



Applications invited for new community radio licences for Brisbane and Gold Coast

The ABA has invited applications for two new community radio licences in Brisbane, and three new community radio licences in the Gold Coast area of Queensland.

Free-to-air community radio licences are allocated on the basis of merit. The ABA anticipates that the Brisbane and Gold Coast licences will be highly contested and encourages applicants to consider combining to present unified applications.

Applicants should contact the ABA's Licensing Section on 1800 226 667 or (02) 9334 7700 for copies of the Brisbane or Gold Coast application information booklet. General information is also available on the ABA's web site at: www.aba.gov.au/what/broplan/community_service.htm

Applications for the licences must be received before 5.00 p.m. Tuesday 17 April 2001. From 20 April 2001, copies of all applications received will be placed for public perusal on the ABA's web site at: www.aba.gov.au/what/broplan/new_licence.htm

Copies of all applications received will also be made available for public perusal in the Brisbane Central City Library, (Cnr George & Adelaide Streets, Brisbane) and the Southport Library (Level L, Australia Fair, Marine Parade, Southport).

Information booklets

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Submissions on the applications

email your submission to info@aba.gov.au by **5 pm 11 May 2001.**

The ABA welcomes written submissions from members of the public about the applications received. Submissions, which may be emailed to info@aba.gov.au, should be lodged with the ABA by 5.00 pm on 11 May 2001. Copies of any letters of support included with applications and any subsequent letters of support received by the ABA will not be displayed on the web site or in libraries. However, statistical data about these letters will be placed on the ABA's web site.

New member for the ABA

Ms Jane Marquard has been appointed as a new member of the ABA for three years commencing on 8 March 2001.

Ms Marquard has experience in both the public and private sectors having been a solicitor with Blake Dawson Waldron and the Director of Public Prosecutions in New South Wales. Between 1994 and 1998 she was Corporate Counsel at the Nine Network and Manager, Public Policy for Publishing and Broadcasting Limited, as well as a Council Member of the Federation of Australian Commercial Television Stations.

The appointment of Ms Marquard is as a part-time Member of the ABA. She is filling a position on the Board that was vacant.

Temporary community broadcasting licences

Allocated in February 2001

Area served	Licensee	Frequency	Period	Date allocated
New South Wales				
Byron Bay	Bay FM Community Radio Inc.	91.3	8-2-2001 to 19-6-2001	5-2-2001
Wollongong	Hellenic Australian Radio Inc. (Wollongong)	93.3	7-2-2001 to 6-2-2002	2-2-2001
Victoria				
Melbourne	Hitz FM Broadcasters Inc.	89.9	26-2-2001 to 1-4-2001	12-2-2001
Melbourne	The Victorian Muslim Community Information Service Inc.	90.7	5-3-2001 to 22-6-2001	26-2-2001
Queensland				
Brisbane	2 Groove (QLD) Association Inc.	97.3	17-2-2001 to 2-4-2001	6-2-2001
Whitsunday	Radio Whitsunday Association Inc.	89.1	16-2-2001 to 15-2-2002	12-2-2001
South Australia				
Adelaide	Music Broadcasting Society of South Australia Inc.	101.5	1-3-2001 to 31-5-2001	20-2-2001
Adelaide	Progressive Dance Network Inc.	100.7	1-3-2001 to 31-5-2001	21-2-2001
Adelaide	Radio Televisione Italiana (SA) Inc.	92.7	1-3-2001 to 3-5-2001	21-2-2001
Adelaide	Way Out West Broadcasters Inc.	100.7	1-3-2001 to 31-5-2001	21-2-2001
Corryong	High Country Christian Broadcasters Association Inc.	94.9	7-3-2001 to 6-3-2002	22-2-2001

