

Workplan

for allocating community broadcasting licences

The ABA has made 102 new community broadcasting radio licences available as a result of its planning process. The ABA has allocated 28 licences, is considering a further 11 (table 1) and is yet to call for applications for 55 (table 2) and has deferred allocation of 8 (table 3). The ABA proposes to call for applications by February 1999 for single licences in each of the Queensland licence areas of Bundaberg, Emerald, Gladstone and Yeppoon.

See the ABA web site <www.aba.gov.au> for details of the 28 licences allocated to date.

Table 1: Licences advertised, but not yet allocated

Area	No. of licences	Closing date	
NSW	Albury	1	closed
	Bathurst	1	closed
Vic	Bendigo	2	closed
	Shepparton	1	closed
Qld	Cairns	1	closed
	Cunnamulla	1	closed
	Hervey Bay	1	10 March 1999
	Maryborough	1	10 March 1999
WA	Esperance	1	closed
	Meekatharra	1	closed
Total	11		

Table 3: Deferred licences

Area	No. of licences	Licences available after	
NSW	Glen Innes	1	8 Jul 2000
	Gunnedah	1	22 July 2000
	Inverell	1	8 July 2000
	Lithgow	1	18 June 1999
	Moree	1	22 July 2000
	Mudgee	1	16 July 1999
Qld	Gayndah	1	28 October 1999
Vic	Mt Beauty	1	8 October 1999
Total	8		

Table 2: Licences for which applications are yet to be called

Area	No. of licences	
NSW	Cessnock/Maitland	1
	Coffs Harbour	1
	Deniliquin	1
	Deepwater	1
	Grafton	1
	Kempsey	1
	Lake Macquarie	1
	Lightning Ridge	1
	Lord Howe Island	1
	Murrundi/Muswellbrook	1
	Narrabri	1
	Newcastle	1
	Port Macquarie	1
	Port Stephens	1
	Tamworth	1
	Taree	1
Vic	Mildura	1
	Swan Hill	1
	Corryong	1
	Waiwa/Jingellic	1
Qld	Bowen	1
	Bundaberg	1
	Cherbourg	1
	Dalby	1
	Emerald	1
	Gladstone	1
	Mackay	1
	Mareeba	1
	Palm Island	1
	Rockhampton	1
	Toowoomba	1
	Warwick	1
	Wondai	1
	Yeppoon	1
SA	Riverland	1
WA	Bridgetown	1
	Bunbury	1
	Collie	1
	Geraldton	2
	Kalgoorlie	2
	Katanning	1
	Mandurah	1
	Margaret River	1
	Merredin (Bruce Rock)	1
	Narrogin	1
	Northam	1
	Northampton	1
	Port Hedland	1
	Wagin	1
NT	Boorooloola	1
	Katherine	1
	Territories Christmas Island	1
	Cocos Island	1
Total	55	

