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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, in fact it will restrict it.

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?.:

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?:

No, by implementing such it will restrict the equipment used to Window type platforms by stopping users from selecting Linux and other open source low cost products.

UK citizens already pay a very hefty annual charge for the BBC content. Why should they pay twice more for a product that the BBC are supplying that is already paid for.

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? .:

See, prev Q, and no it will increase the cost by preventing the user from using such tools as free to use tools such as Mythtv.

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?:

There would be an increase in the cost of such units due to the licensing requirements of the technology even if it is old tech.

It would also make existing equipment obsolete again (i.e., switching from analogue to digital, and then again changing frequences and FSB mods that have forced user to replace older freeview players.

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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?:

The BBC function is to provide a public broadcasting function with the minimum restrictions (and additional cost) on its usage to the home user. It appears that the public get asked year on year to pay a license fee that in fact has many extra costs involved to access the BBC service.

This must stop. The Public are not a charity and the BBC must offer service in a more cost controlled environment by bring costs DOWN not up.