



The new services for Braidwood, Coonamble and Coonabarabran, NSW and George Town, Tasmania will add to the range and diversity of services in each area. The applicants satisfied the ABA that they would meet the existing and perceived future needs of the community in the licence area.

The ABA has made these licences available after consultation with the people of the local communities to seek their views on what additional broadcasting services were needed.

New community radio licences ...

Braidwood, NSW

The successful applicant for the new community radio licence for Braidwood, Braidwood FM Inc., will broadcast on 94.5 MHz on the FM band.

The licence commenced on 22 November 2004.

Braidwood FM Inc. was the only applicant, and its application was assessed with particular regard to whether the proposed service would meet the existing and perceived future needs of the general community in the Braidwood area.

The proposed service will provide programs that will cover a wide range of local issues that will appeal to the general community in Braidwood.

The Braidwood area is served by five national radio services transmitting from Canberra: 2CN, 2RN, 2JJJ, 2ABCFM and 2SBSFM. Braidwood is not in the licence area of any commercial radio service. It is also served by national television services ABC and SBS, and three commercial television services: CBN, CTC and WIN. ☒

Coonamble, NSW

The successful applicant for the new community radio licence for Coonamble, Coonamble Community Radio Inc. (CCRI), will broadcast on 91.9 MHz on the FM band.

CCRI was the only applicant for the licence and is currently broadcasting under a temporary community broadcasting licence that will expire on 20 December 2004. The permanent community radio broadcasting licence will commence on 21 December 2004.

The proposed service will provide programs that will cover a wide range of local issues that will appeal to the general community.

The Coonamble area is currently served by three national radio services: 2ABCRN, 2ABCFM, 2JJJ; and community radio service 2WEB; national television services ABC and SBS, and three commercial television services: CBN6, WIN32 and CTC35. ☒

Coonabarabran, NSW

The successful applicant for the new community radio licence for Coonabarabran, Warrumbungle Regional Radio Inc. (WRRRI), will broadcast on 99.5 MHz on the FM band.

WRRRI was the only applicant for the licence and is currently broadcasting under temporary community broadcasting licences that will expire on 20 December 2004. The permanent community radio broadcasting licence will commence on 21 December 2004.

The proposed service will provide programs that will cover a wide range of local issues that will appeal to the general community.

The Coonabarabran area is currently served by three national radio services: 2ABCRN, 2ABCFM, 2JJJ; national television services ABC and SBS, and three commercial television services: CBN6, WIN32 and CTC35. ☒

George Town, Tas

The successful applicant for the new community radio licence for George Town, TAMAR FM Incorporated, will broadcast on 95.3 MHz on the FM band.

The permanent community radio broadcasting licence commenced on 29 November 2004.

TAMAR FM was the only applicant. Its application was assessed with particular regard to whether the proposed service would meet the existing and perceived future needs of the general community in the George Town area.

The proposed service will provide programs that will cover a wide range of local issues that will appeal to the general community in George Town.

The George Town area is served by five national radio services: 7ABCRN, 7NT, 7ABCRR, 7JJJ and 7ABCFM; four commercial radio services: 7LA, 7AD, 7DDD, 7EX and three community radio services 7LTN, 7RPH and 7WAY. It is also served by national television services ABC and SBS, and two commercial television services: TNT11 and TVT62. ☒