

REPUBLIC OF THE PHILIPPINES DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION AND COMMUNICATIONS NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Memorandum Circular No. 01-03-2008

Subject:

AMENDING FURTHER MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR No. 4-3-99 (IMPLEMENTING GUIDELINES ON INTERNATIONAL SATELLITE COMMUNICATIONS), AS AMENDED (BY MEMORANDUM CIRCULAR NO. 5-6-2003).

Pursuant to Republic Act No. 7925 (Public Telecommunications Policy Act of 1995), Act No. 3846, as amended, Radio Control Law, and E.O. No. 467 Series of 1998, the National Telecommunications Commission hereby amends the last paragraph of Section 1 of Memorandum Circular (MC) No. 4-3-99, as amended, as follows:

"provided further, that entities engaged solely in research development, education, health, safety and/or rescue shall be allowed direct access to international fixed and/or land mobile satellite systems.

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Provided even further, that entities engaged solely in research and development, education, health, safety and/or rescue may be allowed direct access to any international fixed and/or land mobile satellite systems subject to strict compliance of the terms and conditions that shall be imposed by the Commission. It includes, but is not limited to, the following terms and conditions:

- The applicant shall not provide commercial satellite access to the public;
- b. The equipment in the Philippines shall only be used in research development, education, health, safety and rescue;
- The operation of the equipment must be on a non-interference basis;
- d. Applicant shall submit a favorable endorsement of its application from the concerned government agency/ies (e.g. Department of Education Culture and Sports (DECS), Department of Health (DOH), Department of National Defense (DND), etc.) and/or from the local government unit/s where the equipment is to be used/operated;

