

Name withheld :

Your response

- Question 1: Do you agree that we have identified the right competition concerns?:

Yes

- Question 2: Do you agree with our assessment and provisional conclusions in respect to: Competition Concern 1 (the risk of very asymmetric spectrum shares and in particular Competition Concerns 1(i), 1(ii), and 1(iii)). Competition Concern 2 (the risk of there ceasing to be four credible MNOs? If not, please give your reasons and set out the evidence that supports your view.:

No. Competition concern 2 names Vodafone as a credible MNO but I do not consider it to be one. They are not competitive for consumers in terms of mobile data which you have noted usage of is likely to increase by 1-2 orders of magnitude over the next decade (1.9). They hold 13% of data traffic with 28% of the spectrum (figure 3.4b) and my concern is that there will only be 3 credible MNOs in the data traffic market. Data usage is likely to have greater usage than call data in the future.

- Question 3: Do you agree we have identified the right options to address our competition concerns?:

Yes

- Question 4: Do you agree with our assessment of the options we have identified for promoting competition in the auction? If not, please describe what measures you consider would be appropriate, providing as much evidence as possible to support your preferred approach.:

No. I support option C: caps on immediately usable spectrum combined with an overall spectrum cap. Your currently preferred option (A) would do nothing to prevent BT/EE from having the largest shares of the current spectrum and future 5G spectrums which will be critical for data use. Option C will address current competition concerns whilst also addressing potential future issues. If BT/EE require more 3.4GHz spectrum than they can divest their already significant share of existing spectrums. BT/EE bought large amounts of spectrum back in February 2013 that it has not used so far or has not used widely. As one example, only in September 2016 did EE begin to deploy 30MHz of the 2.6GHz spectrum it bought in 2013.

- Question 5: Do you have any further comments on our proposals on competition measures?:

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- Question 6: Do you agree with our revised proposal on the withdrawal of bids in the auction?:

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