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### **The transmission plan**

#### **APPENDIX I**

##### **A computational model for guidance in transmission planning**

This informative appendix previously described the initial version of a computational model, known as the E-model, that has proven useful as a transmission planning tool for assessing the combined effects of variations in several transmission parameters that affect conversational quality of 3.1 kHz handset telephony. This computational model can be used, for example, by transmission planners to help ensure that users will be satisfied with end-to-end transmission performance whilst avoiding over-engineering of networks. It must be emphasized that the primary output from the model is the "Rating Factor" R which can be transformed to other estimates of customer opinion. Such estimates are only made for transmission planning purposes and not for actual customer opinion prediction (for which there is no agreed-upon model recommended by the ITU-T). Accordingly, the E-model is intended to be used to do relative comparisons of transmission conditions.

In 1998, the algorithm for the so-called E-model [as contained in Appendix I (1996)] as the common ITU-T Transmission Rating Model has been published as ITU-T G.107.

In 2000, the algorithm of the E-Model has been enhanced and a revision of ITU-T G.107 has been posted.

This revision provides an enhanced version of the E-Model to better take into account the effects of room noise at the send side, and quantizing distortion.

Therefore, the version of the E-Model as provided in Appendix I (1996) should no longer be used.





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