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Representing: Self

What are your comments on these proposals?:

I only wish to comment on Proposal 3 at this time.

I am very concerned that the timings appear to have been recently changed. From the Times 18 April 2007: Whilst Ed Richards, Ofcom's chief executive was defending the lack of radio spectrum for high-definition channels for Freeview, Ofcom announced that AM services would be shut down on 2011 and FM by 2012. In your Proposals above you quote a review in 2012 with FM closure when digital listening reaches 50%. (Currently only 16% use DAB).

If FM services are shut down in 2012, I shall be particularly peeved as I purchased a Bose Lifestyle 48 system for around A33,500 2 years ago which is meant to last beyond 2012. The unit only has analogue radio which I consider excellent quality. Who will compensate me when I lose radio reception?

With regards to motor vehicles, how are drivers going to get motoring updates if FM/AM services are closed? There are currently very few cars with DAB and I am not aware of any adaptors for current radios.

Finally, with no DAB services in Mid-Wales and none currently proposed, how are members of the public supposed to get information regarding emergencies? Manweb/Scottish Power tell us to listen to our local radio station during power cuts. Our local station is Radio Maldwyn on AM.

Please clarify your timetable, I am not against change but ask that current AM/FM services are maintained to 2015.