



Satellite Update June 2018

Ofcom Consultation on the Recovery of Costs for Satellite Filings

This most recent [consultation](#) by Ofcom follows previous consultations on the same topic in 2005 and 2007.

Ofcom proposes several potential charging options, with its preferred option being to charge operators an application fee plus a weighted annual management fee, depending on the type of filing.

In some exceptional cases (e.g. involving exceptional costs or time required to deal with the particular filing), Ofcom may charge an additional fee, to be determined on a case by case basis.

Ofcom's proposed changes would apply to new satellite filings from the 'implementation date' which is the date of the Ofcom Statement (end of 2018). Costs would not be recovered for existing filings or those received prior to this date.

To assist operators, Ofcom has given estimated lifetime charges for different types of filings:

- Advance Publication Information (API) uncoordinated filing notified two years after initial submission - £7,700;
- Coordination Request (CR/C) coordinated filing notified six years after initial submission - £35,300;
- Non-geostationary orbit (NGSO) coordinated filing notified six years after initial submission - £50,900.

***Summary:** On 14 June 2018, Ofcom opened a consultation on the recovery of satellite filing costs from operators.*

Ofcom does not currently recover the costs for filings from organisations (satellite operators).

Ofcom will be hosting a stakeholder workshop on this topic at 10.30am on Friday 20 July 2018.

If you wish to submit a response to this consultation, you must do before 23 August 2018.



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