

Notice of Intention to Grant Metering and Billing Approval

in accordance with section 49(4) of the Communications Act 2003

WHEREAS

- A. OFCOM issued a notification on 15 July 2008 pursuant to section 48(1) of the Communications Act 2003 on a modification to General Condition 11 on Metering and Billing
- B. Paragraph 11.7(b) of the modified General Condition cites The British Approvals Board for Telecommunications ("BABT") as an Approval Body
- C. OFCOM issued a notification on 15 July 2008 of a modification under section 49 of the Communications Act 2003 on the Ofcom Metering and Billing Direction, the Schedule to that notification containing the said Direction
- D. BT has made every reasonable endeavour in the face of new billing platforms and separated lines of business to achieve compliance, and has established a work program to achieve full compliance in a timely manner
- E. The current areas requiring further improvement are not significant to the overall purpose of the Direction.

THEREFORE

1. BABT has issued to British Telecommunications plc (BT) a Metering and Billing Certificate of Technical Compliance number BABT/MET1001 relating to the BT Retail (Consumer) TMBS
2. BABT proposes to give Metering and Billing Approval to the Ofcom Metering and Billing Direction to British Telecommunications plc (BT) in respect of the Retail (Consumer) TMBS
3. The Approval so given will apply to the Total Metering and Billing System (TMBS) providing the Publicly Available Telephone Services cited in the Metering and Billing Scheme Certificate of Technical Compliance and any other Electronic Communications Services also cited therein.
4. BABT is satisfied that British Telecommunications plc (BT) continues to be compliant with the requirements of the said Direction in respect of the BT Retail (Consumer) TMBS
5. The effect of the proposed Approval will be to allow British Telecommunications plc (BT) to keep in service the TMBS providing the services cited in the Metering and Billing Scheme Certificate of Technical Compliance
6. Representations with regard to this Notice must be sent to BABT by 1st August 2011. Please email or send comments in writing, quoting reference MET1001 to:

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Please note that any representations received will be placed in the public domain, unless you advise BABT in a covering note of any part, or all, of the submission that you wish to remain confidential.