

BRIEFING INTERCONNECT

Artificial Inflation of Traffic (Annex E) of the Standard Interconnect Agreement Briefing Reference 019-10

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This brief is a further reminder to all Communication Providers that the contractual Effective Date for the new AIT (Artificial Inflation of Traffic) process under the Standard Interconnect Agreement (detailed in the 2009 SIA Supplemental Agreement) is 1st March 2010.

The amended text of paragraph 14A of the main body and of Annex E of the SIA interconnect agreement refer – added to your contract either by the 2008 SIA Supplemental Agreement or the 2009 SIA Supplemental Agreement.

The most recent briefing on the changes to the AIT process (008-10) also drew attention to the draft of a new supporting guide for originating and terminating network operators under the SIA, and that draft can be seen at the AIT Review website at: http://www.btwholesale.com/pages/static/Pricing_and_Contracts/Contract_Reviews/Artificial_Inflation_of_Traffic_AIT_Review.html

Any industry comments on the text of the draft guide should be submitted to ait@bt.com.

The briefing (008/10) also provided clarification regarding AIT Notices and Call Traffic covered under either the old or new AIT process, the key points being – Call traffic occurring from 1 March 2010 will be dealt with under the new definition of AIT and new Annex E process; February 2010 call traffic will be dealt with under the old definition of AIT, but notices issued in March before 14th AIT calendar day will be dealt with under new process (to include direct ONO/TNO contact for suspected AIT on transited calls, facilitated by BT supplying ONO and TNO with respective contacts when passing on the A1 Retention Notice).

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