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This document is entitled *American National Standard for Telecommunica-tions – Signalling system number 7 (SS7) – Intermediate signalling network identification (ISNI)*. ISNI is a network capability that allows an application process in an origination network to specify intermediate signalling networks for non-circuit-associated signalling messages, or to notify an application process in the destination network about such intermediate signalling network(s), or to do both. ISNI has been developed for use between U.S. networks to meet the anticipated needs and applications of those entities. This standard is the result of extensive work by members of the T1S1.3 Working Group on U.S. Standards for Common Channel Signalling.

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1 Scope, purpose, and application

The Intermediate Signalling Network Identification (ISNI) capability allows an application process in the origination network to specify intermediate signalling network(s) for non-circuit-associated signalling messages, or to notify an application process in the destination network about such intermediate signalling network(s), or to do both. ISNI may be invoked by a variety of services.

The end user can interact with an end user service that may invoke the ISNI capability. The specific end user service that invokes ISNI is not within the scope of this capability description. The ISNI capability is therefore not visible to the end user, but allows an end user service to take place. Thus, there is a "layering" of services and capabilities, and the visible end user services may need the ISNI capability to complete. The specification of the intermediate signalling networks or the decision to request that the application process in the destination network be notified about the intermediate networks may be determined by end users or networks.

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3 Definitions

3.1 end user: The end user is the subscriber to one or more services that utilize the ISNI capability.

3.2 origination network: This network is the signalling network that initiates a non-circuit-related message using the ISNI capability.

3.3 destination network: This network is the signalling network that receives a non-circuit-related message containing ISNI information. This network may send subsequent messages based on the received ISNI information.

3.4 intermediate network: This network is a signalling network, between the origination and destination networks, traversed by a non-circuit-related message.[1)]

3.5 constrained routing information: If a message arriving at an ISNI-capable STP includes constrained routing information, the constrained routing information indicates one or more networks that the message will traverse. The constrained routing information may or may not indicate every network in the message path. It may or may not also indicate