Business Impact Target: Ofcom list of qualifying regulatory provisions, April 2017-June 2017

Under the Small Business, Enterprise and Employment Act 2015 ('the SBEE Act'), we have a statutory obligation to produce an assessment of the economic impact on business of every qualifying regulatory provision we make during the relevant period. A qualifying regulatory provision is one that does not fall under any of the exclusions prescribed in the SBEE Act.¹

This document sets out our qualifying regulatory provisions for the reporting period April-June 2017. It summarises the provisions that were in scope for the purpose of meeting our statutory obligation under the SBEE Act and sets out the Business Impact Target score ('the BIT score'). The BIT score which is validated by the Regulatory Policy Committee, is an assessment of the impact on business that is carried out solely for the purposes of the SBEE Act, under which we are required to assess the specific net economic impact on business. As such, the BIT score reflects only the costs and benefits to business and does not include the associated benefits or costs of the measure to consumers. Impact assessments that include the associated benefits or costs to consumers can be found in the consultation or statement document associated with each regulatory provision.

Under the SBEE Act, we are also required to publish a list of 'non-qualifying regulatory provisions', which are those that fall under one of the exclusions set out in the SBEE Act. This document can be found on our website here: <u>https://www.ofcom.org.uk/__data/assets/pdf_file/0022/106951/bit-nqrp-apr-jun-17.pdf</u>

Table 1: Qualifying Regulatory Provisions that came into force during the Business Impact Target reporting period April-June 2017		
Title of measure and RPC reference number	Description of measure and link to statement	BIT score (£ millions)
Review of future licensing and technical policy for community radio RPC-DCMS-OFCOM-4145(1)	Ofcom made amendments to the current technical regulation of community radio stations, including coverage extensions and improvement to existing services. <u>https://www.ofcom.org.uk/consultations-and-statements/category-2/cr-future-licensing</u>	Zero
Revisions to data collection on VOD accessibility RPC17-DCMS OFCOM-4157	Ofcom made amendments to the way we collect and publish data on the accessibility of regulated on demand service providers for those with hearing or sight difficulties. We also brought the type of data we collect into line with that gathered for broadcast services. <u>https://www.ofcom.org.uk/data/assets/pdffile/0011/100226/accessibility-on-demand-programme-services-statement.pdf</u>	Zero

¹ Department for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, (2016). *Business impact target: statutory and administrative exclusions guide*. <u>https://www.gov.uk/government/uploads/system/uploads/attachment_data/file/608836/business-impact-target-exclusions.pdf</u>