ABA FORMS

The following ABA forms are now available.

Form ABA 2

Notification of Changes in Control Section 63 Broadcasting Services Act 1992

Form ABA 3

Notification of Changes in Control Section 64 Broadcasting Services Act 1992

Form ABA 4

Application for Opinion in Category of Broadcasting Service

Form ABA 5

Annual Return Section 62 Broadcasting Services Act 1992

Form ABA 6

Annual Return Section 65 Broadcasting Services Act 1992

Form ABA 7

Application for Prior Approval of Temporary Breach Section 67 Broadcasting Services Act 1992

Form ABA 8

Application for the Renewal of a Commercial Television Broadcasting Licence

Form ABA 9

Application for the Renewal of a Commercial Radio Broadcasting Licence

Form ABA 10

Gross Earnings for Licence Fees: Schedules, Statutory Declaration and Auditors' Statement

Form ABA 11

Daily Running Sheet and Weekly Running Sheet

Form ABA 12

Application for a Transmitter Licence in the Broadcasting Services Band

Form ABA 13

Application for C and P Program Classification

Form ABA 14

Application for the Renewal of a Community Radio Broadcasting Licence

Form ABA 15

Application for Opinion on Control

Form ABA 16

Application for Allocation of Non Satellite Subscription Television Broadcasting Licences

Form ABA 17

Annual Return, Commercial, Remote or Supplementary Radio Services

Form ABA 18

Annual Return, Commercial or Remote Television Services

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Please note: Forms ABA 2, ABA 3 and ABA 15 have been revised since the last issue of Update.

WAGGA INQUIRY RESTARTS

he ABA has recommenced the inquiry started by Australian Broadcasting Tribunal into the grant of a commercial FM radio licence to serve the Wagga Wagga region of NSW.

The new service would cover Wagga Wagga, Tumut, Gundagai, Junee, Culcairn, Temora, Cootamundra, Coolamon, Lockhart and Narrandera.

This follows a successful appeal by the licensee of existing AM service 2WG (Riverina Broadcasters (Holdings) Pty Ltd), against the decision of the Australian Broadcasting Tribunal to grant a licence to Wagga and Riverina FM Stereo Broadcasters Pty Ltd.

The ABA replaced the Tribunal on 5

October 1992, under the new *Broadcasting Services Act 1992*. The Tribunal's decision in November last year would have given Wagga a second, independent commercial radio service.

The Federal Court set aside the decision and remitted it the Tribunal for further consideration after finding it had made an error of law in deciding to grant the licence to Wagga and Riverina FM.

ABA Member, Mr Tim O'Keefe, will now consider licence applications (which the ABA has asked to be updated) from Wagga and Riverina FM, as well as a submission opposing the grant lodged by Riverina Broadcasters. South West Media Ltd, an applicant for the licence, withdrew

from the inquiry on 22 December 1992.

The criteria against which applications for the Wagga inquiry will be considered include whether the applicant is a fit and proper person to hold the licence; has the financial, technical and management capabilities necessary to provide an adequate and comprehensive service; and is capable of complying with the conditions of the licence.

The public inquiry file, which includes all evidence previously considered during the former Tribunal inquiry and any updated information lodged with the ABA, is available for public inspection at the ABA's Sydney office and the Wagga Public Library.