

Question 1: What can Ofcom do to encourage timely standards development for new build NGA wholesale access products and interfaces? Which industry body is best placed to undertake the standardisation of these products and interfaces? What action should Ofcom take if these standards fail to materialise?:

Question 2: Do you agree with Ofcom's approach to promoting competition and consumer choice in new build fibre access deployments?:

Yes, however more emphasis also should be placed on upgrading areas as well. For example, if work is going to be carried out on a large scale that involves the ducts, it would make sense to use this time to lay down fiber as well.

Question 3a: Do you a. believe that the existing obligations must be met by replicating the existing copper products, or that an alternative approach could be satisfactory? What are the implications of replicating existing products on fibre?:

Question 3b: Do you agree that SMP holders rolling out fibre do not need to roll out a copper network in parallel solely to meet their LLU obligation?:

Yes

Question 3c: Do you agree with Ofcom's approach in relation to WBA and new build areas?:

Question 3d: Do you believe that the WLR obligation must be met by replicating the existing copper product, or that an alternative approach based on an ALA-type product would be satisfactory?:

Question 3e: Do you believe that the CPS obligation must be met by replicating the existing copper product or that an alternative approach based on an ALA type product would be satisfactory?:

Question 3f: Do you believe that the IA obligation must be met by replicating the existing copper product or that an alternative approach based on an ALA type product would be satisfactory?:

Question 3g: Do you agree with our proposal to interpret GC 3.1 (c) as being met through the provision and use of a battery backup facility to maintain uninterrupted access to emergency services in new build developments?:

Question 4: Do you think access to the duct network, including non telecoms duct, is a potentially feasible means of promoting competition in new build? If so what types of commercial and operational models could successfully support such access arrangements in the UK?:

Yes, however, these duct's need to be cheaply accessible to all. To maintain high competition the ducts need to be as open as possible. As the more ISP's that own their own structure, the better backbone of competition there can be.

Comments:

Having spent some time thinking over the issue, there is more I would like to add.