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Representing:

Self

Organisation (if applicable):

What do you want Ofcom to keep confidential?:

Keep nothing confidential

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

none

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:

Yes

Additional comments:

I am absolutely appalled that you are giving Royal mail the right to determine the price of a postage stamp without the regulator having the final say.

Question 5.1: Do you agree with the assumptions set out in paragraph 5.86 above? If not, please set out your reasons.:

Please put this in plain English that is easy to understand, rather than legalised waffle. Yes there should be a universal service provided to everyone in the UK at cost. That is provide a service.

Question 6.1: Do you agree with our proposal to impose a regulatory condition on Royal Mail to require it to provide the universal service as set out above? If not, what alternative approach would you suggest?:

Yes a universal service with the same price for everyone.

Question 6.2: Do you agree that a price control is not an appropriate option at present for regulating Royal Mail's prices? If not, please explain why and how a price control could be implemented effectively.:

Absolutely not a price control is essential. We already pay stupidly high prices for a shockingly poor service. The service has been eroded substantially over recent years, ie one delivery a day at any time. 1st class post hardly ever arrives within one day.

Question 6.3: Do you agree with Ofcom's proposals to put in place regulatory safeguards as described above? If not, please provide reasons.:

No I do not agree with your proposal in question 6.2. We should have a cheaper priced postal system with the price determined by the regulator and not Royal mail. What you are proposing is for RM to be fattened up for privatisation.

Question 6.4: Do you agree with Ofcom's proposals to put in place a monitoring regime? If not, please provide reasons.:

It is no good monitoring, you need to have real teeth that allows you to step in and impose a fair priced system.

Question 6.5: Do you agree with Ofcom's proposals for an index-linked safeguard cap on standard letters from 45p to 55p? If not, please provide reasons.:

No I do not agree with this. the price is already too high for the services provided. This is not a index-safeguard cap but giving the opportunity to increase an already high price. You should be looking to be lowering the cost not increasing it.

Question 6.6: Do you agree with Ofcom's proposal that the approach outlined above remains in place for seven years? If not, please provide reasons.:

No I do not.

Question 7.1: Do you agree with our approach to assessing end-to-end competition? If not, please give your reasons.:

What exactly does end to end competition mean. plain English please

Question 7.2: Do you agree with Ofcom's proposals to impose an obligation on Royal Mail to provide access at the Inward Mail Centre? If not, please give reasons.:

Obligation but no right to impose. Weak and ineffective, simply pointless waste of tax payers money.

Question 7.3: Do you agree with Ofcom's proposals in respect of regulating margin squeeze? If not, please give reasons.:

Margin squeeze what do you mean by this? A fair price to post a letter expecting it to be delivered in a reasonable period of time.

Question 7.4: Do you agree with our approach concerning the Terms and Conditions for access, including the role of equivalence and the regulation of zonal pricing? If not, please give your reasons.:

Equivalence and zonal pricing? A fair price to post a letter expecting it to be delivered in a reasonable period of time.

Question 8.1: Do you agree with the objectives for regulatory financial reporting that we have set out above? Please provide details to support your response. :

No I do not really understand your jargon. I only want to protect the Royal Mail and postal system as it is and not permit the movement to a privatised company.

Question 8.2: Do you agree that our regulatory financial reporting proposals, set out in this section and the supporting Annex, are appropriate and proportionate? Please provide reasons and evidence to support your views.:

No I do not really understand your jargon. I only want to protect the Royal Mail and postal system as it is and not permit the movement to a privatised company.

Question 8.3: Do you agree with our proposals on the rules and requirements contained in the draft Regulatory Accounting Guidelines and do you consider that they are likely to provide an appropriate and proportionate level of cost transparency and accounting separation?:

No I do not really understand your jargon. I only want to protect the Royal Mail and postal system as it is and not permit the movement to a privatised company.

Question 8.4: Do you agree with our proposals set out above in relation to accounting separation? Are there any further risks that you think Ofcom needs also to consider in making decisions in this area? To the extent that you consider there to be risks associated with our proposals, how do you consider they might best be addressed?:

No I do not really understand your jargon. I only want to protect the Royal Mail and postal system as it is and not permit the movement to a privatised company.