

National Telecommunications Regulatory Commission St. Vincent and the Grenadines

Ref. No.COR/ECTEL

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Mr. Embert Charles Managing Director ECTEL Vide Boutielle P. O. Box 1886 St. Lucia

Dear Mr. Charles,

Draft Retail Tariff Regulations

The Commission, having reviewed the Draft Retail Tariff Regulations, wishes to comment as follows:

- That there are a number of new provisions within the draft regulations that would provide much needed regulatory oversight on services offered by telecommunication service providers. These provisions are vastly improved than what exist currently and has the full support of the Commission.
- 2. Notwithstanding the new provisions referred to above, the Commission is seriously concerned with some provisions of the draft regulations which seem not to be in harmony with the Telecommunications Act. An example of such a provision is regulation 5 (3) on page 14 of the document, which seems to prevent the Commission from making decisions at times that may be different to what has been recommended by ECTEL. The Commission would appreciate if ECTEL can clarify the objective of this section which at this time seems contrary to the current regulatory framework established by the Telecommunications Act.

Sincerely yours,

Apollo Knights Secretary/Director NTRC