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Yes

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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? :

No. It would simply, in some cases make it somewhat easier to make that content available.

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, EPG data must remain open.

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

I believe that they should have their own separate consultations.

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, people wishing to use the content in illegal ways would have no trouble in breaking any contemporary scrambling systems. Any scrambling systems would be wholly ineffective at their intended purposes and only hurt legitimate consumers.

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? . :

Indeed it would not greatly affect the cost of receivers, but it would greatly impair interoperability with other equipment.

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? :

Huffman coding is not encumbered by patents, therefore I don't see how the licensing arrangements are relevant. So in effect, yes I agree.

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? . :

I am not in a position to answer that.

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?:

I believe that this could be ant-competitive, and detrimental to many stakeholder's viewing possibilities.