

E-bulletin developed to inform members of the Accredited Persons Scheme

The ACMA launched an e-bulletin in March targeted at members of the Accredited Persons Scheme.

A quarterly e-bulletin, *AP Update* has been developed to provide a regular feed of information to Accredited Persons (APs) and will feature articles on a range of topics including changes to technical documentation and policy developments.

The AP Scheme was established in 1996 as a result of reforms to radiocommunications regulation in the early 1990s. It delivers new business opportunities to the communications industry and a flexible approach to meeting the needs of spectrum users consistent with the objectives set out in the *Radiocommunications Act 1992*. APs support the ACMA's spectrum and apparatus licensing functions, issuing frequency assignment certificates and interference impact certificates.

The inaugural *AP Update* featured information on the recent ACMA restructure, the review of the Accredited Persons Scheme and recent changes to policy and regulation. The bulletin also listed the latest ACMA media releases of interest to APs.

One particular media release covered in the e-bulletin announced the application window dates for 3.6 GHz spectrum covering parts of Queensland and northern New South Wales. The ACMA recently decided to make this spectrum available in regional and remote areas of Australia and this latest release will further support the deployment of broadband wireless access services in parts of Queensland and northern New South Wales. Some APs are already involved in the take-up of this newly available spectrum, having applied for transmitter licences on behalf of clients to provide broadband wireless access services.

In addition to the quarterly e-bulletin, the ACMA will provide updates to APs as they are required. 📧

For more information on the Accredited Persons Scheme, visit the ACMA website at www.acma.gov.au/accreditation.

