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Dear Sir/Madam,

I would like to submit two (attached) documents to this Inquiry:

- 1) WA ABC-TV Production 2012:1999
- 2) (ABC) Staff profiles by State 1986-2012

I previously submitted versions of these documents to the *Senate Inquiry into recent ABC programming decisions* (2011). My submission to that Inquiry was #159.

I believe they are very relevant to this current Inquiry and have updated them, and in the case of the TV production list, have changed the format around to show most recent production first.

I believe many of the submissions to the previous Inquiry mentioned above are extremely relevant to this new Inquiry, including my own.

I have also already contributed to this current Inquiry in my position as President, Friends of the ABC Western Australia.

Yours faithfully,

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WA ABC-TV PRODUCTION 2012 - 1999

- 2012** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Factual Series: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
- 2011** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Factual Series: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Factual: *Compass - Rebuilding Bunbury Cathedral* (one-off documentary)
Factual Series: *Can We Help?* (20 x 30min Eps, final series)
News Series: *Australian Story - Mr Quigley's Quandary* (2 parts)
News Series: *Australian Story - Desperate Remedies* (2 parts)
- 2010** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Factual Series: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Factual Series: *Can We Help?* (41 x 30min Eps)
- 2009** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Factual Series: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Factual Series: *Can We Help?* (40 x 30min Eps)
Children's Series: *Rollercoaster Hostings* (multiple shorts for ABC3, final screening Jan 2010)
- 2008** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Factual Series: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Factual Series: *Can We Help?* (40 x 30min Eps)
Children's Series: *Rollercoaster Hosting* (290 shorts, national)
- 2007** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Factual Series: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Factual Series: *Can We Help?* (40 x 30min Eps)
News Series: *Australian Story – Beyond Reasonable Doubt* (3 parts)
Children's Series: *Rollercoaster Hosting* (290 shorts, national)
- 2006** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Factual Series: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Factual Series: *Can We Help?* (28 Eps, national)
Factual Series: *The Pet Show* (37 Eps, national)
Children's Series: *Rollercoaster Hosting* (290 shorts, national)
- 2005** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Factual: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Factual Series: *How The Quest Was Won* (36 Eps, national)
Children's Series: *Rollercoaster Hosting* (multiple shorts for ABC3, national)
Arts: *Boys Don't Dance* (one-off documentary, national)

- 2004** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Factual: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Factual Series: *Reality Bites* - Children's Ward
Factual: *George Negus Tonight* (40 Eps, national)
- 2003** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Factual: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Arts: Festival of Perth (one-off)
Factual Series: *Outback Upfront* (co-pro with ScreenWest & FTI, national)
Factual Series: *People Dimensions* (40 eps, national)
Children's Science Series: *Our Earth* (7 Eps, national)
Factual Series: *George Negus Tonight* (40 Eps, national)
- 2002** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Factual: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Factual Series: *Outback Upfront* (co-pro with ScreenWest & FTI, national)
Children's Science Series: *Atoms Alive* (8 Eps, national)
Factual Series: *Radio Pictures Shorts* (cut-down programs used as fillers, national)
Factual Series: *Police Training Academy* (4 Eps, screened 2003, national)
Factual: Series: *Consuming Passions* (40 short Eps, national)
- 2001** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Sport: Women's National Basketball League (for national broadcast)
Sport: Davis Cup 1st. Round (national)
Factual: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Arts: *Terrace Proms* (one-off)
Arts: *Dennis Cleveland Opera* (one-off, national)
Arts: *Rolf Harris Centenary Concert* (one-off, national)
Children's Science Series: *Atoms of Fire* (7 Eps, national)
Factual Series: *Consuming Passions* (40 short Eps, national)
Factual Series: *Radio Pictures* (10 Eps, national)
- 2000** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Sport: Women's National Basketball League (national)
Factual: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Arts: *Angels in the Architecture* (one-off performance feature)
Arts: *Terrace Proms* (one-off performance)
Arts: *The Planet* (6 Eps, national music program with Lucky Oceans)
Factual Series: *Consuming Passions* (cooking show with Ian Parmenter; 40 short Eps, national)
Factual Series: *Radio Pictures* (10 Eps, national)
Snapshot (200 x 5mins per year)
- 1999** ANZAC Day March & Service
Sport: WA Football League (coverage of a weekly game and half-time programming)
Sport: Hopman Cup Tennis (national)
Factual: *Gardening Australia* – WA-based segments for national program
Children's Science Series: *Waterworks* (4 Eps, national)
Factual Series: *Radio Pictures* (5 Eps, WA only)
Factual Series: *Consuming Passions* (40 short Eps, national)
Snapshot (200 x 5mins per year)

Additional information:-

- Q&A has visited WA on two occasions only (incl. 5th. November 2012).
- Programs such as *Landline*, *Catalyst*, *Compass* & *Australian Story* make stories in WA from time to time, but have no WA-based reporters. *Compass* has no funding to cover WA stories this year (2012).
- South Australian inserts for *Gardening Australia* are currently (2012) being edited at ABC Perth.
- Some post-production of the co-production *Who's Been Sleeping In My House* is currently (2012) carried out at ABC Perth.
- ScreenWest has been filming in TV Studio 61 this year (2012), with minimal usage of ABC staff.
- Over DVD 1,000 copies of the 2010 WAFL Grand Final were sold direct to the public via ABC TV Program Sales in Perth.
- The WA heats of *Symphony Australia Young Performer Awards* have been telecast from Perth, but details unknown.
- The future of coverage of WAFL coverage is unknown, but is expected to cease after next year (2013). This will also mean the end of production of half-time program inserts currently made at the ABC in Perth.
- The announcement this week of a new 5:30pm national News bulletin to be read from Perth as of next year will use no extra staff , resources or funding. The WA newsreader, James McHale, will read the bulletin which is to be compiled and edited by existing staff based in Sydney. Perth was chosen as the studio location because it is the only state where a 5:30pm national bulletin will not interfere with production of the 7pm state bulletin on ABC1. The new bulletin will be read live to the eastern states at 2:30pm WA time (3.30pm in summer) and updated for the WA audience 3 (or 2) hours later. This initiative, whilst not unwelcome, will not result in jobs for ABC staff.

STAFFING PERCENTAGES BY LOCATION 1986-2012

Percentage of total staff:-

Location	1985/6	1994/5	2000/01	2004	2006	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012
NSW	43.5	49	52.1	47.26	46.9	47.5	47.6	48.7	48.5	49.23
VIC	21.1	19	16.4	17.61	17.6	17.4	18.3	18.0	18.1	18.44
QLD	8.7	8	8.2	8.79	9.0	8.8	8.5	8.5	8.8	8.87
SA	8.6	8	6.8	8.29	8.3	8.0	7.8	7.7	7.7	7.58
WA	7.8	7	5.8	6.47	6.3	6.1	6.1	5.9	5.7	5.42
TAS	6.9	5	4.7	4.39	4.6	4.5	4.2	3.9	3.8	3.65
ACT	1.5	2	2.6	3.69	3.8	3.9	3.8	3.8	3.9	3.64
NT	0.9	2	2.8	2.95	2.9	3.2	2.9	2.8	2.7	2.63
O/SEAS	0.9	N/A	0.6	0.54	0.7	0.6	0.8	0.7	0.7	0.54
TOTAL	99.9	100	100	99.99	100.01	100	100	100	99.99	100

Statistics sourced from ABC Annual Reports to Parliament 1985/6, 1994/5, 2000/01, 2004, 2006, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011 & 2012

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