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Response to consultation ‘Developing a framework for the long term future of UHF spectrum bands IV and V’

The APWPT is pleased to submit its comments. APWPT is an EU-based association that promotes, on an international level, the efficient and demand-driven provision and use of frequencies for professional events and productions (“PMSE”). Wireless microphones and cameras are examples of the wireless equipment critical to such events and productions. APWPT believes strongly that it is important to preserve the ability to use such frequencies to support professional productions even as other spectrum policies and uses change. (Website: www.apwpt.org). Its members have a vested interest in the issues raised by this consultation. The APWPT has been very involved in PMSE-related frequency matters at an EU level, such as the European Commission’s (“EC”) PMSE workshop of October 26, 2010, CEPT Project Teams and standardisation groups at ETSI.

>> We fully support BEIRG’s response to the consultation.

In addition we would like to draw your attention to ongoing European activities with regard to future PMSE spectrum assignments. Many different project teams within CEPT are currently investigating different potential frequency bands. For example, the LTE duplex guard band around 830 MHz is still not evaluated for PMSE usage.

It is obvious that a final decision for PMSE spectrum cannot be reached before the conclusions of the different project teams have been reached and can be fully discussed.

Please note:

Based on physics, i.e. technical issues, many PMSE applications need to stay in the UHF spectrum bands IV and V and cannot be moved to other spectrum bands above 1 GHz

Respectfully submitted by

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