

**Forename:**

Peter

**Surname:**

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**Representing:**

Organisation

**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

**Question 1: Do you agree with the criteria against which we propose to assess the functioning of the pay TV sector?:**

Do not understand question

**Question 2: Does our overview of the pay TV market fairly reflect the key developments within this market?:**

No

**Question 3: Do you agree with our analytic framework for the pay TV value chain? If not, why not?:**

Do not understand question

**Question 4: Are there any additional comments or evidence which you wish to provide?:**

**Question 5: Do you agree with the views we have expressed as to the level of platform and content choice available?:**

Yes

**Question 6: Do you agree with our analysis of innovation levels in UK pay TV? Do you agree with our assessment of what has driven innovation in the past, and what will drive it in the future?:**

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**Question 7: Do you agree with our analysis of pricing structures in UK pay TV? Do current pricing structures act in the aggregate interests of consumers?:**

No

The fee I pay to Sky TV to have their service in my pub is £8000.00 per annum.

This is based on the publicly published rateable value of my premises. Not the actual rates I pay.

No-Not in the Licensed Trade. The PRS and PPL (performing rights fees) are charged on the trading area of my bars. You must insist that Sky charge on the same basis.

At the moment Sky are a private monopoly charging how they like. Needs looking into.

**Question 8: Do you agree with our assessment that there is currently insufficient evidence to support a conclusion that prices in the UK are excessive?:**

No-Not in the Licensed Trade Sector.

Prices charged in the Licensed Trade Sector are exorbitant.

**Question 9: Do you agree with our initial assessment that there is not convincing evidence to support the claim that the industry is earning excessive profits? Is there evidence to support the suggestion that Sky is pursuing objectives other than short term profitability?:**

No

Yes - Just look at the legal cases being pursued/hounded by Sky and the FA to protect their income.

**Question 10: Are there any other comments or evidence which you wish to provide?:**

No Enough said

**Question 11: What is your view on our approach to defining markets?:**

The whole consultation document is too wordy for average punters to read and understand.

**Question 12: Do you agree with our definitions of premium content markets?:**

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**Question 13: Do you agree with our preliminary conclusions on basic / free-to-air markets?:**

**Question 14: Do you agree with our assessment of market power?:**

**Question 15: Have we identified the correct set of intrinsic market characteristics? Are there any that you would add?:**

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**Question 16: Have we correctly captured the role of vertical integration?:**

What is this jargon

**Question 17: Do you agree with our assessment of the effects of content aggregation on retail competition?:**

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**Question 18: Do you agree with our summary of the possible issues relating to the short-run operation of the market?:**

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**Question 19: Do you share our possible concerns over the long-run operation of the market?:**

**Question 20: What do you see as the impact of these considerations on consumers?:**

Your consultation will, as usual, have no impact on the free market and monopoly position of some players.

Will you really get Sky to reduce their holding in ITV?

**Comments:**

I saved a forest by not printing the consultation document.