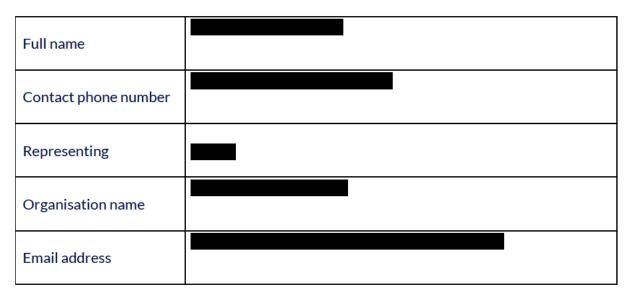


## **Consultation response form**

Consultation on Code 15 amendments to Requirement 3.2.10 and Annex 1: Specified service charges and durations of calls

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Your response: Please indicate how much of your response you want to keep confidential.	Delete as appropriate: None
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## Your response

Please enter your response to each of the consultation questions in the appropriate box below.

Consultation questions	Your response
Q1. Do you agree with our proposal to require a positive opt-in prior to connection by the ICSS provider to the sought organisation?	Yes
Q2. Do you agree with the information that we propose be required to be included in the consumer alert prior to opt-in to ensure transparency and consumer awareness?	Yes
Q3. Do you have any information that would inform our assessment of the impact and especially the financial costs and benefits of our proposals in relation to Requirement 3.2.10?	This is agreed, we would welcome this, and possibly a message that would indicate that the callers are using ICSS

Q4. We welcome input on whether there are any other measures that could support consumer understanding of ICSS. We would like to understand if all network operators are able to provide free pre-call announcements and whether these can be applied to specific service types. It would also be helpful to understand what other technology is available to support free alerts upon connection to ICSS.	Yes, we would welcome this in particular the possibly pre-call announcement by the network operators. This would inform consumers of lower cost alternatives.
Q5. Do you agree with us that it is appropriate and proportionate to cap the service charge of all ICSS calls at £40? Should a lower figure be considered?	We wouldn't want to impact the legitimate use of this service, however a cap at £20 would seem sufficient.
Q6. Do you agree that consumers should be informed before onward connection that calls will be terminated once a maximum charge of £40 (inclusive of VAT) is reached?	Yes
Q7. Do you have any information that would further inform our analysis of the costs and benefits of our proposals in respect of caps on service charges?	Consumer awareness, consumers will not go into vast charges for a service they were not expecting to pay for. They have more opportunities to make their own decisions as to whether they continue the call, knowing what the service charges are.

## Submit your response

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