

News Update

Letters of support

Copies of any letters of support included with applications and subsequent support letters received by the ABA will not be displayed on the web site or in libraries but can be made available for inspection on request. Anyone who has concerns about public access to their personal details should advise the ABA to treat this information as confidential.

Information booklets

Applicants should contact the ABA's Licensing Section on 1800 226 667 or (02) 9334 7700 for copies of the application information booklets for Dunedoo, Mackay and Yarraman.

General information is also available, at: www.aba.gov.au/radio/services/licence_types/community/index.htm.

Applications

From Friday, 24 September 2004, copies of all applications received will be available on the ABA's web site at: www.aba.gov.au/radio/services/index.htm. Copies of all applications received will also be made available for viewing in the Dunedoo Public Library, Mackay Public Library and Yarraman Public Library.

Submissions

The ABA welcomes written submissions from members of the public about the applications. They should be lodged with the ABA by 5 pm, Friday, 8 October 2004. Submissions can also be lodged via email: info@aba.gov.au. [7]

Technical changes to Adelaide community television service proposed

The ABA is proposing to vary the technical specifications of the available community television service in Adelaide.

'The ABA's proposal follows a trial of the

service which has been conducted by Ch31 Adelaide Ltd operating at a different site and higher power and antenna height to that determined in the licence area plan,' said Lyn Maddock, Acting ABA Chair.

The ABA is planning to call for applications for the Adelaide community television licence in the near future.

The proposal, to allow the service to operate on channel 31 from the Ntl tower, Mount Lofty with a maximum effective radiated power (ERP) of 795 kW (omnidirectional), antenna height of 155m and horizontal polarisation. is contained in the draft variation to the Adelaide analog television licence area plan released today for public comment.

In November 2002, the ABA made channel capacity for a community television service in Adelaide, operating from a nominal site at Mount Lofty with a maximum ERP of 20 kW and antenna height of 15 m.

Trials of the Adelaide community television service have been conducted by Ch31 Adelaide Ltd on channel 31 from a site at Summit Road, Crafers with a maximum ERP of 30 kW and antenna height of 155 m.

The ABA has assessed the use of channel 31 at a maximum ERP of 795 kW, equivalent to that of the existing SBS television service, and determined that it is possible for the service to

Temporary community broadcasting licences

Allocated from 31 July to 19 August 2004

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Area served	Licensee	Frequency	Period	Date allocated
New South Wales				
Gosford RA1	Gosford Christian Broadcasters Ltd	94.9 MHz	1.8.2004 to 30.09.2004*	* 18.8.2004
Sanctuary Point RA1	Bay and Basin Community Resources Inc.	92.7 MHz	1.9.2004 to 31.8.2005	19.8.2004
Eden RA1	Eden Community Radio Inc.	104.7 MHz	1.10.2004 to 30.09.2005	19.8.2004
Coonabarabran	Warrumbungles Community	99.5 MHz	30.8.2004 to 20.12.2004	19.8.2004
RA1	Broadcasting Association Inc.			
Coonamble RA1	Warrumbungles Community Broadcasting Association Inc.	91.9 MHz	30.8.2004 to 20.12.2004	19.8.2004
Gilgandra RA1	Warrumbungles Community Broadcasting Association Inc.	98.9 MHz	30.8.2004 to 20.12.2004	19.8.2004
Queensland				
Esk RA1	Brisbane River Valley Radio Inc.	95.9 MHz	12.09.2004 to 11.09.2005	13.8.2004
Western Australia				
Perth RA2	Capital Community Radio Inc.	90.5 MHz*	23.8.2004 to 20.03.2005	13.8.2004
Perth RA2	Western Sports Media Inc.	90.5 MHz*	23.8.2004 to 20.03.2005	13.8.2004
* TCBLs issued under a time sharing arrangement ** Licence period extended				

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