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

Media Releases

AAP Telecommunications

AAPT announces international phone agreement with BT, 9/4/96

Australian Broadcasting Authority

Renewal of Sydney Community Television transmitter licence, 1/4/96

New commercial radio licence for Young, NSW, 9/4/96 ABA finds News is not in control of the Seven Network, 11/4/96

Networkeded news coverage on Melbourne AM radio, 18/4/96

New commercial radio licence for Carnarvon, WA, 22/4/96

ABA extends application period for commercial TV licences for Darwin, Mildura and Griffith, 22/4/96 New commercial radio licence but no new commercial TV service for Mount Gambier, 23/4/96

Australian Broadcasting Corporation

ABC Funding, 22/4/96

Australian Centre for Independent Journalism The 'on-line journalist' helps web-wise hacks - http://acij.uts.edu.au/, 2/4/96

Australian Competition & Consumer Commission

ACCC examines Seven & Nine TV long term exclusive supply deals, 2/4/96

Australis Media Limited

Australis Media Limited announces new funding, 19/4/96

Optus Vision

Optus Vision takes legal action to enforce Rugby Union rights, 1/4/96

Optus welcomes confirmation of federal regulations, 11/4/96

Optus Vision delighted with Australis funding package, 19/4/96

Optus Vision clarifies aspects of Seven agreement, 22/4/96

Optus reveals service provider strategy to build profits post '97, 23/4/96

Optus heeds call for Call Centres, 29/4/96

Optus Vision welcomes guidelines for roll out, 30/4/96 Optus Communications announces new CEO, Dr Zygmunt (Ziggy) Switkowski, 30/4/96

Telstra

Telstra and ISSC sign Head of Agreement, 16/4/96

Telstra showcases its services to New Zealand companies, 16/4/96

Telstra's \$50M customer service drive, 17/4/96 Telstra V-Comm launches corporate communications services in India, 19/4/96

Highest weekly growth yet for Telstra Mobile Net Digital, 21/4/96

Telstra announces Lead Manager for \$250M domestic bond issue, 22/4/96

Telstra leads the interactive role, 26/4/96

The Age/The Sunday Age

Three years news on one easy-to-use disk, 22/4/96

Vodafone

Vodafone subscribers put 123 to the test, 3/4/96 Vodafone UK connects half a million digital subscribers, 9/4/95

Conferences & Seminars

June

19: Arts Law Centre: Independent recording agreements, evening seminar 6-7.30pm. Speakers, Mathew Alderson, Gray and Perkins, Lloyd Swanton, Composer, Colin Seeger, Simpsons Solicitors. Cost \$20. Contact: tel (02) 356 2566/1800 221 457, fax (02) 358 6475. Email: artslaw@ozemail.com.au

24 & 25: IIR Conferences: The Internet: Hype or Reality? Golden Gate Hotel, Sydney. Featuring 13 key local speakers plus presentations. Cost: \$1495. Contact: tel (02) 9954 5844, fax (02) 9959 4684. Email iir@ozemail.com.au

26: IIR Conferences: Privatising Telstra, Sydney Marriott. An essential one-day briefing for all corporate and government executives in telecommunications and finance. Featuring expert commentary and analysis. Cost: \$895. Contact: tel (02) 9954 5844, fax (02) 9959 4684. Email iir@ozemail.com.au

24, 25 & 26: IIR Conferences: 1996 New Zealand Telecommunications Summit, The James Cook Centra Hotel, Wellington, NZ. Opening Ministerial address by The Hon Maurice Williamson, Minister for Communications. Cost: \$2095. Contact: tel (09) 379 5892, fax (09) 309 7986.

25 & 26: AIPC Conferences: Restructuring Internal Communications, The Hilton Hotel, Sydney. Issues include using Web technology to revolutionise internal communications, using internal communication as a straegic tool. Cost: \$1595. Contact: tel (02) 262 1990, fax (02) 262 1858.

July

17 & 18: IIR Conferences: Telephone On-line Banking, Hyatt Regency Hotel, Sydney. Key presentations include; Telstra Multimedia, IBM Home Banking, Macquarie Bank. Cost: \$1595. Contact: tel (02) 9954 5844, fax (02) 9959 4684. Email iir@ozemail.com.au

August

6: Consumers' Telecommunications Network (CNT): Dial 'M' for Market, Australian Consumers and Telecommunications Futures, Wesley Conference Centre. Contact: CTN for program and registration details - 1st floor, 128 Chalmers Street, Surry Hills, 2010, tel (02) 318 2026, fax (02) 318 2031. TTY: (02) 318 2967. Email: ctn@peg.apc.org

Publications

Arts Training Australia, *Directory of Vocational Education and Training for the Arts and Cultural Industries*, pp30. Available from Arts Training Australia, PO Box 138, Kings Cross NSW 2011, tel (02) 356 4797. Cost \$10.

Australian Broadcasting Authority, *Investigation into Control - Report into possible breach of section 57, 60, 64 & 131 of the Broadcasting Services Act 1992 by News Corporation Ltd.*, 1996, pp 105. Available from ABA, PO BoxQ500, Queen Victoria Building, Sydney NSW 2000, tel (02) 334 7700, fax (02) 334 7799.

Communications Law Centre, *The Progress of Telecommunications Reform in Australia: The Impact for the Industry and the Consumer*, background paper prepared by Holly Raiche for CLC, given at the IIC Telecommunications Forum, April 1996, pp30. Available from CLC, The White House, UNSW, NSW, 2052, tel (02) 663 0551, fax (02) 662 6839. Email: comslaw@ozemail.com.au

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