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I enclose a short document with comments on the UK General licence.

I am extremely disappointed that this was not brought to the TAG group at an earlier date; it was always agreed and minuted that it would be discussed when the Agency had time available to review it.

Anyway, my main concern is the unnecessarily low price and the access to all frequencies, which completely devalues the service.

Best regards

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**COMMENTS ON PROPOSED IMPROVEMENTS FOR PMR (STANDARD) UK**  
**GENERAL LICENCE**

The original aim of the UK General licence was to provide users with the facility for nomadic use of on-site radio systems, but had the disadvantage of the need for 14 days prior notification to the RA to use the equipment at a particular location. Before the advent of SRBR and PMR446 this was the only way to achieve licensed use of equipment at different locations on a short-term basis.

For typical users such as commissioning engineers, agricultural contractors etc the only problem was the 14-day notification. Removal of this administrative burden is the only major change that is necessary.

If multi site, fixed location users are moved to a PBR Onsite licence, the UK General licence category becomes even more useable.

Initial speed of issue of the UK General licence has not been an important issue in the past.

To provide this licence at lower cost is completely unnecessary, and, if you give each licensee access to all listed frequencies, for an unlimited number of radios, the value of the service to business would be similar to CB – i.e. totally useless.

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