

GlobeCast UK Ltd

Additional comments:

Receive-only earth stations operating in the 3600-4200MHz band support the United Kingdom's national and international communications network. Secure reception with freedom from interference is essential in maintaining the extremely high levels of service availability that are demanded by end clients. These earth stations are limited in both number and geographical location therefore the RSA proposal will result in minimal limitations to other spectrum users whilst offering earth station operators the opportunity to purchase protection from interference at a rate that takes account of the value of the protected spectrum.

Question 1: Do you agree with the list of proposed RSA parameters for assessing interference and for setting fees for receive-only earth stations? Are sufficient parameters defined for a grant of RSA? If you disagree, please give your reasons and suggest alternatives.:

GlobeCast considers that the proposed parameters for assessing interference offer a flexible and balanced approach to providing both security of reception and efficient spectrum use

Question 2: Do you agree with the proposals for introducing fees for RSA for receive-only earth stations in the bands concerned on the basis of parity with existing PES fees (with a minimum fee of £500) and that the full fees be implemented from the date of grant of RSA? If you disagree, please give your reasons and suggest alternatives:

GlobeCast considers that the proposed fees take reasonable account of the value of the spectrum

Question 3: Do you agree that grants of RSA in the bands should normally be on a rolling annual basis, with a 5-year revocation period?:

This is acceptable to GlobeCast

Question 4: Do you agree that grants of RSA in the bands should be tradable and that grants of RSA and WT licences should be inter-convertible? If so, do you agree with our proposal to model the process for trading and conversion on that for RSA for radio astronomy? :

GlobeCast has no objection to grants of RSA being tradable

Question 5: Do you agree with our proposed procedure for considering applications for the grant of RSA to receive-only earth stations. If you disagree, please give your reasons and suggest alternatives? :

This proposed procedure is acceptable to GlobeCast

Question 6: Do you agree that RSA for receive-only earth stations could provide greater security against interference and help promote optimal use of the 1690 - 1710, 3600 - 4200 and 7750 - 7850 MHz bands? If not, please explain why and describe any alternative mechanism that you consider to be necessary.:

GlobeCast agrees that RSA will provide greater security from interference to receive-only earth stations in the 3600-4200MHz band