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To
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Department of Telecommunications,
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Sub.: Recommendations dated 09.03.2017 on "Proliferation of Broadband through public Wi-Fi Networks"

The Authority issued a Consultation Paper on "Proliferation of Broadband through public Wi-Fi Networks" on 13th July 2016 to examine the need of encouraging deployment of public Wi-Fi networks in the country from a public policy point of view. The paper also discussed various issues in Public Wi-Fi proliferation to find out solutions for the same. The comments and counter-comments received from the stakeholders were placed on the TRAI's website.

2. To augment the consultation process, a Workshop was held on 28th September, 2016 at Bengaluru in academic collaboration with International Institute of Information Technology, Bangalore (IIIT-Bangalore). Based on the discussions held at the workshop, in relation to exploring viable models for deploying interoperable and scalable public Wi-Fi networks, the Authority released a Consultation Note on "Model for Nation-wide Interoperable and Scalable Public Wi-Fi Networks" on 15th November 2016 inviting written comments on the issues from the stakeholders. Further, an Open House Discussion (OHD) with stakeholders was organized on 9th January, 2017.

3. After analyzing the various issues involved and considering the comments received from stakeholders in their written response and during the OHD, the Authority has finalized its Recommendations titled "Proliferation of Broadband through public Wi-Fi Networks". The Authority recommendations are enclosed herewith.

4. In keeping with practice, a copy of this letter, along with the recommendations, is being placed on the website of TRAI (www.trai.gov.in).

This letter issues with the approval of the Authority.

Encl: as above


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