

Under this system, KT may accumulate a portion of the profits due to the government which the Minister of Communications then controls for expenditure on data communications research and development.

Additionally, the MOC has the power to order changes in telecommunication service rates in order to maintain them at an optimum level.

In keeping with the priorities set by the MOC, Korea Telecom has identified quite a large number of goals for 1991 and beyond which fall into two broad categories - (1) innovations in international business telecommunications for confronting competition and (2) building up the competitive strength of the national telecommunications infrastructure. Major goals within these categories are outlined below:

#### 1. Innovations in the Int'l. Telecom. Business

##### A) Modernization of the Int'l. Telecom. Network

Modernizations are to include increasing the number of digital switching systems by related stations by opening 14,000 new lines by September of 1991 and another 2,600 lines by the end of the year. Secondly, KT aims to install an exclusive switching network for international facsimile service by the end of the same year. They also expect to have an international packet-switched network available by September of 1991.

##### B) Development and Provision of New Int'l. Services

- \* International speed dialing service by March, 1991
- \* Phone credit card service in cooperation with AT&T by March, 1991
- \* International video conferencing service by Dec., 1991
- \* International E-mail service installed by the end of 1991 and service available from September of the next year
- \* International data base service installed between 1991 and 1992 and available from the end of that year

##### C) Ensuring Stable International Telecommunications

KT plans to have an international network management system in operation by the end of 1991 and also to install satellite antennas for disaster recovery when submarine optical cables are not operating. Their schedule calls for completion of the work at existing earth stations at Keumsan by September, 1991, and Boheun by December of 1992.