

# Policy File



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

## Media Releases

### ACCC

Agreement reached in relation to ACCC's claims in its Federal Court action (joint statement with The Nine Network Australia), 25/10/96

### AUSTEL

Quality of service figures for GSM, 18/10/96

### Australia Post

Report profit announced, 1/10/96

### Australian Broadcasting Authority

New community radio licence for Mildura, 13/9/96

ABA appeals Australian content judgment, 13/9/96

New radio service for Geraldton, WA, 16/9/96

New commercial radio licence for Swan Hill, Victoria, 17/9/96

Radio services for Alice Springs and Mt Isa, 18/9/96

Commercial TV licences for Darwin and Mildura to be auctioned, 19/9/96

ABA to focus on extra radio channels for Sydney, 20/9/96

ABA seeks submission on radio services in Lightning Ridge, 24/9/96

Applications sought for community radio licence in Ceduna, 25/9/96

Radio services for Esperance, Kalgoorlie and Merredin areas, 8/10/96

New commercial radio licences for Katanning and Narrogin, 10/10/96

ABA seeks comment on NZ variations to Australian content standard, 11/10/96

New radio services in remote Central and Eastern Australia, 17/10/96

New ABA guide to anti-siphoning rules, 22/10/96

ABA invite comment on use of the sixth television channel, 27/10/96

### Australian Broadcasting Corporation

ABC Radio 1996-7 budget, 26/9/96

New structure for ABC News and Current Affairs, 26/9/96

### Australian Competition and Consumer Commission

ACCC not to oppose Australis/Optus Vision Pay TV joint venture, 4/10/96

ACCC establishes Internet home page, 11/10/96

ACCC institutes proceedings on Darwin/WA regional TV deals, 24/10/96

### Australian Press Council

Politicians' restriction of media access unjustifiable, 27/9/96

Annual Report released, 17/10/96

Revised Statement of Principles, 23/10/96

### Australis Media Limited

Australis served with Statements of Claim by News/Foxtel and Telstra, 14/10/96

Australis to proceed with recapitalisation, joint venture, 4/10/96

Gamble resigns from Australis, 16/10/96

### Minister for Communications and the Arts - Senator Alston

Second tranche draft of telecommunications legislation, 13/9/96

Submissions called for Film Assistance Review, 20/9/96

Review of Australian content on Pay TV announced, 26/9/96

Cross media Review Issues Paper released, 1/10/96

Third tranche draft of telecommunications legislation, 1/10/96

Government to study health effects of mobile phones and other radiocommunications equipment, 15/10/96

### Optus Vision

Support for ARL re-affirmed, 4/10/96

### Telecommunications Industry Ombudsman

Deputy TIO reports on phone problems in WA, 4/10/96

Annual Report reveals 56% rise in complaints, 9/10/96

### Telstra

Telstra to refund 1.5 ServiceNet customers, 18/9/96

AUSTEL frame relay decision welcomed, 2/10/96

## Conferences & Seminars

### November

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

