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The following statement describes Bellcore's present policy with respect to patent disclosure.

It is Bellcore's current policy to grant, without compensation, to any person granting the same to Bellcore, its owner companies, their affiliated companies, and any person acting for the benefit of them, the freedom from prosecution under any of Bellcore's prior patent rights to the extent necessary to permit the patented inventions to be made and used for the purpose of compliance with a relevant Recommendation.

Further, in order to assist a Specialists Group in its deliberations on a proposed CCITT Recommendation, Bellcore is presently willing to provide the Group, prior to the normal application publication date, a short description, namely an abstract of the disclosure, of any pending application for a patent which Bellcore believes would be required to be used for compliance with that proposed Recommendation.