



EMBARGOED UNTIL TABLING – expected at 12.35pm, Monday 12 February 2007

Community Television: Options For Digital Broadcasting

Options for digital broadcasting for community television are discussed in a new report to be released on Monday 12 February 2007 by the House of Representatives Standing Committee on Communications, Information Technology and the Arts.

Report Release

The report is due to be tabled on Monday 12 February in the House of Representatives by Committee Chair, Jackie Kelly, at approximately 12.35pm. The Deputy Chair, Julie Owens, will also provide a tabling statement.

The inquiry into community broadcasting was announced in January 2006. The Committee received 130 submissions and public hearings were conducted across Australia. A second report covering broader community broadcasting issues will be released later this year.

Embargoed copies

Embargoed copies of the report will be available to the Parliament House Press Gallery from the Committee Secretariat in **Suite R1 116 from 10:30am on Monday 12 February 2007.**

Media conference

The Committee will hold a media conference on **Monday 12 February 2007 at 1.00pm**, in **Committee Room 1R3**, Parliament House. The media conference will be webcast live on <http://webcast.aph.gov.au/livebroadcasting/>, and audio broadcast internally on HMS 96.7.

Following tabling

Copies of the report can be obtained by contacting the Committee Secretariat on (02) 6277 4601, emailing cita.reps@aph.gov.au, or on the Committee's website at: http://www.aph.gov.au/house/committee/cita/community_broadcasting/index.htm.

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