



# News Update

The deadline for written submissions in relation to the applications received is 29 October 2002.

## Port Hedland

The ABA called for applications for a new community radio broadcasting licence for the Port Hedland area of Western Australia: applications closed on 1 October 2002.

Copies of all applications received are available for public perusal in the Port Hedland Library.

Submissions should be lodged with the ABA by 5 p.m. on Tuesday 22 October 2002.

## Tasmania

The ABA has called for applications for four new community radio broadcasting licences for Tasmania. The licences are to serve Hobart South, the Tasman Peninsula, George Town and Northern Midlands.

Applications for all four licences were due by 18 September 2002.

Copies of all applications received are available for public perusal in the State Library of Tasmania (Hobart South), Nubeena Community Library (Tasman Peninsula), Longford Library (Northern Midlands) and the George Town Library.

Submissions should be lodged with the ABA by 5 p.m. 16 October 2002.

## Christmas Island

The new community radio broadcasting licence for Christmas Island, an External Territory of Australia is to provide a service on 102.1 MHz from Drumsite and 105.3 MHz from Rocky Point.

Applications closed on Thursday 10 October 2002. From Thursday 17 October 2002, copies of all applications received will be placed for public perusal on the ABA's website.

Copies of all applications received will also be made available for public perusal in the Christmas Island Library.

The deadline for written submissions in relation to the applications received is 5 p.m. 31 October 2002.



## Extension of time for change of radiofrequency in Adelaide

The ABA has decided to extend the time period within which the Adelaide commercial radio service 5SSA is required to change the operating frequency of its Adelaide Foothills translator. The ABA has extended the time by six months, until 31 March 2003.

A copy of the variation to the Adelaide licence area plan is available on the ABA website at [www.aba.gov.au](http://www.aba.gov.au) or by calling Freecall 1800 810 241.



## Changes proposed for Parkes radio service

The ABA is proposing to change the frequency of an open narrowcasting radio service in Parkes. This will enable the ABA to make channel capacity available for an additional high power national radio service to serve the South West Slopes/Eastern Riverina region.

'The ABA is of the view that this proposal promotes the objects of the Broadcasting Services Act, including the economic and efficient use of the radio frequency spectrum,' said Lyn Maddock, Acting ABA Chair.

The ABA's view is contained in an explanatory paper and draft variation to the Parkes radio licence area plan. The period for public comment closed on 27 September 2002.

