATIONS TO BE INTRODUCED TO THE REFERENCE INTERCONNECTION OFFER FOR 2001

In accordance with the provisions of no. 1 of article 13 of Decree-Law no. 415/98, and without prejudice to the provisions of no. 2 of the said article, the following alterations must be integrated within the Reference Interconnection Offer for 2001 (RIO 2001), within a maximum of 10 days, in order to ensure conformity with the documents, “Set of items to be included in the RIO 2001” and “Alterations to the RIO 2001”.

PRIOR NOTE

In light of the concerns manifested by certain entities, reiteration is made of the terms established in the decision of ICP's Board of Directors of 19/01/01, regarding “Alterations to the RIO 2001”, in particular concerning interconnection circuits (Point 8 of the said decision).

Thus, the offer conditions for interconnection of PT Comunicações, S.A.'s local tails to the circuits of other operators - already available and defined within the framework of PT Comunicações, S.A.'s leased circuits service - should be inscribed within the RIO 2001, given that it is an interconnection service (of leased circuits).

In this manner, all Other Licensed Operators may make use of the leased circuits offer in order to secure the loops necessary for provision of the service to their end customers.

1. MAINTENANCE, OPERATING AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES

The prices applicable to these services listed within the RIO 2001 must be revised in line with the principle of cost orientation.

The revised prices to be included in the RIO 2001 are therefore as follows:

Prices applicable to maintenance, management and operating services (values without VAT)

	Price
Installation of a new POI	€382,13 (76.610\$)
Extension of interconnection circuits of a POI, with substitution of transmission equipment	€34,54 (6.925\$)
Extension of interconnection circuits of a POI, without substitution of transmission equipment	€34,54 (6.925\$)
Transfer of interconnection circuits between POIs, with substitution of transmission equipment	€34,54 (6.925\$)
Transfer of interconnection circuits between POIs, without substitution of transmission equipment	€34,54 (6.925\$)
Opening transit between OPS	€49,93 (10.010\$)
Opening access to new services of OPS	€55,01 (111.270\$)
Opening access to new services of PT Comunicações, S.A.	€79,16 (15.870\$)
Changes in traffic routing	€43,64 (8.750\$)
Changes in tariffs	€429,56 (86.120\$)

It should be noted that, in conformity with applicable principles, the cost accounting system of the historic operator should present costs and revenues associated to Maintenance, Operating and Management Services. Thus PT Comunicações, S.A. should submit a proposal to ICP that enables Maintenance, Operating and Management Services to be cover in a coherent manner in the cost accounting system's results for 2001, in order to guarantee that there is no duplication of costs.

2. TRANSIT SERVICES WITH “CASCADE INVOICING” AND ACCESS TO AUDIOTEXT SERVICES

The additional price per call, to be applied to transit services with “cascade invoicing” and access to audiotext services is PTE 1.

In conformity with applicable principles, the cost accounting system of the historic operator should present costs and revenues associated to transit services with “cascade invoicing” and access to audiotext services. Thus PT Comunicações, S.A. should submit a proposal to ICP that enables these services to be cover in a coherent manner in the cost accounting system's results for 2001, in order to guarantee that there is no duplication of costs.

3. CO-INSTALLATION OF INTERCONNECTION EQUIPMENT SERVICE

Within the framework of ICP's decision of 09/01, regarding “Alterations to the RIO 2001” it was established that PT Comunicações, S.A. must identify within the RIO 2001, the prices for each of the elements, services and functions to be provided within the scope of collocation of interconnection equipment.

The proposed service of collocation of interconnection equipment presented to ICP by PT Comunicações, S.A. must be revised and integrated within the RIO 2001, in light of the following principles:

- a) The criteria used to define the prices of the various services that constitute the overall proposal must be compatible with the criteria applied to collocation provision presented within the framework of the RUO, with special emphasis on the criteria of revision of the price of the monthly rental of space in function of the occupation rate of the operators' room. In this context, any possible costs relating to unoccupied spaces may only be imputed to common spaces;
- b) The prices to be applied to the access control service without automatic control must be revised in conformity with ICP's decision of 28/06/01, regarding Alterations to be introduced to the RUO 2001, whereby prices were defined as PTE 4,185 per hour plus PTE 2,240 for dislocation;
- c) In order to maximise the availability of services and maintenance of service quality levels, with benefits for the end user, PT Comunicações, S.A. must, in the absence of technical impossibilities, supply power on an assisted or uninterrupted basis. In the event that this obliges additional investments, the costs shall be imputed to the Other Licensed Operator, through a detailed justification of such costs. In the event that due to technical constraints it is necessary to conduct works in exchanges in order to enable the supply of power systems, PT Comunicações, S.A. must present, when requested, a dully justified specific project for the power system and its respective budget.

4. REVISION OF THE NETWORK STRUCTURE AND LIST OF POIS

Following ICP's decision of 19/01/01, regarding RIO 2001, PT Comunicações, S.A. was requested to submit to ICP, within a deadline of 4 months, a proposal to revise the interconnection structure and the list of POIs.

This proposal aims to promote efficiency in the interconnection economy, and should also reflect current European Union practices, namely in regards to diffusion, hierarchy, networking and cover of local and transit switches.

In recognition of the complexity and time-consuming nature of the matter in question, the deadline for presentation of the proposal of restructuring of the interconnection structure and the list of POIs is to be postponed until 31/10/01 at the latest.