

Dear Sir/Madam

Telstra welcomes the opportunity to comment on the ACMA's proposed frequency coordination procedures for apparatus licensed wireless audio devices set out in the draft Radiocommunications Assignment and Licensing Instruction "Wireless Audio Devices: Apparatus Licensing Frequency Coordination Procedures". Sorry about the delay in providing these comments to you – hopefully it is not too late for them to be useful.

Telstra supports the ACMA proposed arrangements. Telstra agrees that the 694-703 MHz, 748-758 MHz and 803-820 MHz segments should only be made available on an interim basis as the optimal longer term use of these segments is still to be determined. In particular, spectrum within the 803-820 MHz segment may be identified for public protection and disaster relief (PPDR) broadband requirements.

Telstra deploys portable or "Cell on Wheels" (COW) base stations at certain major events (such as the Australian Grand Prix (Melbourne), MotoGP (Phillip Island), Australian Open Tennis or AFL Grand Final) to temporarily enhance capacity for its customers in the vicinity of these events. Wireless audio devices located near these temporary mobile base stations may be susceptible to interference from the base stations. It will be important for wireless audio device users to recognise this risk and develop an appropriate mitigation strategy.

Please contact me if you have any questions about the above.

Thanks and regards,

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