

Additional comments:

Question 1: Do you agree that clearing DTT from channels 61 and 62 and PMSE from channel 69 to align the upper band of cleared spectrum in the UK with the emerging digital dividend in other European countries is likely to further the interests of citizens and consumers to the greatest extent?:

No

Question 2: Do you agree that the proposed DTT migration criteria are proportionate and appropriate? If not, please explain why and clearly identify any other criteria you believe should be adopted and why.:

No Opinion

Question 3: Do you have views on the options identified and our assessment of them? Do you believe there are other, superior options, and, if so, why? Do you agree that the hybrid option is most consistent with the DTT migration criteria?:

No Opinion

Question 4: Do you have views on the implementation-timing options identified and our assessment of them? Do you agree that DSO-integrated implementation is most consistent with the DTT migration criteria? If not, why not?:

No Opinion

Question 5: Do you agree that a programme-control and -governance arrangement such as that outlined above is appropriate?:

No Opinion

Question 6: Do you agree that the four cost categories adequately capture the costs associated with clearing DTT from channels 61 and 62? Are there any costs that do not appear to have been accounted for in any of these categories?:

No Opinion

Question 7: Do you agree that our cost profile is a reasonable basis for planning the capital expenditure for clearing DTT from channels 61 and 62?:

No Opinion

Question 8: Do you agree that these are the most appropriate criteria to assess which spectrum is the best alternative to channel 69 for PMSE?:

yes

Question 9: Do you agree with our technical and coverage analysis of the possible alternatives to channel 69 for PMSE?:

yes

Question 10: Do you agree with our economic assessment of the realistic alternatives to channel 69 for PMSE?:

yes

Question 11: Do you agree that channel 38 is the best alternative to channel 69 for PMSE?:

reluctantly, yes

Question 12: Do you agree that we should award channel 38 to the band manager on the same terms as would have applied to channel 69?:

yes

Question 13: Do you agree with our proposal to maintain PMSE access to channel 36 on 12 months' notice to cease and to the rest of the cleared spectrum (channels 31-35, 37 and 61-69) until DSO is completed in the UK in late 2012?:

yes

Question 14: Do you agree with our approach to determining eligibility for, and our assessment of the level of, funding to move PMSE from channel 69?:

yes

Question 15: Do you agree that three years is long enough for PMSE to move from channel 69?:

no

Question 16: Do you agree that with our analysis of the key impacts of our policy options? Are there any other key impacts we should assess?:

yes - but I estimate you have seriously underestimated the number of unlicensed systems in current use, and these users will not be aware of the shift to channel 38 - and will continue to use the current equipment. These people have no incentive to cease using their equipment as they will not be compensated for retuning/replacing. There will also be an impact in new system purchasing. already professional users and amateur users are delaying buying new equipment as it will not be covered by the compensation scheme, but as yet, the manufacturers have no equipment capable of operating in ch 38 for purchase - so spend has reduced to almost zero. I need to purchase 12 systems, but cannot source ch 38 equipment, and I cannot afford to waste funds on short lifespan equipment on ch 69. rather a mess! Especially with usage increasing.