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Q1: Do you agree with our proposal to open access to the bands shown in Table 1 for satellite gateway use under the existing NGSO gateway and PES licences with the associated licensing process and fees? Are there other uses of these frequencies which you would prefer to be authorised in these bands?	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>OneWeb strongly agrees with Ofcom’s proposal to make available currently unassigned spectrum in the 28GHz band - including the four 28 MHz guard bands - for satellite gateway use under the existing NGSO gateway licence and the PES licences.</p> <p>As stated in the consultation document, the 28GHz band is critical for Fixed Satellite Services (FSS) for NGSO gateways. Consequently, Ofcom’s proposal will ensure that additional capacity is made available to accommodate the increasing demands and future trends of spectrum use, such as those identified in Ofcom’s recent spectrum strategy: ‘Supporting the UK’s wireless future’ – including the requirement to improve rural/remote connectivity in the UK, as well as ensure a more resilient UK communications infrastructure.</p>

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Q2: Do you agree with our initial assessment that our proposals would benefit citizens and consumers and would not materially affect existing users of the 28 GHz band as well as future users of the unassigned spectrum?	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>OneWeb agrees with Ofcom’s assessment that its proposals will benefit UK citizens and consumers.</p> <p>OneWeb also agrees that the implementation of Ofcom’s current NGSO licensing procedures as well as well-established international satellite coordination processes, means that existing or future users of the 28GHz band will not be materially affected.</p>

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Q3: Do you have further views / comments that you wish to make in respect of this consultation?	<p>Confidential? – N</p> <p>OneWeb notes Ofcom’s plan to consult on authorisation options for other users, such as fixed services or uncoordinated satellite terminals. While sharing between NGSO gateways is complex, but manageable due to relative low number and known locations, sharing between NGSO gateways and uncoordinated, ubiquitous terminals is much more challenging. Therefore, regulatory measure such as exclusion zone around gateways should be assessed carefully before new type of authorisation option can be issued.</p>