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SECTION 9 STATEMENT

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PUBLICATIONS FOR PURCHASE

Monographs

- Living with Television (\$10.75)
- The People We See on TV (\$10.75)
- From the Dark Side (\$5.40)
- 'Cool' or 'Gross': Children's Attitudes to Violence, Kissing and Swearing on Television (\$10.75)

- Music, New Music and All That: Teenage Radio in the 90s (\$21.65)
- Families and Electronic Entertainment (\$21.65)
- Kids talk TV: 'super wickid' or 'dum' (\$21.65)
- Youth and Music in Australia - Part 1 A Review (\$10.80)
- Headbanging or Dancing? Youth and Music in Australia - Part 2 (\$21.65)
- Community Views About Free-to-air Television, 1999 (\$21.65)

Packages

- Both 'Cool' or 'Gross': Children's attitudes to violence, kissing and swearing on television and Kids talk TV: 'super wickid' or 'dum'. (\$27.05)
- Parts 1 & 2: Youth and Music in Australia (\$27.05)
- Parts 1 & 2: Youth and Music in Australia plus Music, New Music and All That: Teenage Radio in the 90s (\$43.30)
- R Classified Programs on Pay TV (\$10.80)
- Report into the Allocation of Community Radio Broadcasting Licences (Darwin) (\$10.80)
- Report of the Children and Content Online Task Force to the ABA
- Technical Planning Guidelines (\$10.80) (out of print - available on the ABA web site only)
- 20 Years of C - Children's Television Programs and Regulation 1979-1999 (\$21.65)

Trends and Issues

- Audiences and Programs in 1992 (\$5.40)
- Australian Content on Television 1990-92 (\$5.40)
- Viewing Australia-Audience Views About Australian Programs and Film in 1992 (\$5.40)
- Broadcast Audiences in the 90s (\$10.80)
- Views on viewing (\$10.80)
- Compliance: Australian content and children's television 1998 (\$10.80)

Others

- Radio and Television Broadcasting Stations 2000 (\$55)
- Broadcasting Stations DataDisk (\$324.70)
- Commercial Radio Inquiry Final report of the ABA (\$30)
- Commercial Radio Inquiry Report on the ABA investigations into 3AW, 5DN and 6PR (\$35)
- Commercial Radio Inquiry Report on the ABA hearing into 2UE Sydney (\$43.30)
- package: (\$100 all three volumes)
- ABA Update (\$48.70) Yearly subscription -11 issues (\$27.05). Supplementary
- subscription (\$5.40)
- Australian Content on Pay TV (\$10.80)
- Broadcasting Financial Results 1998-99, Disk only (\$541.20)
- Broadcasting Planning Seminar (\$21.65)
- Digital Radio Broadcasting for Australia (\$10.80)
- Digital Terrestrial Television Broadcasting in Australia (\$10.80)
- Digital Terrestrial Television Broadcasting Handbook (\$21.65)
- Infants and Television (\$21.65)
- Inquiry into the Future Use of the Sixth Television Channel (\$10.80)
- The Internet and International Regulatory Issues Relating to Content (\$10.80)
- Investigation into the Content of Online Services June 1996 (\$21.65)
- Interim Australian Broadcasting Planning Handbook (\$81.20)
- (Contains the technical planning guidelines and technical planning parameters and methods for terrestrial broadcasting)
- Investigations into program matters-reports (\$10.80 each)

Investigations into Control

- Prime Television Limited (\$10.80)
- Mr Brian Powers, Mr Kerry Packer, Mr James Packer/John Fairfax Holdings Ltd (\$43.30)
- CanWest/The Ten Group Ltd-third investigation (\$32.45)
- Associated Media Investments/DMG Regional Radio (\$10.80)
- CanWest/The Ten Group Ltd-second investigation (\$43.30)

- CanWest/The Ten Group Ltd (\$32.45)
- Mr Kerry Packer/John Fairfax Holdings Ltd (\$10.80)
- News Corporation Ltd/Seven Network Limited (\$10.80)
- Listening to the Listeners Radio Research (\$54.10)

FREE PUBLICATIONS

Pamphlets

- An Introduction to the ABA
- Complaints about Programs
- ABA Corporate Plan 1999–2003, June 2000
- Annual Report 2000-2001
- Current Controllers of a Broadcasting License (published on request)
- dot com plaint? February 2000
- Service Charter, reprinted July 1999
- Surfing the net? reprinted June 2000
- What every family should know about the Internet, revised January 2000

Fact Sheets

- Broadcasting and Communications Industry Regulators in Australia
- Callsigns
- Class Licences
- Community Radio Broadcasters and Sponsorship Announcements
- Notification Obligations of Commercial Licensees and Controllers
- Planning for Broadcasting Services
- Requests for ABA Opinions Concerning Control of Licences
- A Summary of the Control Provisions of the Broadcasting Services Act 1992
- Subscription Television Broadcasting Services in Australia
- ABA Investigations
- Allocation of Non-BSB Commercial Broadcasting Licences

- How to Read a Licence Area Plan
- Retransmission of Broadcasting Services
- Special Events
- Temporary Community Radio Broadcasting Licences
- Transmitter Licences for New Commercial and Community Broadcasters
- Wireless Microphones, revised November 1999
- Day/Night Switching and Full-Time Power Increases for AM Broadcasting Services

Information Guides/Discussion Papers

- Australian content standard (*Broadcasting Services (Australian Content) Standard 1999*)
- Proposed Standard: Review of the Australian Content Standard November 1998
- Review of the Australian Content Standard, July 1998
- Australian Content on Pay TV Working Paper March 1997
- Children's Television Standards (March 1999)
- Anti-siphoning
- Policy Guidelines on Staff and Facilities Sharing on Commercial Radio (Draft), October 1998
- Allocation of Community Broadcasting Licences - Guide to Applying for a Licence, updated October 2000
- Guide to Allocation of Temporary Community Broadcasting Licences, revised April 2000
- Price-based Allocation of Commercial Broadcasting Licences, Round 13 November 2001
- Price-based Allocation of Open-narrowcasting Licences, Round 13, November 2001
- Guide to Subscription Television Broadcasting Services Analog
- The ABA's General Approach to Planning

- Licence area plans:

Final Licence Area Plans

- Sydney, Katoomba radio and Lithgow radio variation, December 1999
- Melbourne, Geelong, Colac radio June 2000
- Cooma radio July 1999
- Nowra radio August 1999
- Wollongong radio July 1999
- Bendigo radio variation October 1999
- Gosford radio - August 2000
- Brisbane, Sunshine Coast, Gold Coast, Richmond/Tweed, Gympie radio - December 2000
- Remote Central and Eastern Australia radio - December 2000
- Shepparton radio variation - April 2001
- Bridgetown radio variation - May 2001
- Melbourne radio variation - July and October 2001
- Townsville radio variation - August 2001
- Maryborough radio variation - August 2001
- Adelaide radio - September 2001
- Perth radio - October 2001
- Carnarvon radio variation - October 2001

Draft Licence Area Plans

- Gosford, August 1999
- Sydney, Katoomba radio and Lithgow radio variation, August 1999
- Melbourne Geelong Colac radio, December 1999
- Shepparton radio variation December 1999
- Brisbane, Sunshine Coast, Gold Coast, Richmond/Tweed, Gympie radio, June 2000
- Adelaide radio - November 2000 and July 2001
- Perth radio - November 2000 and August 2001
- Carnarvon radio variation - March 2001
- Shepparton radio variation - March 2001
- Sydney radio variation - May 2001
- Melbourne Radio radio variation - May, July and September 2001
- Townsville Radio Draft Variation - May 2001
- Murrumbidgee/Riverina radio - June 2001
- Maryborough radio variation - June 2001
- Variations to Remote North East Zone, Nambour and Gympie radio - July 2001
- Gippsland radio - July 2001
- Western Victoria radio - July 2001
- South East South Australia radio - July 2001

- Spencer Gulf radio - July 2001
- Hobart/Southern Tasmania radio - August 2001
- The ABA's General Approach to Digital Terrestrial Television Broadcasting (DTTB) Planning
- DTTB Digital Channel Plan (including variations)
- New South Wales Part 1 – Sydney, Newcastle, Wollongong and Central Coast
- Australian Capital Territory - Canberra
- Victoria Part 1 - Melbourne
- Queensland Part 1 – Brisbane, Gold Coast, Sunshine Coast, Toowoomba
- Queensland Part 2 – Regional Queensland
- South Australia Part 1 - Adelaide
- Western Australia Part 1 - Perth
- Tasmania Part 1, Hobart
- Northern Territory Part 1 - Darwin and Batchelor
- Draft DTTB Digital Channel Plans
- New South Wales Part 2 – Broken Hill
- New South Wales Part 3 – South Coast
- Victoria Part 2 – Regional Victoria
- South Australia – Part 2 – Regional South Australia
- Tasmania – draft variation
- Commercial Television Conversion Scheme - March 1999
- National Television Conversion Scheme – February 2000
- Options for Implementing Single Frequency Networks for the Australian Digital Terrestrial Television Broadcasting Service, February 2000
- Report to the ABA on the Outcomes of the Studies by the Single Frequency Network Consultative Group, June 2000
- Guidelines for the Broadcasting of Political Matter August 1998
- International Research Forum Newsletter Issues 1 - 8
- International Relations Program of the Australian Broadcasting Authority 1992–1997
- Self-help Guide (second edition)
- Guidelines for the Implementation of Day/Night switching - AM Radio

Research

- Broadcasting Financial Results 1999–00, March 2001
- Community Views about Free-to-air Television, March 2000
- Compliance: Australian Content and Children’s Television 1998, August 1999
- Forum Chronicle (No.8), August 1999
- International Research Forum Newsletter (No.8), September 1999
- International Research on Attitudes to the Internet, November 1999
- Listening to the Listeners - Radio Research, reprinted February 2000
- Media Use among Newly Arrived Immigrants to Australia, April 2000
- 20 Years of C - Children’s Television Programs and Regulation 1979–1999, March 2000
- Commercial Radio Industry, 1978-79 to 1997-98
- Commercial Television Industry, 1978-79 to 1998-99
- Sources of News and Current Affairs
- Commercial Radio Program Format Survey (form 56)

B. Contact Officer: Manager
Financial & Control Section
Sydney Office

- Notification by a Licensee of Changes in Control (Section 63 of the Broadcasting Services Act 1992) (ABA Form 2)
- Notification of Changes in Control (Section 64 of the Broadcasting Services Act 1992) (ABA Form 3)
- Annual Return - Details of Person in Position to Exercise Control and Directorships (Section 62 of the Broadcasting Services Act 1992) (ABA Form 5)
- Annual Return - Notification of Newspaper Interests (Section 65 of the Broadcasting Services Act 1992) (ABA Form 6)
- Application for Prior Approval of Temporary Breach (Section 67 of the Broadcasting Services Act 1992) (ABA Form 7)
- Application for Opinion on Control (Section 74 of the Broadcasting Services Act 1992) (ABA Form 15)

- Annual Notification - Notification of Foreign Interests Exceeding 20% (Section 112(6) of the Broadcasting Services Act 1992) (ABA Form 24)
- Gross Earnings for Licence Fees: Auditors' Statement, Reconciliation Statement, Schedules and Statutory Declarations for Licensed Services (ABA Form 10)
- Annual Return – Commercial Broadcasting Radio Services (ABA Form 17)
- Guidance notes to the Annual Return for Commercial Broadcasting Radio Services (ABA Form 17A)
- Annual Return - Commercial Broadcasting Television Services (ABA Form 18)
- Guidance notes to the Annual Return for Commercial Broadcasting Television Services (ABA Form 18A)
- ABA Policy for the Use of Confidential Licensee and Commercial in Confidence Financial Information
- Annual Return – Pay TV ‘ New Eligible Drama’ expenditure and nomination form (ABA Form 43)

C. Contact Officer: Manager
Policy and Research Section
Sydney Office

- Commercial Radio Industry, 1978-79 to 1997-98
- Commercial Television Industry, 1978-79 to 1998-99
- Sources of News and Current Affairs
- Commercial Radio Program Format Survey (form 56)

D. Contact Officer: Manager
Licensing Section
Sydney Office

- Application for a transmitter licence in the broadcasting services band (ABA 12)
- Commencement of service and contact details

Commercial

- Commercial Broadcasting Licences Allocation Determination No. 1 of 1998 (s 36 Determination)
- Application Form (Price-based Allocation of Commercial Broadcasting licences under s.36 of Broadcasting Services Act) (ABA 27)
- Form of Authority (Price-based Allocation of Commercial Broadcasting licences under s.36 of Broadcasting Services Act) (ABA 28)
- Form of Indemnity & Guarantee (Price-based Allocation of Commercial Broadcasting licences under s.36 of the Broadcasting Services Act) (ABA 29)
- Form of Acknowledgment – Licence Allocation Exercise (ABA 30)
- Form of Acknowledgment – Single Applicant (ABA 31)

Open Narrowcasting

- Radiocommunications (Issue of Broadcasting (Narrowcasting) Transmitter Licences) Determination No. 1 of 1996 as amended (the section 106 Determination).
- Application Form Open Narrowcasting transmitter allocation (ABA 34)
- Form of Authority (Narrowcasting) (ABA 35)
- Form of Indemnity & Guarantee (Narrowcasting) (ABA 36)
- Form of Acknowledgment (Licence Allocation Exercise) (ABA 37)
- Form of Acknowledgment (Single Applicant) (ABA 38)
- Transmitter licences for open narrowcasting services

Permanent Community

- Form ABA 32 October 2000 Application for a community broadcasting licence (in the broadcasting services bands)
- Allocation of community broadcasting licences (broadcasting services bands)
- Community radio broadcasters and sponsorship announcements
- Community of interest ties - community broadcasting licence areas

Temporary Community

- Application for a Temporary Community Radio Broadcasting Licence (Broadcasting Services Bands) (ABA 42)

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- Application for Non Broadcasting Services Bands (non-bsb) commercial broadcasting licence (ABA 20)
- Allocation of non-bsb commercial broadcasting licences

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- Application for Allocation of Subscription Television Broadcasting Licences (ABA 16)
- Subscription television broadcasting services in Australia

Renewals

- Application for the Renewal of a Commercial Television Broadcasting Licence (ABA 8)
- Application for the Renewal of a Commercial Radio Broadcasting Licence (ABA 9)
- Application for the Renewal of a Community Radio Broadcasting Licence (ABA 14)

E. Contact Officer: Manager Investigations Section Sydney Office

- Commercial Radio Codes of Practice and Guidelines (The Federation of Australian Radio Broadcasters Ltd)
- Commercial Television Industry Code of Practice (Federation of Australian Commercial Television Stations)
- ABC Code of Practice (Australian Broadcasting Corporation)
- SBS Code of Practice – (Special Broadcasting Services Corporation)
- Community Broadcasting Code of Practice (Community Broadcasting Association of Australia)
- Subscription Television Broadcasting Codes of Practice (Australian Subscription Television and Radio Association Inc. (ASTRA))
- Radio Subscription Narrowcasting Codes of Practice (ASTRA),
- Television Open Narrowcasting Codes of Practice (ASTRA), and

- Radio Open Narrowcasting Codes of Practice (ASTRA).
- Television Subscription Narrowcasting Codes of Practice (ASTRA).

F. Contact Officer: Manager
Industry Review Section
Sydney Office

- Television Program Standards
- Radio Program Standards
- Australian Content Standard (effective from 1 March 1999)
- Anti-Siphoning List
- Australian Content in Advertising Standard
- Children's Television Standards, Brief History of Regulation
- Children's Television Standards (CTS) (effective 1 March 1999)
- Children's Television Standards (CTS) – Criteria for a Children's Program
- Assessment Procedures for C or P Classification, Children's Television Standards
- Application Requirements for C or P Program Classification

G. Contact Officer: Manager
Planning Section
Canberra Office

- Planning Priorities 1993
- Technical Planning Guidelines, Including the Interference Management Scheme
- Interim Australian Broadcasting Planning Handbook
- Frequency Allotment Plan
- The ABA's General Approach to Analog Planning 2000
- The ABA's General Approach to Digital Terrestrial Television Planning, July 1999
- Digital Terrestrial Television Broadcasting Planning Handbook
- Commercial Television Conversion Scheme Explanatory Paper, March 1999
- National Television Conversion Scheme and Explanatory Paper, February 2000
- Technical Planning Guidelines, including the Interference Management Scheme

- Guidelines for Direct-To-Home Reception of Remote Area Satellite Services
- Implementation Plans Application Forms
- Interim Planning Handbook

H. Contact Officer: Manager
Content Assessment Section
Sydney Office

- Information Sheet - About This Notice
- Restricted Access Systems Declaration 1999
- Content Code 1: ISP Obligations in relation to Internet Access Generally (IIA)
- Content Code 2: ISP Obligations in relation to Access to Content Hosted Outside Australia (IIA)
- Content Code 3: ICH Obligations in relation to hosting of Content Within Australia (IIA)