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Dear Selina,

Proposed amendments to section 7 (equipment location) of the Enterprise Act Undertakings given by BT to Ofcom

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on Ofcom's proposal to modify section 7 of BT's undertakings.

Cable & Wireless support Ofcom's proposals set out in the consultation document. We agree that the Communications Providers Property Users Group is unlikely to be effective and that BT should interface directly with individual Communications Providers. BT's requests appear reasonable.

There is one aspect of the wording, concerning the frequency of updating the vacation list, that we believe Ofcom should re-assess. The proposed new wording completely relaxes BT's requirement to publish vacation information whereas we believe that it is actually more frequent publication that is envisaged. Therefore it would be better to specifically link the frequency of publication to that already provided to LLU operators or to state '...at least every six months.' A change of this type would be more in line with what we understand to be the intent behind this revision.

Yours sincerely,

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