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Mr. Chris Hayman Chief Executive Officer Digicel Cayman Ltd PO Box 700 Grand Cayman KY1-1107 CAYMAN ISLANDS

Dear Mr. Hayman,

## Interrogatories regarding Digicel's submission in the FTR and Transit Rate Proceeding — CD2012-1

On 31 January 2013, Digicel Cayman Ltd ("Digicel") submitted suggested changes to the LIME model for fixed termination rates and transit rates. The Information Communications and Technology Authority (the "Authority") has reviewed the submission and requests Digicel's responses to the attached interrogatories by **7 March 2013**.

When responding, please repeat the entire question above the corresponding response to each question. In addition, responses should be made in compliance with the procedures specified in the Authority's 13 December 2012 letter.

If Digicel has any questions about the contents of these interrogatories, please feel free to contact me by e-mail (mark.connors@icta.ky) or telephone at (345) 746-9620.

Yours sincerely,

[signed]

Mark Connors Head of Economics and Regulation

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- 1. In the "Model Discrepancies" section of its 31 January 2013 letter, Digicel stated that the LIME proposed transit rate based on the confidential version was CI\$0.0175 per minute and the corresponding rate in the redacted version is CI\$0.026 per minute. The Authority notes that in its 2 October 2012 letter, LIME stated that the transit rate is taken from cell H44 in the 'Fixed Service Costs' sheet of the 'CYM Fixed' module. The rate in the corresponding cell in the public version filed with the Authority is CI\$0.0176 and not the CI\$0.026 referred to by Digicel.
  - a. Please identify the filename, sheet name and cell reference for the CI\$0.026 rate.
  - b. If Digicel is referencing the value in cell H51 of the 'Fixed Service Costs' sheet, please justify the appropriateness of comparing the value in that cell to the LIME suggested transit rate from cell H44.
- 2. In the "Material concerns with the model" section of its 31 January 2013 letter, Digicel refers to an ITU report of broadband penetration of 33.1% in 2011.
  - a. Please provide a copy of the report or a public internet link where the report can be viewed.
  - b. Please indicate whether the quoted penetration rate is a total market rate.
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