

Freedom of Information: Right to know request

Thank you for contacting my colleague and clarifying your Freedom of Information request. As I understand it, you are after a list of Communications Providers who pay a revenue charge to Ofcom.

As you may be aware, when the new EU communications regime was implemented in the UK on 25 July 2003, individual licences granted under the Telecommunications Act 1984 were replaced by the General Authorisation regime. The effect was that licences were no longer required for providing communications networks or services in the UK.

Therefore as previously advised, Ofcom does not hold a register of companies which operate in the Networks and Services sector.

However, in line with section 3.8 of Ofcom's Statement of Charging Principles<http://stakeholders.ofcom.org.uk/binaries/consultations/socp/statement/charging_principles.pdf> (SoCP) we publish an annual list of Networks & Services providers <https://www.ofcom.org.uk/__data/assets/pdf_file/0028/101899/Networks-and-Services-Providers-Billed-for-201718-Ofcom-Admin-Charges.pdf> who pay an annual administrative charge. The fees payable are based on self-certified relevant turnover submissions for the appropriate calendar year and remain confidential to the individual companies.

I hope this provides the information you wanted.

Timing

If you wish to exercise your right to an internal review you should contact us within two months of the date of this letter. There is no statutory deadline for undertaking internal reviews and it will depend upon the complexity of the case. However, we aim to conclude all such reviews within 20 working days, and up to 40 working days in exceptional cases. We will keep you informed of the progress of any such review. If you wish to request an internal review, you should contact:

Steve Gettings
The Secretary to the Corporation
Ofcom
Riverside House
2a Southwark Bridge Road
London SE1 9HA

If you are not content with the outcome of the internal review, you have the right to apply directly to the Information Commissioner for a decision. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at:

Information Commissioner's Office
Wycliffe House
Water Lane
Wilmslow
Cheshire
SK9 5AF