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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

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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? :**

Not to an extent worth tolerating DRM for. The business model involved is obsolete, propping it up will in the medium term reduce the quantity and scope of content, and probably the quality. Time to let it die.

**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.

**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 seems likely to prevent citizens and consumers from using their choice of computer operating system, if that is Linux or any later GPL Libre software.

**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

**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 opinion.

**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? . :**

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**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?:**

The unhealthy leveraging by software suppliers of restrictions for one purpose and market into market advantage in other markets and for other purposes, not related to the liberty, wealth and happiness of citizens.