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GOVERNOR EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 007 OF 2020

RIGHT OF WAY CHARGES ON TELECOMMUNICATIONS INFRASTRUCTURE

- Whereas It is the policy of the Government of Imo State to create an enabling environment for business and entrench measures and strategies aimed at ensuring ease of doing business in Imo State.
- Whereas, The Government of Imo State is desirous of providing all living in Imo State, especially rural communities, access to reliable, affordable broadband connectivity.
- Whereas, Broadband connectivity across Imo State will enhance the ability of the Government of Imo State to increase economic prosperity, attract new businesses, enhance job growth, extend the reach of affordable, high-quality healthcare, enrich student learning with digital tools, and facilitate access to the digital marketplace.
- Whereas, In order to achieve the Government objectives of attracting local and foreign investment for the development of broadband and other telecommunication infrastructure across Imo State, there is a need for certainty and transparency on the Right of Ways Charges.

NOW THEREFORE, I, SENATOR HOPE UZODIMMA, GOVERNOR OF IMO STATE, BY AUTHORITY VESTED IN ME BY THE 1999 CONSTITUTION OF THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF NIGERIA AND THE LAWS OF IMO STATE, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO THE LAND USE CHARGE LAW, 2012 HEREBY ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

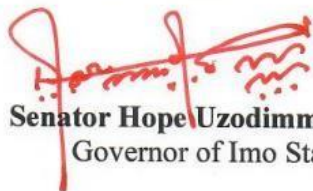
- i. It shall be government policy to use all viable tools to accelerate the deployment and adoption of affordable reliable, modern high-speed broadband connectivity in all the 27 local Government Areas of Imo State.
- ii. Government policy on broadband connectivity shall specifically target all sectors of Imo State, including rural homes, farms, small businesses, manufacturing and production sites, transportation systems, healthcare, and education facilities.



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- iii. The Right of Way charges for laying broadband or any other telecommunications infrastructure in Imo State Shall not exceed one hundred and forty -five naira (N145) per meter.
- iv. To implement this policy and enable sustainable broadband infrastructure projects, government departments, and agencies should seek to reduce barriers to capital investments, remove obstacles to broadband services, and employ government resources more efficiently.
 - (a) This Order Shall be implemented consistent with applicable laws of Imo State.
 - (b) This order is not intended to, and does not, create any right or benefits, substantive or procedural, enforceable at law or in equity by any part against the Government of Imo State, its departments, agencies or entities, its officers, employees, or agents, or any other person.

DATED this 28th day of May 2020


Senator Hope Uzodimma CON
Governor of Imo State



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