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Ofcom may publish a response summary:

Yes

I confirm that I have read the declaration:

Yes

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Additional comments:

I have not answered many of the more technical questions as I do not fully understand some of the terminology; but I do feel strongly that public service broadcasting should use open, free public standards for encoding.

Question 1: Do you agree that copy management would broaden the range of HD content available on DTT and help secure its long term viability as a platform? :

I have not seen any evidence to support this.

Question 2: Do you agree that the BBC's proposed multiplex licence amendment represents the most appropriate means for securing an effective content management system on HD DTT? :

No. Fundamentally, content management systems are always flawed; they punish those who want to legally consume content via open source operating systems, while generally proving ineffective against those who seek to illegally copy and distribute content.

As a user of MythTV I am particularly concerned about the proposals. MythTV is an open source DVR system which would not be able to function if DRM was used.

Question 3: Do you agree with the proposed change to Condition 6 in the Multiplex B Licence? :

No. The BBC is a public service provider. This change would not be in the public interest.

Question 4: Do you agree that Multiplexes C and D should be granted a similar amendment to their Licences as Multiplex B?. :

No, for the same reasons.

Question 5: Do you agree that the BBC's proposed approach for implementing content management would safeguard citizens and consumers legitimate use of HD content, and if not, what additional guarantees would be appropriate? :

Question 6: Do you agree that the BBC's proposed choice of content management technologies will have only a negligible impact on the cost of HD DTT receivers and their interoperability with other HD consumer equipment? . :

I think the introduction of content management technologies would have a significant impact on the cost of HD DTT receivers and their interoperability.

Question 7: Do stakeholders agree that the BBC's proposed Huffman Code licensing arrangements would have a negligible effect on the market for HD DTT receivers? :

Question 8: Do the BBC's proposed content management states and their permitted use for different categories of HD content meet the requirements of other HD broadcasters on DTT? . :

Question 9: Are there any issues that you consider Ofcom should take into account in assessing the BBC's proposal, that have not been addressed by this consultation?: