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Sent: Fri, 3 Jul 2015 09:38:37 +1200  
To: "Rick Julian" <S9(2)(a)>  
Cc: "Carrie Cooke" S9(2)(a)  
Subject: RE: Call for Expressions of Interest in Crown-reserved  
Frequencies [UNCLASSIFIED]

Thanks Rick understood. I'll give you a call for a chat re the conditions, nothing significant, just a matter of terminology which you can think about or ignore.  
Cheers  
Bruce

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Frequencies [UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi Bruce

Out of scope

Thank you for clarifying the locations of some of the reservations for me. The reason for the EOI for the Hutt Valley frequency is because their licence expires in April 2016 and we're not prepared to just roll it over. We have concerns about their performance and want to test the market, while at the same time giving them plenty of notice to wind up if they don't succeed in keeping the licence.

We're still thinking about the timing of the Wellington EOI and,

indeed, whether or not we should do the others ahead of finalising our review of the policy framework,

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Any feedback you have for me on the "terms and conditions" would be welcomed.

Cheers

Rick

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Frequencies [UNCLASSIFIED]

Hi Rick, (and Robbie)

Re Hamilton 1206KHz (1.206MHz) this is actually at Newstead, not Gordonton - there hasn't been a licence at Gordonton since about 2000 - the Waikato Community access licences have been at Newstead.

(Eureka is the other AM broadcast spot up there for Hamilton - where NZME and Radio New Zealand are located).

Re Kawerau - yvi I think you'll find that this licence will also cover Whakatane quite well, and possibly even Opotoki with a reasonable signal (maybe not full strength, but still generally listenable). I'd need to get someone to do a coverage map for it which might take a little while, (for 32dBW) - but at 36 dBW, the one we sold recently definitely covers Whakatane and Opotiki. I can show you if you want to visit, or can scan you a low res image - but again its at 36dBw, not 32dBW. The existing Iwi licence is a 33 dBW licence so it should be comparable to listen too, if they are using the correct antenna.....

Robbie do you have any idea of coverage from Putauaki (aka previously as Mt Edgecumbe) re the Iwi station there?

The rest are all correct Rick, and re Kaukau - yes we have been protecting the more extensive Kaukau coverage for the Crown, despite the very substandard use made of the licence in the earlier days at Naenae.

Are you saying it's no longer in use at all now, seeing you're looking at reallocating it - or are you just not happy with the incumbent and looking at cancelling their agreement in the future? (They still have a currently registered licence at this point).

Can we also have a quick discussion about terminology in the 'terms and conditions' sections of the documentation please.

Cheers

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To: Bruce Donaldson  
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Frequencies

Hi Bruce

I'm starting to work on the preparations for the EOI for the Lower Hutt licence currently held by Hutt Community Radio Trust and am thinking of using the process to call for EOIs for other unused Crown reserved frequencies at the same time.

Would you mind confirming both the accuracy of the reservations and the location of the licences as shown on the attached document? Am I right, for instance, in stating that the actual reservation for the Wellington licence remains at Kaukau even though Hutt Radio moved it to Hilary Court, Naenae and then to

Maungaraki Reservoir?

Cheers

Rick

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Subject: Community Licences

Hi Bruce

Thanks for your voicemail. I agree we need to be consistent so I will make a point of amending our documentation to read community licences or community broadcasting wherever needed.

At this stage (and if we decide to proceed) I'm looking at mid-July for the call for EOI(s) being issued. As indicated, any further feedback you want to provide will be welcome.

Regards

Rick

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**Subject:** RE: Prospective process around allocation of AM Community licence in Wellington if relinquished by the licensee Wellington Access Broadcasting Soc Inc. [UNCLASSIFIED]

**Attachments:** image001.jpg

Many thanks, Bruce

That is very helpful. We'll see what emerges from the first part of the process and then consider our options.

Kind regards

Rick

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**From:** Bruce Donaldson [S9(2)(a)]  
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**Subject:** Prospective process around allocation of AM Community licence in Wellington if relinquished by the licensee Wellington Access Broadcasting Soc Inc. [UNCLASSIFIED]

Prospective process around allocation of AM Community licence in Wellington if relinquished by the licensee Wellington Access Broadcasting Society Inc.

Hi Rick,

It was nice to talk earlier today.

MBIE will take MCH's guidance on the allocation of licences for Community broadcasting purposes, where a licence agreement is being signed between MCH and a licensee for use of a Crown reserve broadcasting licence.

We note there is a specific licence currently held by Wellington Access Broadcasting Society Inc. on 783kHz at Titahi Bay. This was transferred to them from the Crown (MBIE) following them signing a licence agreement between the Society and MCH. The licence is a full 24 hour licence with the Society as the sole licensee.

If the licence were to be relinquished by the licence holder, either via transfer to the Crown, or via cancellation by the Manager of the Management Right (MBIE) at the request of the licensee, or by MCH, or MBIE, it could be reallocated in one of two ways.

1) The current licence once returned to MBIE could be transferred to MCH for MCH to then provide an authorisation to an operator/transmitter (under s.55 of the Radiocommunications Act 1989). This is the avenue that would be expected if there was no formal licence agreement signed and provided to MBIE. This process was followed for one Iwi/Maori licence in conjunction with TPK while they were sorting out exactly who would become the licence holder.

2) If a formal Crown licence agreement (whether short or long term) was signed with a prospective licence holder then the licence could be transferred to that prospective licence holder (must be a publicly registered legal entity or an individual). This would suit a circumstance where you had a clear understanding with the prospective licence holder of expectations and timelines regarding long term allocation processes. The term of the licence could be shortened to accommodate a short term agreement if this was thought appropriate to safeguard the Crown's interest, before being extended out further at transfer to the final entity to which MCH decided the licence should be allocated.

MBIE strongly advise that MCH seek the Minister of Broadcastings approval to any allocation process in terms of this licence, and also to ensure that if you consider a Pacific Island entity, or Pacific Island content broadcaster, is the appropriate entity to which a licence should be allocated, that the Minister does not consider that this conflicts with previous Government decisions, including we understood at Cabinet level, where a specific set of frequencies were allocated for Pacific Island broadcasting. Those frequencies are currently all allocated and held by NPRT.

At the time of the recent AM/FM auctions 13 and 13a NPRT showed interest in obtaining additional frequencies outside the auction process to help facilitate the provision of transmission of a second programme stream around the country (other than Auckland where an earlier one off exemption was permitted in 2010 for the use of two frequencies in Auckland following NPRT taking over Radio 631 PI).

NPRT subsequently showed interest in the Auction 13a process of purchasing direct an AM frequency in Christchurch and an FM frequency in Masterton, however in the end after generation of appropriate invoice they changed their mind and decided not to make a purchase.

If there were no long term MCH related Community broadcasting interest in the 783kHz AM licence at Titahi Bay, MBIE would expect that the frequency would, in the long term, be removed from the reserved category and released for commercial sale by the Crown for the period to the end of the Management right in April 2031.

Let us know if you have any questions or wish to discuss this further, or if you have a specific allocation process in mind as you approach potential decisions.



Best regards

Bruce

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