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Additional comments:

700MHZ Band

The 700MGZ band must be reserved for Freeview TV. I feel that mobile data services have enough 4G space and now you are looking to introduce 5G, that's not a problem however it is a problem using 700MGZ which is reserved for TV services. Also 4G is very new as not available on all devices as yet. 4 years is a very short time scale to upgrade 4G to 5G.

You are asking the consumer to scrap their devices and purchase devices that run 5G technology. By releasing 5G broadband starting in 2018 it is too soon. 4G has only been out for the last couple of years. Whilst 3G has been out since the mid 90s

To give away 700MGZ which is set aside for TV HD UHF channels should remain as it is. Consumers love HD TV Freeview HD is at last starting to become popular, you are asking consumers to buy DVB T2 TVs in the future also you are asking TV manufacturers to develop new technology which will be very expensive to develop meaning that consumers will not be able to afford new TVs.

TV Multiplex

COM7 COM8

COM7 has not long started launching channels of Freeview HD this multiplex must expand and COM8 must be launched. It is wrong to close a multiplex that has not been open for long and it is wrong to say that COM8 will launch and then turn round and say that it will never launch.

I understand that changes have to be made to keep up with demand but they need to be made in a professional way. Consumers do not want to spend money that would be a waste of money

You don't have a problem with SkyTV so why have you got a problem with Freeview TV?. You must understand whilst a lot of consumers cannot afford spiralling TV subscription packages, free to air TV should stay consumers must be given the choice what they want to watch and what they can afford. Please do the right thing do not give away 700MGZ to data mobile data services as 4G is still the consumer number 1 choice and let Freeview HD TV expand further by using the 700MGZ and continue to expand COM7 and launch COM8 multiplexes. By halting the Freeview development it is important to note that there are not as many free to air channels yet. Digital UK who manage Freeview channels are in the process of expanding the number of channels that consumers watch, but also they are expanding the number of channels to bring them into line with Sky, Uview, Freesat. Let Freeview continue the way forward bringing great free TV to consumers homes. Every consumer must be given the choice. You have identified using Freeview TV multiplex space as an easy option. You only use TV multiplex space as a last resort. There is lots of multiplex that has not been released please consider releasing some of this before interfering with multiplex space that is being used or will be used in the years ahead. New technology is good but it will be a massive expense to the consumer and manufacturers to develop new technologies.

Question 1:Do you have any comments on Analysys Mason?s approach to quantifying the network cost savings and performance benefits?:

Broadband phone subscription packages need to come down

Question 2:Do you have any comments on the other benefits we have identified including the likely magnitude or how they may be quantified?:

It sounds good but I do not think it will work

Question 3:Do you agree with our assessment of the likely benefits of changing use of the 700 MHz band?:

no reserve this for TV

Question 4:Do you have any comments on our analysis of the implications change of use of the 700 MHz band would have for the DTT platform?:

there other ways where you can find 700MHZ from by rolling out new spectrum for data services

Question 5:Do you agree with our assessment of the likely costs of upgrading DTT transmission infrastructure?:

DTT like any other media platform is expensive. DAB is expensive that's had it's problems but is still expanding

Question 6:Do you have any comments on our assessment of the timeframes within which it might be possible to complete a DTT replan?:

it is to short my estimate for change is 2035

Question 7:Do you have any comments on our assessment of the loss of value from existing DTT services in case of change of use for the 700 MHz band?:

If the 700 MHZ is lost Freeview will be dead. An opportunity missed to expand a service that is very popular with 95% of consumers.

Question 8:Do you have any comments on our analysis of the implications of potential changes for DTT viewers and for the platform? Are there any effects that may be important to viewers that we should consider further?:

cost of a new TV new areal consider disabled people OAP and low income families. The change will be expensive to upgrade equipment

Question 9: Do you have any comments on our consideration of consumer information and support measures and on the factors we should focus on in the next stages of work?:

The consumer comes first along with the media companies its about watching channel choice

Question 10: Do you have views on the activities that Ofcom and other stakeholders could undertake now to help ensure that DTT equipment that consumers might buy in the coming years is as future-proof as possible?:

keep the cost of future SMART TV s and internet devices ie ipad

Question 11: Do you have any comments on our assessment of the impact change of use of the 700 MHz band would have on PMSE?:

You can find anoth MHz band from some ware else or reease a new MHz band block

Question 12: Do you have any comments on the mitigations for loss of access to the 700 MHz band including whether we have correctly identified the replacement bands suitable for further study and whether we have correctly identified actions that the PMSE industry could adopt to improve spectrum efficiency?:

You must use the 700 band for TV you have committed the 700 bad for use in TV you are doing a Uturn if you use it for 5G

Question 13: Do you have any comments on our assessment of the impact of the change of use of the 700 MHz band on the TVWS availability?:

should be for freeview.

Question 14: Do you agree with our use of the Spackman method for discounting both the costs and benefits of change of use?:

no not at all should be left as it is for TV use

Question 15: Do you agree with our approach of estimating the cost of early replacement or should we be considering the full cost? Do you have any comments on how we have estimated the costs of early equipment replacement? :

do the right thing consider the full cost it will be to expensive

Question 16: Do you agree with our overall assessment of the costs of change of use of the 700 MHz band?:

no you cannot go back on something that has already been allocated for future use.

Question 17:Do you have any comments on our assessment of the impact of earlier or later change of use of the 700 MHz band?:

just leave it as it is

Question 18:Do you agree with our proposal that we should make the 700 MHz band available for mobile broadband?:

no they have too much spectrum

Question 19:Do you agree with our proposal that we should seek to implement this change at the earliest possible opportunity?:

no more research needs to be done

Question 20:If, as a result of this consultation, we decided to go ahead with the proposed changes, what factors and evidence should we take into account when considering whether to hold an auction near to the time of availability of the spectrum or earlier?:

If you go a head there will be a lot of consumers up set and I believe that the media industry will not agree with what you would have done. You are considering a very dangerous future proposal. That will not benefit a lot of consumers. You will not be popular with the media industry.

Complete the roll out of the 700 band and keep open CM 7 and release COM 8 once that's completed then consider the future for mobile and data services but do not use what has been allocated for free to air TV use its all about consumer choice not about new technology that might not work if not developed properly. Finish what has been started then move on to new technologies. Free to air TV and pay TV will change but not right now. It is not the right time for it to do so.