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Competition Group
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Dear Sir/Madam

Further consultation on certain elements of the wholesale fixed telecoms market review.

BUUK has been providing gigabit ready full fibre broadband connections to the new build housing sector since 2008 and our fibre networks are often chosen by developers in preference to the solutions offered by the monopoly incumbent. We also operate a wholesale business, Open Fibre Networks (Wholesale) Limited, offering wholesale services to Communication Providers across the UK.

We welcomed Ofcom's consultation on your wholesale fixed telecoms markets review (WFTMR) for the period April 2021 to March 2026. We recognise the need for Ofcom to propose some changes to the proposed remedies for Physical Infrastructure Access (PIA), Dark Fibre Access (DFA) and Dark Fibre Inter-Exchange Connectivity (DFX), following responses to our January 2020 Consultation.

We are supportive of these changes and also the proposals for the pricing of fibre-to-the-cabinet (FTTC) services provided via Single Order Generic Ethernet Access (SOGEA) and the interpretation of the basis of charges obligations for PIA ancillaries and the proposals on associated regulatory financial reporting obligations.

Yours sincerely



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