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Mr

Forename:

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Representing:

Self

Organisation (if applicable):

St Mary's Airport

Email:

What do you want Ofcom to keep confidential?:

Keep nothing confidential

If you want part of your response kept confidential, which parts?:

Ofcom may publish a response summary:

Yes

I confirm that I have read the declaration:

Yes

Ofcom should only publish this response after the consultation has ended:

You may publish my response on receipt

Additional comments:

Question 1: Do you consider that our proposed fee rates for licences in the aeronautical VHF frequencies are appropriate?:

NO, totally unacceptable. This represents a total rise of 1,387% over 4 years ie from £150 to £2,600 for a single atc frequency.

Why is the north given a 50% discount, ? set a fair price for everybody, we are all in the same business.

Question 2: In devising our revised proposals, have we identified all of the aeronautical uses of VHF communications frequencies which require a distinct approach to fee setting, as set out in tables 5 and 6?:

ALL aeronautical radios are used to ENSURE the SAFETY of aircraft and the passengers transported in them.

As such these frequencies Should NOT be charged.

Question 3: Do you agree with our proposal not to charge any fees for Fire assignments?:

silly question

Question 4: Do you agree with our proposal to set a £75 fee for licences in any of the sporting frequencies?:

This seems resonable.

Question 5: Do you agree with our proposal to set an annual fee of £19,800 per ACARS or VDL assignment, with no variation related to the number of transmitters?:

Question 6: Do you consider that our proposed approach to phasing in fees for use of the aeronautical VHF communications channels are appropriate? If there are particular reasons why you consider that any user or group of users would need longer phasing-in periods, please provide any supporting evidence for us to consider. Specifically, do you have any evidence for us to consider that would support either of Options 1 and 2 for the highest proposed fee in this sector?:

NO the whole concept is unacceptable for any frequency used to ensure the safety of aircraft and or shipping.

Question 7: Do you have any further quantified information to contribute to the analysis of financial impacts of the proposed fees on particular spectrum users, as set out in Annex 5? We would like to publish all responses, but will respect the confidentiality of any material which is clearly marked as such.:

A huge 1,387% increase on charges will have a significant financial impact on all small and medium businesses, especially when it is difficult to pass on increased costs.

At a time when we are all being advised by Government to reduce costs.

Question 8: Do you consider that our assessment of the impacts of our proposals has taken full account of relevant factors? If you consider that there is additional evidence that would indicate particular impacts we should take into account, we would be grateful if you could provide this.:

NO, all the consultation process has done is delay the implementation of these unfair and extortionate charges.