Title:

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Organisation (if applicable):

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What additional details do you want to keep confidential? :

Keep name 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

Additional comments:

My latest views on ITV's proposals...with a new idea that could potentially incorporating their idea.

Question 1: Do you agree that the existing obligations on Channel 3 and Channel 5 licensees in respect of national and international news and current affairs, original productions, and Out of London productions should be maintained at their current levels? If not, what levels do you consider appropriate, and why? :

My current feeling is that as part of the Regional News proposal (that incorporates ITV's below, I feel the English Pan-regions (excluding the Border region) should receive 30 minutes Non-News Current Affairs programming for 40 weeks per year.

This would mean a new 30 minute programme for the following Pan-Regions - ITV LONDON, ITV MERIDIAN, ITV WESTCOUNTRY, ITV CENTRAL, ITV ANGLIA, ITV GRANADA, ITV YORKSHIRE & ITV TYNE TEES. The other proposals that the Channel 3 franchises have come up with for the ITV BORDER, ITV WALES, ITV CHANNEL ISLANDS, STV AND UTV franchises seem realistic to me.

Question 2: Do you agree with ITV's proposals for changes to its regional news arrangements in England, including an increase in the number of news regions in order to provide a more localised service, coupled with a reduction in overall news minutage? :

Yes if the Regions work something like this...

18:00 ITV NATIONAL/INTERNATIONAL NEWS.
18:13 ITV REGIONAL NEWS/ITV WALES NEWS/ITV CHANNEL ISLANDS NEWS/STV NEWS/UTV NEWS incorporating the REGIONAL SPORT and REGIONAL WEATHER FORECAST.
18:33 LIGHTER STORIES FROM ITV'S ENGLISH REGIONS (Back in London, shown throughout ITV's English Regions only). ITV Wales/ITV Border/STV/UTV and Channel Islands have 30 minutes programmes as current or per ITV's proposal.
18:43 ITV SPORTS NEWS.
18:47 AND FINALLY.
18:52 NATIONAL WEATHER.

Question 3: Do you agree with UTV's proposal for non-news obligations should be reduced to 90 minutes a week? If not, what alternative would you propose and why? :

Question 4: Do you agree with the proposals by STV to maintain overall minutage for regional content in the northern and central licence areas of Scotland at 5 hours 30 minutes a week, as detailed in Annex 3? If not, what alternative would you propose, and why? :

Question 5: Do you agree with the proposals by ITV to maintain the overall minutage for regional content in Wales at 5 hours 30 minutes a week, as detailed in Annex 3? If not, what alternative would you propose, and why? :

Question 6: Do you agree with the proposals by ITV to reduce the overall minutage for regional content in the Channel Islands from 4 hours a week to 3 hours 20 minutes as detailed in Annex 3, while maintaining the present provision of a 30 minute early evening regional news programme? If not, what alternative would you propose, and why? :

Question 7: Do you have any views on any other aspects of the nations and regions programming and production obligations of the Channel 3 licensees? :

Question 8: Which option would you prefer in respect of the news and current affairs in the Border region, and why? :

Question 9: If option 2 were to be adopted, should ITV be required to provide separate transmission for the Scottish and English parts of the region on DTT? :

Question 10: If you would prefer a different option to those set out in Questions 8 and 9 above, please explain what, and why:

Question 11: Do you agree that the Border licence should be amended to reduce the proportion of regional production required to a sustainable level? If not, what proposals would you like to make? :

Question 12: What views do you have on the proposal by STV and UTV to extend peak time to 11pm, which would extend the window in which they could schedule regional content that must be shown in peak time? :