



During February and March 2002, the ABA allocated second commercial radio licences to the operators of radio services in regional Queensland, Victoria and Tasmania.

New commercial FM radio licences for ...

Regional Queensland, Tasmania and Victoria

Victoria

The ABA has allocated second commercial radio licences to the operators of four Victorian radio services.

Votraint No. 691 Pty Ltd, licensee of 3GG Warragul, has been allocated an additional licence for Warragul. Ace Radio Broadcasters Pty Ltd, licensee of 3TR Sale and 3HA Hamilton, has been allocated the additional licences for Sale and Hamilton. Regional Communications Pty Ltd, licensee of 3YB Warrnambool, has been allocated additional licence for Warrnambool.

The new FM band services will cover the same areas as the licensees' existing AM band services. The new Warragul service will broadcast on 94.3 MHz, the new Sale service will broadcast on 99.9 MHz in Sale and on 99.9 MHz in Bairnsdale, the new Hamilton service will broadcast on 88.9 MHz and the new Warrnambool service will broadcast on 95.3 MHz.

Votraint No. 691 Pty Ltd is a subsidiary company of RG Capital Radio Network Ltd and Regional Communications Pty Ltd is a subsidiary company of Ace Radio Broadcasters Pty Ltd.

Tasmania

The ABA has allocated second commercial radio licences to the operators of two Tasmanian radio services.

North East Tasmanian Radio Broadcasters Pty Ltd, licensee of 7SD Scottsdale, and Burnie Broadcasting Service Pty Ltd, licensee of 7BU Burnie, have been allocated the additional licences. Their new FM band services will cover the same areas as their existing AM band services. The new Scottsdale service will broadcast on 99.7 MHz, and the new Burnie service will broadcast on 101.7 MHz.

Both licensees are subsidiary companies of RG Capital Radio Network Pty Ltd.

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Queensland

The ABA has allocated a second commercial radio licence to Rebel FM Stereo Pty Ltd, the licensee of commercial radio service 4SUN in Queensland.

This new FM band service will cover the same areas as 4SUN's existing FM band service. The new service will broadcast on 92.1 MHz in Beaudesert, with translators for broadcasting at 93.7 MHz from Mt Tambourine and 103.3 MHz from Kooralbyn.

Conditions

The Broadcasting Services Act provides for the allocation of an additional commercial radio licence to operators providing the only commercial radio service in a market.

The licensee now has 12 months to get the new service up and running.

