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To Administrations of Member States of the ITU

Subject: Updates regarding the contents of the BR International Frequency Information

Circular (BR IFIC) for terrestrial services – integration of GE06D and TerRaSys

To the Director General

Dear Sir/Madam,

- In Circular Letter CR/264 of 26 October 2006, the Bureau informed administrations, among other things, on the interim arrangements regarding the processing of the frequency assignment notices related to the services and bands governed by the Regional Agreement GE06, for the administrations pertaining to the GE06 planning area. Such interim arrangements, which were introduced with a view to enabling the early implementation of the procedures associated with the GE06 Agreement, consisted of the following approach:
- The frequency assignments pertaining to the fragments GE06A (analogue television) and GE06L (primary terrestrial services other than broadcasting) had been incorporated in the consolidated BR database (*TerRaBase*) and managed by the BR Terrestrial Radiocommunication System (*TerRaSys*). The associated programmes and tools (such as *TerRaQ*) had been adapted accordingly.
- The component GE06D (digital broadcasting) was managed by a standalone system, outside *TerRaSys*. The associated interface package, GE06 Interface, enabled administrations to access all three components (GE06D, GE06A and GE06L) pertaining to the GE06 Agreement.
- On this occasion, the Bureau wishes to inform the membership that, in accordance with its strategic orientation, the Bureau is currently in the process of completing the integration of the GE06D component into *TerRaSys*. The Bureau hopes that such integration will be effective as from the publication of BR IFIC No. 2630 dated 14 October 2008. As from that date, BR IFIC (terrestrial services) will contain a single database for all terrestrial services including, but not limited to, the GE06 Agreement; a new version of query tool *TerRaQ* which will incorporate some of the features of the GE06 interface; and a new version of the notice validation program *TerRaNV*.

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- The details of the structure of the integrated database *TerRaBase* are available on the ITU website at http://www.itu.int/ITU-R/publications/brific-ter/index.html. You may wish to note that this structure also takes account of the modifications to Appendix 4 of the Radio Regulations made by WRC-07.
- Further information on this subject will be presented at the World Radiocommunication Seminar 2008, which will be held in Geneva from 8 to 12 December 2008. Additional details regarding this subject are available from the following contacts:
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Yours faithfully,

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