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What do you want Ofcom to keep confidential?:

Keep nothing confidential

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

Ofcom should only publish this response after the consultation has ended:

You may publish my response on receipt

Additional comments:

Question 1: Do you agree that copy management would broaden the range of HD content available on DTT and help secure its long term viability as a platform? :

Absolutely not! Content management is the bane of the entertainment industry is severely restricts customer choice and rights.

I'm already paying a very large TV licence bill, and now will be unable to record anything for watching later without having to purchase a particular "licenced" piece of equipment that will again restrict when and for how long I can watch programs.

They can't have it both ways - either charge a licence fee and leave the data unencoded, or use DRM and dump the fee. After all, the BBC are behaving more and more like a commercial station all the time.

Question 2: Do you agree that the BBC's proposed multiplex licence amendment represents the most appropriate means for securing an effective content management system on HD DTT? :

No. Not at all.

Question 3: Do you agree with the proposed change to Condition 6 in the Multiplex B Licence? :

No.

Question 4: Do you agree that Multiplexes C and D should be granted a similar amendment to their Licences as Multiplex B?. :

No.

Question 5: Do you agree that the BBC's proposed approach for implementing content management would safeguard citizens and consumers legitimate use of HD content, and if not, what additional guarantees would be appropriate? :

No it does not. They are trying to impliment a 20th Century solution to a 21st Century problem. It certainly won't safeguard my legitimate use of the content, as I'll have to spend extra money on additional equipment to record the shows I wish to watch later. It's like deciding that, because more people die if hit by a car at 30mph than 20mph, car manufacturers must make the top speed of all cars limited to 20mph. A bizarre example, granted, but so is DRM for the masses.

Question 6: Do you agree that the BBC's proposed choice of content management technologies will have only a negligible impact on the cost of HD DTT receivers and their interoperability with other HD consumer equipment? . :

No it will not. The impact will be great and widespread.

Question 7: Do stakeholders agree that the BBC's proposed Huffman Code licensing arrangements would have a negligible effect on the market for HD DTT receivers? :

No. Not negligible.

Question 8: Do the BBC's proposed content management states and their permitted use for different categories of HD content meet the requirements of other HD broadcasters on DTT? . :

Question 9: Are there any issues that you consider Ofcom should take into account in assessing the BBC's proposal, that have not been addressed by this consultation?: