

Dear Ofcom,

Please accept my submission below for the Dark Fibre Consultation.

I have read the Ofcom article which states "We have found BT to have Significant Market Power (SMP)..."

By design this is a fundamental FACT given BT is the UK's primary network operator and service provider.

Furthermore this status applied prior Privatisation in 1984 and understandably applies to this present day.

Hence SMP was 'sold' to the BT Investors when Gov UK privatised BT.

Other Operators have followed and morphed including Cable & Wireless, Mercury Communications, NYNEX, Energis, Global Crossing, Telewest, NTL, Virgin Media, etc, etc, etc. I recall NTL's \$11billion Chapter 11...

Hence it's not that Ofcom have 'found' that BT has SMP, its to BT's credit that they have achieved this status.

BT should not be held to account for the failures or otherwise of those since BT was privatised in 1984.

BT has invested in duct, tube, fibre and associated services which are assets of BT Plc and should not be subject to incriminations, legalised plundering, etc.

However, should BT decide it has spare capacity for re-resell or lease under an Indefeasible Rights of Use (IRU) contracts, then BT alone should determine this and action accordingly.

I trust this makes perfect sense and enables the Consultation to be drawn to a close.

Certainly there is much work to be done on more pressing Communication agendas.

Hence I am happy to offer my service and support for free and meet with Ofcom to discuss.

Yours sincerely

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