

Mr John Dance

Additional comments:

Question 1: Do you have any comments on our modelling approach and assessment of numbers of households affected?:

Question 2: Do you agree with our high level conclusions on mitigation options?:

Question 3: Do you have any comments, views or evidence that you would wish to be considered in our further work looking at the appropriate level of consumer support?:

Having read the document "Coexistence of new services in the 800 MHz band with digital terrestrial television", I am greatly concerned that there is an extremely high chance that our household will be adversely affected with regards to the reception of DTT, with a high probability that our DTT service will be interrupted by an "overload" situation.

Our current situation is that, we have recently upgraded our TVs, roof top aerial and amplifier (at some great expense) in order to prepare for the change over to digital TV in 2012. The family's main TV signal is provided via cable (provided by Virgin Media) as well as the roof top aerial, the signal for the 3 TVs in our bedrooms is provided solely via the roof top aerial. There 2 mobile transmitter masts and base stations in close proximity of our house;

- Vodafone - 46682 - located within 25m of our house,
- T-Mobile - 51772 - located approx 100m from our house.

My concerns are:

1. Will we lose all DTT received via the roof top aerial, due to an Overload situation,
2. Even with filtering there is a good chance we will suffer from SINR degradation,
3. If Platform changes are required who will bear the burden of cost?

I am not opposed to the auction and implementation of 4g licenses, but am concerned that in an effort to raise money for the government, consumers will have their services degraded and end up paying to once again "up grade" their equipment in order to maintain their access supposedly to Free to Air TV.

Can you advise as to what steps will be taken to ensure that our DTT services will be maintained at their current levels and no additional burden of cost will be incurred by my, or nearby households.

Please feel free to contact me at any time.

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Question 4: Do you have any comments or views on how we have assessed the approaches and our preference for the hybrid approach?:

Question 5: Do you agree with the options, the assessment approach and our initial conclusions? What are your views on cost risks and how to deal with them?: