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..... A Monthly Round-Up of Press Releases, Reports, Publications and Conferences

Media Releases

Australian Broadcasting Authority

New radio licences for Mandurah, WA, 26/7/96
Sydney community television licence renewed, 26/7/96
ABA considers court ruling on Australian content standard, 2/8/96
No C classification for Smiley series, 6/8/96
ABA invites submissions on commercial TV in remote and regional Western Australia, 21/8/96

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

ABC TV announces budget cuts, 5/8/96
ABC budget response: senior executives, support, radio, 8/8/96
Friends of the ABC fight budget cuts, 12/8/96
Universal access to ABC services essential for future, 18/8/96
ABC Federal budget response, 21/8/96

Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

ACCC to consider Australis Media situation, 21/8/96

Australis Media Limited

Australis proceeds with second stage of recapitalisation plan, 30/7/96
Australis extends consent solicitation, 13/8/96
Board reaches impasse, requests ASX to halt trading, 19/8/96
Joint venture with Optus Vision, 20/8/96

Spectrum Management Agency

Consultations held on the future of the analogue AMPS mobile phone network, 23/8/96

Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman

South Australians question charges for local phone calls, 9/8/96
ACW Services resigns from TIO scheme, 20/8/96

Conferences & Seminars

September:

16, 17 & 18: IIR Conferences: *Understanding the Telecommunications Revolution*, Gazebo Hotel, Sydney. A review of telecommunications systems and networks, technologies and regulation. Presented by Lillian Goleniewski. Cost: \$1975 (3 days), \$1295 (2 days), \$795 (1 day). Contact: tel (02) 9954 5844, fax (02) 9959 4684. Email: iir@ozemail.com.au

20: Malleson Stephen Jaques and CLC: *Australian Content in Electronic Media*, Mallesons Stephen Jaques, Level 60, Governor Phillip Tower. Speakers are Jock Given, Director, CLC and Debra Richards, ABA. Time: 8-9 am. Contact: Jodie Lauretti (02) 9296 3208.

23, 24 & 25: IIR Conferences: *Understanding the Telecommunications Revolution*, All Seasons Swanston Hotel, Melbourne. A review of telecommunications systems and networks, technologies and regulation. Presented by Lillian Goleniewski. Cost: \$1975 (3 days), \$1295 (2 days), \$795 (1 day). Contact: tel (02) 9954 5844, fax (02) 9959 4684. Email: iir@ozemail.com.au

25 & 26: IIR Conferences: *Telecommunications beyond 1997*, Hyatt Regency, Sydney. Speakers include Neil Tuckwell, Chairman, AUSTEL; Allan Horsley, Managing Director, ATUG; Professor Henry Ergas, University of Auckland. Cost: \$1595. Contact: tel (02) 9954 5844, fax (02) 9959 4684. Email: iir@ozemail.com.au

30, 1 & 2 October: IIR Conferences: *Understanding the Telecommunications Revolution*, Gazebo Hotel, Sydney. A review of telecommunications systems and networks, technologies and regulation. Presented by Lillian Goleniewski. Cost: \$1975 (3 days), \$1295 (2 days), \$795 (1 day). Contact: tel (02) 9954 5844, fax (02) 9959 4684. Email: iir@ozemail.com.au

October

16: Malleson Stephen Jaques and CLC: *International Developments in Communications: Privacy and Communications*, Mallesons Stephen Jaques, Level 60, Governor Phillip Tower. Speakers are Bruce Slane, NZ Privacy Commissioner and Chris Connolly, CLC. Time: 6-7.30 pm. Contact: Jodie Lauretti (02) 9296 3208.

16 & 17: IIR Conferences: *Planning for the Introduction of Number Portability*, Hyatt Regency, Sydney. Speakers include Anthony Gallagher, Nynex Cablecomms; Terry Appenzeller, Ameritech; Ron Box, Manager, Number Portability, and Lawrie Clarke, Manager, Numbering, Telstra; Mike Elsegood, Manager, Technical Regulatory, Optus Communications. Cost: \$1195. Contact: tel (02) 9954 5844, fax (02) 9959 4684. Email: iir@ozemail.com.au

November

8: Malleson Stephen Jaques and CLC: *Access to Broadband*, Mallesons Stephen Jaques, Level 60, Governor Phillip Tower. Speakers are Peter Waters, Gilbert & Tobin; Deena Shiff, Malleson Stephen Jaques. Time: 8-9 am. Contact: Jodie Lauretti (02) 9296 3208.

Publications

Australian Broadcasting Authority, *Inquiry into the future use of the sixth television channel*, issues paper, July 1996, 51pp. Available from ABA, PO Box Q500, Queen Victoria Building, Sydney NSW 2000, tel (02) 9334 7700, fax (02) 9334 7799.

Australian Vice-Chancellors' Committee Electronic Publishing Working Group, *Key Issues in Electronic Publishing*, 1996, Canberra, 130pp. Available from AV-CC, PO Box 1182, Canberra ACT 2601, tel (06) 285 8200, fax (06) 285 8211.

NSW Attorney General's Department, *Protecting Confidential Communications from Disclosure in Court Proceedings*, discussion paper. Available from the Legislation and Policy Division of the Attorney General's Department, tel (02) 228 7435 or (02) 228 8103. Comments on the proposals contained in the paper should be made before 15 August 1996 and addressed to The Director General, Attorney General's Department of NSW, GPO Box 6, Sydney NSW 2000.

Australian Broadcasting Authority, *Investigation into the Content of On-line Services*, 1996, 212 pp. Available from ABA, PO Box Q500, Queen Victoria Building, Sydney NSW 2000, tel (02) 9334 7700, fax (02) 9334 7799.

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