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User-Network Interface
Layer 1: Basic Rate Access

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FOREWORD

This Specification is issued by Spark 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 Spark 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.

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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.

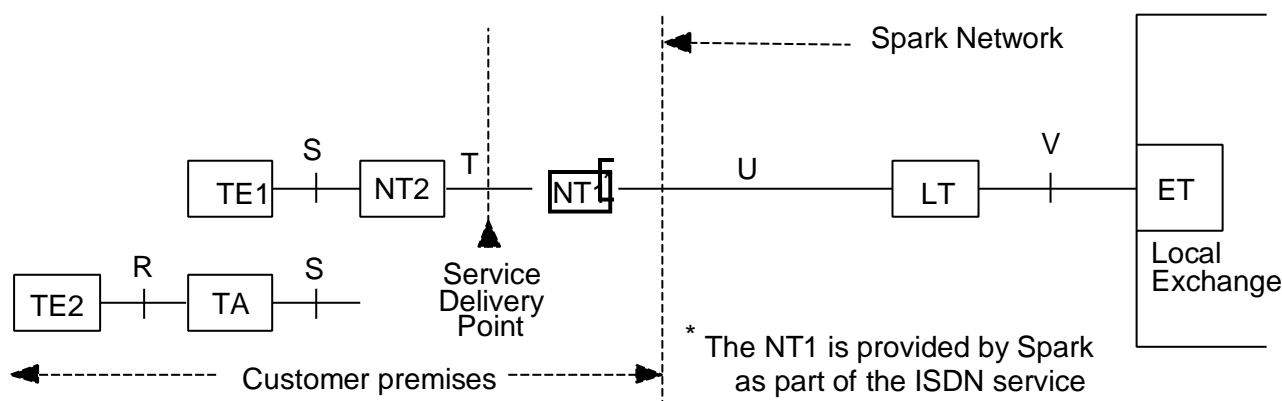


FIGURE 1

ISDN Access Reference Model

ET	Exchange terminal	TA	Terminal Adaptor
LT	Line Terminal	TE1	ISDN Terminal
NT1	Network Termination 1	TE2	Non-ISDN Terminal
NT2	Network Termination 2	S,T,U,V	Reference points
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:

	Basic Access	Primary Rate Access
Layer 1	PTC 131	PTC 132 [1]
Layer 2	TNA 133 [2]	
Layer 3	TNA 134 [3]	

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.

Note. The definitions of ITU-T Recommendations G.701 [4] and I.112 [5] also apply.

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)

4. References

- [1] PTC 132, "Telecom ISDN user-network interface: Layer 1: Primary Rate Access", 1997
- [2] TNA 133, "Telecom ISDN user-network interface: Layer 2", 1997
- [3] TNA 134, "Telecom ISDN user-network interface: Layer 3", 1997
- [4] ITU-T Recommendation G.701, "Vocabulary of digital transmission and multiplexing, and pulse code modulation (PCM) terms."
- [5] ITU-T Recommendation I.112, "Vocabulary of terms for ISDNs."
- [6] ITU-T Recommendation I.412, "ISDN user-network interfaces - interface structures and access capabilities."
- [7] ITU-T Recommendation I.430, "ISDN Basic user-network interface - Layer 1 specification", 1995
- [8] ITU-T Recommendation I.431, "ISDN Primary rate user-network interface - Layer 1 specification", 1993
- [9] ITU-T Recommendation I.440 (Q.920), "ISDN user-network interface data link layer - general aspects", 1993
- [10] ITU-T Recommendation I.441 (Q.921), "ISDN user-network interface data link layer - specification", 1993
- [11] ITU-T Recommendation I.451 (Q.931), "ISDN user-network interface layer 3 specification", 1993
- [12] ITU-T Recommendation Q.932, "Generic procedures for the control of ISDN supplementary services."
- [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.