Draft classifications for service statistics

Proposale from Sweden concerning

POST AND TELECOMMUNICATION (Ref ISIC)

POSTAL AND OTHER MULTI-MODAL TRANSPORT SERVICES (Ref CPC)

TELECOMMUNICATION SERVICES (Ref CPC)

1 General remarks

Post- and telecommunication services defined institutionally are in Sweden The Post Office Administration and The Swedish Telecom. To a great extent we are dependent on these institutions and their organizational structure when drawing the boundaries for the activities. However, we can diverge from what is the institutionally defined boundary by excluding services like selling and/or reselling of apparatus and other services which are not "pure post and telecommunication services". The fact that the two companies perform such services makes it somewhat difficult to separate economics about those "pure" services except for simple turnover figures.

We suggest that the activities within the Post Office Administration should be split into Post terminal and courier activity and Post counter activity. The reason for this is that the terminal services more and more are being exposed to competitions from private companies, for instance in the case of newspaper distributions and courier car services.

Also we suggest that telecommunication services should constitute two subdivisions, network activities and radio communication activities. In this case our suggestions are more shaky. As far as radio communication is concerned we lump together activities (services) quite different in kind, with different suppliers, markets and anticipated growthrates. Still, it is the only subdivisions we have found to be of some value. Technically there is no problem to separate cable-TV but the market for cable-TV is said to be rather small even after considering the expansion in the future. This is the reason why we have not given it a class of its own.

We are aware of that it is even more complicated to group these services than keeping "side" activities outside the bounderies. Anyway we suggest it for what it is worth.

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2 List of suggested subdivisions

Activity categories in the list are identified by corresponding ISIC code numbers. Product categories are identified by letters.

Code Title and description

751 Post and courier activities

751X Postterminal and courier activities.
This class includes picking-up, mail sorting, transport and delivery of mail and parcels

- a) Letter
- b) Publication
- c) Parcel
- d) Valuable paper
- e) Courier activity

751Y Post office counter activities

This class includes all activities at a postoffice except sorting and financial intermediation activities

a) Post office counter services

752 Telecommunication

752X Operation and meaintenance of primary distribution, network for telephone, data and images (Even including cable TV network)

- a) Telephone services
- b) Telegraph services
- c) Data transmission services
- d) Distribution network services for TV-programmes (Cable-TV services)

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Subdivisions of

- a) telefon services:
- Telephone services for regulary subscribers
- 1.1 Local calls
- 1.2 Interurban calls
- 1.3 International calls
- Telephone services for telephone exchange PBX subscribers
- 2.1 Local calls
- 2.2 Interurban calls
- 2.3 International calls
- Paytelephone services
- Directories and personal services such as wake up etc.

752Y Radio communication activities

This class includes: Broadcasting of radio and TV, Mobil radio (incl. mobil telephoning, paying systems, radio data systems), fixed base radio (incl. mirowave links and satellite communications)

- a) Broadcasting of radio and TV
- b) Mobile radio service