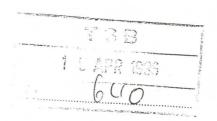


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Dr. Th. Irmer
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Dear Dr. Irmer:

AT&T has been informed that the ITU intends to produce a Recommendation for wideband (7 kHz) speech coding having both low bit rates (16 to 32kb/s) and low complexity. AT&T is submitting a coder as a candidate for this recommendation.

Should this coder be selected, then, in accordance with paragraph 2.2 of the TSB Patent Policy, AT&T is not prepared to waive its patent rights, but would be willing to negotiate with other parties on a non-discriminatory basis on reasonable terms and conditions. Such negotiations will be held with the parties concerned and will be performed outside the ITU-T.

Please contact me or our representative, Ms. Wendy Koba, (voice: +1 908 582 3287, fax: +1 908 582 4929) concerning any licensing matters.

Sincerely,

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