

FCS Industry Forum
Register of top 50 major issues
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Industry Forum

1. EU framework review- spectrum management
2. Relationships with BERR and Ofcom
3. Proportional complaints mechanism for smaller companies against regulators' decisions
4. Involvement in UK convergence think tank

Business Radio

1. Value of BR to the economy
2. Certain future access to radio spectrum for CNL and mission critical UK industries
3. Spectrum Auctions are not suitable for BR
4. Review of administrative incentive pricing
5. WT Register security and commercial risks associated with the publication of BR licences; Environmental information regulations
6. Ofcom communications to BR licensees- does not send invoices and licensees do not pay
7. Upheaval when licence liberalisation comes on stream end 2008

Environment

1. Implementation of WEEE Directive- need for a separate category for mobile phones- reuse should be included
2. RoHS
3. Batteries Directive
4. REACH
5. EUP

Fixed SP

1. WLR3- delivery of fit for purpose CP services and product development on time
2. Openreach service levels
3. Directory information, including special directory entries
4. 21CN – roll out of products and exchanges
5. Improve migration policy- establish common process for fixed, bb and mobile
6. Supplier of Last Resort

Installers

1. Encourage widespread use of FCS 1362- the code of practice for installation of mobile equipment in vehicles
2. Revision of the installer accreditation scheme
3. Closer relationship with the vehicle sector and Intelligent Transport Systems
4. Training schemes for installers
5. Installers to be consulted as stakeholders on UK ITS policy

Mobile

1. Mobile number portability for new entrants
2. Barriers to entry for new operators of GSM networks
3. SMS review
4. Countervailing power of incumbent operators
5. Lack of access to networks- must carry
6. Sitefinder db-lower limit of 1w base stations
7. Femtocells
8. Wi Max as an alternative national network

Numbers

1. NTS regulation and Numbering strategy including 03
2. 0870- need for comprehensive review
3. 0871- should not be classed as PRS- should not have onerous regime of PPP enforcement
4. Improved number allocation policy
5. Improve number build and recognition of smaller number range holders by large incumbents
6. Improve fixed number portability- support for Central Number Database
7. Price transparency
8. PRS relationship with Phone Pay Plus and Ofcom and regulatory overlap with other bodies

Spectrum

1. Spectrum allocation policy- not only auctions
2. Spectrum auctions- design so all spectrum does not go to one company
3. Spectrum usage rights
4. Interference management by Ofcom

VoIP

1. Voice quality of IP broadband
2. 999/112 obligations
3. Number portability
4. E-num
5. Growth in hosted services