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What additional details do you want to keep confidential?:

Keep part of the response confidential

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

The answer to question 2.

Ofcom may publish a response summary:

Yes

I confirm that I have read the declaration:

Yes

Additional comments:

Question 1: Do you agree with Aegis?s conclusions on

congestion of current use of 420-470 MHz spectrum? Are there any other signs or areas of congestion that Aegis have not identified from their review?:

Yes.

Question 2: Do you agree with Aegis's conclusions on the future demand and use of 420-470 MHz spectrum over the next ten years? Are there any other future uses or areas for future demand that Aegis have not identified from their review?:

Question 3: Do you agree with Aegis's conclusions that there is not yet any UK demand for wideband services in the 450-470 MHz band (which could for example, be used to improve rural mobile coverage)? Please provide any supporting evidence for your position.:

Yes.

Question 4: Have you experienced degradation in your systems? performance which you consider to be caused by continental interference in the last 12 months? If yes, what approach did you take towards managing and minimising interference?

Please provide any supporting evidence which explains the frequency, impact, duration, time, location and cause (whether suspected or investigated) of the interference with respect to your specific sector(s).:

No.

Question 5: Is there additional information relevant to the configuration of the 420-470 MHz band that we should consider in developing our approach to its future management? Please provide any evidence to support your views.:

Intervention is certainly necessary. Many users rely on radio-communications distributors for equipment support and sales histories will also be useful. A coordinated switch-over through distributors rather than just through the

licensing body is wise, especially as these organisations are likely to be involved in a coordinated reprogram of equipment.

Question 6: Do you agree with the potential solutions Aegis have proposed for managing the 420-470 MHz band to both meet the continued growth in congestion and demand from incumbent spectrum users, and to facilitate the deployment of wideband technologies? Are there any other solutions which you consider we should examine that Aegis have not identified from their review?

Please provide any evidence to support your position and reference each solution in your response as appropriate.:

Yes.

Question 7: Do you have any further comments relevant to how we might manage spectrum between 420-470 MHz? :

No.

Question 8: Do you have any comments on our proposed programme of work, the outcomes from which we will use to inform future decisions on how we manage the 420-470 MHz band? Are there any additional areas you consider we should explore?:

No.