# Annual report of regulatory compliance

Provided to the ACCC pursuant to section 118PN of the Radiocommunications Act in relation to the 2016-2017 financial year

#### **Digital Radio Joint Venture Companies**

Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney

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### 1. Executive summary

#### 1.1 Background

This document constitutes the annual report by the digital radio multiplex transmission licensees in Adelaide, Brisbane, Melbourne, Perth and Sydney (JVCs) under section 118PN of the Radiocommunications Act 1992 (Cth) for the 2016-2017 financial year.<sup>1</sup>

On 22 April 2009, the Australian Competition & Consumer Commission (ACCC) determined that an ACCC-modified access undertaking was to apply to multiplex transmission capacity services by the JVCs pursuant to section 118NF(5) of the Radiocommunications Act (the access undertaking).

On 19 June 2013, the JVCs submitted a request to the ACCC to vary the access undertaking and the associated access agreement. Following consultation with stakeholders, the ACCC accepted a revised variation to the access undertaking on 19 December 2013 pursuant to section 118NH of the Radiocommunications Act.

Section 118PN of the Radiocommunications Act provides that, if an access undertaking is in force during the whole or part of a financial year, the JVCs must submit annual reports to the ACCC within 60 days of the end of the financial year, on the following:

- matters specified in the Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licence Procedural Rules 2008 made by the ACCC under section 118PO of the Radiocommunications Act (Procedural Rules); and
- matters that relate to:
  - compliance during that financial year with the access undertaking;
  - compliance during that financial year with the standard access obligations
     (if any) applicable to the licence;
  - compliance during that financial year with the excess-capacity access obligations (if any) applicable to the licence;
  - compliance during that financial year with the distributed-capacity access obligations (if any) applicable to the licence; or
  - compliance during that financial year with the obligations that are applicable to the licence under section 118NP.

The Procedural Rules require the JVCs to cover the following matters within an annual report:

- compliance during that financial year with the access undertaking;
- compliance during that financial year with standard access obligations (if any)
  applicable to the licence;

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Further details about the entities that have lodged this annual report are set out in Attachment A.

- compliance during that financial year with excess-capacity access obligations (if any) applicable to the licence;
- compliance during that financial year with obligations that are applicable to the licence under section 118NP of the Radiocommunications Act (i.e. the JVCs' nondiscrimination obligation);
- any non-compliance (including reasons) with the above;
- steps taken to rectify non-compliance;
- expected completion dates for matters requiring rectification;
- changes to the membership of the JVCs that have occurred during the financial year; and
- any authorisation of third party users.

This annual report covers the matters identified in section 118PN of the Radiocommunications Act and the Procedural Rules in relation to the 2016-2017 financial year.

#### 1.2 Overview of findings

The 2016-2017 financial year was the eighth year in which the JVCs supplied multiplex transmission services to access seekers pursuant to an access undertaking.

The JVCs have been materially compliant with the legislative requirements of the Radiocommunications Act and the terms of the access undertaking and access agreement for the 2016-2017 financial year. The JVCs have supplied the Multiplex Transmission Service to all content service providers in accordance with their legislative and regulatory obligations.

#### 1.3 Confidentiality

There are aspects of this Annual Report that are confidential to the JVCs and which are identified in this document as [C-I-C]. It is requested that aspects of this report that are identified as confidential not be disclosed to the public in accordance with section 13 of the Procedural Rules.

The JVCs do not object to the disclosure of this annual report in its entirety to the Australian Communications and Media Authority in accordance with section 16(1)(f) of the Procedural Rules.

## Compliance with digital radio access undertaking

#### 2.1 Overview

This section sets out whether the JVCs are compliant with key aspects of the access undertakings, including the access agreement that forms part of the access undertakings

and which set out the terms on which the JVCs supply the multiplex transmission service to access seekers.

This annual report does not cover all aspects of the access undertaking and access agreement given there are many aspects of these documents that are non-substantive or which were not operative or relied upon during the 2016-2017 financial year.

The areas of the access undertaking and access agreement covered in this section include:

- the supply obligations of the JVCs in respect of the multiplex transmission service under clause 9 of the access agreement;
- the obligations of the JVCs in respect of financial security under clause 14 of the access agreement; and
- the compliance by the JVCs with the pricing principles in Schedule 2 of the access agreement, including:
  - the efficient cost principle for the inclusion of capital expenditure, operating expenditure and overheads into the cost base of the JVCs under clause 2.4;
  - the determination of the weighted average cost of capital under clause 2.5;
     and
  - the criteria for the calculation of access fees under clauses 2.6.

This section does not explicitly consider the issue of compliance with the standard access obligations and excess capacity access obligations, which are covered in sections 3 and 4 below respectively.

#### 2.2 Supply obligations

Clause 9 of the access agreement:

- forbids the JVCs from preventing an access seeker from obtaining access to the multiplex transmission service in accordance with the access agreement;
- prohibits the JVCs from discriminating between access seekers to which it supplies the multiplex transmission service in relation to technical and operational quality of the service itself, and the technical and operational quality and timing of the fault detection, handling and rectification supplied in respect of the service – this requirement implements the non-discrimination requirement in section 118NP of the Radiocommunications Act; and
- requires that the JVCs make the standard access entitlements and excess-capacity access entitlements available to content service providers.

The JVCs are not, to the best of their knowledge, aware of any non-compliance with clause 9 of the access agreement in the 2016-2017 financial year. The JVCs:

- did not prevent any access seeker from receiving the multiplex transmission service during that period;
- supplied the multiplex transmission service on an identical basis to all access seekers from a technical and operational quality perspective during that period;
   and
- allowed all holders of standard access entitlements and excess-capacity access entitlements to acquire and obtain the benefit of those entitlements.

#### 2.3 Financial security

The JVCs did not require financial security directly from any digital commercial radio broadcasters or digital community radio broadcasters in the 2016-2017 financial year pursuant to the terms of an access agreement.

However, as part of the arrangements with the CBAA that support the acquisition of the multiplex transmission service by digital community radio broadcasters, the JVCs hold the equivalent of 3 months' access fees for 256 Kbps of multiplex capacity as financial security.

While the arrangements between the JVCs and the CBAA provide for the financial security to be adjusted annually to reflect changes to the level of access fees that are payable in the relevant year, the amount of the financial security was not adjusted in the 2016-2017 financial year. This oversight was corrected at the start of the 2017-2018 financial year.

#### 2.4 Efficient cost principle

Clause 3.1 of Schedule 2 of the access agreement limits the costs that the JVCs can recover from access seekers to those costs that have been efficiently incurred. Clause 3.2 and clause 3.3 of Schedule 2 of the access agreement sets out the specific types and categories of costs that are recoverable in accordance with the "Efficient Costs" principle, including:

- capital expenditure;
- operating expenditure; and
- expenditure on corporate overheads.

The JVCs consider that the costs that have been included within its cost base during the 2016-2017 financial year reflect the efficient costs incurred by the JVCs.

The primary costs incurred by the JVCs are in connection with the operation of the main multiplex transmitter site in each capital city and the thirteen on-channel repeater sites.

As at 30 June 2017, there are thirteen on-channel repeater sites in operation. The following table summarises the 'go live' date for on-channel repeaters up to the end of the 2016-2017 financial year:

| Site location          | Operational ("on-air") date |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Mount Mee, Brisbane    | 30 October 2013             |
| Mount Badgelly, Sydney | 15 October 2014             |
| Collaroy, Sydney       | 5 May 2014                  |

| Centrepoint, Sydney             | 30 October 2013  |
|---------------------------------|------------------|
| Newport, Sydney                 | 16 July 2014     |
| Redfern, Sydney                 | 30 October 2013  |
| Winmalee, Sydney                | 17 June 2015     |
| 101 Collins Street, Melbourne   | 17 May 2012      |
| Bacchus Marsh, Melbourne        | 26 March 2014    |
| Fisherman's Bend, Melbourne     | 4 September 2014 |
| Werribee, Melbourne             | 4 May 2016       |
| Mindarie, Western Australia     | 28 May 2014      |
| Central Park, Western Australia | 21 November 2013 |

The capital and operating costs associated with the OCR rollout, and the JVCs' compliance with the efficient cost principle in relation to these costs, were discussed in the 2012-2013 annual report. In summary:

- in relation to capital expenditure the JVCs procured on-channel repeater equipment through a competitive tendering method having regard to the total cost of ownership, thereby ensuring that costs were incurred prudently – this is notwithstanding the fact that the capital costs associated with OCRs have been funded from auction revenue incurred by the JVCs from the allocation of excesscapacity access entitlements; and
- in relation to operating expenditure the JVCs chose the location of on-channel repeater sites based on their ability to mitigate identified black spots, while site access arrangements between the JVCs and tower/rooftop owners were entered on an arm's length basis and other operating costs (such as electricity costs) have been incurred by reference to standard procurement methods.

The JVCs intend to further progress the on-channel repeater rollout in the next financial year. In particular:

- in relation to the Sydney radio area, the current intention is to have an on-channel repeater in operation at Como in Sydney before the end of June 2018; and
- in relation to the Melbourne radio area, the Melbourne JVC is investigating a plan to rollout an on-channel repeater in the Mornington Peninsula area in Melbourne. If the JVC decides to proceed with this repeater, the current expectation is that it would be operational by the end of June 2019.

In addition, during the 2016-2017 financial year:

| • | the JVCs incurred only modest increases to the level of site access fees for its main $% \left( 1\right) =\left( 1\right) \left( 1\right) \left($ |
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|   | transmission sites. [C-I-C]   |
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Broadcast Australia and Agile, as per the arrangements mentioned in the 2014-2015 annual report, had operational responsibility for the five main multiplex transmitter sites and all thirteen on-channel repeater sites in the 2016-2017 financial year. It is expected that Broadcast Australia and Agile will also have operational responsibility for the on-channel repeater site planned for Como, Sydney when it is established and operational.

The JVCs are not aware of any non-compliance with the efficient cost principle contained within the pricing principles in Schedule 2 of the access agreement.

#### 2.5 Weighted Average Cost of Capital

The WACC used by the JVCs during the 2016-2017 financial year is summarised below:

| WACC                  | Value |
|-----------------------|-------|
| Vanilla post-tax WACC | 6.58% |
| Officer post-tax WACC | 5.29% |

As explained in our 2015-2016 annual report, the JVCs reviewed and updated the WACC in that financial year, with the updated WACC being reflected in the revised access fees for the first time in the 2016-2017 financial year.

The table below sets out the revised WACC that was used by the JVCs for the 2016-2017 financial year:

| Parameter                 | Revised values from 2016-17 | 2011 WACC values |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Gearing                   | 30%                         | 30%              |
| Gamma                     | 0.45                        | 0.45             |
| Risk free rate            | 2.85%                       | 5.56%            |
| Inflation                 | 2.5%                        | 2.52%            |
| Equity beta               | 0.7                         | 0.83             |
| Market risk premium (MRP) | 6.0%                        | 6.0%             |
| Cost of equity            | 7.05%                       | 10.53%           |
| Cost of debt              | 5.47%                       | 9.49%            |

| Vanilla WACC          | 6.58% | 10.22% |
|-----------------------|-------|--------|
| Officer post-tax WACC | 5.29% | 8.17%  |

The revised WACC was shared with the ACCC and approved by the JVC boards in May 2016 for application from the 2016-2017 financial year onwards.

The JVCs will review the WACC periodically in coming years in consultation with the ACCC.

#### 2.6 Calculation of access fees

Clause 4.1 of Schedule 2 of the access agreement provides that the JVCs will levy fixed recurring charges based on the amount of multiplex capacity allocated to an access seeker, regardless of whether such capacity is used.

Clause 4.2 establishes a formula for the conversion of the JVCs annualised costs into an annual fixed recurring charge, based on the following formula:

 $AFRC = AC \times BMC/TMC$ 

Where:

**AFRC** is the annual fixed recurring charge.

**AC** is the annualised costs derived under clause 3 of Schedule 2 of the access agreement.

**BMC** is the amount of multiplex capacity allocated to the relevant access seeker.

**TMC** is the total amount of multiplex capacity allocated to all access seekers by the JVC.

The access fees payable by access seekers for the 2016-2017 financial year for standard access entitlements are set out below.

The price changes in all BSA radio areas took effect on 1 July 2016 and remained unchanged for the financial year. The changes were made in accordance with clause 5.2(a) of Schedule 2 of the access agreement, which allows the JVCs to review the fees payable by access seekers to ensure consistency with the pricing principles established in Schedule 2 of the access agreement.

Access seekers received notice of the changes in accordance with clauses 5.2(c) and 5.2(f) of Schedule 2 of the access agreement.

The figures below are the access fees paid by the access seekers for the 2016-2017 financial year. The figures are exclusive of GST.

| BSA Rad<br>Area                | io Access                         | Seekers         | Q3 2016<br>Access Fee<br>(per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | Q4 2016<br>Access Fee<br>(per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | Q1 2017<br>Access Fee<br>(per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | Q2 2017 Access<br>Fee (per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | Total Access<br>Fee paid<br>2015-2016<br>financial<br>year (per 32 |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------|---|---|---|--|--|
| 1. Adelai                      | de 5AD Broa<br>Pty Limite         | _               | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861  | Kbps)<br>\$27,844  |
|                                | Festival C<br>Broadcas<br>Limited |                 | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861  | \$27,844   |
|                                | Nova 91.9<br>Limited              | 9 Pty           | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861  | \$27,844   |
|                                | SCA Digit                         | al Pty          | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861  | \$27,844   |
|                                | Southern<br>Broadcas<br>Limited   |                 | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861  | \$27,844   |
|                                | Triple M /<br>Pty Limite          |                 | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861  | \$27,844   |
|                                | Digital Co<br>Broadcas            |                 | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861   | \$5,861  | \$27,844   |
| 2. Brisbar<br>(Chann<br>9A and | el Commun                         |                 | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531  | \$21,840   |
|                                | Brisbane<br>Radio Pty             |                 | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531  | \$21,840   |
|                                | UBET Rac                          | lio Pty         | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531  | \$21,840   |
|                                | Nova 106<br>Limited               | .9 Pty          | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531  | \$21,840   |
|                                | Radio Ma<br>Brisbane              | _               | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531  | \$21,840   |
|                                | Radio 480<br>Brisbane<br>Limited  |                 | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531  | \$21,840   |
|                                | Today FN<br>Brisbane<br>Limited   |                 | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531  | \$21,840   |
|                                | Triple M Pty Limite               |                 | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531  | \$21,840   |
|                                | Digital Co<br>Broadcas            | mmunity<br>ters | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531   | \$4,531  | \$21,840   |
| 3. Melbo                       |                                   | imited          | \$5,765   | \$5,765   | \$5,765   | \$5,765  | \$25,904   |
| (Chanr<br>9A and               | AKIN BIO                          | _               | \$5,765   | \$5,765   | \$5,765   | \$5,765  | \$25,904   |
|                                | Double T<br>Pty Limite            |                 | \$5,765   | \$5,765   | \$5,765   | \$5,765  | \$25,904   |
|                                | Malbend<br>Limited                | Pty             | \$5,765   | \$5,765   | \$5,765   | \$5,765  | \$25,904   |

| BSA Radio<br>Area | Access Seekers  | Q3 2016<br>Access Fee            | Q4 2016<br>Access Fee            | Q1 2017<br>Access Fee            | Q2 2017 Access<br>Fee (per 32 | Total Access<br>Fee paid                        |
|-------------------|---|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
|                   |   | (per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | (per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | (per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | Kbps, per<br>quarter)         | 2015-2016<br>financial<br>year (per 32<br>Kbps) |
|                   | Nova 100 Pty<br>Limited                                   | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                       | \$25,904  |
|                   | Radio 1278<br>Melbourne Pty<br>Limited                    | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                       | \$25,904  |
|                   | Radio 3AW<br>Melbourne Pty<br>Limited                     | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                       | \$25,904  |
|                   | SCA Digital Pty<br>Limited                                | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                       | \$25,904  |
|                   | SmoothFM 91.5<br>Pty Limited                              | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                       | \$25,904  |
|                   | Triple M<br>Melbourne Pty<br>Limited                      | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                       | \$25,904  |
|                   | Victorian Radio<br>Network Pty<br>Limited                 | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                       | \$25,904  |
|                   | Digital Community<br>Broadcasters                         | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                          | \$5,765                       | \$25,904  |
| 4. Perth          | Consolidated<br>Broadcasting<br>Systems (W.A.)<br>Pty Ltd | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                       | \$29,812  |
|                   | Perth FM Radio<br>Pty Ltd                                 | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                       | \$29,812  |
|                   | Nova<br>Entertainment<br>(Perth) Pty Ltd                  | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                       | \$29,812  |
|                   | Radio Perth Pty<br>Ltd                                    | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                       | \$29,812  |
|                   | Radio 96FM Pty<br>Ltd                                     | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                       | \$29,812  |
|                   | Radio 6PR Perth<br>Pty Ltd                                | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                       | \$29,812  |
|                   | Digital Community<br>Broadcasters                         | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                          | \$7,086                       | \$29,812  |
| 5. Sydney         | 2KY Broadcasters Pty Limited                              | \$6,020                          | \$6,020                          | \$6,020                          | \$6,020                       | \$26,476  |
|                   | ARN Communications Pty Limited                            | \$6,020                          | \$6,020                          | \$6,020                          | \$6,020                       | \$26,476  |
|                   | Commonwealth<br>Broadcasting Pty<br>Limited               | \$6,020                          | \$6,020                          | \$6,020                          | \$6,020                       | \$26,476  |

| BSA Radio<br>Area | Access Seekers                    | Q3 2016<br>Access Fee<br>(per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | Q4 2016<br>Access Fee<br>(per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | Q1 2017<br>Access Fee<br>(per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | Q2 2017 Access<br>Fee (per 32<br>Kbps, per<br>quarter) | Total Access<br>Fee paid<br>2015-2016<br>financial<br>year (per 32<br>Kbps) |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---|---|---|--|---|
|                   | Harbour Radio Pty<br>Limited      | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020  | \$26,476  |
|                   | Nova 96.9 Pty<br>Limited          | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020  | \$26,476  |
|                   | Radio 2CH Pty<br>Limited          | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020  | \$26,476  |
|                   | Radio 2SM Pty<br>Limited          | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020  | \$26,476  |
|                   | Radio 2UE Sydney<br>Pty Limited   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020  | \$26,476  |
|                   | SmoothFM 95.3<br>Pty Limited      | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020  | \$26,476  |
|                   | Today FM Sydney<br>Pty Limited    | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020  | \$26,476  |
|                   | Triple M Sydney Pty Limited       | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020  | \$26,476  |
|                   | Digital Community<br>Broadcasters | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020   | \$6,020  | \$26,476  |

The JVCs are not aware of any non-compliance with clause 5 of Schedule 2 of the access agreement in the 2016-2017 financial year.

## 3. Compliance with standard access obligations

Section 118NL of the Radiocommunications Act imposes standard access obligations on the JVCs, which in turn require the JVCs to supply multiplex capacity to those content service providers that hold standard access entitlements.

The process for the implementation of standard access entitlements is set out in section 118NQ of the Radiocommunications Act.

The JVCs have made standard access entitlements available with the incumbent commercial broadcasters pursuant to section 118NQ of the Radiocommunications Act.

The Radiocommunications Act also requires that the JVCs reserve two-ninths of multiplex capacity under each digital radio multiplex transmitter licence for digital community broadcasters that are nominated by the digital community radio broadcasting representative company (Representative Company) to claim the standard access entitlement.<sup>2</sup>

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Radiocommunications Act, section 118NR(2). See also clause 6.4(b) of access agreement.

The JVCs have made available standard access entitlements to all digital community broadcasters that have been nominated by the Representative Company as being eligible to acquire multiplex capacity in the designated BSA radio area.

The JVCs have met this requirement by allocating standard access entitlements to digital community broadcasters in the 2016-2017 financial year pursuant to the requirements of the Radiocommunications Act and the arrangements that were previously put in place with the CBAA and digital community radio broadcasters. The JVCs are not aware of any non-compliance with their standard access obligations for the 2016-2017 financial year.

## 4. Compliance with excess-capacity access obligations

Section 11NM of the Radiocommunications Act imposes excess-capacity access obligations on JVCs, which in turn require the JVCs to supply multiplex capacity to those content service providers that hold excess-capacity access entitlements acquired in accordance with section 118NT of the Radiocommunications Act.

The JVCs have made excess-capacity access entitlements available to incumbent commercial broadcasters pursuant to section 118NT of the Radiocommunications Act. Further details are available in the 2009-2010 annual report.

No further excess capacity access entitlements were allocated to content service providers in the 2016-2017 financial year.

The JVCs have made available excess-capacity access entitlements to all content service providers that are eligible to acquire the associated multiplex capacity in the designated BSA radio area.

The JVCs are not aware of any non-compliance with their excess capacity access obligations for the 2016-2017 financial year.

## 5. Compliance with non-discrimination obligation

Section 118NP of the Radiocommunications Act prohibits discrimination by the JVCs between content service providers that have access to multiplex capacity in relation to the following:

- the technical and operational quality of the services supplied to the content service providers; and
- the technical and operational quality and timing of the fault detection, handling and rectification supplied to the content service providers.

This obligation is also reflected in clause 9.3 of the access agreement.

The JVCs are not aware of any non-compliance with their non-discrimination requirements.

The JVCs have supplied the multiplex transmission service on an identical basis to all access seekers from a technical and operational quality perspective, including in respect of fault detection, handling and rectification.

This covers the supply of both standard access entitlements and excess-capacity access entitlements.

### 6. Changes to membership

There were no changes to the membership structure of any of the JVCs during the 2016-2017 financial year.

Attachment B sets out the membership of the JVCs, including the percentage of shareholdings and updated business names of the shareholders.

### 7. Authorisation of third party users

Section 114(1) of the Radiocommunications Act provides that the JVCs may, by written instrument, authorise a third party to operate radiocommunications devices under the licence.

During the 2016-2017 financial year, the JVCs have not authorised any third parties to operate radiocommunications devices under this section.

## Attachment A List of JVCs submitting this annual report

This annual report for 2016-2017 has been submitted by the following entities:

- Digital Radio Broadcasting Adelaide Pty Ltd (ACN 128 742 772) Foundation
   Category 1 Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licence Number 1901330
- Digital Radio Broadcasting Brisbane Pty Ltd (ACN 128 742 950) Foundation Category 1 Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licence Number 1901423 and 1901424
- Digital Radio Broadcasting Melbourne Pty Ltd (ACN 128 742 898) Foundation Category 1 Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licence Number 1901421 and 1901422
- Digital Radio Broadcasting Perth Pty Ltd (ACN 128 742 638) Foundation Category
   1 Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licence Number 1901331
- Digital Radio Broadcasting Sydney Pty Ltd (ACN 128 742 978) Foundation Category 1 Digital Radio Multiplex Transmitter Licence Number 1901419 and 1901420.

## Attachment B JVC membership for 2016-2017 financial year<sup>3</sup>

| Digital Radio Broadcasting Adelaide<br>Pty Ltd | Number of shares | Shareholding percentage |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|
| 5AD Broadcasting Pty Limited                   | 13,000           | 16.66%                  |
| Festival City Broadcasting Pty Limited         | 13,000           | 16.66%                  |
| Nova 91.9 Pty Limited                          | 13,000           | 16.66%                  |
| SCA Digital Pty Limited                        | 13,000           | 16.66%                  |
| Southern State Broadcasters Pty<br>Limited     | 13,000           | 16.66%                  |
| Triple M Adelaide Pty Limited                  | 13,000           | 16.66%                  |
| Total  | 78,000           | 100%                    |

| Digital Radio Broadcasting Brisbane<br>Pty Ltd | Number of shares | Shareholding percentage |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|
| ARN Communications Pty Limited                 | 10,000           | 12.50%                  |
| Brisbane FM Radio Pty Limited                  | 10,000           | 12.50%                  |
| UBET Radio Pty Limited                         | 10,000           | 12.50%                  |
| Nova 106.9 Pty Limited                         | 10,000           | 12.50%                  |
| Radio Magic 882 Brisbane Pty Limited           | 10,000           | 12.50%                  |

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Please note that shareholdings have been rounded to 2 decimal points.

Digital Radio Joint Venture Companies

| Radio 4BC Brisbane Pty Limited | 10,000 | 12.50% |
|--------------------------------|--------|--------|
| Today FM Brisbane Pty Limited  | 10,000 | 12.50% |
| Triple M Brisbane Pty Limited  | 10,000 | 12.50% |
| Total                          | 80,000 | 100%   |

| Digital Radio Broadcasting Melbourne<br>Pty Ltd | Number of shares | Shareholding percentage |
|---|------------------|-------------------------|
| 3UZ Pty Limited                                 | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| ARN Broadcasting Pty Limited                    | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| Double T Radio Pty Limited                      | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| Malbend Pty Limited                             | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| Nova 100 Pty Limited                            | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| Radio 1278 Melbourne Pty Limited                | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| Radio 3AW Melbourne Pty Limited                 | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| SCA Digital Pty Limited                         | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| SmoothFM 91.5 Pty Limited                       | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| Triple M Melbourne Pty Limited                  | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| Victorian Radio Network Pty Limited             | 7,000            | 9.09%                   |
| Total   | 77,000           | 100%                    |

| Digital Radio Broadcasting Perth Pty Ltd         | Number of shares | Shareholding percentage |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|
| Consolidated Broadcasting Systems (W.A.) Pty Ltd | 13,000           | 16.67%                  |
| Perth FM Radio Pty Ltd                           | 13,000           | 16.67%                  |
| Nova Entertainment (Perth) Pty Ltd               | 13,000           | 16.67%                  |
| Radio Perth Pty Ltd                              | 13,000           | 16.67%                  |
| Radio 96FM Perth Pty Ltd⁴                        | 13,000           | 16.67%                  |
| Radio 6PR Perth Pty Ltd                          | 13,000           | 16.67%                  |
| Total  | 78,000           | 100%                    |

| Digital Radio Broadcasting Sydney Pty Ltd            | Number of shares | Shareholding percentage |
|--|------------------|-------------------------|
| 2KY Broadcasters Pty Limited                         | 342,425          | 9.27%                   |
| ARN Communications Pty Limited                       | 416,964          | 11.29%                  |
| Commonwealth Broadcasting<br>Corporation Pty Limited | 416,964          | 11.29%                  |
| Harbour Radio Pty Limited                            | 7,000            | 0.19%                   |
| Nova 96.9 Pty Limited                                | 416,964          | 11.29%                  |
| Radio 2CH Pty Limited                                | 7,000            | 0.19%                   |
| Radio 2SM Pty Limited                                | 416,964          | 11.29%                  |

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 $<sup>^4</sup>$  Please note the Annual Report for the 2015-2016 financial year incorrectly referred to "Radio 96FM Pty Ltd". This reference is now corrected.

| Radio 2UE Sydney Pty Limited | 416,964   | 11.29% |
|------------------------------|-----------|--------|
| Today FM Sydney Pty Limited  | 416,964   | 11.29% |
| Triple M Sydney Pty Limited  | 416,964   | 11.29% |
| SmoothFM 95.3 Pty Limited    | 416,964   | 11.29% |
| Total                        | 3,692,137 | 100%   |

