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Ofcom may publish a response summary:

Yes

I confirm that I have read the declaration:

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, I do not agree with this.

DRM and copy protection was removed from music on iTunes, and never implemented on Amazons MP3 store, this did not have an impact on the availability of content on either of these services.

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? :

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

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

Absolutely not.

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? :

I don't really understand how implementing "content management" is in any way safeguarding *my* legitimate use of any TV content. Quite the opposite in fact. I do not use a commercial PVR for recording or watching DTT, at the moment this is perfectly legitimate. If content or rights management was implemented, I would be forced to circumvent this "content management" to be able to view the content I am paying for through my TV licence. This would then be classed as illegitimate use, turning me into a criminal in some peoples eyes for no good reason.

(FYI, I use MediaPortal and off the shelf PCs for all TV recording and viewing)

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, I suspect it will artificially maintain high prices on licensed players. If standard Freeview boxes had "content management" software from the start, it is unlikely we would have decoders available for £15 as we have now. It wouldn't be as attractive for manufacturers to enter the market, reducing prices and availability for the mass market.

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? :

See Q6.

I think it would have a major impact, Humax, Pace, Panasonic and the other large brands will produce HD DTT receivers, but the smaller or less well known far eastern manufacturers are less likely to want to get into the market. Choice of receiver is going to be more limited compared to SD DTT receivers as it is (smaller market, more expensive), this additional licensing will have an adverse effect.

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? . :

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?: