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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

Ofcom should only publish this response after the consultation has ended:

You may publish my response on receipt

Additional comments:

I have only just been made aware of this 'public consultation'.
Where has it been publicized? How has the BBC come to the conclusion that its pay masters, the licence payers, would agree to such a restriction? I for one have had no communication about it nor seen any publicity regarding it.

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? :

Although these hardware installations might prevent most viewers from recording and then retaining copies of programmes nothing will prevent what happens now, where copies are made before the data stream even reaches set top boxes and similar coded units.

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, the only reason that set top boxes and freeview enabled televisions have become more reasonably priced is that any manufacturer can make a standard unit for use in any number of countries. What happens when a different specification has to be used for one country, the UK? I cannot believe that costs will continue to go down. I hardly think that foreign producers will refuse to allow their programmes to be shown in the UK if the BBC tell them where to shove their restrictions, the market is worth far too much money in advertising of which there is a plethora on both freeview and freesat channels.

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

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

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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? :

No, why should we allow what was denied by the American courts. I would consider this a form of censure.

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? . :

No, because of my location I was virtually forced to resort to a Freesat installation. The television reception in my area is so appalling that it would have required a 12 foot mast on my roof to be able to receive any Freeview reception at all and then the installers would not have guaranteed reasonable reception

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? :

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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? . :

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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?: