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May 10, 2005

Ms. Meredith Broadbent  
Assistant U.S. Trade Representative for  
Industry, Market Access and Telecommunications  
Office of the United States Trade Representative  
Washington, D.C. 20508  
United States

Dear Ms. Broadbent:

I am pleased to inform you that the Republic of Korea is prepared to initiate Phase I Procedures of the *Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation Mutual Recognition Arrangement for Conformity Assessment of Telecommunications Equipment (MRA)* with the United States of America.

Specifically, Korea is prepared to initiate its participation in Phase I Procedures as set out in the MRA with respect to equipment that is subject to mandatory conformity assessment procedures enforced by Korea's telecommunications regulatory authority. For such equipment, Korea shall apply the Phase I Procedures in Appendix B of the MRA for the recognition of testing laboratories designated by the United States as Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs) and for the acceptance of test reports from CABs designated by the United States and recognized by Korea under the MRA.

This letter, and your letter of confirmation in reply, shall constitute an agreement between our two governments to apply the MRA between our two countries as set out in this letter. The MRA is an integral part of this letter.

I have attached to this letter a list of technical regulations for which Korea shall accept test reports from recognized CABs. Korea shall notify the United States in accordance with the MRA if it modifies the list.

The Radio Research Laboratory (RRL) of the Ministry of Information and Communication shall consider test reports submitted in English, although RRL decisions on their approval may take longer than the time specified under Korean law for considering Korean-language reports.

I am pleased to inform you that the RRL is both the telecommunications regulatory authority responsible for recognizing CABs and the designating authority responsible

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for designating CABs under the MRA. Mr. Daeyong LEE ([bigdragon@rri.go.kr](mailto:bigdragon@rri.go.kr)) is the RRL contact person for Korea for purposes of the MRA.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Kisub Lee". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Mr. Kisub LEE  
Director General, Radio and Broadcasting Bureau  
Ministry of Information and Communication  
Republic of Korea

cc: APEC Tel WG Chair  
Chairman of MRA Task Force Group

Attachment: Annex I – List of Technical Regulations for the Republic of Korea

**ANNEX I  
TO PHASE I PROCEDURES**

**LIST OF TECHNICAL REGULATIONS  
FOR THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA**

**PHASE I**

The Technical Regulations for which Korea shall accept test reports from recognised Conformity Assessment Bodies designated by the United States are:

- 1) Administrative provisions
  - a. Rules on Certification of Information and Communication Equipment (MIC Rule No. 149, Apr. 27, 2004)
  - b. Detailed Procedure for the Certification of Information and Communication Equipment (RRL Notice No. 2002-418, Nov. 30, 2002)
  - c. Rules on Designation and Management of Testing Laboratories for Information and Communication Equipment (MIC Rule No. 123, Feb. 1, 2002)
  - d. Detailed Procedure for the Designation and Management of Testing Laboratories for Information and Communication Equipment (RRL Notice No. 2002-419, Nov. 30, 2002)
  
- 2) Technical Requirements for Telecommunications Terminal Equipment
  - a. Rules on the Technical Requirements for Telecommunications Terminal Equipment (MIC Rule No. 116, Aug. 27, 2001)
  - b. Technical Requirements for CATV Equipment (MIC Notice No. 2003-41, Sept. 3, 2003)
  - c. Technical Requirements for Telecommunications Terminal Equipment (MIC Notice No. 2004-15, Mar. 18, 2004)
  - d. Conformity Assessment Procedure for Type Approval of Telecommunications Terminal Equipment (RRL Notice No. 2004-42, Jun. 10, 2004) \*

### 3) Technical Requirements for Radio Equipment

- a. Rules on Radio Equipment (MIC Rule No. 135, Nov. 7, 2002)
- b. Technical Requirements for the Radio Equipment for Telecommunications Service (RRL Notice No. 2005-24, Mar. 18, 2005)
- c. Technical Requirements for the Radio Equipment for Maritime Mobile Service & Maritime Radio Navigation Service (RRL Notice No. 2005-22, Mar. 18, 2005)
- d. Technical Requirements for the Radio Equipment for Aeronautical Mobile Service & Aeronautical Radio Navigation Service (RRL Notice No. 2005-23, Mar. 18, 2005)
- e. Technical Requirements for the Radio Equipment for Other Services than Broadcasting, Maritime, Aeronautical and Telecommunications Service (RRL Notice No. 2005-25, Mar. 18, 2005)
- f. Technical Requirements for the Human Protection against Electromagnetic Waves (MIC Notice No. 2001-88, Oct. 10, 2001)
- g. Technical Requirements for Measurement of Specific Absorption Rate (RRL Notice No. 2004-67, Sept. 22, 2004)
- h. Technical Requirements for Measurement of Electromagnetic Field Strength (RRL Notice No. 2004-66, Sept. 22, 2004)
- i. Conformity Assessment Procedure for Electromagnetic Field Strength and Specific Absorption Rate (RRL Notice No. 2004-68, Sept. 22, 2004) \*
- j. Conformity Assessment Procedure for Type Official Approval and Type Registration of Radio Equipment (RRL Notice No. 2004-90, Dec. 8, 2004) \*

### 4) Technical Requirements for EMC

- a. Technical Requirements for Electromagnetic Interference (RRL Notice No. 2004-69, Sept. 22, 2004)
- b. Technical Requirements for Electromagnetic Susceptibility (RRL Notice No. 2004-70, Sept. 22, 2004)

- c. Conformity Assessment Procedure for Electromagnetic Interference (RRL Notice No. 2004-30, May. 7, 2004) \*
- d. Conformity Assessment Procedure for Electromagnetic Susceptibility (RRL Notice No. 2004-31, May. 7, 2004) \*

**Notes**

- 1) *Technical Regulations listed above are available at the RRL website ([www.rri.go.kr](http://www.rri.go.kr)).*
- 2) *In case of the conflict of interpretation between the Korean and English versions of the above Technical Regulations, the Korean version shall prevail.*
- \* *Testing labs may also use testing methods, other than those included in the Conformity Assessment Procedures, that are internationally accepted. In that case, the testing lab shall inform RRL of the testing methods it uses.*

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I am pleased to inform you that the Federal Communications Commission (FCC) is the telecommunications regulatory authority responsible for recognizing CABs under the MRA. Mr. George Tannahill (George.Tannahill@fcc.gov) is the FCC contact person for purposes of the MRA. The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) is the

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designating authority responsible for designating CABs under the MRA. Mr. Jogindar Dhillon ([dhillon@nist.gov](mailto:dhillon@nist.gov)) is the NIST contact person for purposes of the MRA.

Sincerely yours,



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cc: APEC Tel WG Chair  
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**LIST OF TECHNICAL REGULATIONS  
FOR THE UNITED STATES**

The technical regulations for which the United States shall accept test reports from recognized Conformity Assessment Bodies (CABs) designated by the Republic of Korea are: (Note: CFR stands for United States Code of Federal Regulations)

- 1) The U.S. FCC Rules and Regulations for Electromagnetic Compatibility (EMC) requirements are contained in the FCC Rule parts shown below:

Administrative Provisions	47 CFR Part 2
Electromagnetic Requirements	47 CFR Parts 15 and 18

Web site: [www.fcc.gov/oet/info/rules/](http://www.fcc.gov/oet/info/rules/)

- 2) The U.S. FCC Rules and Regulations for Telephone Terminal Equipment are contained in:

- a. The FCC Rule parts shown below:

Administrative Provisions	47 CFR Parts 2
Telephone Terminal Equipment	47 CFR Parts 68

Web site: [www.fcc.gov/wtb/rules.html](http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/rules.html)

- b. Technical criteria published by the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments (ACTA). (See CFR §68.7)

Web site: <http://www.part68.org/documents.cfm>

*Note: The requirements for telephone terminal equipment were privatized and transferred to the Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments in the Report and Order in CC Docket 99-216, adopted by the FCC in November, 2000. The FCC does not require laboratories performing measurements on telephone terminal equipment to be accredited. The FCC no longer accepts applications for Part 68 certification. However, certification of telephone terminal equipment to Part 68 may be performed by Telecommunication Certification Bodies (TCBs).*

- 3) The U.S. FCC Rules and Regulations for Licensed Radio Service Equipment are contained in the FCC Rule Parts shown below:

Administrative Provisions	47 CFR Part 2
Emergency Alert Systems	47 CFR Part 11
Commercial Mobile Radio	47 CFR Part 20
Domestic Public Fixed	47 CFR Part 21
Public Mobile	47 CFR Part 22
Personal Communications Service	47 CFR Part 24
Satellite Communications	47 CFR Part 25
Miscellaneous Communications	47 CFR Part 27
Broadcast	47 CFR Part 73
Auxiliary Broadcast	47 CFR Part 74
Cable Television Relay	47 CFR Part 78
Maritime	47 CFR Part 80
Aviation	47 CFR Part 87
Private Land Mobile	47 CFR Part 90
Personal Radio Services	47 CFR Part 95
Amateur Radio	47 CFR Part 97
Fixed Microwave Services	47 CFR Part 101

Web site: [www.fcc.gov/wtb/rules/html](http://www.fcc.gov/wtb/rules/html)

*Note: The FCC does not require laboratories performing measurements on licensed radio service equipment to be accredited; however, to submit an application for certification to a TCB the laboratory must demonstrate competency to perform the tests.*