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Layer 1: Basic Rate Access

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FOREWORD

This Specification is issued by Telecom in compliance with its undertakings to advise the New Zealand telecommunications industry on forthcoming changes in the Telecom telecommunication networks.

This Specification is one of a series which defines the Telecom implementation of ISDN. It covers the technical requirements for the various hardware items used as the network terminations and customer premises terminal equipment interfaces, but leaves the design details and facilities of such hardware to individual manufacturers to decide.

The success of ISDN in New Zealand depends on the cooperation and support given by local hardware and software suppliers in providing the specialised equipment and systems for the various new services that this network will make possible.

This Specification describes the Layer 1 requirements for the control of ISDN services between Telecom's Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) and a single unit of user's equipment, eg. a terminal or small business system on a Basic access. This Specification applies at the T interface or the coincident S/T reference point.
1. Scope

The ISDN is defined in the I-series Recommendations of the Standardisation Bureau of the International Telecommunication Union (ITU-T), formerly the International Telegraph and Telephone Consultative Committee (CCITT). It is a plan for organising digital technology to provide advanced services to sophisticated digital terminals over an end-to-end digital network.

ISDN services are offered by the network to a user via an interface that provides either Basic access, consisting of one 16 kbit/s D-channel and up to two 64 kbit/s B-channels, or Primary rate access, consisting of one 64 kbit/s D-channel and up to 30 64 kbit/s B-channels.

This Specification describes the Layer 1 requirements for the access protocol for the Basic Rate Access user-network interface between Telecom's Integrated Services Digital Network (ISDN) and a single unit of user's equipment, eg. a terminal or small business system. This protocol applies at the T reference point or the coincident S/T reference point.

The NT1, LT and ET will be provided by Telecom as an inherent part of the ISDN service. The TA may also be provided with some service offerings.

The interface is functionally organised into the first three layers of the ISO Open Systems Interconnection 7-layer model, consisting of the physical layer (Layer 1), the data link layer (Layer 2) and the network layer (Layer 3). Layer 1 for the Basic rate access is the focus of this Specification.
The following Specifications together specify the requirements for ISDN connections:

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PTC 131 defines the layer 1 aspects of the user-network interface for the attachment of terminals. It is intended for terminal vendors and users.

2. Definitions

D-Channel-  A 16 kbit/s or 64 kbit/s channel carrying signalling, low speed packet switched data, and user-to-user information. (see ITU-T Recommendation I.412 [6]).

B-Channel-  A 64 kbit/s channel that carries customer information such as voice, circuit switched or packet switched data. (see ITU-T Recommendation I.412).

PORT       An interface on a piece of equipment for the purpose of supplying an output signal or accepting an input signal.

USER       User's equipment eg. terminal.


3. Abbreviations

ETSI     European Telecommunications Standards Institute
IEC      International Electrotechnical Commission
ISDN     Integrated Services Digital Network
ISO      International Standards Organization
ITU      International Telecommunications Union
ITU-T    International Telecommunications Union - Telecommunications Standard
NT1      Network Termination Type One (see ITU-T Recommendation I.411)
NT2      Network Termination Type Two (see ITU-T Recommendation I.411)
PCU      Power Consumption Unit (100 mW normal, 95 mW restricted)
TA       Terminal Adaptor (see ITU-T Recommendation I.411)
TE1      Terminal Equipment of type 1 - ISDN terminal (see ITU-T Recommendation I.411)
TE2      Terminal Equipment of type 2 - non-ISDN terminal (see ITU-T Recommendation I.411)
TEI      Terminal Endpoint Identifier (see ITU-T Recommendations Q.920 and Q.921)
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4. References

[13] ETS 300 012, "Basic user-network interface Layer 1 specification and test principles", 1992

5. Specification

The requirements for this Specification are defined in ITU-T Recommendation I.430 [7]. The options which apply are identified below. References are to clauses in this Recommendation.

Clause 5.1.8 The NT will not be deactivated when no calls are in progress
Clause 7 The optional Q-channel procedures are not implemented
Clause 9.2 Power Source 1, both normal and restricted mode, is provided by the NT.
The Power available in normal mode is at least 70 power consumption units (PCU)
Power Source 2 is not always provided by the NT. It may be available from some versions of NT1.
When provided, the power available is at least 70 power consumption units, except that the total power available from power source 1 and power source 2 is limited to 100 PCU.

6. Compliance with ETSI Standards

ETS 300 012 [13] is based on the 1988 version of ITU-T Recommendation I.430 with modifications and additions. These changes were essentially included in the latest version of ITU-T Recommendation I.430 on which this Specification is based.

Compliance with ETS 300 012 will be accepted as compliance with this Specification.