Consultation response form

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Consultation title	Broadband Speeds Code of Practice
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Your response.

The proposals are essentially OK but as well the right to exit should be extended to give the customer the right to a refund as an addition / alternative. This principal has worked well with train companies and I consider that the risk of having to pay compensation has helped organisations to improve the standard of service being provided. Simply losing a customer is not as meaningful as having to pay money back.

1. 1.1 Question 4.7: Do you have any comments on the proposed changes to the codes, as outlined in this consultation document (including Annex 1)? Please provide reasons for your response. In particular:

a. a) Do you agree that the codes should require the provision of speed estimates that reflect peak-time network

congestion?

- b. b) Do you agree that the minimum guaranteed speed should always be given to customers at point of sale?
- c. c) Do you agree that,
 where a customer's speed falls
 below the minimum
 guaranteed level, there should
 be a limit on the length of
 time providers have to fix the
 problem before offering the
 right to exit? Do you agree
 that the limit should be 30
 calendar days?
- d. d) Do you agree that the right to exit should also apply to a landline service sold over the same line, and to pay-TV services purchased at the same time, as the broadband service?
- e. e) Do you agree that the codes should be capable of being applied in full to all standard fixed broadband technologies, including cable and FTTP?
- f. f) How long do you consider that signatories should be given to implement the proposed changes following publication of the final version of the codes?

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