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What additional details do you want to keep confidential?:

No

If you want part of your response kept confidential, which parts?:

Ofcom may publish a response summary:

Yes

I confirm that I have read the declaration:

Yes

1. IoT definition, applications and demand:

2. Spectrum requirements :

3. Network-related issues:

4. Security and resilience:

5. Data privacy:

6. Numbering and addressing:

7. Devices:

8. Digital literacy:

9. Data analysis and exploitation:

10. International developments:

11. Ofcom's role :

SSE has comments on the standards issue raised in this call for inputs - in particular at paragraphs 1.3.4, 1.41, 1.42 and 1.48.2. We support Ofcom being involved in the development of standards in this new technological area, especially where third party access is likely to become a regulatory or market requirement. In these situations, we do not believe

that 'industry' is best placed to develop standards for inter-operability of new technology. Commercial incentives on large and 'first-mover' players may drive in exactly the opposite direction, making retrospective introduction of more standard interfaces more difficult. SSE is always keen to see appropriate inclusive and independently managed governance arrangements set up in the communications markets and the 'internet of things' would seem to be another area where it would be useful to have such a forum to discuss relevant policy matters such as standards as this new force for change in the market develops.

12. Additional comments: