



## Changes proposed for Mildura/Sunraysia radio service

The ABA has proposed changes to the radio service planned to operate at Robinvale, Victoria on 89.1 MHz on the FM band.

Although the frequency is currently being used to provide an open narrowcasting service, in the licence area plan for radio in the Mildura/Sunraysia area the frequency is nominally assigned for community radio retransmission.

The ABA is proposing to change the category of the service to open narrowcasting and is also proposing that the service operate from a nominal site in Mildura.

'The ABA is of the view that this proposal promotes the objects of the Act, including the economic and efficient use of the radiofrequency spectrum,' said Professor Flint.

The ABA released a discussion paper and draft variation to the Mildura/Sunraysia radio licence area plan on 21 August 2002 for public comment.

The period for comment closed on 6 September 2002.

In July 1995, the ABA determined the licence area plan for Mildura/Sunraysia, making an additional community FM radio broadcasting service available in Mildura/Robinvale. The service was to operate at Mildura (107.5 MHz) with a translator at Robinvale (89.1 MHz) The licence was subsequently allocated to the Association of the Blind Ltd (now called Vision Australia Foundation) on 12 September 1996. On 9 December 1996, Vision Australia Foundation advised the ABA that it did not require the Robinvale translator for the next five years.

On 6 March 1997, the frequency 89.1 MHz was made available for an open narrowcasting service in Mildura for five years, under section 34 of the Broadcasting Services Act. Tately Pty Ltd purchased the licence for \$32 000 on 28 May 1997.

On 17 April 2002, Vision Australian Foundation advised the ABA that it is not in a position to establish its transmitter in Robinvale and agreed to the reallocation of the frequency for another purpose.



### C and P programs

*Programs granted C and P classification between 20 August and 24 September 2002. Producers interested in submitting programs for classification should contact the ABA's Children's Television section on (02) 9334 7700.*

<i>Program title</i>	<i>Origin</i>	<i>Class.</i>	<i>New/renewal</i>	<i>Decision dated</i>	<i>Applicant</i>
THE BIG ARVO (series 7, 8)	Australia	C	new	3-9-2002	Seven Network Limited
DEADLY	Australia	PRC	new	11-9-2002	GMD
THE INVISIBLE MOUSE	Australia	CD	new	13-9-2002	Burbank Animation Studios Pty Ltd
JACK HANNA'S ANIMAL	USA	C	renewal	11-9-2002	Seven Network Limited
ADVENTURES (series 2, episodes 2066, 2067)					
JACK HANNA'S ANIMAL	USA	C	renewal	11-9-2002	Seven Network Limited
ADVENTURES (series 3, episodes 2068-2079)					
JACK HANNA'S ANIMAL	USA	C	new	11-9-2002	Seven Network Limited
ADVENTURES (series 4, episodes 2080-2216, 2220)					
OCEAN STAR					
(series 1, episodes 7-13)	Australia	CD	new	26-8-2002	BBHTV Pty Ltd
PLAYHOUSE DISNEY	Australia	P	new	3-9-2002	The Disney Channel Australia
THE SHAPIES					
(series 2, episodes 1-6)	Australia	CD	new	17-9-2002	Light Knights Productions Pty Ltd
SNOBS	Australia	CD	new	11-9-2002	Southern Star Entertainment Pty Ltd
Y? (series 6)	Australia	C	new	20-9-2002	Southern Star Endemol P/L

*C - children's program, CD - C drama, P - preschool, PRC - provisional C, PRP - provisional P, Class. - Classification*