**3GPP TSG-CT WG6 Meeting #106eC6-210161\_draft**

**E-meeting; 25th – 28th May 2021**

Title: Reply LS to ITU-T Study Group 2

Response to: LS on impact of possible increase of the field issuer identifier number in Recommendation ITU-T E.118

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To: ITU-T Study Group 2

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Attachments: None

**1. Overall Description:**

CT6 thanks ITU-T Study Group 2 for their Liaison Statement to evaluate possible impact on networks and systems in case of increasing the maximum length of the issuer identification number (IIN).

Analysing the SG2-LS183 LS, CT6 delegates reached a common understanding: there is no impact on the CT6 specifications. ICCID is stored in EFICCID defined in ETSI TS 102 221 and inherited by 3GPP TS 31.102.

Extending the maximum length of the issuer identification number as long as the total length of the ICCID doesn’t change, doesn’t produce any issue in the specifications.

The possible impact is on the content of ICCID file, and the content is specified according to Recommendation ITU-T E.118, and directly under the operators control.

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ICCID is used extensively by operators in their operating systems and backend systems where the effects of the proposed change could be an issue, (e.g. in some systems the ICCID is for instance, directly linked to the subscriber). As such systems are not under 3GPP CT6 control, CT6 suggests to discuss the topic with the relevant groups within the GSMA before proceeding with the change.

**2. Actions:** CT6 recommends ITU-T Group 2 to take the above information into account and to verify the feasibility with the GSMA.

**3. Date of Next CT6 Meetings:**

3GPP TSG CT6#107-e 24th – 27th August 2021 eMeeting