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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? :

No. I fail to see how preventing viewers from watching programs will increase the range of programmes 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? :

The BBC should not looking at ways of limiting viewers options.

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

No. The BBC should not be limiting access to EPG data ever. As a public corporation they should be working in the open.

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

unknown

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. A guarantee that there will be no encryption of HD content now or in the future and that any codecs used will be patent free open codecs would be appropriate. That way the public can buy equipment with confidence that it will work.

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. These restrictions limit competition and increase development costs while increasing the energy use of the equipment. Consumers are being asked to replace perfectly functional equipment for no reason.

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? :

unknown

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? . :

unknown

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 environmental cost of all this extra encryption, as well the the pointless replacement of current equipment.