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PUBLIC NOTICE
Notice of Adoption of Technical Criteria
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Washington, D.C. – The Administrative Council for Terminal Attachments (ACTA) has adopted technical criteria from the Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA), an American National Standards Institute (ANSI) accredited standards developer, entitled, TIA-168-C, *Telecommunications – Telephone Terminal Equipment – Labeling Requirements*.

Pursuant to the ACTA Operating Principles and Procedures, and in accordance with the Federal Communication Commission's (FCC) rules and regulations governing the adoption of mandatory technical criteria, the ACTA has posted the proposed technical criteria for a 30 calendar day comment period. Since no comments were submitted, as of today, March 1, 2016, TIA-168-C, *Telecommunications – Telephone Terminal Equipment – Labeling Requirements* is formally adopted.

The implementation period for the newly adopted technical criteria is three months after publication of TIA-168-C, *Telecommunications – Telephone Terminal Equipment – Labeling Requirements* by the ACTA; therefore, all TTE submitted after June 1, 2016 shall comply with the new technical criteria. TTE submitted prior to June 1, 2016 have the option of compliance with the new technical criteria. Telephone Terminal Equipment (TTE) approved for connection to the Public Switched Telephone Network (PSTN) must comply with all applicable rules and regulations of FCC Part 68, and with the applicable technical criteria adopted by the ACTA.

A link to the newly adopted specification and further information about the ACTA can be obtained from the ACTA website at <http://www.part68.org>.

Questions and comments about this notice should be submitted to the ACTA Secretariat via e-mail at acta@atis.org, or by phone at +1.202.628.6380

About ACTA

The ACTA is an open organization established to: (1) adopt technical criteria and to act as the clearing-house, publishing technical criteria for terminal equipment developed by ANSI-accredited standards development organizations; and (2) establish and maintain a registration database of equipment approved as compliant with the technical criteria. ACTA is jointly sponsored by the Alliance for Telecommunications Industry Solutions (ATIS) and Telecommunications Industry Association (TIA).