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[i.1] ETSI IPR Policy.

[i.2] <u>ETSI Guide on IPRs.</u>

[i.3] ETSI Rules of Procedure (RoP). 514 V2.35.1 (2024-0)

[i.4] ETSI IPR database.

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