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**Barwon
Region.**

Review into Regional Radio in Australia
Chairman
Paul Neville MP
C/o Communications and Arts Committee
Parliament House
Canberra ACT

House of Representatives Standing Committee on Communications, Transport and the Arts	
Submission No:	245
Date Received:	31/10/00
Secretary:	Janet Holmes

Dear Mr. Neville,

Re: Review of Regional Radio in Australia.

Affiliated to
Victorian Country
Cricket League.

Sir,

**Region 4.
Barwon.**

On behalf of the Barwon Region of the Victorian Country Cricket League I write to you to express our concern at the proposed expansion of networking of Regional Radio Stations under the control of the Federal Minister of Communications.

Barwon Region
Affiliate's include:

Country cricketers and it's supporter base use the local radio stations for the communication of the many facets required in the orderly conduct of cricket in both junior and senior ranks. The services supplied by local radio vary from promotion of the game, adverse weather and pitch conditions, transfer of games, previews and reviews and score services.

Geelong Cricket
Association Inc.

If an increase of networking of radio stations is to continue then the local sporting bodies access to these informative and vital communication links will be lost for all time.

Bellarine Cricket
Association Inc.

The members of the Barwon Region along with all other regional cricket bodies would view with deep concern any further program networking in regional and or rural Victoria.

Geelong Churches
Cricket
Association Inc.

We trust that your "Committee of Review" will no loose sight of the fact that country sport do not have instant access to any other medium than that supplied by rural radio, as an example, the newspapers in some areas do not report the results and information services until up to 4 days after the event, whilst this same edition of the paper would be reporting on the following weekend activities, 3 or 4 days before the event, and as we all know many facets of the game can be changed with such a long lead time.

Southern Leigh
Cricket
Association Inc.

We believe that the above effects should be taken into your consideration when discussing point four of your terms of reference, "The effects on individuals, families and small business in non-metropolitan Australia of networking of radio programming, particularly in relation to local news services, sport and community services".

Colac Cricket
Association Inc.

Delegate.

Yours faithfully,

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