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Dear Mr Cosgrave and Mr Ratchford

Draft Pricing Principles and Indicative Prices for LCS, WLR, PSTN, OTA, ULLS and LSS

We refer to the Draft Pricing Principles and Indicative Prices for LCS, WLR, PSTN, OTA, ULLS and LSS issued by the Commission on 21 August 2009 (**the Draft IPP Determination**) and to the Commission's extension of the timeframe for submissions to 9 October 2009.

Telstra encloses under cover of this letter a confidential version of its submissions together with attachments in response to the Draft IPP Determination.

The enclosed confidential version of Telstra's submissions and attachments contains Telstra Category 1 confidential information (**TC1**) and a small amount of Telstra Category 2 confidential information (**TC2**). For the Commission's ease of reference, the TC1 material appears in yellow highlight and the TC2 material appears in red highlight in the enclosed submission and attachments.

Due to its volume, Telstra does not intend to provide all of the supporting material referred to in its confidential submission under cover of this letter. Instead, Telstra will hand deliver to the Commission's Sydney office on Monday 12 October 2009, CD ROMs containing further versions of its submissions (including a non-confidential public version) and supporting materials, together with advice to assist the Commission with appropriate publication and as to how interested parties may access Telstra confidential information.

Please also note that, in making submissions in this process, Telstra relies on a number of documents previously provided to the Commission in the context of Telstra's Band 2 ULLS access undertaking. Whilst those documents are in the Commission's possession, Telstra intends to provide a further copy of those documents to the Commission as soon as possible, for the Commission's convenience. Telstra also plans to provide the Commission with a set of the documents cited in the footnotes to Telstra's submissions such as papers and OECD reports and other reference materials.

Finally, given the enclosed confidential submission contains Telstra confidential information, Telstra confirms that the Commission should **not publish** the version of Telstra's submission provided under cover of this letter on the Commission's website.

A non-confidential version suitable for publication will be provided by hand to the Commission via CD ROM on Monday 12 October 2009.

Otherwise, Telstra confirms that it consents to the Commission publishing this covering letter on the Commission's website should the Commission wish to do so.

If you would like to discuss any aspect of the confidential submission please do not hesitate to contact me (on 02 8576 2730).

Yours sincerely,

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