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Government of India
Ministry of Communications & IT
Department of Telecommunications
USF Branch

Sanchar Bhawan, 20, Ashoka Road, New Delhi – 110 001

Dated 21.11.2003

To

M/s. Bharat Sanchar Nigam Ltd
Statesman House
New Delhi.

Subject: Outer limit for submission of Quarterly Subsidy Claims.

Sirs,

Kindly refer to Condition No. 18.3, Part IV, Financial Conditions of the Agreement for Subsidy Disbursement for Operation and Maintenance of VPTs, under Universal Service Obligation in the 19 Service Areas, which stipulates that the Universal Service Providers shall submit its claim for quarterly subsidy in a statement in the prescribed form given in Attachment to Annexure II, showing computation of subsidy for each quarter by 15th of the month following the quarter.

2. It has been observed that the stipulated date of submission of subsidy claims is not being followed by the Universal Service Providers. It has therefore been decided to extend the time limit for submission of quarterly claims upto 30 days from the close of the quarter. The claims received thereafter will be liable for outright rejection. In exceptional cases, the Administrator reserves the right to allow a period of another 15 days where valid reasons exist for submission of claims beyond the 30 days time limit.

3. The above instructions for submission of quarterly claims shall be valid from the claims submitted for the 3rd quarter of 2003-04 onwards.

Kindly acknowledge receipt of this letter.




(V.N. Srivastava)
Asst. Administrator(F) USF

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1. Jt. Administrator(T) USF, DOT, Sanchar Bhawan, New Delhi.

2. All CCAs/Jt. CCAs


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