

to

Consultation Paper

of

Arrangements for Assignment of Additional Spectrum in the 4.9 GHz Band for the Provision of Public Mobile Services and the Related Spectrum Utilisation Fee

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Question 1: Do you have any views on the proposed amendment to the Hong Kong Table of Frequency Allocations as regards the allocation of the 4.80 - 4.83 GHz band to mobile service on a co-primary basis in addition to fixed service, and the 4.99 - 5.00 GHz band to fixed service on a co-primary basis in addition to radio astronomy service?

CMHK: CMHK agrees with the proposed amendment to the Hong Kong Table of Frequency Allocations as regards the allocation of the 4.80-4.83 GHz band to mobile service on a co-primary basis in addition to fixed service, and the 4.99-5.00 GHz band to fixed service on a co-primary basis in addition to radio astronomy service.

Question 2: Do you have any views on assigning the additional spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band by way of auction and allowing all interested parties to apply for participation in the auction?

CMHK: CMHK has no adverse comment on assigning the additional spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band by way of auction and allowing all interested parties to apply for participation in the auction.

Question 3: Do you have any views on the proposal to divide the additional spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band into two 40 MHz blocks?

CMHK: CMHK has no adverse comment on the proposal to divide the additional spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band into two 40 MHz blocks.

Question 4: Do you have any views on the proposed spectrum cap of 40 MHz to be imposed on each bidder?

CMHK: CMHK has no adverse comment on the proposed spectrum cap of 40 MHz to be imposed on each bidder.

Question 5: Do you have any views on adoption of the SMRA auction format for the assignment of the additional spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band?

CMHK: CMHK has no adverse comment on the adoption of the SMRA auction format for the assignment of the additional spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band.

Question 6: Do you have any views on the network and service rollout obligations proposed to be imposed on the successful bidders of the additional spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band, and the associated performance bond (in the case of new assignees of spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band) or undertaking (in the case of existing assignees of spectrum in the 4.9 GHz band) proposed to be provided by successful bidders to secure compliance?

CMHK: CMHK welcomes the fair arrangement for the provision of an undertaking in case an existing assignee of spectrum in the 4.9GHz band becomes a successful bidder of the additional spectrum.

Question 7: Do you have any views on the proposal in relation to the setting and collection of SUF as specified in paragraphs 30 and 31 above?

CMHK: The reserve price should be set at a much lower level than last 4.9GHz auction, to reflect the current economic condition and the previous 4.9GHz auction has only two operators participated.