

<b>Case Reference</b>	REG/INTC/008
<b>Title</b>	StarHub's Failure to Report Call Failures arising from SingTel's Unilateral Implementation of a Technical Solution for Routing Calls between SingTel's and StarHub's Networks
<b>Case Opened</b>	20 November 2003
<b>Case Closed</b>	1 July 2004
<b>Complainant</b>	IDA initiated this enforcement proceeding of its own accord.
<b>Respondent</b>	StarHub Pte Ltd (" <b>StarHub</b> ")
<b>Case Summary</b>	<p>Arising from IDA's consideration of a request by StarHub for enforcement action under the Telecom Competition Code against Singapore Telecommunications Ltd ("<b>SingTel</b>") for SingTel's unilateral implementation of a technical solution for routing calls between SingTel's and StarHub's networks which resulted in call failures (Case reference: REG/INTC/005 (closed on 1 July 2004)), IDA also made a preliminary assessment that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the call failures were considered a 'fault or service difficulty' in StarHub's telecommunication system within the scope of the Code of Practice (Service Standards on Network Quality) ("<b>NQC</b>"); and</li> <li>2. StarHub had breached section 5 of the NQC by failing to report the call failures as required under that section.</li> </ol>
<b>IDA's Determination</b>	<p>IDA assessed StarHub's submissions and, after careful consideration of the matter, decided that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. the call failures were considered a 'fault or service difficulty' in StarHub's telecommunication system within the scope of the NQC; and</li> <li>2. even though StarHub had submitted some information pertaining to the call failures, StarHub had nonetheless breached section 5 of the NQC by failing to submit all the necessary information and/or failing to submit information in the form and manner required under that section.</li> </ol> <p>IDA issued a formal warning to StarHub for this breach. In arriving at its decision to issue only a formal warning, IDA took into consideration the fact that this was StarHub's first contravention of section 5 of the NQC, and that in the circumstances, a formal warning would be appropriate to serve as a deterrent to StarHub against any future contravention of section 5 of the NQC.</p>