

## **NOTICE 2013/02**

## REPEAL OF THE SECOND ASSESSMENT PURSUANT TO DETERMINATION 2010/01

On 3<sup>rd</sup> February 2010, pursuant to the provisions of Section 29(3) and 29(4) of the Telecommunications Act Chap. 47:31 (the 'Act') the Authority issued Determination 2010/01 ('The Determination'). In conjunction with this Determination, the Authority also issued a corresponding Assessment of the Minimum Rate for Termination of International Incoming Traffic ('The Initial Assessment'). On March 28<sup>th</sup> 2011, the Authority published its 'Report on Investigation into Compliance with Determination 2010/01'. On this date, the Authority also published an 'Assessment of the Minimum Rate for Termination of International Incoming Traffic' pursuant to Clause 6 of the Determination ('The Second Assessment').

Pursuant to developments in the international telecommunications market, and most notably, the persistent stabilization of incoming tariffs at a price significantly above the floor identified in the Assessment, in accordance with Determination 2010/01, Concessionaires for the provision of international telecommunications services are advised that the minimum termination rates set out in the Initial Assessment, and as reestablished in Second Assessment, shall cease to be effective as of **March 1**<sup>st</sup> 2013.

Incoming international telecommunications traffic destined for termination on domestic networks in Trinidad and Tobago shall still be bound by the Pricing Rules and Principles set out in the Determination and amended by Notice 2013/01, as pursuant to Section 29(3) of the Act. However, until such time that the Authority should choose to publish an Assessment pursuant to Clause 6 of the Amended Determination, there shall no longer be a uniform price floor to which all international concessionaires are bound, and termination rates shall hence revert to the provisions of the new Clause 8 of the 'Pricing Rules and Principles for the Termination of International Incoming Traffic on Domestic Networks in Trinidad and Tobago'.