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Self

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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?:

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Yes

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Yes

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Question 1: Do you agree with Ofcom's proposed overall approach to improving the management of public sector spectrum holdings and, in particular, with Ofcom's conclusion that it will generally be preferable for public sector bodies to interact directly with the market?:

In principle - Yes. But with reservations regarding the possible charging of users of marine VHF and radar frequencies. See 7

Question 2: What factors do you consider Ofcom should take into account in determining the programme of reform in the framework for managing public sector spectrum holdings?:

The use of some frequencies/bands for safety at sea.

Question 3: Do you consider that the proposals should be phased in?:

Yes

Question 4: Do you agree with Ofcom's proposals about the frequency bands that offer the greatest potential benefits from band sharing? Are there other frequency bands where the facility to trade or lease spectrum from public sector bodies would be particularly attractive?:

Question 5: Do you agree with Ofcom's proposed approach to awarding public sector licences and RSA?:

No

Question 6: Should public sector spectrum trading be introduced at this stage in the Channel Islands and Isle of Man?:

No

Question 7: Should there be additional grounds, eg safety-related, for Ofcom to refuse consent to a proposed trade in certain frequency bands or for certain applications?:

The marine VHF, HF and radar frequency band MUST remain free of any possibility of users being charged for their use. Any extra cost for use of these frequencies will lead to a reduction in the take up by users and thus to increase in the number of deaths at sea.

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